

Community Services Report to
Community Development Committee
2024 May 22

ISC: UNRESTRICTED
CD2024-0224

Bylaw to Establish the Council Advisory Committee on Housing

PURPOSE

This report requests three readings of the proposed Bylaw to establish a Council Advisory Committee on Housing.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

On 2023 November 28, Council approved the establishment of a Council Advisory Committee on Housing and directed Administration to return to Council with the required Bylaw.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Community Development Committee recommend that Council:

1. Give three readings to the Council Advisory Committee on Housing Bylaw (Attachment 2).
2. Direct Administration to recruit members through The City Clerk's Office Boards, Commissions and Committees annual recruitment campaign.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, 2024 MAY 22:

That Council:

1. Give three readings to the Council Advisory Committee On Housing Bylaw, **Proposed Bylaw 22M2024** (Attachment 2); and
2. Direct Administration to recruit members through The City Clerk's Office Boards, Commissions and Committees annual recruitment campaign.

Opposition to Recommendations: Councillor Chabot

Excerpt from the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Community Development Committee, 2024 May 22:

“A presentation entitled "Have a "HART"!" was distributed with respect to Report CD2024-0224.”

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

GM Katie Black concurs with the content of this report. A Council Advisory Committee on Housing contributes to independent feedback on The City's implementation of Home is Here: The City of Calgary's Housing Strategy 2024-2030 as well as other Council approved housing initiatives.

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Council directed the establishment of a Council Advisory Committee on Housing (the Committee) in response to an exploration of various models that could be considered for a "Housing Security Commission".
- The Committee's mandate will be to provide Council with:
 - advice and recommendations on previously approved Council initiatives which address the housing crisis.
 - independent monitoring and feedback on The City's progress towards addressing housing affordability.
 - support for collaboration and advocacy between City Administration, Council, other orders of government, professionals within the housing sector and Calgarians.
- Boards, Commissions and Committees strengthen decision-making by providing an opportunity for diverse representation and opportunities to take part in shaping our city's future direction.
- The Committee will bring together voices from across the housing sector and from Calgarians with lived experience.

DISCUSSION

Calgary is in a housing crisis. Responding to this crisis requires sustained and focused collaboration and monitoring. The Committee is complementary to Administration's ongoing commitment to housing as a priority and will ensure continued focus on this key issue.

The Committee shall consist of a minimum of nine members and a maximum of 15 members from:

- (a) housing developers;
- (b) market rental housing operators;
- (c) non-market housing developers and operators;
- (d) homeless-serving agencies, second stage shelters and transitional housing operators;
- (e) Indigenous People living in Calgary;
- (f) Calgarians with lived experience related to homelessness, housing precarity, and non-market tenancies;
- (g) Calgarians with knowledge of or lived experience related to housing for seniors, post-secondary students, and families with children;
- (h) Calgarians with knowledge of or lived experience related to universal access design standards and housing for equity deserving communities including newcomers.

In addition, the Director of Partnerships will be a member of the Committee.

Council's approval of the Bylaw is required to establish the Committee. If approved, Administration will recruit members through the annual Boards, Commissions and Committee's recruitment process for Council's consideration and approval at the fall Council Organizational Meeting.

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EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public engagement was undertaken | <input type="checkbox"/> Dialogue with interested parties was undertaken |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public/interested parties were informed | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public communication or engagement was not required |

IMPLICATIONS

Social

Boards, Commissions, and Committees strengthen our community through diverse representation and by providing Calgarians the opportunity to take part in our city's future direction. A Council Advisory Committee on Housing will bring together voices from across the housing sector and from Calgarians with lived experience to increase equitable outcomes for Calgarians seeking safe, affordable, and supportive housing.

Environmental

None.

Economic

The Committee's advice and recommendations will inform decision-making to address Calgary's housing crisis, which in turn will have a positive impact on Calgary's economic growth and prosperity.

Service and Financial Implications

Existing operating funding - base

The new Board, Commission and Committee Public Member Remuneration and Expense Policy requires business units to remunerate and reimburse expenses to public members. This was estimated to be \$93,000 per year for the Council Advisory Committee on Housing.

Resources exist in the previously approved Affordable Housing line of service budget.

RISK

The Bylaw for the Committee will ensure that risks related to governance, clarity of roles and responsibilities, scope and decision making are managed effectively.

Risks related to the Committee member recruitment process will be mitigated by following the Council policy on Governance and Appointments of Board, Commissions and Committees (CP2016-03).

ATTACHMENTS

1. Previous Council Direction and Background
2. **Proposed Bylaw 22M2024**
3. Presentation
4. **Public Submission Received at Committee**

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