



COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT REPORTING

Appointment:	City of Edmonton Youth Council
Classification:	Advisory Committee
Councillor(s):	Councillor Ashley Salvador Councillor Michael Janz
Reporting Period:	November 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023

Mandate

The City of Edmonton Youth Council's mandate is to provide information and advice to Council in relation to issues involving or affecting youth.

The City of Edmonton Youth Council (CEYC) performs these 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
- 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

Shared priorities and advocacy areas

CEYC's strategic priorities are aligned with Connect Edmonton and the City Plan. CEYC's Strategic Priorities include:

- Community Development and Urban Planning
- Advocacy and Engagement
- Social Equity and Reconciliation
- Homelessness, with a focus on Youth Homelessness

Report on activities, projects, and outcomes

Subcommittees

CEYC is composed of several sub-committees, including Policy, Internal, and Projects, each with their own initiatives and areas of focus.

Policy

- Conducted public transit survey and will be compiling data into meaningful metrics
- Anti-racism work to be completed towards the end of April
- Food insecurity initiative to be shared with City Council

Internal

- Continue to plan and carry out team building events
- School visits initiative is underway to connect with youth
- Member wellbeing initiatives are in place to support emotional wellness
- Social media content and communications are ongoing, including blog content development

Projects

- Urban planning info clips initiative is underway to help communicate urban planning topics to Edmontonians via video clips
- STEM initiative is in early implementation
- Clean Up Edmonton initiative

Budget Townhall

Members of CEYC joined Mayor Sohi, Councillor Janz, and Councillor Salvador for a Budget Townhall where participants shared their perspectives of budget priorities for 2023-2026.

Engagement and Presentations

CEYC received updates and presentations from the City of Edmonton and other stakeholders on topics of interest, including District Planning and Zoning Bylaw Renewal, and the Youth ID Project.

Evaluation

It is recommended that the City of Edmonton continue to work with the City of Edmonton Youth Council to advance municipal priorities and areas of shared interest.