

Redesigning Advisory Committees of Council – Phase 2

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- City Council approved the [ACOC Governance Framework](#) in November 2023 (phase 1 of this project)
- Phase 2 is a review of all existing ACOCs to ensure alignment with the Framework
- Expansion or reduction of mandates, mergers, dissolutions and the creation of new ACOCs are all possible outcomes
- City Council has approved resources to support 7-10 ACOCs, the City currently has 14 ACOCs

Current City of Guelph Advisory Committees

1. Accessibility Advisory Committee*
2. Committee of Adjustment*
3. Guelph Economic Development Advisory Committee
4. Guelph Museums Advisory Committee*
5. Heritage Guelph
6. Municipal Property and Building Commemorative Naming Committee
7. Natural Heritage Advisory Committee
8. Planning Advisory Committee*
9. Property Standards Committee*
10. Public Art Advisory Committee
11. Tourism Advisory Committee
12. Transit Advisory Committee
13. Waste Resource Innovation Centre Public Liaison Advisory Committee
14. Water Conservation and Efficiency Public Advisory Committee

* statutory committee required by provincial legislation or regulation

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- The project team (City Clerk's Office and the Guelph Lab) will meet with every ACOC twice as part of phase 2, once in the winter/spring and again in the summer/fall
- ACOC chairs will be invited to a workshop before the second round of ACOC meetings
- No specific decisions about or changes to ACOCs have been contemplated at this point in the project

ACOC Governance Framework Commitments (slide 1 of 2)

1. ACOCs are an important form of community engagement.
2. ACOCs should help shape the City's strategic goals.
3. ACOCs should adopt a deliberative approach.
4. ACOCs should contribute lived and professional expertise.
5. ACOCs should include members with diverse identities and perspectives.
6. There should be clear communication between ACOCs and City Council.
7. ACOCs should be adequately resourced.

ACOC Governance Framework Commitments (slide 2 of 2)

This meeting is designed to collect ACOC feedback upstream in the policy-making/decision-making process related to commitment 2:

'ACOCs should help shape the City's Strategic Goals'

The Strategic Plan

Q1: Which strategic goals does your ACOC currently contribute to?

Q2: Which goals could it potentially contribute to?

<u>Future Guelph Strategic Plan Themes</u>	Future Guelph Strategic Plan Theme Objectives
Foundations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be an employer of choice 2. Advocate for our City 3. Lead with accountability 4. Maintain the City's healthy financial position
City Building	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve housing supply 2. Grow and care for our community spaces and places 3. Make it easier to get around
Environment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be a leader in climate action 2. Empower the community to help create a sustainable city
People and Economy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grow Guelph's economy 2. Make downtown a vibrant place for everyone 3. Support community well-being

The Community Plan 1 of 2

Q1: Which strategic goals does your ACOC currently contribute to?

Q2: Which goals could it potentially contribute to?

<u>Community Plan Themes</u>	Future Guelph Strategic Plan Theme Objectives
We are home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have housing that works for us • Keep Guelph a safe City • Love our neighbourhoods and keep them strong • Keep our big, small city vibe
We protect the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and sustain what we have • Reclaim what might otherwise be wasted • Go further than any other city • Prepare for the future • Steward our resources
We create value	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a global innovation leader • Support collaboration and tell our Guelph story better • Leverage our unique character • Foster inclusive prosperity • Harness our discovery engines
We are community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We understand community • Build and sustain strong, meaningful and reciprocal relationships • Make truth and reconciliation a reality in Guelph • Work within and across systems to eliminate discrimination and barriers • Respect, pace and the 'fierce urgency of now' • Create and hold safe, inclusive spaces • Stories and information belong to the people who share them • Use intentional and shared language and understanding

The Community Plan 2 of 2

Q1: Which strategic goals does your ACOC currently contribute to?

Q2: Which goals could it potentially contribute to?

<u>Community Plan Themes</u>	Future Guelph Strategic Plan Theme Objectives
We feel well	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give children and youth a great start • Foster good mental health • Ensure that everyone feels they belong here • Create a nourished community • Build health infrastructure for the future
We play and explore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play everywhere • Grow talent • Explore and make sense of who we are together • Invest and innovate
We move around freely	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate easy movement within our city • Facilitate active transportation, and connection to nature, via natural trails • Embrace future-ready infrastructure • Connect regionally

Next Steps

- ACOC chairs will be invited to a workshop in the summer to review and discuss draft changes to ACOCs based on the ACOC Governance Framework, feedback from ACOCs, feedback from staff and feedback from the broader community.
- In Q3 staff recommended changes will be brought to your ACOC for review and approval.