

# Background and Previous Council Direction

## **ANTI-RACISM ACTION COMMITTEE**

### Background

The Anti-Racism Action Committee (“ARAC”) advises Council and provides leadership on the development and implementation of a community-based anti-racism strategy, monitors emerging community opportunities and challenges related to racism, identifies systemic barriers to accessing City of Calgary programs and services, and recommends actions and opportunities to work with community partners and organizations on actions to address structural racism.

A previous vacancy remained following the resignation of Shiva Souri, effective 2024 March 14. The City Clerk’s Office submitted Report C2024-0504, Member Resignations and Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees, to the 2024 April 30 Regular Meeting of Council to inform Council of the resignation. At that time, the Anti-Racism Action Committee decided to leave the position vacant. Report C2024-0504 was postponed to the 2024 May 28 Regular Meeting of Council.

On 2024 April 12, the administrative resource staff of the ARAC informed the City Clerk’s Office of the resignation of Public Member Iftu Hargaaya effective 2024 April 11.

On 2024 April 29, the administrative resource staff of the ARAC informed the City Clerk’s Office of the resignation of Public Member Rosalinda Hernandez effective 2024 April 26.

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DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION / DESCRIPTION
2024 May 28	C2024-0504	<b>Member Resignations and Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> Council thanked Shiva Souri for their service on the Anti-Racism Action Committee.
2023 October 24	N2023-0817	<b>2023 Public Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> Shiva Souri was appointed to the Anti-Racism Action Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2025 Organizational Meeting of Council.
2022 October 25	N2022-0979	<b>2022 Public Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Iftu Hargaaya was appointed to the Anti-Racism Action Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2024 Organizational Meeting of Council.</li> <li>○ Rosalinda Hernandez was appointed to the Anti-Racism Action Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2024 Organizational Meeting of Council.</li> </ul>

2021 November 15	N2021-1207	<b>Public Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> Iftu Hargaaya was appointed to the Anti-Racism Action Committee for completion of a two-year term expiring at the 2022 Organizational Meeting of Council.
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## Bylaws, Regulations, Council Policies

### Anti-Racism Action Committee Terms of Reference

5. Composition

The Anti-Racism Action Committee is meant to comprise a diverse and inclusive membership. It will consist of:

1. At least 11 Calgarians, and no more than 13, with expertise in challenging structural racism and/or community organizing.
2. Up to two members of The City of Calgary Senior Leadership Team (non-voting).

7. Term

Committee members will be appointed for an initial two-year term, set to expire at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council. Subsequent terms will be one-year terms with the opportunity for up to three one-year renewals.

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## **BIODIVERCITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### Background

The BiodiverCity Advisory Committee provides Council and Administration with strategic advice on matters affecting urban biodiversity in The City of Calgary. The Committee advances the commitments and procedures identified within Our BiodiverCity, Calgary's 10-year Biodiversity Strategic plan (2015-2025), The Durban Commitment: Local Governments for Biodiversity, and the Climate Strategy.

On 2024 May 21, the administrative resource staff of the BiodiverCity Advisory Committee informed the City Clerk's Office of the resignation of Public Member Christine Song, effective 2024 May 15.

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DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION / DESCRIPTION
2022 October 25	N2022-0979	<b>2022 Public Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees</b> Christine Song was appointed to the BiodiverCity Advisory Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2024 Organizational Meeting of Council.

### Bylaws, Regulations, Council Policies

#### **BiodiverCity Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference**

##### Composition

The BiodiverCity Advisory Committee is comprised of 15 members appointed by resolution of Council at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council:

- 5 members who represent the technical industry or research field with a background in biology, ecology, horticulture, applicable field in engineering (e.g., waste management, storm water management, hydrology, etc.), planning, economics, community health, recreational management or similar.
- 2 members who represent the ecological literacy field with a background in art, education and/or communications.
- 2 citizens-at-large with an interest in biodiversity and ecological literacy.
- 1 youth (18 to 30 years of age) with an interest in biodiversity and ecological literacy.
- 5 members of City Administration from any of the following Departments: Planning and Development Services; Law; Operational Services; Infrastructure Services; Community Services; People, Innovation & Collaboration Services; Corporate Planning & Financial Services.

##### Term

One year for youth member and two years for all other members.

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## **HERITAGE CALGARY**

### Background

Heritage Calgary is a charitable Civic Partner of The City of Calgary which advises Council on matters relating to Calgary's heritage, evaluates potential historic sites, maintains Calgary's inventory of evaluated historic resources and promotes public awareness of shared heritage.

On 2024 April 15, the administrative resource staff of Heritage Calgary informed the City Clerk's Office of the resignation of Public Member Janet McCready, effective 2024 April 12.

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DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION / DESCRIPTION
2023 October 24	N2023-0952	<b>Civic Partner Appointments</b> Janet McCready was appointed to Heritage Calgary for a two-year term expiring at the 2025 Organizational Meeting of Council.
2020 October 26	N2020-1050	<b>Civic Partners Appointment Report</b> Janet McCready was appointed to the Calgary Heritage Authority (operating as Heritage Calgary) for a three-year term expiring at the 2023 Organizational Meeting of Council.
2017 October 30	C2017-1069	<b>Consideration of Applicants for Appointment to Advisory, Review and Interest Group BCCs</b> Janet McCready was appointed to the Calgary Heritage Authority for a term set to expire at the 2020 Organizational Meeting of Council.

### Bylaws, Regulations, Council Policies

#### Calgary Heritage Authority Amendment Act, 2022

Appointments and terms of directors

- 6(1) The Council must appoint at least 8 but no more than 12 Directors to the Board, each for a term not exceeding 3 years.

#### Heritage Calgary Bylaw 1

5. Composition

5.1 The Board shall be composed of not less than 8 and not more than 12 Directors by the process set out in the Act.

5.2 A Director will be appointed for a term of up to 3 years and may thereafter be re-appointed for additional terms, to a maximum tenure of 9 years.