

City-School Boards Advisory Committee

City Governance Overview

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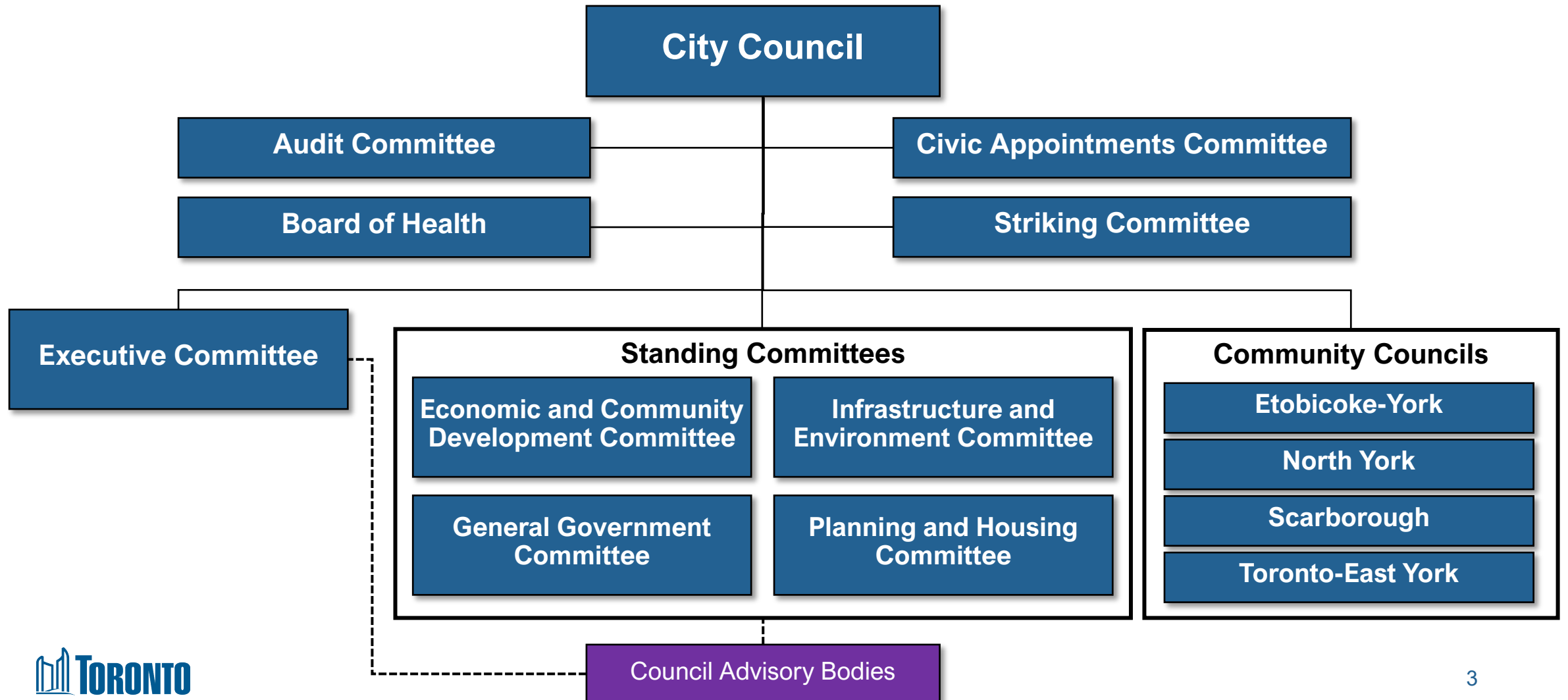
