



COUNCIL ADVISORS FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEES - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (J. RICE)

RECOMMENDATION

That the May 10, 2023, Office of the City Clerk report OCC01856, be received for information.

Report Purpose

Information only.

Previous Council/Committee Action

At the April 4, 2023, City Council meeting, Councillor J. Rice made the following inquiry:

Can Administration provide a report to Council Services Committee summarizing roles and responsibilities of Council Advisors for Advisory Committees and a list of all Council appointments to all city and external agencies, Council members only, not public members, identifying which are decision making versus advisory, non-voting appointments?

REPORT

This report provides information about the role and responsibilities of Council Advisors for Advisory Committees, and includes a list, sorted by Councillor, of all Council member appointments to all civic agencies, both city and external, including whether the appointments are decision-making or advisory.

Council Advisors and Advisory Committees

Advisory Committees are used to provide citizen or expert input and advice to Council on issues relevant to City Council's priorities as defined in the Advisory Committee's mandate. All Advisory Committees are Council Committees, which are defined as: a City Council committee, but does not include a Standing Committee, under Bylaw 18156 - Council Committees. All Council Committees are accountable to Council.

Under Council Procedure C575D - Agencies, Boards, Committees, and Commissions, the role of a Council Advisor is to:

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Provide a consistent connection to Council Advisory Committees from Council so that the committees know who to contact when they have questions around reporting to Council and interpreting Council directions. Serving as an advisor does not delegate authority to an advisor to direct the work of a committee. As with other appointments, a Councillor advisor will be the go-to person when other Councillors have questions about an advisory committee.

There are nine Advisory Committees:

- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Anti-racism Advisory Committee (paused)
- City of Edmonton Youth Council
- Community Services Advisory Board
- Edmonton Design Committee
- Edmonton Historical Board
- Edmonton Transit Service Advisory Board
- Energy Transition Climate Resilience Committee
- Women's Advocacy Voice of Edmonton Committee

Council Member Appointments

Attachment 1 is a list, sorted by Councillor, of all Council member appointments to all civic agencies, both city and external, including whether the appointments are decision-making (voting) or advisory (non-voting).

ATTACHMENT

1. Council Member Appointments to Civic Agencies (Alphabetical by Councillor)