



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

## GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

**Monday, February 20, 2023 at 12:05 p.m.**

Report of a meeting held on Monday, February 20, 2023 at 12:05 p.m. via teleconference. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Chair: Mayor R. Alty,  
Councillor S. Arden-Smith,  
Councillor G. Cochrane,  
Councillor R. Fequet,  
Councillor B. Hendriksen,  
Councillor C. McGurk,  
Councillor T. McLennan,  
Councillor S. Payne, and  
Councillor R. Warburton.

The following members of Administration staff were in attendance:

S. Bassi-Kellett,  
C. Caljouw,  
J. Elliot,  
C. Greencorn,  
N. Johnson,  
K. Thistle,  
C. White,  
S. Woodward, and  
S. Jovic.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.	(For Information Only) Mayor Alty read the Opening Statement.
2.	(For Information Only) There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.



- (For Information Only)
3. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,  
Councillor Payne seconded,

That Committee move in camera at 12:07 p.m. to discuss a memorandum regarding whether to appoint members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness and a personnel matter.

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- (For Information Only)
4. Committee discussed a memorandum regarding whether to appoint members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.

- (For Information Only)
5. Committee discussed a personnel matter.

- (For Information Only)
6. Councillor Arden-Smith moved,  
Councillor Fequet seconded,

That Committee return to an open meeting at 1:21 p.m.

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Business arising from the in camera session

7. **Committee read a memorandum regarding whether to appoint members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness.**

Committee noted that there are vacancies on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness for: one (1) representative from Indigenous organizations; One (1) representative from Veterans Affairs Canada or veterans serving organizations; One (1) representative from a landlord associations and/or non-government housing; and One (1) representative from a Yellowknife Business.

It is the practice of the City of Yellowknife to advertise all vacancies for boards and committees. The City has advertised vacancies on the Community Advisory Board (CAB) on Homelessness in the Capital Update, the City's website and social media sites.

Committee noted that Council Policy/Resolution or Goal include:  
Council Goal #2 Delivering efficient and accountable government.  
Motion #0459-96, as amended by #0460-96, #0462-96 and #0273-09:



The following policy be adopted with respect to appointments to municipal boards and committees:

- i) The maximum consecutive years that an individual may serve on any one board or committee is six.
- ii) Individuals who have served the maximum six-year period on one municipal board or committee shall be eligible to be appointed to another board or committee.
- iii) No individual shall be precluded from serving concurrent terms on more than one municipal board or committee.
- iv) Notwithstanding that an individual appointee has served less than six years on a particular board or committee, Council may, after the expiration of the first or subsequent terms of that appointee, advertise for applicants to fill a vacancy on that board or committee.
- v) Notwithstanding clause (i.) of this policy, should the City receive no applications to fill a vacancy on any particular board or committee, the six year maximum limitation may, at the discretion of City Council, be waived.
- vi) Should the City receive no applications to fill a vacancy on any particular board or committee, City Council may appoint a member of the public at their discretion.

Committee noted that applicable legislation, by-law, studies, plan include:  
Council Procedures By-law No. 4975, as amended.

#### Legislation

Section 122 of Council Procedures By-law No. 4975 states:

#### **Special Committees of Council**

120. Where Council deems it necessary to establish a special committee to investigate and consider any matter, Council shall:
  - (1) name the committee;
  - (2) establish terms of reference;
  - (3) appoint members to it;
  - (4) establish the term of appointment of members;
  - (5) establish requirements for reporting to Council or a standing committee; and
  - (6) allocate any necessary budget or other resources to it.

#### Procedural Considerations

All appointments to Special Committees must be approved by Council.

The composition of the Committee was structured so that various segments of the community are represented.

The Committee members will assist the City in an advisory capacity regarding homelessness issues within the municipal boundaries of the City of Yellowknife. Appointing a full complement of Members will ensure that the work of the committee is completed in a timely fashion.



Committee recommends that Council appoint the following members to serve on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) commencing March 8, 2023 and ending March 7, 2025:

Name	Representing
Wilbert Cook	One (1) representative from Indigenous organizations
Jessica Short	One (1) representative from Veterans Affairs Canada or veterans serving organizations
Charles Wyman	One (1) representative from a landlord associations and/or non-government housing
Nathan Round	One (1) representative from a Yellowknife Business

#### MOVE APPROVAL

8. The meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.