

Calgary



# Amendments to the Council Policy on Governance and Appointments of Boards, Commissions and Committees, EC2024-0376

2024 May 14

## RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Committee recommend that Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Council Policy on *Governance and Appointments of Boards, Commissions and Committees* (CP2016-03).





## Highlights

- Proposed amendments to the Council Policy (CP2016-03) will allow for Indigenous persons residing outside of the city of Calgary to be appointed as Public Members on City Boards, Commissions and Committees (“BCCs”).
- Removes barriers to participation, which contributes to good governance.
- Contributes to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and the *White Goose Flying* report recommendations by acknowledging the relationship between the City of Calgary and Indigenous peoples in the Treaty 7 region.

Section 5.9 governs the eligibility of Public Members and their appointment to BCCs.

## ***“5.9 Eligibility of Public Members***

*5.9.1 Applicants must satisfy Eligibility requirements in order to be selected for appointment.*

*5.9.2 Unless otherwise outlined in a BCC’s Governance Document(s), Public Members must be:*

*a) Residents of Calgary; and*

*b) At least 18 years of age.*

*5.9.3 A BCC’s Governance Document(s) may outline Eligibility requirements for Public Members that are in addition to the Eligibility requirements outlined in section 5.9.2.”*

# Proposed Amendment to CP2016-03

Insert the following in Section 5.9.2:

**b) Indigenous persons who may reside outside of Calgary but are residents of the Calgary surrounding area within the Treaty 7 region, including those Indigenous persons who belong to the Blackfoot Confederacy, made up of the Siksika, Piikani, Amskaapipiikani and Kainai First Nations; the Îethka Nakoda Wîcastabi First Nations, comprised of the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Goodstoney First Nations; and the Tsuut'ina First Nation, and those persons who are Métis, including citizens of the Otipemisiwak Métis Government residing in Foothills Métis District 1, Medicine Hat Métis District 2, Red Deer Métis District 3, Rocky View Métis District 4, Calgary Nose Hill Métis District 5 and Elbow Métis District 6; and**

In alignment with previous Council direction made at the 2024 October 24 Organizational Meeting of Council to amend the Anti-Racism Action Committee's governance document to allow for Indigenous persons residing in the Treaty 7 region to be appointed to City BCCs.

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