

Evaluation of Council Initiatives and Annual Update

Recommendation:

That the recommendations set out in Attachment 26 of the July 11, 2017, Office of the City Manager report CR_4340, be approved.

Report Summary

This report provides updates, which include recommendations to City Council on the 2013 to 2017 Council Initiatives, and responds to Council's motion for more information regarding the Initiatives.

Previous Council/Committee Action

At the December 13, 2016, City Council meeting, the following motion was passed:

That Administration work with Councillors on the following for all Council Initiatives:

- an evaluation of whether the initiative has reached its end or should continue,
- recommendations as to whether any initiatives should be added, wrapped up, merged, or modified,
- transition reports for continuing initiatives containing whatever is relevant to allow the Initiative to be handed off,
- and provide a report at the July 2017 City Council meeting.

Report

Council Initiatives are specific projects, initiated and approved by Council, to which Council assigns one or more Members of Council as project sponsors. In accordance with City Policy C528, Council Initiatives are to be reviewed annually. This report responds to City Council's direction from December 13, 2016, and serves as the annual update required under City Policy C528.

Annual updates provide City Council with the opportunity to:

1. Discuss the status of future steps for current initiatives.
2. Determine which initiatives can be concluded because required policy and administrative changes have been implemented or the initiative has been successfully completed.
3. Provide direction on new initiatives.

There are currently 25 Council Initiatives. Updates for each are attached and include recommendations from the administrative support to the Council Initiatives along with the Councillor sponsors. Attachment 26 lists these recommendations and groups them where possible.

Next City Council Term

With the start of a new Council term, there is an opportunity to review how Council Initiatives are structured, governed, managed, and focused for effectiveness, including application of City Policy and Procedure C518 and budget management.

Policy

City Policy C518, Council Initiatives

Corporate Outcomes

Council Initiatives are directly related to all of the Corporate Outcomes and the 10-year strategic goals.

Metrics, Targets and Outcomes

The terms of reference provide targets for each initiative.

Attachments

1. Active Transportation
2. Arts and Culture
3. Child Friendly Edmonton
4. Communities in Bloom/Edmonton in Bloom
5. Economic Development - Heartland
6. Economic Development - Port Alberta
7. Emerging Economy
8. Edmonton's Poverty Elimination
9. Gender Based Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention
10. ELEVATE
11. Energy Transition and Climate Resilience
12. Housing
13. Indigenous Peoples Strategy
14. Northern Relations
15. Multiculturalism
16. Edmonton's Next Gen
17. Post-Secondary Relations
18. Public Engagement
19. Public Transit
20. Recreation
21. Seniors
22. Traffic Safety

- 23. Urban Isolation/Mental Health
- 24. Winter Cities
- 25. Women's Initiative
- 26. Recommendations

Others Reviewing this Report

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- A. Laughlin, Deputy City Manager, Integrated Infrastructure Services
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- C. Campbell, Deputy City Manager, Communications and Engagement
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