

Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Committee Room #3, 2nd floor, Toronto City Hall
100 Queen St. W, Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Attendees:

Gabriel Eidelman	Nick Vlahos	Tim Grant
Bruce Ryder	Kowmitha Satkunarajan	David Del Grande
Patricia Wood	Bashir Kamugo	Oksana Ermolenko
Zain Kurram	Nicole Grijalva	

City Manager's Office staff:

Sonali Chakraborti, Sr Consultant
Brendan Nolan, Consultant
Subashna Moktan, Research Associate

Guests:

Councillor Josh Matlow

1. Guest Remarks from Councillor Josh Matlow

- Councillor Matlow provided comments to the Advisory Body members about the context of Council's consideration of the motion that requested the City Manager to create the MAPAB, and provided encouragement to the Members in their deliberations

2. Recap from Co-Chairs

- Co-Chairs provided a review of previous discussions and activities of MAPAB Working Groups (WGs) since the last meeting

3. Updates from Working Groups

- WG 1 – Coordinating with WG 2 on identifying the City of Toronto's current state and challenges in exercising municipal autonomy.
- WG 2 – City staff providing specific data in response to several requests from WG addressing municipal intergovernmental relationships and service provisions
- WG 3 – Coordinating with WG 4 to review legal pathways supporting greater municipal autonomy and identify potential paths forward
- WG 4 – Identification and review of pathway options for Council to advance greater municipal autonomy

ACTION: City Manager's Office to work with City staff to provide additional information requested by WG 2.

4. Discussion of Preliminary Recommendations

- In-depth discussion of report recommendations and potential next steps

5. Next Steps and Scheduling

- Next meeting will be Fri, March 6, 2026, at 10 a.m.
- Confirmed May meeting date: Fri, May 8, 2026, at 10 a.m.

ACTION: City Manager's Office will provide guidance on honoraria process at the next meeting



Municipal Autonomy & Effective Local Governance Program Advisory Body Meeting #3

Agendas and minutes are posted on the MAPAB webpage

<https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/city-administration/for-your-information-toronto/municipal-autonomy-effective-local-governance-program-advisory-body/>