



**Council Committee Principles** 

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Committees bring local knowledge, expertise, and experience to specific areas of civic concern.

- I Committees created by Council fall into four categories:
  - (1) Public Advisory Committees (PAC):
    - (a) Committees that act in an advisory capacity to Council.
  - (2) Quasi-Judicial Committees:
    - (a) A Committee, Commission or Administrative Board that upholds the principles of natural justice; making decisions that are legally binding and are subject to review by appeal courts.
  - (3) Ad Hoc Committees:
    - (a) Committees established for a specified period of time and for a specific purpose.
  - (4) Governance Committee (GC):
    - (a) A Committee established in support of legislative requirements or to support Council's governance role.
- 2 The Mayor appoints Council Members to committees.
- 3 Council appoints members from the community at large to these committees.
- 4 Committees function within the authority set out in their Terms of Reference in applicable bylaws and/or provincial legislation.
- 5 Committee meetings are open to the public, as required under the Municipal Government Act except where it is appropriate and permitted to consider a matter in a closed meeting.

The above Council committee principles will be reviewed upon completion of work for Public Engagement and will consider context with Dialogue Charter. This may impact committee categories.

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