



CITY OF EDMONTON YOUTH COUNCIL (CEYC)

2022 Annual Report and 2023 Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the April 12, 2023, Office of the City Clerk report OCC01711, be received for information.

Report Purpose

Information only.

The Chair of the City of Edmonton Youth Council, Achyutha Surukanti, will be in attendance at the April 12, 2023, City Council - Non-Regular meeting.

REPORT

Mandate

The City of Edmonton Youth Council (CEYC) was established to provide information and advice to City Council on issues involving or affecting youth, and performs the following functions:

- Research and write policy proposals for Council's review;
- Coordinate community events that profile local youth issues;
- Receive direction from Council on work or reports it requires on youth matters;
- Develop and maintain relationships with individuals and organizations addressing issues of concern to youth;
- Promote initiatives to support the well-being of youth;
- Educate youth on City governance, procedures and policy making;
- Provide networking opportunities for youth;
- Consult with City administration and other organizations supporting youth initiatives;
- Establish the General Assembly, maintain the registry of individuals participating in the General Assembly, and oversee its meetings;
- If requested by Council, recommend individuals for appointment to the City's civic agencies; and

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- Inform Council of initiatives of other levels of government that could affect youth and advocate for the City in the manner directed by Council if Council directs.

Activities (Annual Report) - Attachment 1

The 2022 Annual Report provides a summary of key accomplishments of the CEYC during the past six months (September 2022 to March 2023). The following are some of the key achievements:

- Completed, compiled and presented a demographics survey and submitted recommendations to the Office of the City Clerk;
- Hosted mental health session;
- Updated the CEYC presentation for schools and started in-person school visits;
- Approximately 15 CEYC members attended a special budget information session held by Mayor Sohi, and Councillors Janz and Salvador;
- Six committee members attended a blanket exercise hosted by Women's Advocacy Voice Edmonton Committee, and facilitated by the Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society; and
- The Anti-racism Sub-Committee attended an anti-racism summit and has plans to attend one more. In addition, this sub-committee is meeting with the organizers of these anti-racism summits to discuss the possibility of hosting multiple focus groups.

Work Plan - Attachment 2

The Work Plan provides a summary of CEYC's mission, goals, and mandate and outlines the 2022-23 strategic priorities and training, as determined at the beginning of the CEYC 2022-23 term. The Work Plan also includes areas of focus for training and skills development as well as ongoing work that will continue from the 2021-22 term. The work of CEYC is done through sub-committees and initiatives, as detailed in the tables within the Work Plan. The 2022-23 strategic priorities for CEYC include:

- Community development and urban planning;
- Advocacy and engagement;
- Social equity and reconciliation; and
- Homelessness, with a focus on youth homelessness.

Budget Information - Attachment 3

CEYC has provided 2022 actuals: \$30,844.04.

Annual Report and Work Plan Requirements

Annual Report and Work Plan requirements for the CEYC are outlined in:

- Bylaw 14126 - Youth Council Bylaw
 - Section 15: CEYC will report to Council at least once per year to inform Council of progress on its mandate, issues of significance to CEYC, and CEYC's work plan for the next year.
- Bylaw 18156 - Council Committees Bylaw
 - Section 4(2): All Council Committees will report to Council at least annually.
 - Section 10 requires:
 - At least annually, a Council Committee must approve a work plan that aligns with its mandate and identifies its anticipated resource requirements.

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- During its annual report to Council required by section 4(2), a Council Committee must present its work plan for the current year and summary of its most recently completed work plan.
- Council Policy and Procedure C575D - Agencies, Boards, Committees and Commissions
 - Section 5 specifies that City Agencies will annually report to a City Council meeting with:
 - activities;
 - annual work plan aligned to strategic objectives and mandate; and
 - budget information.

ATTACHMENTS

1. City of Edmonton Youth Council (CEYC) Annual Report
2. City of Edmonton Youth Council 2022-2023 Workplan
3. City of Edmonton Youth Council 2022 Expenses