



YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 6, 2025, 4 p.m.

Community Social Development

414 King Street

Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2C7

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REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: Adoption of the Agenda - Youth Advisory Committee - February 6, 2025

DIVISION: Strategic and Communication Services

SUMMARY:

Committee members are provided the opportunity to add items they would like to discuss during the meeting, remove items, or change the order of proceedings.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The agenda sets the course of action for the meeting. This ensures the business of the day is followed through and completed as required.

The agenda is approved by a motion of the Committee and must be passed by a majority of the members present. Once the agenda is approved, no further changes may be made unless approved by the majority of the Committee members present.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

n/a

IMPACTS:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: January 9, 2025

TITLE: Minutes - Youth Advisory Committee Organizational and Regular Meeting - January 9, 2025

DIVISION: Strategic and Communication Services

SUMMARY:

The minutes of the previous Youth Advisory Committee meeting are placed on the agenda for approval.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the January 9, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Organizational meeting and January 9, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Youth Advisory Committee minutes are the official written record of the actions that took place during the meeting; a snapshot of the decisions that the Committee made and the outcome of the vote.

The minutes are written without notes or transcribing of discussions that may have taken place during an agenda item.

Committee members review the minutes prior to the meeting to review for any changes that may need to be made. A motion for an amendment is required if an error has been noted. If there are no amendments to the minutes, a motion to approve the minutes as presented is made by a member of the Committee. The minutes are signed by the Chair and the Recording Secretary.

A copy of the minutes will be included in a future Regular Council Meeting agenda package.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

THAT the January 9, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Organizational meeting and January 9, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Regular meeting minutes be approved as amended.

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

n/a

IMPACTS:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a



THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of Youth Advisory Committee

**January 9, 2025, 4 p.m.
3rd Floor - Poplar Room
315 Jespersen Ave
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 3E8**

Members Present: Hannah Dunbar, Chair
Cole Cochrane, Vice-Chair
Cara Nicholls
Dylan Yee
Isabella Quitanilla
Jasmeet Pujji
Meagan Tokar
Rowan Johnson
Sierra Manning
Councillor Oldham
Councillor Stevenson

Members Absent: Havana Sinclair
Joaquin Tabulog

Also in Attendance: Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison
Karey Steil, Transit Planner and (Outgoing) Administrative Liaison to
the Youth Advisory Committee

DRAFT

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk
Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Joaquin Tabulog and Havana Sinclair were absent.

1.1 Member Introductions - 2025 Youth Advisory Committee

Youth Advisory Committee Members made introductions.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Adoption of the Agenda - Organizational Meeting of Youth Advisory Committee - January 9, 2025

Resolution: YAC-001-25

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Unanimously Carried

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1 Meeting Procedures 101 - 2025 Youth Advisory Committee

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, presented on Meeting Procedures 101.

3.2 Committee Code of Conduct - 2025 Youth Advisory Committee

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, presented on Committee Code of Conduct and the Youth Advisory Committee members signed the declaration.

3.3 C-1208-22 - Youth Advisory Committee Bylaw - 2025 Review

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, presented an overview of C-1208-22 - Youth Advisory Committee Bylaw.

3.4 Nomination of Chair and Vice-Chair - 2025 Youth Advisory Committee

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, provided an explanation of the 2025 Nomination and Election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Chair.

Dylan Yee nominated Cole Cochrane for Chair.

Cole Cochrane accepted the nomination for Chair.

Hannah Dunbar self nominated for Chair.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for additional nominations for the position of Chair for a second time.

No more nominations came forward.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for additional nominations for the position of Chair for a third and final time.

No more nominations came forward.

Each candidate shared a brief overview of why they would like to be the Chair.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, opened a secret ballot vote.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, declared that Hannah Dunbar be elected as Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee for one year by majority vote.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair.

Sierra Manning nominated Jasmeet Pujji for the position of Vice-Chair.

Jasmeet Pujji accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair.

Hannah Dunbar nominated Cole Cochrane for the position of Vice-Chair.

Cole Cochrane accepted the nomination for Vice-Chair.

Isabella Quitanilla nominated Cara Nicholls for Vice-Chair.

Cara Nicholls declined the nomination for Vice-Chair

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for additional nominations for the position of Vice-Chair for a second time.

