

<p><b>MANDATE:</b></p>	<p>The BiodiverCity Advisory Committee provides Council and Administration with strategic advice on matters affecting urban biodiversity in The City of Calgary. The Committee advances the commitments and procedures identified within Our BiodiverCity, Calgary's 10-year biodiversity strategic plan and The Durban Commitment: Local Governments for Biodiversity.</p>
<p><b>COMPOSITION:</b></p>	<p>5 Members who represent the technical industry or research field</p> <p>2 Members who represent the ecological literacy field</p> <p>2 Citizens-at-Large with an interest in biodiversity and ecological literacy</p> <p>4 Members of City Administration</p>
	<p>Composition Details:</p> <p>5 public members who represent the technical industry or research field with a background in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• biology</li> <li>• ecology</li> <li>• horticulture</li> <li>• applicable field in engineering (e.g. waste management, storm water management, hydrology, etc.)</li> <li>• planning</li> <li>• economics</li> <li>• community health</li> <li>• recreational management</li> </ul> <p>2 public members who represent the ecological literacy field with a background in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• art</li> <li>• education</li> <li>• communications</li> </ul> <p>2 citizens-at-large with an interest in biodiversity and ecological literacy</p>
<p><b>TERM:</b></p>	<p>Two (2) years – Staggered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A public member may serve a maximum of six consecutive years.</li> <li>• Despite the above, a public member may serve until his or her successor is appointed. The service of a member beyond the appointed term shall not count toward the limit on the length of service set out above if the additional service is one year or less.</li> <li>• When an appointment is made to fill a public member vacancy:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If the balance of the term to be served is one year or less, that service shall not count toward the limit on the length of service; and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If the balance of the term to be served is more than one year, that service shall count toward the limit on the length of service.</li> <li>• - A public member may serve more than six consecutive years by a two-thirds vote of Council.</li> </ul>
<b>TERM EXPIRY MONTH:</b>	October
<b>MEETINGS:</b>	<p>Monthly, 3rd Wednesday (no meeting in August)</p> <p>4:00 to 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Calgary Public Building</p>
<b>QUORUM:</b>	A minimum of 50% + 1 member of which a minimum of three members representing City Administration is required.
<b>RESOURCE STAFF:</b>	Carney, Vanessa ((403) 268-2541)
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<b>REPORTS TO:</b>	SPC on Community and Protective Services
<b>WEBSITE:</b>	<a href="#">Calgary's Biodiversity</a>

<i>Member</i>	<i>Role</i>	<i>Appointed on Expiry Year</i>	
Geoff Chow	Member who represents the technical industry or research field	2015	2021
Jeremy John Escobar Torio	Citizen-at-Large	2020	2022
Stephanie Findlay	Citizen-at-Large	2019	2021
Shannon Gavin	Member who represents the technical industry or research field	2019	2021
Polly Knowlton Cockett	Member who represents the ecological literacy field	2015	2021

Victoria Lukasik	Member who represents the ecological literacy field	2019	2022
John McFaul	Member who represents the technical industry or research field	2015	2021
Lea Randall	Member who represents the technical industry or research field (Chair)	2018	2022
Mathew Swallow	Member who represents the technical industry or research field (Vice-Chair)	2017	2021
Quincy Brown	Member of City Administration	2018	2021
Nicole Brugman	Member of City Administration	2019	2021
Hugo Haley	Member of City Administration	2019	2021
Jen Silverthorn	Member of City Administration	2018	2021

## Authority

	<i>Description</i>	<i>Decision</i>
1.	2015 March 30, CPS2015-0260	Council adopted the Biodiversity Policy, received for information Our BiodiverCity, Calgary 10-year biodiversity strategic plan and directed Administration to research the appropriate Terms of Reference and framework of a Biodiversity Advisory Committee.
2.	2015 March 30, CSPS2015-0260 and Policy CSPS037	Adoption of the Biodiversity Policy, number CSPS037.
3.	2015 July 27, CPS2015-0608	Council adopted the Terms of Reference for the BiodiverCity Advisory Committee.
4.	2015 October 19, Organizational Meeting of Council	That the BiodiverCity Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be amended in order that Council may stagger the initial appointments and appoint five members for one-year terms in the first year.
5.	2017 May 08, PFC2017-0312	Amendment to the Terms of Reference to reflect a 6 year term limit maximum for Public Members as specified in the new Council policy on Governance and Appointments of Boards, Commissions and Committees (CP2016-03).