



RPT 21-3

TITLE: City Council Board & Committee Appointments

DATE: January 6, 2021

TO: City Council - Special

PUBLIC: X

INCAMERA:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Appointments to City Council's Boards & Committees be approved, as outlined on the attached Appendix A to RPT 21-3;
2. That appointments to participate on the Prince Albert & Area Community Alcohol Strategy and the Prince Albert & District Community Futures Corporation Board be eliminated; and,
3. That the Regional Co-operation Committee be established and the Terms of Reference, as attached in Appendix C to RPT 21-3, be approved.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to approve City Council appointments on the various City Council's Boards and Committees for a two (2) year term, or as otherwise noted. This report also includes the proposed establishment of a new Joint Committee.

BACKGROUND:

Section 73 of the Procedure Bylaw outlines the process for annual appointments to various City Council Committees. Appointments to various Boards and Committees are also approved as required throughout the year to fill any vacancies.

Appointments to Committees is for a two year term beginning in January to December of the following year, with the exception of a general election year, where the term coincides with Election day.

PROPOSED APPROACH AND RATIONALE:

As a result of the Appointment term ending on November 9, 2020, for various Committees, it is necessary to fill the vacancies in order to ensure continuity of each of the Boards and Committees. The attached Appendix A outlines the Mayor's recommendations for City Council member appointments to various City Boards & Committees, along with the selection of Chair and Vice-Chair for the relevant Committees. In addition, this listing also includes City Council appointments to various external Boards & Committees.

Most of the appointments are for a two (2) year term ending December 31, 2022, with the exception of the Board of Police Commissioners being only a one (1) year term.

For your reference, Appendix B outlines the previously approved list of Council appointments to the Boards & Committees.

Please note that at the time of writing this report, the Mayor's recommendations were not finalized for all civilian appointments to the various Boards and Committees. Therefore, an additional report will be forwarded to City Council on January 25, 2021, for consideration to fill the vacancies on the remaining Boards & Committees.

In addition, with respect to the External Committees, Commissions and Boards, it is being proposed to eliminate participation of appointments to the following:

1. Prince Albert & Area Community Alcohol Strategy

At the January 11, 2021 Executive Committee meeting, City Council will consider a correspondence from the Prince Albert & Area Community Alcohol Strategy requesting support and participation by one or more members of Council on the Community Steering Committee. The suggested recommendation by the Agenda Review Group is to forward the correspondence to the Board of Police Commissioners, as the mandate of this Board closely aligns with work of the Police Services, and participation by a Board member would be more suitable on this Committee.

2. Prince Albert & District Community Futures Corporation Board.

In the last few years, City Council has not appointed a City representative to participate on the Board, as there has not been an interest by any members. For your information, the principle business activity is to build social, community economic and entrepreneurial capacity through financing and business services, such as loans and advice.

Proposed New Joint Committee

At the February 10, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting, City Council made the following motion:

“That within two (2) months of the next civic election, members of Council extend an invitation to meet with the surrounding First Nations and municipalities to discuss issues of cooperation.”

In that regard, the Mayor has proposed to establish a Regional Co-operation Committee, which membership would include 2 members of City Council and other members of surrounding communities, including First Nations and rural municipalities. The purpose of the Committee would be to discuss issues of cooperation in regards to the operational costs of civic facilities, specifically to seek funding to assist in the operational costs of civic facilities, which in turn, enables all citizens of the City and local area to benefit from the use of these facilities.

Following the establishment of this Joint Committee, if approved, those members appointed can reach out to various First Nations communities and neighbouring rural municipalities, towns and villages, to seek their interest in participating in this Joint Committee to discuss ways to generate revenue to offset operational costs of civic facilities.

CONSULTATIONS:

Members of City Council were requested to complete a Survey to select their preferred participation on the various Boards & Committees, including external agencies participation.

In accordance with Section 73 of the Procedure Bylaw, a meeting with the Mayor was held to review the Surveys received by members of City Council, for consideration of appointments to the various Boards & Committees.

A further meeting will be held with the Mayor to determine the remaining vacancies on the various Boards and Committees.

COMMUNICATION AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENT PLAN:

The names of all appointees will be included in the Board and Committee listing, which is posted on The City's website.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

City Council's Procedure Bylaw No. 26 of 2014 outlines the process for Council to appoint individuals to various Boards and Committees

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS/IMPLICATIONS:

There are no options to Recommendations, privacy or financial implications.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

The information contained in the report directly aligns with The City's Strategic Goal of Corporate Sustainability:

"The City recognizes that a well-functioning organization needs to be clear on the roles and functions of Administration and Council, understand the core principles and behaviors of good governance, and commit to continued improvement in governance and organization."

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN:

Section 4 – Decision Making outlines the following relevant goals:

3. Develop a public engagement strategy to guide the public consultation process and create consistency across the organization.
4. Improve the quality of the City's key stakeholder relationship and increase awareness of City programs and initiatives.

In addition, Section 5, Sustainability outlines the following relevant goal:

- Embrace a collaborative planning process that involves all stakeholders

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Public Notice pursuant to the Public Notice Bylaw No. 24 of 2015 is not required.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Appendix A-Board & Committee Appointments - Council only
2. Appendix B-2020 Board & Committee Appointments-Council only
3. Appendix C-Regional Cooperation Committee Draft Terms of Reference

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