

# Minutes General Assembly - **November 1, 2023**

#### Attendance

VCMs- R. Arvikar, H. Kaur, S. Ahmed, S. Dalal, H. Shu, I. Sayed, L. Peddi, R. Jacques, T. Beschell, A. Frost, A. Humura, M. Sandhu, J. Chiasson B. Magalnick, D. Mao, A. Singh Raina. E. Yang

Cllr Salvador, K. Put, C. Lamoureux

Regrets

P. Thennakoowela, K. Cardinal,

<b>1.0 Welcome</b> [5:30 pm Dinner - (online 5:50)]		
1.1 Call to Order		Reetu
1.2 Land Acknowledgment		Sehaj
1.3 Approval of the Agenda	Motion by Reetu, Seconded by Sehaj, carried	Voting Committee Members
1.4 Approval of Minutes - Draft General Assembly Minutes - October 4, 2023	Motion by Reetu, Seconded by Lakshmi, carried Abstained: Irshad	Voting Committee Members

2.0 Standing Items		
2.1 Councilor Updates (5 mins)	Zoning bylaw- modernize and make more equitable housing and viable transportation option. People came out in support Council approved the new zoning bylaw. Valley Line South East is opening on November 4th. 5:15am is the first train ride on the line. Budget coming up- Budget adjustment, opportunity to adjust as needed. CEYC can be engaged. Important to hear from diverse perspectives when making these budget decisions. Reach out to Councillor Salvador if interested.	Cllr Salvador
2.2 Chair Updates (5 mins)	<ul> <li>Strategic plan has been postponed. No updates.</li> <li>Initiative proposal time - use last year's Strat plan as a guideline for the work.</li> <li>Reference the CEYC mandate/prior priorities - pulled from previous proposals.</li> <li>Indigenous reconciliation team is working hard. If you want to see more work done in that area, please engage in that work yourself.</li> </ul>	Reetu & Lakshmi
2.3 Administration Updates (5 mins)	<ul> <li>D&amp;I new training dates will be sent out this week. You can attend one and not the other.</li> <li>Try to attend both.</li> <li>Try to remember to RSVP to meetings.</li> </ul>	Admin
2.4 Subcommittee Chair Updates (10 mins)	Internal- Interest meeting a week ago. Please join	Subcommittee Co-chairs

during the subcommittee breakouts if you're interested.	
<b>Projects</b> - Low turn out, but many people know about projects and got some great ideas from the people who attended. Developed one initiative proposal for community engagement	
<b>Policy-</b> had their interest meeting. Looking at housing, urban planning, and cycling as areas of focus.	

3.0 Presentation		
3.1 Office of the City Clerk- Bylaw Amendments	CEYC - Advisory Committees of Council - Governa	Kristin Stolarz and Mollie Everett, Office of the City Clerk
	Governance review presentation on changing and upcoming changes	
	2021- Motion from Council to review their work June 2023- reported to council and got direction October - changes to bylaws Will be bringing additional changes forward this year and in Spring 2024	
	The Municipal Government Act allows extended governance- Rules that apply to City Council also apply to Youth Council. The advice is based on the MGA and principles within. A principle is that council conducts it's business in public. It's about transparency.	
	Changes made at the October 24, 2023 Council meeting: No changes to current membership Standardized the bylaws for all advisory committees Attendance requirements and standarized leaves of absence.	

Removal of the word advocacy means to other levels of government specifically. Can still advocate to City	
Council. Changed minimum term from 1 year to 2 years.	
Standard process to fulling vacancies.	
Subcommittees need permission from city council. Will	
implement in 2024-2025 workplan with CEYC.	
Changes before 2024 recruitment:	
Requirement that members need to be residents of Edmonton	
Clarify that City of Edmonton Staff are eligible to serve	
as members.	
Dates- March 5: annual reports and work plans. Request	
approval for subcommittees at this time.	
Q&A- What does advocacy mean?- CEYC engage in advocacy	
with City Council and City Council can advocate to other	
levels of government	
Subcommittee - Heard that they're resource intensive	
and not always aligned to the advisory committee	
priority and council priority. And subcommittee work	
isn't compensated under the honorarium policy. Most	
appropriate method to ensure subcommittees are focused on the work and resourced appropriately.	
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The bylaw was amended and subcommittees can be	
created with the approval from council. Work plan will	
have rationale for subcommittees, what they do, and resources required to support council to make that	
decision.	
Question about term length- When reappointment	
come up, you'll get reappointment under the new term,	
but if you're on year 7 and get reappointed, you will only	