No more nominations came forward.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, called for additional nominations for the position of Vice-Chair for a third and final time.

No more nominations came forward.

Each candidate shared a brief overview of why they would like to be the Vice-Chair.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, opened a secret ballot vote.

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk, declared that Cole Cochrane be elected as Vice-Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee for one year by majority vote.

Resolution: YAC-002-25

Moved by: Cara Nicholls

THAT the secret ballots be destroyed.

Unanimously Carried

Chair Hannah Dunbar called a recess at 4:51 p.m.

Chair Hannah Dunbar reconvened the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

3.5 Meeting Schedule - 2025 Youth Advisory Committee

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, presented on the 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule.

The 2025 YAC meeting schedule will be:

Thursday, February 6

Thursday, March 13

Thursday, May 1

Thursday, June 5

Thursday, September 4

Thursday, December 4

Resolution: YAC-003-25

Moved by: Cara Nicholls

THAT the 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule be approved.

Unanimously Carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

4.1 Adjournment - Organizational Meeting of Youth Advisory Committee - January 9, 2025

Resolution: YAC-004-25

Moved by: Dylan Yee

THAT the Organizational Meeting of Youth Advisory Committee adjourn at 5:04 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Hannah Dunbar, Chair

Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

Date Signed



THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

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the Youth Advisory Committee

DRAFT

Ben Cowan, Deputy City Clerk
Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hannah Dunbar called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m. and welcomed Annemarie Bakalech as the new Administrative Liaison for the Youth Advisory Committee.

Joaquin Tabulog and Havana Sinclair were absent.

1.1 Icebreaker Activity

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, led the Icebreaker Activity.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Adoption of the Agenda - Youth Advisory Committee - January 9, 2025

Resolution: YAC-005-25

Moved by: Cole Cochrane

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Unanimously Carried

3. MINUTES

3.1 Approval of Minutes - Youth Advisory Committee - December 5, 2024

Resolution: YAC-006-25

Moved by: Dylan Yee

THAT the December 5, 2024 Youth Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Unanimously Carried

4. DELEGATIONS

There were no Delegations on the agenda.

5. **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, introduced herself.

Committee thanked Annemarie Bakalech for the presentation.

6. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

6.1 **2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan Development**

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, presented on the 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan Development.

Committee thanked Annemarie Bakalech for the presentation.

Resolution: YAC-007-25

Moved by: Rowan Johnson

THAT the 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan be developed based on priorities identified by the Youth Advisory Committee at the January 9, 2025 meeting and that the 2025 Work Plan be brought back to the Youth Advisory Committee for approval.

Unanimously Carried

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

7.1 **Councillor Updates**

Councillor Oldham provided an update on the City's snow removal that started this week.

Councillor Stevenson provided an update on the fall election and shared that nominations for elected office opened on January 1.

Chair Hannah Dunbar thanked Councillors Oldham and Stevenson for the updates.

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Closed Session on the agenda.

9. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Business Arising from Closed Session.

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment - Youth Advisory Committee - January 9, 2025

Resolution: YAC-008-25

Moved by: Dylan Yee

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee adjourn at 6:03 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Hannah Dunbar, Chair

Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

Date Signed



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: Rotary Youth Leadership Experience

DIVISION: Community and Protective Services

SUMMARY:

Jeff Tokar with the Rotary Club of Spruce Grove will present the opportunity to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Experience (RYLE).

PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Rotary Youth Leadership Experience is an annual four-day camp sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of District 5370. This experience is for high school students (ages 14 - 18) who would like to gain or strengthen their leadership skills while learning how to be active citizens who strive to make a positive impact in the world.

Two Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) members attended RYLE last year.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

YAC members who are interested should contact the Administrative Liaison and will then be directed to the RYLE application process.

IMPACTS:

Those who participate may develop leadership skills that support their individual growth and have a benefit to YAC as a whole.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no cost to YAC members, the Rotary Club of Spruce Grove has sponsorships available for approved participants.



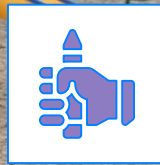
ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

May 1 - May 4,
2025
Camp Nakamun





Student Leadership



Community Building



Global Citizenship



RYLE Objectives

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OUR CAMPERS!

