

City officials interact informally with officials in other orders of government to advance social and economic and other policy interests. This occurs through the City's participation in municipal associations such as Alberta Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and its Big City Mayors' Caucus, and the Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Board. This also occurs through other forums such as the InterCity Forum on Social Policy, the Big Cities Affordable Housing Table, and the City Manager's involvement at the Canada's Big Six Cities (BiCEP) meetings. Finally, advocacy occurs through the City's attendance at other community events, such as the Chambers of Commerce Political Action Day event.

Below are examples of the City's formal advocacy to other orders of government, specifically focused on social policy issues including those disproportionately affecting Chinatown and our downtown areas.

City Correspondence & Consultation Submissions

- June 2, 2022 - **Letter (10A)** to Deputy Minister, Alberta Health about access to drug poisoning data
- May 31, 2022 - **Letter (10B)** to Deputy Minister, Alberta Seniors and Housing about housing need, supportive housing, current portfolio, and proposed tax exemptions
- May 9, 2022 - **Letter (10C)** to Alberta Minister of Community and Social Services about funding for women's shelters
- February 28, 2022 - **Submission (10D)** to Alberta Seniors and Housing/ Alberta Municipal Affairs on Affordable Housing
- February 24, 2022 - City pre-budget **letter (10E)** and **submission (10F)** to Prime Minister and Minister of Finance Canada on affordable housing, support for newcomers, Indigenous cultural and housing facilities, mental health supports, harm reduction services, and anti-racism programming and Downtown vibrancy
- January 31, 2022 - City **submission (10G)** to Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission on three-digit number for suicide prevention
- January 11, 2022 - City pre-budget **Letter (10H)** and **submission (10I)** to Premier and Minister of Alberta Finance on addressing hate-based violence, homelessness, mental health and addictions, and supporting immigrants, refugees and newcomers
- December 3, 2021 - **Letter (10J)** to Associate Minister of Alberta Immigration and Multiculturalism about sharing information about workplace matters and newcomers, incorporating racism and related hate crimes in the *Criminal Code*, supporting anti-racism activities, and supporting immigrants, refugees and newcomers
- October 15, 2021 - **Letter (10K)** to Minister of Alberta Community and Social Services about emergency shelter services and minimum standards

City Elected Officials Meetings

- May 31, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Justice and Solicitor General about downtown and Chinatown policing, transit safety, homelessness and police funding
- May 31, 2022 - Meeting and community walk with Provincial Ministers, Chinese Benevolent Association and community members about current issues, housing, mental health services, project teams, and community priorities
- May 30, 2022 - Discussion with Member of the Legislative Assembly for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain about housing and other matters
- May 24, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Seniors and Housing about provincial housing strategy, Indigenous housing projects, tax exemptions, and supportive housing

- May 24, 2022 - Meeting with Member of Parliament, Edmonton Griesbach about affordable housing, reconciliation, drug poisonings and other matters
- April 25, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Alberta Health about housing and other matters
- April 20, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Community and Social Services about the Homelessness Task Force
- April 11, 2022 - Meeting with Prime Minister about federal budget, particularly homelessness, affordable housing, and downtown revitalization
- March 30 - Discussion with Minister of Alberta Culture about housing and other matters
- March 22, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Community and Social Services about supportive housing, drug poisonings, homelessness, and minimum shelter standards
- March 21, 2022 - Discussion with Member of the Legislative Assembly for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain about housing and other matters
- March 10, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Transportation about housing and other matters
- February 24, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Seniors and Housing about housing and other matters
- February 18, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Municipal Affairs about housing and other matters
- February 11, 2022 - Meeting with Member of Parliament, Edmonton Riverbend about the city's social and economic priorities and other matters
- February 8, 2022 - Discussion with Premier about housing and other matters
- February 8, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Municipal Affairs on housing and other matters
- January 29, 2022 - Meeting with Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-North West about drug poisoning, recovery funding, downtown revitalization, homelessness/housing and other matters
- January 27, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Indigenous Relations about Indigenous-led housing and shelter solutions, street worker outreach, community awareness initiatives for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, and an Indigenous cultural and wellness centre
- January 26, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Alberta Finance about housing and other matters
- January 21, 2022 - Discussion with Member of the Legislative Assembly for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain about housing and other matters
- January 20, 2022 - Discussion with Minister of Municipal Affairs about housing and other matters
- January 18, 2022 - Discussion with Premier about housing and other matters
- January 11, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Health Canada about drug poisonings, mental health, care for seniors and other matters
- January 11, 2022 - Discussion with Associate Minister of Red Tape Reduction about housing and other matters
- January 11, 2022 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Justice and Solicitor General about Downtown vibrancy, policing, housing/homelessness, and other matters
- December 16, 2021 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Justice and Solicitor General about policing, anti-racism initiatives and other matters
- November 25, 2021 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Immigration and Multiculturalism about immigrant settlement and anti-racism initiatives
- November 24, 2021 - Discussion with Premier about housing and other matters
- November 22, 2021 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Mental Health & Addictions on drug poisonings, community funding, mental health/suicide prevention programs, housing and homelessness
- November 22, 2021 - Discussion with Minister of Municipal Affairs about housing and other matters
- November 18, 2021 - Meeting with several local Members of the Legislative Assembly about downtown revitalization and housing
- November 16, 2021 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Jobs, Economy and Innovation on economic recovery, downtown vibrancy, homelessness and other matters
- November 15, 2021 - Meeting with Minister of Alberta Community and Social Services about winter emergency response, supportive housing, and minimum shelter standards
- November 3, 2021 - Meeting with Premier about housing and homelessness, winter emergency response, minimum shelter standards, supportive housing, drug poisoning, anti-racism and other matters

Below are examples of recent meetings and engagements with the Downtown and Chinatown community:

- May 31, 2022 - Meeting and community walk with Provincial Ministers, Chinese Benevolent Association and community members about current issues, housing, mental health services, project teams, and community priorities
- April 25, 2022 - Meeting with Chair and Executive Director of the Chinatown and Area Business Association to discuss the Community Safety and Well-Being Framework
- The City has been meeting with representatives of the Citadel Theatre, Winspear Centre and Art Gallery of Alberta as a Safety Sub-Group on a bi-weekly basis since February 3, 2022. For the two years prior, Administration met approximately monthly with the leaders of these organizations to understand opportunities and challenges that the three share in common.