

# NEWS RELEASE

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## Council Advisory Committees and Commissions set to resume

### Summary

At its regular meeting held March 2, Nanaimo City Council voted to establish the names and functions of the following 12 Advisory Committees and Commissions:

- Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Core Services Review Committee
- Design Advisory Panel
- Grants Advisory Committee
- Nanaimo Culture and Heritage Commission
- Nanaimo Economic Development Corporation Nominating Committee
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Planning and Transportation Advisory Committee
- Safer Nanaimo Advisory Committee
- Social Planning Advisory Committee
- South Downtown Waterfront Committee
- Youth Advisory Council

In addition, the following committees were dissolved:

- Development Process Review Committee
- Governance Steering Committee

And finally, staff were directed to explore opportunities to create the following two new committees:

- Green/Red Tape Committee
- Intergovernmental Committee

*Strategic Link:* Taking responsibility to be an excellent municipal government.

### Key Points

- Committees and Commissions play an important role in providing advice to Council pertaining to policy, planning and provision of services. While meetings may vary, most Committees and Commissions meet once per month.
- Membership on Committees and Commissions is open to the public. Residents interested in sitting on either a Committee or Commission should watch for notices from the City advertising openings.

### Quotes

"Council Advisory Committees and Commissions are an invaluable resource for Council. Many of the decisions Council makes are made having received first received feedback or recommendations from our Committees and Commissions."

Bill McKay  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

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