

Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee – Resignation

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City Clerk's Office received notification that Samantha First Charger has resigned from her position as an aboriginal member on the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee. This report recommends that the position remain vacant until the 2018 Organizational Meeting of Council.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

That Council:

1. Thank Samantha First Charger for her service on the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee; and
2. Direct that the position remain vacant until the 2018 Organizational Meeting of Council.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

At the 2017 October 30 Organizational Meeting of Council, Council appointed Samantha First Charger to the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2019 Organizational Meeting of Council.

At the 2015 October 19 Organizational Meeting of Council, Council appointed Samantha First Charger to the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee for a two-year term expiring at the 2017 Organizational Meeting of Council.

BACKGROUND

The primary function of the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee is to provide Council with professional and strategic advice on matters that affect Aboriginal Calgarians, and offer ongoing guidance in relation to the implementation of strategies that advance Aboriginal interests in ways that benefit all Calgarians. The Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee's composition and quorum are detailed in the Attachment.

INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

On 2018 May 23, Samantha First Charger informed the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee of her resignation from the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee, effective immediately. The City Clerk's Office was informed of the resignation on 2018 June 26.

Samantha First Charger's term on the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee was set to expire at the 2019 Organizational Meeting of Council. With the resignation there will be eight aboriginal members remaining on the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee, allowing quorum to still be attained.

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Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

The City Clerk's Office consulted with the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee's Resource Staff, and has been advised that the vacant position may remain until the 2018 Organizational Meeting of Council, at which time Council will make regular appointments to the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee, including the appointment for this vacancy for the completion of the term. The Resource Staff advised that the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee does not meet over the summer.

Strategic Alignment

This report aligns with Council's priority of a well-run city: "Calgary's government is open, responsive, accountable and transparent, delivering excellent services at a fair price. We work with our government partners to ensure we have the tools we need" (Action Plan 2015-2018).

Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

No social, environmental, or external economic implications have been identified.

Financial Capacity

Current and Future Operating Budget:

None.

Current and Future Capital Budget:

None.

Risk Assessment

There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Samantha First Changer resigned from her position on the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee.

ATTACHMENT

1. Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee Composition