be reappointed to the maximum term of 8 years.	
Subcommittees how to request them and is there a maximum number? Still developing the process. Workplans in spring will be the first opportunities for Council to make this decision. Can't speculate on what the number will be. Clerk's office will support the development of the workplan to align with the bylaw. Preparing a clear rationale for how the subcommittee fits under the overall CEYC mandate. How are you using the subcommittee to accomplish that mandate or an item identified in the workplan	
Resourcing- Workplans will outline what the need for administration is and council can look at if admin has the resourcing or will require more allocated.	
Timeline- With the new changes being implemented mid term when will they take effect. Will impact recruitment (e.g. 2 years, other recruitment rules) For subcommittee piece- that is more related to the workplans. Workplans are in March.	
Subcommittees will need approval in the Spring with CEYCs workplan.	
Other questions- reach out to Kaylin. Chairs can reach out to Kristin and Mollie.	

4.0 Initiative Proposals		
4.1 🖻 Youth Community Involvement Webpage	Wants to focus on federal grants and city grants. Highlight those opportunities and update the opportunities that come out after the pandemic.	Hassan

Feedback in the past about the site being hard to use- Will the layout be changed? Next step collecting information and month after will reorganize and discuss the layout.	
Suggestion to list age requirements.	
How many people are using the site?	
Motion Speena: The project subcommittee moves to approve the youth community involvement initiative. Moneek seconded	
Oppositions: 0 Abstentions: 0	
Initative approved by consensus	

5.0 Discussion		
5.1 Subcommittee Choice Form	Fill out subcommittee form if not already completed.	Everyone
5.2 Initiative Ideas (20 mins) Initiatives - Please ensure you run the budget and ensure there is support from Administration.	Breakout session for subcommittees	Subcommittees Virtual attendees, please join the links at the bottom of the agenda
5.3 Indigenous Allyship & Reconciliation (20 mins)	<ul> <li>Reflection on last year's progress         <ul> <li>How do you think CEYC can better support this work?</li> </ul> </li> <li>How can we use the flexibility of the Indigenous Allyship working group to our advantage?</li> <li>You can just pick the Indigenous Allyship working group,</li> </ul>	Breakouts

	and no subcommittee. It's okay to just focus and prioritize on Indigenous ALlyship- Reach out to Reetu or Lakshmi if you'd like to step down from a subcommittee.	
5.4 Social Media Platforms (10 minutes)	Tabled	Everyone

6.0 Adjournment	
6.1 Birthdays!!	Reetu
6.2 Motion to Adjourn	Reetu
8:28	

7.1 Recognition Awards	The following YAL were recognized by the subcommittee chairs during the 2022-2023 term and thanked for their exceptional work and commitment as YAL members. Oscar Ly Anakin Boa Aditya Peddi Alex Liu Tiffany Phan Alex Dudek Nicole Quin Luka Zvonkovic	YAL's

7.2 Fun Surprise		Everyone
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Next meeting and upcoming dates	
December 6, General Assembly	Hybrid Meeting

Breakouts:

#### **Internal Subcommittee Breakout**

Video call link: <u>https://meet.google.com/tfn-yaou-rcy</u>

Or dial: (CA) +1 226-214-6268 PIN: 217 518 671#

More phone numbers: https://tel.meet/tfn-yaou-rcy?pin=4608644818871

### Policy Subcommittee Breakout

Video call link: <u>https://meet.google.com/szq-gssy-pyg</u> Or dial: (CA) +1 647-735-2394 PIN: 136 721 390# More phone numbers: <u>https://tel.meet/szq-gssy-pyg?pin=4580283482841</u>

## **Projects Subcommittee Breakout**

Video call link: <u>https://meet.google.com/gcg-yaix-dbj</u> Or dial: (CA) +1 647-736-9384 PIN: 957 840 477# More phone numbers: https://tel.meet/gcg-yaix-dbj?pin=3569098283406