

# Background and Previous Council Direction

## Advisory Committee on Accessibility

### Background

The Advisory Committee on Accessibility (“ACA”) provides strategic advice and makes recommendations to City Council and City Administration in addressing issues, needs and services for people with physical, sensory, and cognitive disabilities; including, but no limited to: built environment, accessible transportation and transportation infrastructure, technology, information and communication, goods and services, affordable/accessible housing, social and economic accessibility issues in order to provide high level accessible City services for people with disabilities.

To fulfill its mandate, the ACA is composed of 14 members:

- six Public Members with disabilities representing a range of people with physical, sensory and cognitive disabilities;
- two Public Members representing the seniors community
- three Citizens-at-Large who may or may not have a disability, but who are interested in access issues.
- three Members of City Administration from: Planning and Development Services; Calgary Transit, and Recreation and Social Programs.

On 2025 May 27, an Appointee to the ACA informed the City Clerk’s Office that they are unable to accept an appointment to the Committee.

### Previous Council Direction

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2025 May 27	C2025-0460	Resignations and Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees An appointment was made by Council to the ACA for the completion of a 2-year term expiring October 2026.

## **Assessment Review Board**

### **Background**

The Assessment Review Board (“ARB”) is a quasit-judicial board established in accordance with the Municipal Government Act and The City of Calgary Bylaw 15M2018. It is an impartial tribunal that hears formal complaints against the assessment of properties, businesses, local improvements, and brownfields property exemptions and deferrals, as determined by The City of Calgary.

The Board is independent from The City of Calgary Assessment Business Unit and is comprised of public members appointed by City Council. The ARB makes decisions in a impartial manner and applies the principles of natural justice and procedural fairness, which includes but is not limited to: the right to a public hearing, a duty to be fair, the right for all affected parties to be heard, the right to an adjournment if the ARB determines it is merited; and the right to legal counsel.

The Municipal Government Act legislates the minimum number of members that the Local and Composite Assessment Review Boards need to be comprised of and there is no maximum number.

The ARB currently has 25 Public Members appointed by Council. The ARB contacted the City Clerk’s Office and identified the need to expand the composition of its membership from 25 to 26 and appoint an additional Public Member to address workload pressures.

## **Calgary Salutes Committee**

### **Background**

The Calgary Salutes Committee (“CSC”) coordinates the planning and support of local military ceremonial and community events through the activities of a Coordinating Committee and three subcommittees: the Education and Training Subcommittee; the Friends of His Majesty’s Canadian Ship (“HMCS”) Calgary Subcommittee; and the Heritage and History Subcommittee.

On 2025 May 5, CSC’s Administrative Resource informed the City Clerk’s Office of the resignation of Public Member Danny Barnfield from the Friends of HMCS Calgary Subcommittee.

The Friends of HMCs Calgary Subcommittee is composed of up to eight and no less than six public members, the ninth position is filled by a person appointed by the Executive Officer of HMCS Calgary.

### **Previous Council Direction**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>REPORT NUMBER</b>	<b>DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION</b>
2023 October 24	N2023-0870	Public Member Appointments to Calgary Salutes Committee, Saddledome Foundation and Ward Boundary Commission. Danny Barnfield was appointed as a Public Member on the Friends of HMCS Calgary Subcommittee for a 2-year term expiring October 2025.

## **Community Peace Officer Oversight Committee**

### **Background**

The mandate of the Community Peace Officer Oversight Committee (“CPOOC”) is to review the following types of investigations conducted by City Administration in order to ensure that such investigations are conducted in a proper, transparent, and professional manner, and satisfy all requirements in the Peace Officer Act, S.A. 2006, c P-3.5 and its regulations:

- investigations into alleged Peace Officer Code of Conduct violations by its peace officers; and
- investigations into use of force by its peace officers.

The CPOOC may conduct a review of an investigation, regardless of whether the investigation was initiated by a complaint from a member of the public or was initiated by the City as an employer.

The CPOOC may also provide recommendations to the Director, Emergency Management & Community Safety following its reviews and may attend as an observer on the Emergency Management & Community Safety Officer Review Team (OSRT).

To fulfill its mandate, the CPOOC is composed of:

- five (5) voting public members
- one (1) non-voting member, appointed by the Director, Emergency Management & Community Safety, who will sit in an advisory role to the Committee.

The Director, Emergency Management & Community Safety appointed Deputy Chief Marion Cenaiko as the new Administration Member on CPOOC, and the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer has been informed.

## **Platform Calgary**

### **Background**

Platform Calgary brings together the resources of Calgary's tech ecosystem to help startups launch and grow at every step of their journey, from ideation through to scale. They focus on making all parts of Calgary's startup tech sector better resources, connected and prominent.

Vision: Calgary is the best place in the world for anyone to start and grow a tech company.

Mission: Unite the Community to drive faster connections between talent, ideas and capital.

Our Goal: a 10X increase in the rate startup creation and scaling in Calgary by 2031.

The City of Calgary may nominate up to three Public Members to be appointed as Directors.

On 2025 May 29, Platform Calgary informed the City Clerk's Office of the resignation of Public Member Grant McLarnon.

### **Previous Council Direction**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>REPORT NUMBER</b>	<b>DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION</b>
2023 December 12	C2023-1346	Public Member Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees Grant McLarnon was appointed as a Public Member to Platform Calgary for a 3-year term expiring October 2026.