- ❑ High Schoolers between 14 -18
- ❑ From across District 5370
- ❑ Sponsored by Rotary Clubs in District 5370
- ★ RYLE 2023 hosted 95 campers



What We Do



- ★ Experiential learning opportunities
- ★ Hands-on workshops
- ★ Interactive activities
- ★ Zipline (30ft) or King Swing (50ft)
- ★ Build long-lasting friendships
- ★ Certificate of Completion



Skills developed:

- ★ Leadership development
- ★ Intrapersonal growth
- ★ Public speaking
- ★ Teamwork
- ★ Critical thinking
- ★ And so much more



Things to look out for

Registration opens on January 13

Camp Dates: May 1 - 4th, 2025

Camper Application



@ryle5370



[https://sites.google.com/
view/ryle5370/home](https://sites.google.com/view/ryle5370/home)



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REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: Dialogue for Decision Making

DIVISION: Community and Protective Services

SUMMARY:

Carrie Demkiw, Community Development Coordinator, with the City of Spruce Grove, is presenting Dialogue for Decision Making. This presentation will provide some strategies for effectively discussing divisive or polarizing issues to help make solid decisions that are for the greater good of the community.

PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) identified the desire to have increased mentorship opportunities from Administration and Committee Councillors. As part of the learning outcomes, this presentation is being offered to increase skill development to help have discussions that are respectful, constructive and productive to collectively make the best decisions possible.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

The Administrative Liaison engaged Carrie Demkiw, Community Development Coordinator, who is a subject matter expert, to present this learning opportunity.

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

n/a

IMPACTS:

YAC members will develop skills in:

- Understanding what cognitive bias is and how to increase awareness of and combat personal biases;
- Improving listening skills;
- Strengthening personal expression skills; and
- Gaining ideas for how to ensure respectful, constructive, and productive discussion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a

DIALOGUE

FOR DECISION
MAKING

Youth Advisory
Committee

February 6, 2025

PURPOSE

Provide some strategies for effectively discussing divisive or polarizing issues to help make well thought out decisions that are for the greater good of the community.

RIGHT OR
WRONG?

Should pineapple be a pizza topping?

Should you wear socks with sandals?

Do straws have 1 hole or 2?

Should the loose end of the toilet
paper hang over or under the roll?

OBJECTIVES

Hopefully, today you will leave with more skills for...

COMBATING
PERSONAL
BIASES

LISTENING FOR
UNDERSTANDING

CLEARLY
EXPRESSING
YOURSELF

HAVING RESPECTFUL, CONSTRUCTIVE AND
PRODUCTIVE DIALOGUE

COGNITIVE BIASES



Shortcuts our brains use based on our experiences, beliefs, and world views. They are almost always unconscious and, therefore, unknowingly impact the decisions and judgements we make.

[WHAT IS COGNITIVE BIAS?](#)

WORLD VIEW



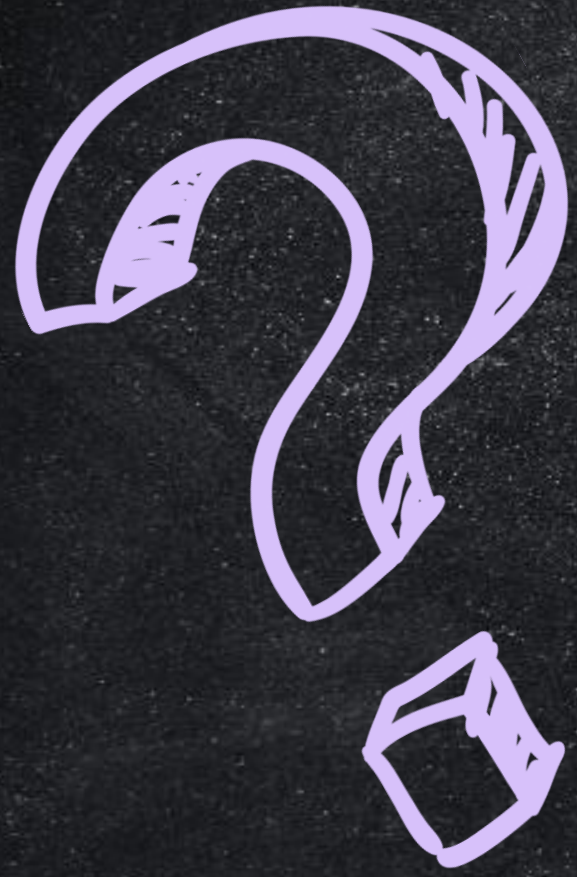
“... the **stories** and **thought patterns** informing us of who we are and what matters... Largely **unconscious**, they give rise to our cultural expressions – our **values**, our **art**, our **identities**. Worldviews offer us **meaning**. If we’re talking with someone who makes no sense to us, it could be that they have a worldview we can’t understand.”

