

Background and Previous Council Direction

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Operating grant funding for Civic Partners has been historically approved in the Service Plans and Budgets process. Accountability reporting for Civic Partners includes the Civic Partner Annual Report that has been presented to Council through a Committee since 2010 and includes all Civic Partners with operating grant funding, and the Civic Partner Audit Report to Audit Committee.

Previous Council Direction

The following is a summary of previous Council direction since 2017 related to Civic Partners' operating grant funding approvals and accountability reporting.

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2022 December 14	EC2022-1378	<p>Developing a New Civic Partnership Program</p> <p>1. Direct Administration to establish a Civic Partner Operating Grant Program that aligns with current and future Council directions and return to Council no later than Q3 2023 for approval of the program's terms of reference and funding framework; 2. Direct Administration to use the approved terms of reference and framework to adjust the allocation of grant funding to Civic Partners from 2024 to 2026 following a review of the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budget requests against the new framework; 3. Direct Administration to annually report back to Council on the program via existing Accountability Reports and Civic Partner annual reports; and 4. Approve One-Time Funding of \$360K from the Fiscal Stability Reserve for two temporary FTE's for Partnerships and Corporate Planning and Performance to complete this work in advance of the 2023 Budget Adjustments.</p>

2022 November 08	C2022-1051	<p>2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets</p> <p>Included base operating funding for Civic Partners, and the following one time funding:</p> <p>d. \$900,000 in 2023 to Contemporary Calgary with a subsequent 3rd party review to determine future funding recommendations and eligibility; j. \$1.8 million over 2023-2026 to Calgary Economic Development to progress the work around branding, reputation, hosting and hospitality; k. \$4 million over 2023-2026 to Tourism Calgary to progress the work around branding, reputation, hosting and hospitality; m. \$1 million over 2023-2026 to Federation of Calgary Communities; n. \$4 million over 2023-2026 to Calgary Arts Development Authority; o. \$1.5 million over 2023-2026 to Parks Foundation Calgary; p. \$1.5 million over 2023-2026 to Sport Calgary; q. \$2 million over 2023-2026 to Platform Calgary.</p>
2022 June 07	CD2022-0585	<p>2021 Civic Partner Annual Report</p> <p>That the Standing Policy Committee on Community Development recommend that Council receive this report for the Corporate Record.</p>
2022 April 21	AC2022-0387	<p>2021 Civic Partner Audit Report</p> <p>That the Audit Committee recommend that Council: 1. Receive this report for the Corporate Record; and 2. Direct that Attachments 3, 5 and 6 remain confidential pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 23 (Local public body confidences), and 24 (Advice from officials) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Alberta), to be reviewed 2026 October 22.</p>
2021 June 21	CPS2021-0587	<p>2020 Civic Partner Annual Report</p> <p>That the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services receive this report for the corporate record.</p>
2021 May 20	AC2021-0557	<p>Civic Partner Audit Report</p> <p>That the Audit Committee recommend that Council: 1. Receive this report for the Corporate Record; and 2. Direct that Attachments 3, 5 and 6 remain confidential pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 23 (Local public body confidences), and 24 (Advice from officials) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Alberta), to be reviewed 2026 October 22.</p>

2020 November 02	CPS2020-1051	<p>2019 Civic Partner Annual Report</p> <p>That the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services receive this report for the corporate record.</p>
2020 October 22	AC2020-1049	<p>Civic Partner Audit Report</p> <p>That the Audit Committee recommend that Council: 1. Receive this report for the Corporate Record; and 2. Direct that Attachments 3, 5 and 6 remain confidential pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 23 (Local public body confidences), and 24 (Advice from officials) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, to be reviewed 2026 October 22.</p>
2019 July 23	C2019-0901	<p>Proposed 2019 Budget Reductions</p> <p>One Calgary 2019-2022 to provide immediate tax relief to non-residential property owners. Council's approval included reductions to Civic Partner base operating grants.</p>
2019 May 27	CPS2019-0538	<p>2018 Civic Partner Annual Report</p> <p>That the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services receive this report for the corporate record.</p>
2019 April 23	AC2019-0472	<p>Civic Partner Audit Report</p> <p>That Audit Committee recommends that Council: 1.Receive this report for information; and 2.Direct that this report and Attachments 2, 4 and 5 remain confidential under Sections 23(1) (b), 24(1)(b), and 16(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Alberta) until such time as six years from this date.</p>
2018 November 14	C2018-1158	<p>One Calgary Service Plans and Budgets</p> <p>This report included an amendment to the Calgary Public Library budget, a net zero change to the budget with a .25% of the rate increase to be removed from corporate costs and invested in an economic development and tourism strategy according to the recommended distribution to Calgary Economic Development, Tourism Calgary Special Events Fund, Heritage Park, Calgary Technologies Inc., Inflation, Parks Foundation Calgary; a net zero change to the budget with a .25% of the rate increase to be removed from corporate costs and invested in an economic development and tourism strategy according to the recommended distribution to Calgary Arts Development Authority; and a one time transfer from the Fiscal Stability Reserve of \$2 million in 2019 to be</p>

		allocated to Calgary Economic Development as bridge financing for operations.
2018 May 28	CPS2018-0577	<p>2017 Civic Partner Annual Report</p> <p>That the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services receive this report for the corporate record.</p>
2018 April 17	AC2018-0409	<p>Civic Partner Audit Report</p> <p>1. Receive this report for information; and 2. Direct that this report and all attachments remain confidential under Sections 23(1) (b), 24(1)(b), and 16(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Alberta) until such time as six years from this date.</p>
2017 November 27	C2017-1123	<p>Action Plan 2018 Adjustments Bylaws 45M2017 and 46M 2017</p> <p>Included operating budget reductions. As a result, The Calgary Public Library Board's annual base operating grant was reduced by \$685,000 for 2018.</p>

Bylaws, Regulations, Council Policies

Investing in Partnerships Policy (CPS2017-01)

The *Investing in Partnerships Policy* classifies City of Calgary partners into categories that drive accountability and other requirements. Civic Partners are classified into two categories: Strategy Delivery, and Program and Service Delivery. The Policy supports a clear line of sight between The City's investment in a partnership and the results achieved; consolidated data to inform decision-making; greater effectiveness through clearer accountabilities, reporting, and risk management; and greater efficiency and cost-savings through improved knowledge transfer and reduced duplication of administrative time and effort.