



Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee

Mandate and Composition

Mandate	The primary function of the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee is to provide Council with professional and strategic advice on matters that affect Aboriginal Calgarians, and offer ongoing guidance in relation to the implementation of strategies that advance Aboriginal interests in ways that benefit all Calgarians.
Composition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum of 12 and Maximum of 14 Representatives of the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Communities• At least 60 percent plus one should be Aboriginal and will include one Aboriginal Youth.• Members must reside in The City of Calgary, with the exception of up to two Aboriginal members who reside outside of Calgary but within the Treaty 7 territory.

CAUAC Overview; Special meeting of Council March 4, 2019

1. Number of meetings in the last two years.

There have been twenty regularly scheduled committee meetings plus additional special meetings as required. For example, CAUAC met for a full day facilitated session on the Indigenous Relations Office. They will also have additional facilitated engagements on the CAUAC Governance Review

2. Do you have any subcommittees? If yes, please list.

Awards Committee – Chief David Crowchild Awards

- Organization of the annual Chief David Crowchild Memorial Award and CAUAC Youth Achievement Award (held annually in June).
- Adhere to protocols to collaborate with Administration on selection of award recipients and organization of the awards presentation.
- Liaise with the Crowchild family to request their involvement, including the use of the Crowchild teepee.
- Work in conjunction with the communications committee to promote the awards through various media channels.

Communications Committee

- Implementation of the CAUAC Communications Review (work led by consultant).
- Ongoing input to communication channels (CAUAC Facebook page, City of Calgary webpage etc.).

Vibrant Communities Enough for All Indigenous Advisory Committee

- The primary function of the Indigenous Advisory Committee is to liaise with the VCC Board of Directors. The committee has other roles such as providing advice on the overall implantation of the Enough for All strategy.

Aboriginal Standing Committee on Housing and Homelessness

- Members of the Standing Committee support direction and recommendations on the Plan to End Aboriginal Homelessness. ASCHH members participate in subcommittee work and provide voice to various projects related to Indigenous homelessness throughout Calgary and Alberta.

Social Wellbeing Committee

The Social Wellbeing Advisory Committee works with Administration to advise Council on Council and Administrative policies, strategies and service delivery in accordance with the Social Wellbeing Principles.

3. Summary of initiatives, projects, or work completed or ongoing in the last two years.

Truth and Reconciliation

- CAUAC reviewed *Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future: Summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada* and responded with the *White*

Goose Flying report in 2016. Implementation plans for the identified Calls to Action are being developed and operationalized across the Corporation.

Development of the Indigenous Policy Framework and resulting Indigenous Policy

- The Indigenous Policy adopted by Council in 2017 is one of the first of its kind in Canada. It lays out 1.3.1 Ways of Knowing; 1.3.2 Ways of Engaging; 1.3.3 Ways of Building Relationships; 1.3.4 Ways Towards Equitable Environments

Advancement of the Scoping of an Indigenous Relations Office

- CAUAC held initial discussions with the Mayor's Office regarding the establishment of an Indigenous Relations Office and has subsequently worked with Administration to provide input and guidance through the scoping of the feasibility of a distinct office for the City of Calgary

Assistance with Indigenous Awareness Training for Council and Senior Management Team

- CAUAC helped to deliver a half-day session that incorporated traditional ceremony, a blanket exercise and sharing circles with Elder's support. Feedback from these sessions has been very well received.

4. Outline of 2019 workplan.

2019 Workplan will include:

- Governance review will include up to three facilitated sessions with CAUAC members
- Completion of a Communications Strategy for CAUAC
- Support and integration of CAUAC in the Aboriginal Awareness Week Opening Ceremonies
- Chief David Crowchild Award selection and celebration
- Advising and providing input to the engagement for the Indigenous Relations Office
- Continue to develop ways to strengthen the CAUAC and the City's relationships with Urban Indigenous and local Indigenous Nations
- Updating CAUAC's 10 Year Strategic Plan

5. Challenges to fulfilling mandate.

- Demands on the committee members time is increasing substantially
- Turnover of City staff and committee members

6. Additional information you would like to share with Council.