

Calgary Salutes Committee: Revised Mandate and Annual Budget

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2025 June 17



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Calgary Previous Council Direction

- 2023 June 6: Regular Meeting of Council: established a new 'Calgary Salutes Committee,' to coordinate the support and planning of local military ceremonial and community activities.
- 2023 July 25: Council adopted Terms of Reference; directed the Committee to return to Council with proposed amendments to the mandate of the Committee and Subcommittees.
- 2024 October 29: Council directed Administration to report back to Executive Committee with a recommendation for a yearly budget for the Calgary Salutes Committee.

Calgary Highlights

- **Clarified Mandate**: The Committee has refined its structure and mandate to strengthen strategic coordination of military recognition efforts through three focused subcommittees.
- Annual Budget Approval: Up to \$30,000 in existing discretionary funding is proposed to support event planning, communications, and ceremonial hosting activities.
- **Community and Military Impact**: The Committee continues to foster civic engagement, honor military service, and contribute to community well-being through inclusive events and recognition programs.

Calgary Proposed Bylaw

- Developed by the Committee through strategic sessions and working groups:
 - Changes to membership;
 - Change from 'Education and Training' subcommittee to 'Community Engagement' Subcommittee;
 - Clarity of focus for each subcommittee, as well as Coordinating Committee.

Calgary Proposed Annual Budget

Proposed budget of up to \$30,000 from existing Partnerships budget for the following activities:

- Hosting: hosting visiting members of the Canadian Armed Forces, including dinners, working sessions, or small receptions;
- Communications: development of a web presence, logo and marketing materials;
- Event Support: travel to events outside of Calgary to show support for the Canadian Armed Forces;
- Event Delivery: funding for up-front expenses related to delivering events such as securing venues and catering, permits and logistics, and to help leverage additional sponsorship.



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