2 BIG PITFALLS

1. Assuming the way we experience the world is the way everyone experiences (or should experience) the world.

2. When our beliefs are challenged, we can feel like our whole identity is being challenged. This can cause us to feel anxious, emotional, or even threatened and get defensive, making us cling more tightly to our beliefs and less likely to change our minds.

COMBAT BIAS WITH
CURIOSITY
OF SELF & OTHERS



CURIOSITY OF SELF

When you notice anger rising or yourself becoming defensive, ask yourself:

- What is this?
- Where does it come from?
- Why is the feeling so intense?
- Could I have a bias that is feeding this reaction?



MORE
CURIOSITY OF
SELF

Question your beliefs and ask yourself:

- How do I know what I believe (or am saying) is true?
- What is the source of my certainty?
- If someone else had this opinion, what critiques would I offer them?





CURIOSITY OF OTHERS

- Ask genuine questions of those you disagree with
- Do your own research
- Consider how you would explain or rationalize a position you disagree with if you actually held that position



ACTIVITY:
OUR POSITION





CONSTRUCTIVE COMMUNICATION

Requires 2 primary skills:

Listening for understanding

Speaking with clarity

LISTENING FOR UNDERSTANDING



Try to identify the values that underlie what the speaker is saying

Ask questions to clarify meaning or to encourage the speakers own reflection on what they are saying (EG: 'Can you tell me more about that?' or 'what about is important to you?')

Paraphrase back to the speaker what you understood them to have said

Name any assumptions you have based on what they said (EG: 'I am assuming... is that accurate?')





When feeling strong emotions - identify the specific emotion/s you are feeling

Reflect on these emotions and what they might be telling you about the story you are telling YOURSELF

Share your perspective by explaining:

- your observations (facts, not interpretations)
- your emotions, what you are feeling
- your need/s