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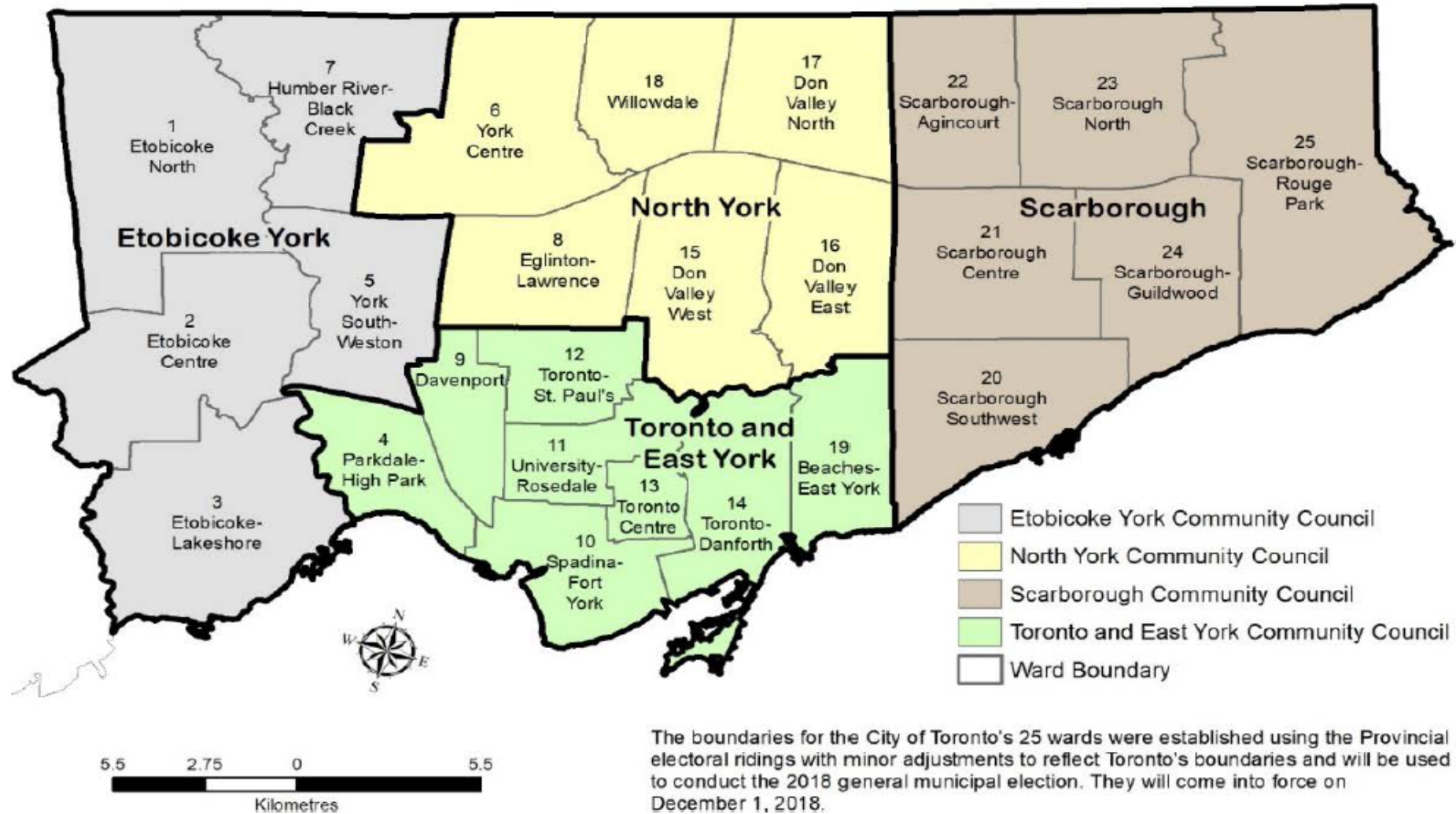
City of Toronto Act, 2006



