CITY OF EDMONTON

BYLAW 18893

WARD BOUNDARY COMMISSION BYLAW

(CONсолIDATED ON APRIL 27, 2020)
Edmonton City Council enacts:

PART I - GENERAL

PURPOSE 1 The purpose of this bylaw is to establish a temporary council committee, named the Ward Boundary Commission, to provide recommendations to Council on the Ward Boundary Bylaw and policy.

DEFINITIONS 2 (1) Unless otherwise specified, words used in this bylaw have the same meaning as defined in the Municipal Government Act, including its regulations.

(2) In this bylaw:

(a) "City" means The City of Edmonton;

(b) "City Manager" means the City's chief administrative officer or delegate;

(c) "Council" means the City's council;

(d) "Councillor" means the City's councillors and includes the chief elected official;

(e) "Municipal Government Act" means the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c M-26; and

(f) "Ward Boundary Bylaw" means the City of Edmonton Ward Boundary and Council Composition Bylaw, Bylaw 15142.

RULES FOR INTERPRETATION 3 The marginal notes and headings in this bylaw are for ease of reference only.

PART II - WARD BOUNDARY COMMISSION

ESTABLISHMENT 4 The Ward Boundary Commission is established by this bylaw as a temporary council committee.

MANDATE 5 (1) The Ward Boundary Commission will, no later than July 31, 2020:
(a) review the existing Ward Boundary Bylaw and provide a written report to Council with recommendations regarding new boundaries without increasing or decreasing the number of wards; and

(b) review Council's Ward Boundary Design Policy, C469A, and provide a written report to Council with recommendations regarding the criteria and procedure for future ward boundary amendments.

(2) Sections 4(2), 10, and 11(c) of the Council Committees Bylaw, Bylaw 18156, do not apply the Ward Boundary Commission.

ENGAGEMENT

6 (1) Prior to making recommendations to Council, the Ward Boundary Commission must:

(a) consult with all Councillors;

(b) consult with each school board operating in the City; and

(c) conduct public engagement sessions with members of the public.

(2) When making recommendations to Council, the Ward Boundary Commission must include a summary of feedback gathered pursuant to subsection (1).

MEMBERSHIP

7 (1) The Ward Boundary Commission will be comprised of a minimum of 3, to a maximum of 7, members representing different perspectives and experience with the following fields:

(a) municipal politics;

(b) municipal governance;

(c) public policy;

(d) political science;

(e) urban planning; and

(f) any other field Council determines relevant.

(2) The Returning Officer, as defined in the City's Election Bylaw, Bylaw 16311, will be a non-voting, ex officio member of the
Ward Boundary Commission responsible for providing advice and administrative support.

**REMUNERATION** 8

(1) Members of the Ward Boundary Commission will receive a one-time honourarium of $2,000 once the written reports required by section 5 are presented to Council.

(2) The chair of the Ward Boundary Commission will receive an additional honourarium of $500, payable concurrently with the honourarium described in subsection (1).

(3) The City Manager will reimburse members of the Ward Boundary Commission for all actual expenses incurred while carrying out their duties and approved by the City Manager.

(4) This section does not apply to the Returning Officer.

**REPEAL** 9

This bylaw will be automatically repealed on July 31, 2020, or on the date the Ward Boundary Commission presents the written reports required by section 5, whichever is earlier.

(NOTE: Consolidation made under Section 69 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26 and Bylaw 16620 Section 16, and printed under the City Manager’s authority)

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Amendments:
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