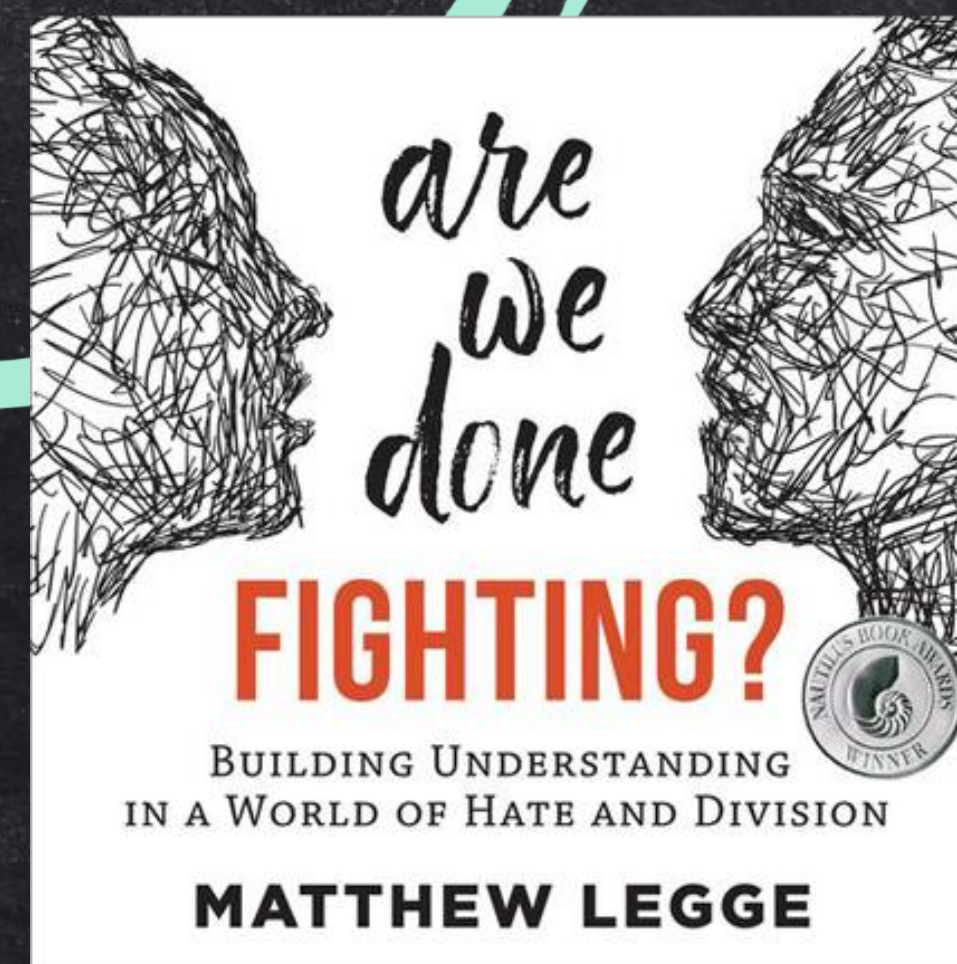
ACTIVITY: CONCENTRIC CIRCLES

Question Options

1. ·Recall a time when you felt particularly powerful. Why do you think you felt that power?
2. ·When you speak the truth, even in a situation where you don't stand to gain from it, how does it feel and what are the results?
3. ·When you seek to attack with your words, how does that feel and what are the results?



LEGGE, M. (2019). ARE WE DONE FIGHTING: BUILDING UNDERSTANDING IN A WORLD OF HATE AND DIVISION. NEW SOCIETY PUBLISHERS.





REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan Approval

DIVISION: Community and Protective Services

SUMMARY:

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) will review the proposed 2025 work plan for approval.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan be approved as presented.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

At the January 9, 2025 meeting, the YAC discussed the desired priorities for the 2025 year. Administration led YAC through a review of the purpose of the committee, overview of the 2024 work plan priorities, and recommendations from the 2024 report. Considerations were made to ensure the defined priorities align with Council's strategic plan and are within the capacity and parameters for the YAC.

The committee formulated four key priority areas that they will focus on:

1. Enhance inclusion and belonging for youth in the City of Spruce Grove;
2. Support and build awareness for local youth events and initiatives;
3. Share youth perspectives to help inform decisions; and
4. Increase the Youth Advisory Committee's presence in the community.

This work plan is a high-level overview of the focus areas that will guide YAC's involvement and participation in various initiatives. As initiatives emerge that support their priorities, details will be added to the work plan.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

The previous Administrative Liaison was consulted to gain insight and feedback on recommendations for success.

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

Once the 2025 YAC Work Plan is approved, it will be presented to City Council.

IMPACTS:

The work plan is designed to have a meaningful impact and influence to support the progress of the City of Spruce Grove's strategic plan.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The work plan will operate within the approved budget.



2025 Youth Advisory Committee Work Plan

Awareness and Understanding

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) was created in 2023 and is tasked with engaging with youth in the community to accurately represent a youth perspective on a variety of municipal issues and provide recommendations to Council on these issues. Council has provided direction on how they may accomplish this through:

- Coordinating youth specific initiatives that profile local youth issues;
- Developing and maintaining relationships with individuals and organizations addressing issues or opportunities relating to youth;
- Researching and providing input into policy proposals for Council's consideration in reference to matters that directly impact youth in the community;
- Receiving direction from Council on work or reports Council requires on youth matters;
- Providing a youth lens on youth-oriented City policies, programs, or services; and
- Engaging with Administration and other organizations supporting youth initiatives and other municipalities.

In 2025, YAC has eleven members, one new member and 10 returning from 2024. The YAC is well positioned to learn from their successes and leverage them into 2025.

Based on feedback from the 2024 Committee, the youth identified that they would like more mentorship opportunities from Administration and Committee Councillors. Based on that recommendation, Administration and Committee Councillors will focus on providing additional learning outcomes:

- Organizational development skills (i.e. meeting norms, facilitation skills, project management skills, etc.);
- Organizational procedures and skills (i.e. how to develop and approve key messages for events, event planning skills, etc.); and
- Open Q & A sessions to Administration and Committee Councillors.

