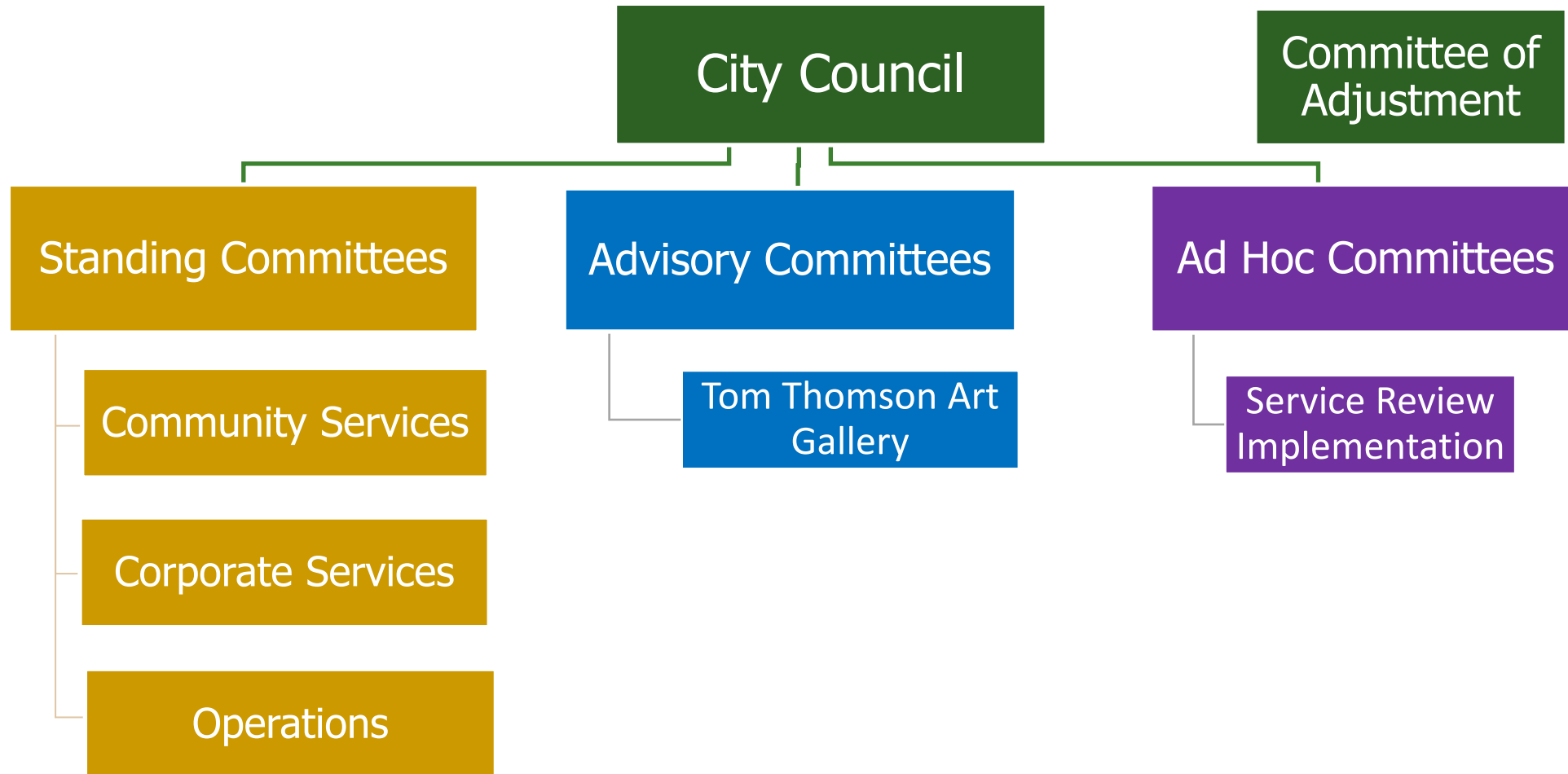




Committee Introduction

Operations Committee

February 19, 2026



- Council:
 - Makes the final decision on all matters.
- Committees:
 - Provide advice and recommendations to Council.
 - Host public meetings or open houses as directed by Council.
 - Monitor and evaluate financial and operational performance of programs and services.

