



City of St. Albert
CITY COUNCIL POLICY

Mayor's Role

AUTHORITY:

City Council

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Policy

The Mayor assures the integrity of the Council's process and, represents the Council to outside parties.

Standards

1. The role of the mayor is to ensure that the Council acts consistently with its own rules, policies, and those legitimately imposed upon it from outside the corporation.
 - a. Meeting discussion content will be only those issues, which according to Council policy, clearly belong to the Council to decide, not the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).
 - b. Deliberation will be fair, open, and thorough but also timely, orderly and kept to the point.
2. The authority of the Mayor consists in making decisions that are consistent with Council policies on Governance Process and Council-CAO Relationship, except where the Council specifically delegates portions of this authority to others.
3. The Mayor is authorized to use any reasonable interpretation of the provisions in these policies.
4. The Mayor has no authority to make decisions about policies created by the Council within the Outcomes and CAO Limitations policy areas. The mayor has authority for liaison with the CAO but not to supervise or direct the CAO, unless otherwise directed by Council to do so.

Legal References: *Municipal Government Act*, Section 154(1)