2025 Priorities

The 2025 work plan priorities were formulated after a review and analysis of the previous year's activities, suggestions from Administration, Committee Councillors, and Committee members. This work plan is a high-level overview of the focus areas that will guide YAC's involvement and participation in various initiatives. As initiatives emerge that support their priorities, details will be added to the work plan. The work plan is also intended to be iterative to accommodate emerging interests and opportunities.

1. Enhance inclusion and belonging for youth in the City of Spruce Grove.

Alignment to Council's 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan:

- goal 1 A.2: Work with local organizations that focus on addressing inequities in the community and understanding the needs of underrepresented and equity deserving groups.
- goal 1 C.2: Enhance community engagement opportunities.
- goal 6: C.2: Safe, livable, and sustainable neighbourhoods for all residents that contribute to a high quality of life.

2. Support and build awareness for local youth events and initiatives.

Alignment to Council's 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan:

- goal 3 A.2: Provide additional accessible recreation programming opportunities for youth.
- goal 4 B.1: Utilize culture events to enhance resident engagement within the community.

3. Share youth perspectives to help inform decisions.

Alignment to Council's 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan:

- goal 12 C.2: Incorporate a DIEB lens into bylaws and policies.
- Goal 1: The City has an inclusive approach to community development that values community knowledge, diversity, and wisdom.

4. Increase the Youth Advisory Committee's presence in the community.

Alignment to Council's 2022 - 2025 Strategic Plan:

- goal 11 A.3: Promote a welcoming and safe environment in the City Centre to encourage increased tourism and visits.
- goal 2: Barriers are reduced, access is improved, and participation increases for City facilities, programs, and services.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: 2025 Spruce Up Spruce Grove

DIVISION: Community and Protective Services

SUMMARY:

The City of Spruce Grove is hosting Spruce Up Spruce Grove on Saturday, May 24, 2025 and the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) has the opportunity to participate.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee participate in the 2025 Spruce Up Spruce Grove event.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Last year the YAC participated in Spruce Up Spruce Grove by both planting trees and having a booth at the Community Celebration component of the event.

Environmentally focused community groups are invited to attend the Celebration to engage with the public to raise awareness, promote programs and initiatives. If the YAC participates in the booth it will need to have an interactive environmental education or activity focus.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

YAC has two options for participation:

Option 1: Register to plant trees - planting times are 1 - 2 p.m. or 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Option 2: Register to host an interactive booth from 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

Details for participating in Spruce Up Spruce Grove have been shared internally by Recreation and Culture Community Development.

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

The Administrative Liaison will communicate YAC's interest in participating with the Spruce Up Spruce Grove organizers.

IMPACTS:

YAC will be supporting a City of Spruce Grove community event.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: 2025 Youth Advisory Committee Learning Objective Priorities

DIVISION: Community and Protective Services

SUMMARY:

To support the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC), learning objective priorities will be identified.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee approve the 2025 Learning Objective Priorities.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Based on feedback from the 2024 Committee, the youth identified that they would like more mentorship opportunities from Administration and Committee Councillors. Based on that recommendation, Administration and Committee Councillors will focus on providing additional learning outcomes such as:

- Organizational development skills (i.e. meeting norms, facilitation skills, project management skills, etc.);
- Organizational procedures and skills (i.e. how to develop and approve key messages for events, event planning skills, etc.); and
- Open Q & A sessions to Administration and Committee Councillors.

YAC will have an opportunity to discuss ideas for any additional areas of interest or importance to capture meaningful learning opportunities.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

The Administrative Liaison will search for opportunities for delegations that support the identified learning objective priorities.

IMPACTS:

The learning objectives will support the Committee members skill development and knowledge base. This will benefit them individually and strengthen YAC.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2025

TITLE: Adjournment - Youth Advisory Committee - February 6, 2025

DIVISION: Strategic and Communication Services

SUMMARY:

Adjournment indicates the end of the meeting and the completion of the agenda items.

PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee adjourn at TIME p.m.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Chair shall ask for a motion from the Committee. Once the motion has been made and the members vote, the meeting is now complete.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

n/a

IMPACTS:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

n/a