

Previous Council Direction

On 2018 June 5, Administration presented the Draft Games Concept (OPC2018-0691) to the OPWG Assessment Committee. The Games Concept refers to where the 2026 OPWG could be held in Calgary and surrounding areas, including competition and non-competition venues, Athletes Villages and medal ceremony locations. The Committee recommended that Council receive report OPC2018-0691 for information and keep the report, Attachment 1, closed session distributions and discussions confidential.

On 2018 May 29, the OPWG Assessment Committee received two reports for information, OPC2018-0683 (OPWG Vision Update) and OPC2018-0687 (OPWG Financial and Value Proposition Process Overview). Both reports had public and closed session components. In addition, Committee discussed the possibility of holding a non-statutory public hearing on the 2026 OPWG and directed Administration to report back on options for the public input to be heard by Committee. The Committee also asked the Returning Officer to come back to Committee no later than 2018 June with potential questions for a vote of electors (plebiscite) based on the current proposal after consultation with Committee members and the City Manager; recommendations on a date for the vote of electors; and, recommendations for funding.

On 2018 May 16, the Strategic Meeting of Council approved the Project Team revised governance (OPC2018-0643), and received the Council Committee work plan (OPC2018-0644) and proposed meeting agendas (OPC2018-0642) for information. Council also adopted the recommendation on the BidCo Chair Recruitment and appointed five community leaders to the Engagement Advisory Sub-Committee.

2018 May 15, the OPWG Assessment Committee deferred Verbal Report OPC2018-0583 (Non-statutory Public Hearing of Council on the Olympics) to the 2018 May 29 Regular Meeting of the Committee. The Council Committee adopted the updated Terms of Reference for the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Assessment Committee, recommended that Council receive the OPWG Council Committee proposed meeting agendas for information. In addition, the Committee approved the Project Team organizational structure and received the work plan for information. The Committee forwarded Reports OPC2018-0642, OPC2018-0643, and 2018-0644 to the 2018 May 16 Strategic Meeting of Council.

The Committee approved recommendations in two in-camera reports (OPC2018-0645 Update on Engagement Advisory Sub-Committee and OPC2018-0646 Update on BidCO Chair Recruitment) and forwarded the reports to the 2018 May 16 Strategic Meeting of Council.

On 2018 May 1, the OPWG Assessment Committee held its inaugural meeting and elected a chair (Councillor Woolley) and vice-chair (Councillor Demong). Administration delivered verbal reports on the Council Committee Terms of Reference, project timeline, and workstream review. Council forwarded the Terms of Reference verbal report as an item of Urgent Business to the 2018 May 7 Regular Public Hearing Meeting of Council and also directed Administration to solicit Committee Members' views on the updated TOR to return no later than 2018 May 15. Council also directed Administration to bring regular work stream updates to the OPWG Council Committee.

Two reports were held in-camera (Update on BidCo Chair and Director Selection and Engagement Advisory Sub-Committee Membership).

On 2018 April 16, City Council voted on two resolutions, both of which were carried. The first was that Council reaffirm its support for the investigation of a bid by Calgary for the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. The second resolution was that Council strike a sub-committee to oversee the Olympic process and that Administration draft the terms of reference for the committee and return directly to Council on 2018 April 23.

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On 2018 April 10, Administration delivered the Public Engagement Approach (PFC2018-0366) report to the Priorities and Finance Committee, which outlined details of the engagement program and a plebiscite. PFC directed that the report be forwarded as an Item of Urgent Business to the 2018 April 16 Public Hearing Meeting of Council. PFC also recommended that Council hold a vote at its 2018 April 16 on whether to reaffirm Council's support prior to proceeding with further work on a potential Olympic Bid. PFC also directed Administration to draft a new Terms of Reference for the Engagement Advisory Sub-Committee and report back directly to Council no later than 2018 June and also to hold a non-statutory public hearing.

On 2018 March 21, the Strategic Meeting of Council approved the following Motion Arising: That with respect to Report C2018-0266, Council refer the following proposed Motion Arising to the 2018 April 10 Regular Meeting of the Priorities and Finance Committee, to be considered following the Olympic Public Engagement Report and the Returning Officer's report on Vote of Electors:

That Council:

1. Direct Administration to inquire into the feasibility of the International Olympic Committee providing a bid deadline extension of six (6) months;
2. Direct Administration to conduct a city wide 'Vote of the Electors' on whether electors are in favour of their Council submitting this bid; and
3. Postpone its decision to bid on the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games until after the City Clerk reports back with the outcome of the 'Vote of the Electors'.

On 2018 March 19-20, Administration delivered report C2018-0266 to City Council which stated that The City of Calgary continues to work towards receiving official confirmation of financial support from the Government of Canada and Government of Alberta for a 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Bid Corporation (BidCo).

Council approved seven recommendations in principle, all of which were dependent on Administration advising Council that it has secured financial commitments from the other orders of government. The recommendations were: To authorize The City of Calgary to become a member of, elect directors, and incorporate a BidCo to continue the exploration of a bid for the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (OPWG); Approve the Deputy City Manager as having the authority to exercise all the powers and voting rights associated with The City's membership interest in BidCo; Authorize the Mayor to execute on behalf of The City all BidCo resolutions and related documents required to establish the appropriate membership and governance structure of BidCo; Release an additional \$1 million of Fiscal Stability Reserve funds that Council approved on 2017 November 20 (C2017-1181) to complete The City's required \$9.5 million total funding commitment to the BidCo.

On 2017 November 13 (C2017-1162), Council supported Administration's recommendation to receive this report for information, and directed Administration to report back to Council 2017 November 20, with a formal funding request to deliver on the additional work required for the Dialogue Stage. In addition, Council made an amendment to recommendation 3 which directs Administration to seek confirmation from the other orders of government to ascertain their funding commitment on the bid.

On 2017 July 31 (C2017-0616), Council supported Administration's recommendation that The City transition from an Exploration Phase to an Invitation Phase, and address the Council endorsed five Principles (C2017-0616, Attachment 4).

On 2017 July 24 (C2017-0599), CBEC presented their recommendations regarding the Olympic Bid Exploration to Council for information.

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On 2017 June 19 (C2017-0541), Administration and CBEC provided Council with a report that provided an update on the Olympic Bid Exploration work CBEC and Administration had done to date. Council received this report for information.