

Proposed list and arrangement of Advisory Committees of Council (ACOCs) from 2025

Heritage Guelph

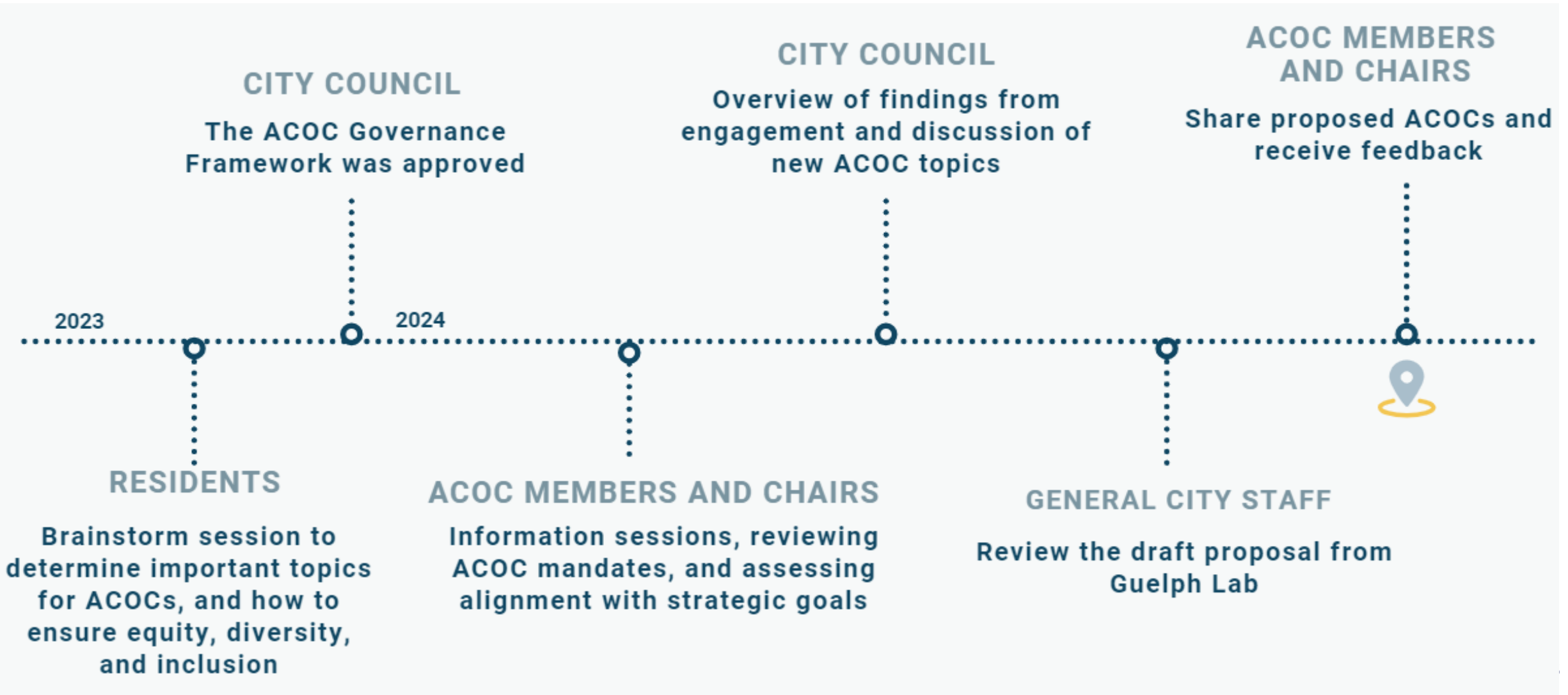
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Project Background

- City Clerk's Office collaborate with the Guelph Lab, launched the Re-Designing ACOCs project in Jan 2023
- Phase One: The [Governance Framework](#) was approved by the Council on November 23, 2023
- Phase Two: Reviewing current ACOCs against the Framework and allocated resources

Engagement Efforts Informing Phase Two



Proposed ACOCs

Recommended ACOCs be maintained (with updated terms of reference):

1. Accessibility Advisory Committee (statutory)
2. Heritage Advisory Committee (discretionary, but with statutory regulations once established)

Recommended new/revised ACOCs:

3. Planning, Environment and Water Advisory Committee (planning is a statutory component, environment and water are discretionary)
4. Arts and Culture Advisory Committee (there is statutory component regarding the Guelph Museum, arts and culture more broadly is discretionary)
5. Transportation and Mobility Advisory Committee (discretionary)
6. Business Development Advisory Committee (discretionary)

Recommended merged ACOCs:

7. Committee of Adjustment and Property Standards Committee (statutory)

Proposed Changes to Heritage Guelph

- That Heritage Guelph be renamed Heritage Advisory Committee
- Continue to advise on matters related to architectural heritage as defined in the Ontario Heritage Act
- Contribute to two key pillars in the Strategic Plan “City Building” and “People and Economy”
- The terms of reference will be reviewed and updated for consistency with City policies and the Strategic Plan

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Rationale:

- Heritage Guelph received widespread support to remain as it is, particularly from members of City Council who recognize its ongoing importance for City decision-making
- Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Heritage Guelph expressed that the committee agenda is full and cannot accommodate more topics due to tight timelines
- Chairs and Vice-Chairs also indicated interest in modifying their TORs to delegate some topics to alternate forms of engagement to alleviate the heavy workload of the committee

Thank you!

Questions?

Recommendations

That Heritage Guelph recommends to City Council the continuation of the Heritage Guelph mandate as the Heritage Advisory Committee.