City Council Committee Structure



Community Councils



Role and Values of the Toronto Public Service

- The main role of the public service is to provide **objective, professional advice** to support Council (or Agency) decision-making, implement decisions and deliver effective public services to Torontonians.
- All members are guided by the [Toronto Public Service By-law](#).

All members of the public service will:

- Serve the public well
- Serve Council and/or Agency Boards well
- Act with integrity
- Maintain political neutrality
- Uphold Toronto's motto – Diversity Our Strength
- Use City property, services and resources responsibly
- Apply judgment and discretion

Agencies and Corporations

- City Council has chosen to deliver services and perform certain activities through agencies and corporations to:
 - Add expertise and experience;
 - Meet legislative or objectivity requirements;
 - Leverage City resources by attracting funding;
 - Meet objectives beyond core municipal services
 - Operate in commercial market environments; and
 - Engage local community and diverse perspectives to guide service delivery.
- City Council delegates varying levels of authority to agencies and corporations to deliver services on its behalf. Each agency and corporation has a different mandate and responsibility.
- More at www.toronto.ca/agencies-corporations

Accountability Officers

Auditor General

- Assists City Council in holding itself and its administration **accountable for public funds and assessing value-for-money** in City operations. Also manages the City's Fraud and Waste Hotline.

Integrity Commissioner

- Provides **advice, complaint resolution, and education about the Codes of Conduct**; investigates complaints to determine whether a violation of the Code has occurred.

Lobbyist Registrar

- Promotes transparency and integrity through **public disclosure of lobbying and regulation of lobbyists' conduct**. Provides advice and conducts inquiries and investigations to enforce compliance with lobbying requirements.

Ombudsman

- Works to ensure that the **City treats the public fairly, and that services are provided in a fair and equitable manner**. Investigates complaints about administrative unfairness related to City divisions, most City agencies and City Corporations.



City-School Boards Advisory Committee

Overview

Council Advisory Bodies

Current Council Advisory Bodies:

- Aboriginal Affairs Advisory Committee (AAAC)
- **City-School Boards Advisory Committee (CSBAC)**
- Confronting Anti-Black Racism Advisory Committee (CABRAC)
- Film, Television and Digital Media Board (Film Board)
- Housing Rights Advisory Committee (HRAC)
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer & Two-Spirit (LGBTQ2S+)
- Toronto Accessibility Advisory Committee (TAAC) - *established under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*
- Toronto Francophone Affairs Advisory Committee (TFAC)
- Toronto Music Advisory Committee (TMAC)

CSBAC - Mandate

Advise City Council to:

- Improve information-sharing and coordination between School Boards and the City at both the staff and political level;
- Identify issues of common concern, propose solutions and strategies, and advance joint initiatives, including advocacy with communities and other levels of government;
- Coordinate program planning, improve efficiency of shared-use facilities, and streamline administrative processes between the City and School Boards;
- Continue to develop a “community asset” strategy that supports local priorities in the utilization and disposition of School Board buildings and lands; and considers social infrastructure needs for growing economic disparity, population growth and building complete communities in the City of Toronto;
- Provide advice to City Council on the best ways to ensure schools are safe spaces for learning and development; and
- Provide advice to City Council on the best ways to foster community leadership and youth employment opportunities that serve the needs of students.

CSBAC – Governance

- CSBAC provides **advice to City Council** through the Executive Committee.
- The Advisory Committee **may not direct City staff or make binding decisions** on behalf of Toronto City Council or the City of Toronto.
- Any CSBAC recommendations requiring action by City officials or City Council **must first be considered by the appropriate Council Committee** and, when necessary, be approved by City Council.
- CSBAC operates in accordance with City Council's **Simplified Procedures for Advisory Bodies**.
- All **meetings are open to the public** and comply with the Open Meeting Requirements of the *City of Toronto Act, 2006*.
- Meets a minimum of **three meetings per year** at the call of the Chair.

CSBAC – Governance

- **Social, Development, Finance and Administration (SDFA)** staff provides **policy-related coordination support and strategic advice** to the Advisory Committee, supported by staff from:

City of Toronto Divisions

- Parks, Forestry and Recreation (PF&R)
- Children's Services
- City Planning
- Corporate Real Estate Management (CREM)

School Boards

- Toronto District School Board (TDSB)
- Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB)
- the Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir
- Conseil scolaire Viamonde

- The **City Clerk's Office** provides **meeting management support** to the Advisory Committee.

Resources

Committee Membership, Terms of Reference and Procedures:

- <https://secure.toronto.ca/council/#/committees/2765/25356>

Information for Public Appointees:

- <https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/get-involved/public-appointments/resources-for-public-appointees/>

Introduction to Toronto's Government:

- <https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/get-involved-how-government-works/>

Questions?

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