



Hamilton

2022 – 2026 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

General Issues Committee – Report CM23020

September 20, 2023

Council Direction

Council acknowledged in its motions (Jan 25 & May 10, 2023) that:

- Hamiltonians will benefit most from a Council that, as a whole, sets out clear priorities
- Urgent needs in our communities will be addressed more quickly and efficiently by working together to make tangible progress on our most pressing challenges and opportunities
- Council will be able to more effectively direct staff work and get results for Hamiltonians by setting out clear priorities for the term

Council driven process lead by the Mayor's Office

A **multi-faceted** process that engaged all of Council through:

- Several points of **individual inputs**
- Two different **small working groups** set principles to support priority setting, reviewed inputs and build draft recommendations
- Two **Workshops** (May 5 & June 27) supported individual reflection, small group and full Council discussions

Staff worked with direction from the Mayor's Office to finalize Priorities, Outcomes and Measures of Success for approval

Priorities & Outcomes

Sustainable Economic & Ecological Development	Safe and Thriving Neighbourhoods	Responsiveness and Transparency
Reduce the burden on residential taxpayers	Increase the supply of affordable and supportive housing and reduce chronic homelessness	Prioritize customer service and proactive communication
Facilitate the growth of key sectors	Make sure people can safely and efficiently move around by foot, bike, transit or car	Get more people involved in decision making and problem solving
Accelerate our response to climate change	Provide vibrant parks, recreation and public spaces	Build a high performing public service
Protect green space and waterways		Modernize City Systems

Action Plans

- **Living documents** that will evolve through continued Council direction
- Contains **new work** directed by this Council and **work underway that will drive outcomes**
- Financial impacts and resource requirements will be addressed through **Committee, Council and budget processes**, as required
 - Part of Mayoral Directive (MDI-2023-01) for 2024 Budget

Priorities identify the critical areas for Council and staff to focus additional time, attention, budget and resources on

Ongoing for Remainder of Council Term

- New work will be considered against its ability to advance Council Priorities
- Existing work will continue to be reviewed against its ability to advance Council Priorities
- Progress will be reported biannually through Communication Updates to Council
 - Digital updates will be available through the Our Priorities section of the City's Dashboard

Ensuring delivery on the Priorities requires discipline, finding efficiencies and ongoing implementation of service improvements



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