

33. Committee Name: Community Housing Advisory Board

34. Purpose

The purpose of the Community Housing Advisory Board is to act as an advisor to Council on affordable housing, homelessness, services/activities related to the goal of ending homelessness, and funding allocation within Red Deer.

35. Committee Outcomes

- (l) The Community Housing Advisory Board will:
- (a) Act in an advisory role to Council on affordable housing, homeless housing, services/activities related to the goal of ending homelessness, and funding allocations referred to the Board by Council or Administration;
 - (b) Advise The City on accountability of planning documents and allocation of funding as required by other orders of government in the areas of affordable housing and homelessness;
 - (c) Provide input into community priority-setting when necessary;
 - (d) Provide assistance to agencies, organizations, businesses and individuals in the community who wish to apply for funding as provided by the federal and provincial governments, and other sources, to address homelessness, housing and related support issues in Red Deer;
 - (e) Act in an advisory role to Administration, when Administration brings forward issues for consideration on affordable housing, homelessness housing, services/activities related to the goal of ending homelessness that may affect the development, implementation or administration of policy;
 - (f) Provide a mechanism for individuals and groups to present issues and ideas concerning affordable housing or ending homelessness to Council and Administration;
 - (g) Provide input, upon request, into the development of *EveryOne's Home* and other community plans or planning processes;
 - (h) Review and provide feedback with respect to annual service delivery plans, multi-year plans and other housing related plans as required by other orders of government as a condition of funding;
 - (i) Provide input in the development of community reports on affordable housing and ending homelessness;
 - (j) Support the community implementation of strategies included in such plans as *EveryOne's Home* and other planning documents including City department service plans;

- (k) Raise awareness of homelessness and affordable housing issues with the public, community agencies and private sector through various methods (e.g. report cards, public forums, presentations);
- (l) Reference current community documents such as community plans, demographic information and identified social-economic trends to establish the priorities and/or set criteria outlined for funding calls and allocations;
- (m) Follow the criteria as outlined through the funding source being managed through The City of Red Deer for optimal benefit to residents; and
- (n) Evaluate the effect of government policy decisions and advise Council on potential opportunities.

36. Membership

- (1) Community Housing Advisory Board consists of ten Members as follows:
 - (a) Two Councillors;
 - (b) Six Citizen Representatives; and
 - (c) Two Representatives of the Aboriginal Community.
- (2) Community Housing Advisory Board shall make its decisions by Consensus.

37. Meetings

The Community Housing Advisory Board meets every fourth Tuesday of the month commencing at 5:00 p.m. as required.