- Operations Committee meets as follows:

Day:	3 rd Thursday of the month
Time:	5:30 p.m.
Location:	Council Chambers

Preparing for a Meeting

- Agendas

- Agendas are published to City's website the Friday before the meeting.
- Recording Secretary (Christina McLean) will send a notification email that the agenda has been published.
- Agendas are to be read prior to the meeting.

- Attendance

- Notify the Recording Secretary if you cannot attend a meeting.
- Approval must be given to be absent from 3 consecutive meetings.
- Provide notice to Recording Secretary if you need to join the meeting electronically via Teams.

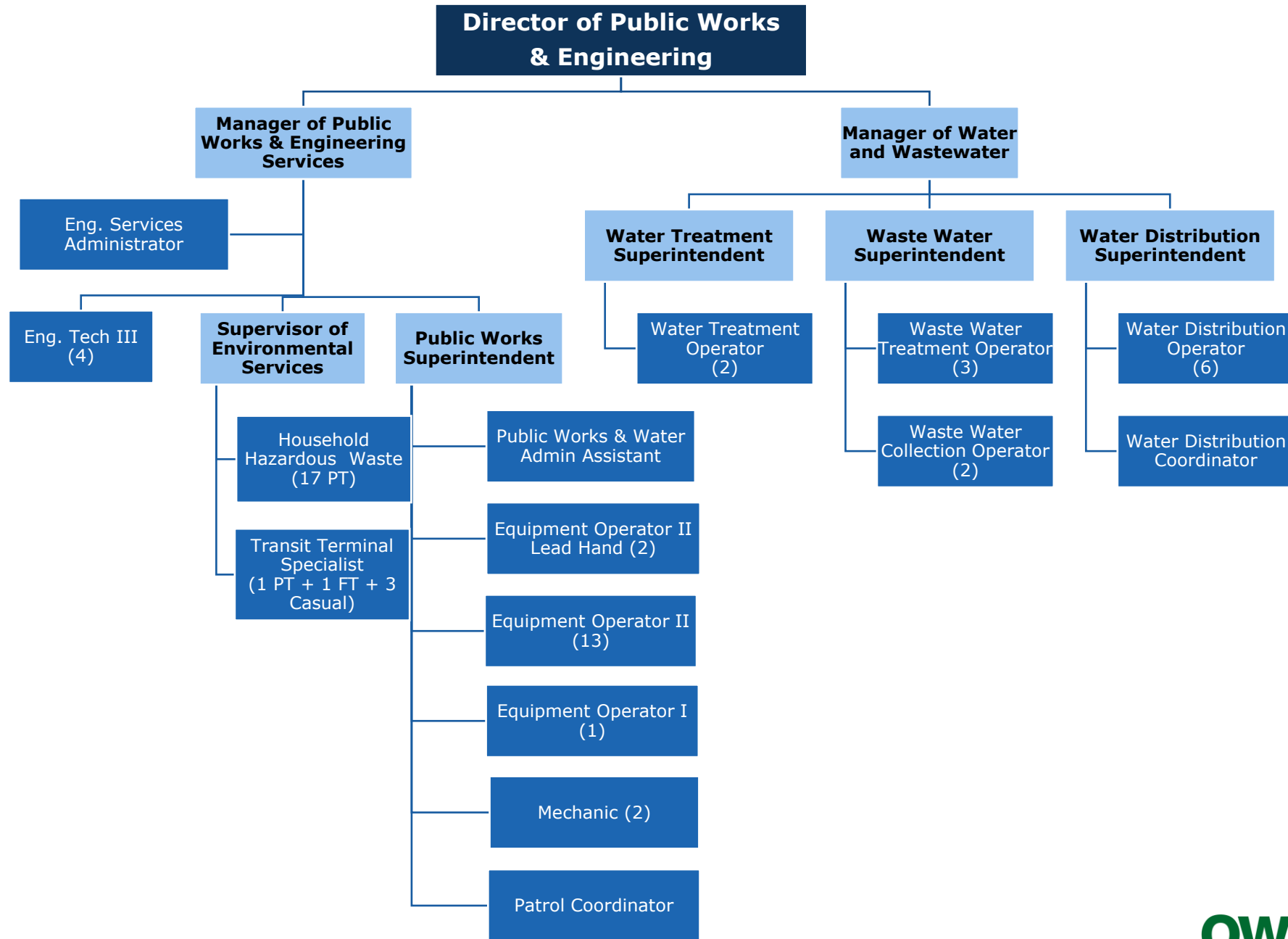
Operations Committee Mandate

The mandate of the Operations Committee is to:

- Provide advice and recommendations to Council on Public Works and Engineering Department policies, programs and services;
- Provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and actions on policy, programs and initiatives related to Public Works and Engineering Department;
- Implement and support the work of Council in achieving the vision, goals and objectives of the City's Strategic Plan relating to Public Works and Engineering Department;
- Review, provide feedback and participate in City policy development in areas relating to Public Works and Engineering Department; and
- Engage, support and work collaboratively with partners.

- Divisions in Public Works and Engineering include:
 - Environmental Services
 - Transit
 - Engineering
 - Public Works
 - Water Treatment and Distribution
 - Wastewater Treatment and Collection

- Asset Management and Infrastructure Planning
- Corridor Control: On-street Parking, utility alignment approvals, road closures and temporary encroachment permits
- Development Review
- Drainage and Stormwater Management
- Engineering Design and Construction
- Environmental Sustainability
- Fleet Acquisition, Operation and Maintenance
- Public Transit
- Roads and Bridges
- Solid Waste Management and Landfills
