



# Climate Advisory Committee Bylaw Presentation

CD2025-0479

2025 June 12





# Recommendation:

1. That Community Development Committee recommend that Council give three readings to the proposed Climate Advisory Committee Bylaw in Attachment 1.



# Previous Council Direction

As part of the recommendations in CD2024-0803, Council approved the following direction:



- 1. Direct Administration to return to Council by Q2 2025 with an update to the Climate Advisory Committee Terms of Reference to explicitly include the mandate of biodiversity and update the member composition to include biodiversity expertise.*





# Proposed Terms of Reference Amendments

## 1. Mandate

- To provide Council and City Administration with strategic advice and recommendations on policies and strategic initiatives that relate to climate change mitigation and adaptation *in support of human and ecosystem resilience*

## 2. Specific Responsibilities

- Advise Council on *connecting economic and social development to biodiversity and healthy natural systems and ecosystem services*

## 3. Water & Nature Subcommittee

- Added biodiversity to the mandate
- Invited three BiodiverCity Advisory Committee members to join subcommittee

## 4. Other:

- Converted the Terms of Reference to a bylaw
- Removed all references of the Calgary Climate Panel (outdated)
- One new Climate Change area of expertise identified



# Proposed Membership Composition

## Climate Change expertise

Six to 11 members

- Insurance or risk management\*

*\*In addition to previously defined climate areas*

## Citizens at Large with an interest in climate change

One to two members

## Biodiversity expertise

Two members

- Biology
- Ecology
- Ecosystem services
- Horticulture
- Wetland science
- Wildlife / environmental management

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