



City Manager's Update

Committee of the Whole | Council

October 21, 2024

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Highlights

- Tourism Services were offered at the Tom Thomson Art Gallery as a pilot project for summer 2024 in alignment with Service Review Project 3a3. An analysis by staff revealed that visitor numbers in 2024 grew to 14,324 from May to September, marking a substantial growth compared to previous years, with August seeing a record high of 4,013 visitors.
- During the week of September 29, the City hosted a lunch and learn series on Reconciliation for Council and Staff as we continue listening and learning
- All Department 2025 Operating Budgets were presented at Committees for the first time
- A second ice pad was installed at the JMRRC – all three ice surfaces are now operational
- The Quality Inn will be undergoing renovations. A permit was issued to redesign the interior space and add an elevator,
- A permit was issued for a new self-storage building in the Eastridge Business Park.
- A permit was issued to construct a 2-storey office building on the City's east side.

Corporate Services Committee

Second Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Kate Allan, ext. 1238

November 14

- 2023 Year-End Audit
- 2024 Asset Management Plan
- 2024 T2 Financial Update and Year End Forecast
- AMCTO Resolution Re: Municipal Elections Act Update
- Owen Sound Fire Station Expansion and Renovation Pre-design Study
- Report-a-Concern Update
- Parking Updates

Operations Committee

Third Thursday of each month - 5:30 p.m.
Lead Director: Lara Widdifield, ext. 1201

November 21

- Public Information Centre at 4:30 pm in the lobby outside Council Chambers and presentation to Committee for the “City of Owen Sound Master Storm Water Management and Drainage Plan (Draft)” by Daniel Twigger and Jacob MacDonald, Tatham Engineering.
- Request to open discussions with the municipality of Meaford regarding Genoe Landfill use options

December 19

- Boundary Road Agreement – Township of Georgian Bluffs
- Capital Project and Workplan Status Update

Community Services Committee

Third Wednesday of each month - 5:30 p.m.

Lead Director: Pam Coulter, ext. 1252

November 20

- Summer events wrap up
- Youth Summer Camp Wrap-Up
- Tourism Wrap-up
- Parkland Fees

December 18

- Official Plan Update and Comprehensive Zoning By-law Update

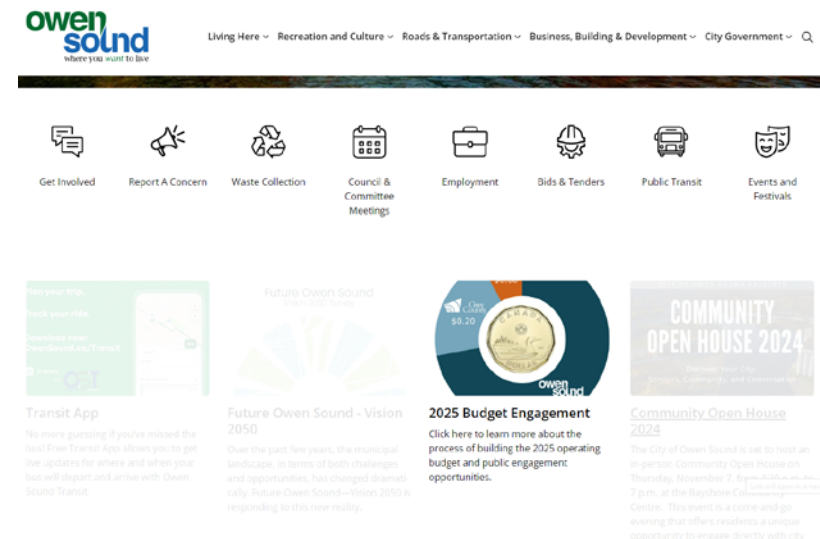
Ad Hoc Committees

Strategic Planning | November 13 – 9 a.m.

Service Review | December 11 (www.Owensound.ca/servicereview) – 9 a.m.

Upcoming Opportunities to Learn and Engage

- November 7– Community Open House
- November 8 & 9 & 10 – 2050 Vision: Strategic Visioning Sessions
- December 9 – 9 a.m.
2025 Draft Budget Review and Presentations
- December 16 – 5:30 p.m. Public Meeting re: 2025 Draft Budget



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Committees gather public input and give advice to Council based on each committee's mandate.



**Term begins:
February 1, 2025**

Please note that certain committee meetings take place during the day.

Committee Vacancies:

- Community Services Committee
- Corporate Services Committee
- Operations Committee
- Tom Thomson Art Gallery Advisory Committee



**Application Deadline:
November 20, 2024**

Complete an application form, including a resume and references to be considered for a position.

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In case you missed it - Media Advisories Issued September 23 – October 15

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1. City Honours Sharif Rahman with Memorial Tree Planting Ceremony
2. Hockey Celebrations Return to Owen Sound with HockeyFest Event in November
3. Inclusive and Creative Community Engagement Workshop for Community Stakeholders
4. City of Owen Sound Starts Key Budget Meetings for 2025
5. River District Data Shows Foot Traffic Remains Steady and Vacancy Rates Improving
6. Owen Sound Unites to Honour National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
7. Tom Thomson Art Gallery Opens Three New Exhibitions Including Creative Pathways, a Community Partner Project with the Reach Centre
8. City Continues Hydrant Flushing Program
9. City Rolls Out Video Camera Pilot Program in the River District

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