

# Background and Previous Council Direction

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The Business Advisory Committee (BAC) had its first meeting in April 2019. Since that time, meetings have been conducted with the Committee and a Working Group, comprised of representatives from a cross-section of business sectors.

BAC has been a conduit for seeking improvements to The City's business environment and several projects and programs have been developed to improve the experience that a business faces with The City.

Recently, BAC has not been meeting but work is ongoing by Administration and in consultation with the BAC Working Group.

At the Regular Meeting of Council on 2024 June 18, Council approved Notice of Motion EC2024-0719 – Transitioning the Business Advisory Committee, which would disband BAC and transition it to an Administration-led committee.

## Previous Council Direction

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2024 June 18	EC2024-7019	Transitioning the Business Advisory Committee This Notice of Motion sponsored by Councillors Sharp and Spenser recommended to Council to disband the Business Advisory Committee and subcommittees, and rescind its Terms of Reference, no later than 2024 September 06. Council approved this Notice of Motion.
2019 March 18	C2019-0351	Business Advisory Committee Terms of Reference Terms of Reference and establishment of the mandate for the Business Advisory Committee. Council approved the Terms of Reference.
2018 October 15	C2018-1219	Business Advisory Committee This Notice of Motion sponsored by Councillor Sutherland recommended to Council to create a Business Advisory Committee with City of Calgary Administration and external groups that represent the business sector. This was in response to show that Calgary is perceived as “open for business” to investors and business owners.