

Subject: Community Services Committee Terms of Reference

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Report to Community Services Committee on 28 February 2023

and Council 8 March 2023

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Objet : Mandat du comité des services communautaires

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REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Community Services Committee recommend Council approve its Terms of Reference, as outlined in this report and attached as Document 1.

RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des services communautaires recommande au Conseil d'approuver son mandat, tel qu'il est énoncé dans le présent rapport et dans le document 1 ci-joint.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of December 7, 2022, Ottawa City Council considered a report titled [2022-2026 Council Governance Review \(ACS2022-OCC-GEN-0030\)](#). In approving this report, Council approved the revised Terms of Reference for Standing Committees, Sub-Committees and the Transit Commission be submitted in draft form to the respective Committees/Commission at their first meeting in 2023 for consideration and recommendation to Council for approval. Accordingly, this report is presented to the Community Services Committee for its consideration and approval.

DISCUSSION

As part of the 2022-2026 Council Governance Review report, Council approved the Committee structure for the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

As part of this report, Council established a new Community Services Committee responsible for the Community Services mandate of the former Community and Protective Services Committee (CPSC) that operated during the 2018-2022 Term of Council.

Specifically, this new Committee would undertake specific responsibilities that were previously set out in the CPSC's Terms of Reference for issues relating to parks, recreation, cultural, museums and heritage programming, long-term care and social services and housing.

As it relates to housing, the Community Services Committee, oversees and makes recommendations to Council on housing policies and the ongoing administration of emergency shelters, supportive housing, community housing and homelessness programs. The Planning and Housing Committee maintains responsibility for the City's Affordable Housing Strategy, transit-oriented development and all related housing policy initiatives, as well as capital funding of social and affordable housing programs, the Long-Range Financial Plan for Housing and reports pertaining to the Ottawa Community Lands Development Corporation (OCLDC).

Full details on these changes are outlined in the [2022-2026 Council Governance Review Report](#), Part 1.

The draft Terms of Reference for the Community Services Committee are attached at Document 1.

The Terms of Reference also include minor updates recommended by staff to reflect current City organizational structure, to provide additional clarity and precision or remove redundancy within the scope of the mandate approved by Council through Governance Review.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no legal impediment to the adoption of the recommendation in this report.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR

This is not a ward-specific report.

CONSULTATION

As part of the preparation for the 2022-2026 Council Governance Review report and associated recommendations on committee mandates, the City Clerk consulted with Members of the 2018-2022 and 2022-2026 Terms of Council, the Senior Leadership Team, as well as staff that work most closely with the legislative process.

The public was notified of this report through the weekly meeting advertisements and on Ottawa.ca, and the publication of the agenda. Public delegations may be received by the Committee.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no specific accessibility impacts associated with this report.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS

No additional delegated authority is being sought by staff as part of this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

No risk management implications have been identified associated with this report.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

No rural implications have been identified associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This report implements the Committee mandate approved by Council as part of the 2022-2026 Council Governance Review.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 - Draft Community Services Committee Terms of Reference.

DISPOSITION

Upon approval of the report by Council, the Terms of Reference will become the mandate and governing authority for the Community Services Committee and will be published to Ottawa.ca by the Office of the City Clerk.