

City of Saskatoon Logo

City of Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee

Introduction

The Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee (SEAC) is an advisory body of concerned citizens consisting of nine members of the general public, one city councillor and one member of Public Health Services, who meet to provide advice on environmental issues relevant to the City of Saskatoon. The Planning and Operations Committee formed SEAC in 1973 to assist in providing specialized environmental advice to City Council. Since then SEAC has been active in providing knowledgeable and meaningful advice. In 1998 the Committee produced The State of the Environment Report/1996-1997 Annual Report for the City of Saskatoon.

Purpose

To provide to City Council (through the Planning and Operations Committee) advice on environmental implications of City undertakings and to identify environmental issues of potential relevance to the City.

Aims & Duties

- To provide knowledgeable, trustworthy and impartial advice to the City on the environmental implications of proposed and ongoing City undertakings.
- On the initiative of the Advisory Committee, to identify environmental management problems at their earliest stages and to communicate this information to the City.
- To provide informed and objective environmental information to the general public via the news media.
- To be aware of the resources available to the City of Saskatoon for dealing with environmental problems.
- To prepare and publish an annual report on the activities of the committee over the past year.
- To encourage liaison between the City of Saskatoon and environmental agencies serving higher levels of government.

Committee Structure

Total membership 11

Appointed/Nominated by Council 11

- At least one member shall represent the City (Councillor).
- One member shall represent the Saskatoon District Health Board – Public Health Services.
- Nine additional members shall be appointed by City Council (general public).
- Members shall be appointed for two-year terms, which are renewable (maximum 6 years). In the event that a member fails to complete his/her term, a replacement may be named to complete that term. New appointments are made upon resignation of a member.

Qualifications

- A sound general knowledge of the Saskatoon area and its existing and potential environmental issues; and
- Expertise in such disciplines as ecology, biology, chemistry, physics, geography, economics, demography, sociology, medicine, aesthetics, toxicology, engineering and conservation.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held monthly.

DayThird Thursday
Time12:00 noon
(except July, August, and December)

Meetings are open to the public. Members of the public wishing to attend a meeting are able to review the agenda prior to the meeting, at any branch of the public library on the Friday prior to the meeting date.

Recent Activities

- Developed and produced a report on the State of the Environment Report for the City of Saskatoon.
- Examined the implications of aluminum in the City's drinking water.
- Provided advice on development of new Solid Waste Management practices.

Contacting (SEAC)

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