- Streetlighting
- Traffic Control Systems
- Winter maintenance
- Water Treatment and Distribution
- Wastewater Collection and Treatment



City Policy

- Official Plan
- Strategic Plan
- Winter Control Levels of Service

Provincial Acts & Regulations

- Safe Drinking Water Act
- Environmental Protection Act
- O.Reg. 239 Minimum Maintenance Standards
- O.Reg. 169 Ontario Drinking Water Standards
- O.Reg. 170 Ontario Drinking Water Systems
- O.Reg. 128 /129 Water/Wastewater Certification

Federal Acts & Regulations

- Fisheries Act-Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulation

Engineering Standards

- OPSS
- City of Owen Sound
- MECP Minimum Design Standards
- AWWA Standards

- The City held 8 Hazardous and Special Products Waste events, which served 1591 vehicles from 5 municipalities.
- 159 Temporary Encroachment Permits issued.
- 18 Special Events supported by Operations staff.
- 46 Municipal Consents (Utility Alignment Approvals).
- 27 Water Main Breaks
- The City services and maintains over 280 lane kilometres of roadway and 100 kilometres of sidewalk.

In 2025, Public Works staff spent:

- 588 hours spent on clearing snow around fire hydrants
- 1400 hours picking up garbage in the Downtown
- 944 hours on tree maintenance (trimming, stump grinding, moving logs)
- 1114 hours maintaining the compost site
- 1445 hours on pothole repair
- 832 hours on other road and sidewalk repair and maintenance
- 1738 hours on catchbasin, storm and sanitary sewer installation and maintenance
- 2039 hours on hydrant maintenance

2025 Accomplishments

- Launched the new Green Bin program, which collected 392.58 tonnes of compost within the first 7 months and saw a decrease of over 220 tonnes of garbage during this time when compared to 2024.
- Partnered with Recycle Coach to help residents better understand how to sort waste by using the Recycle Coach app.
- Substantially completed the Water Meter Replacement Project (approximately 99% completion).
- Phase 1 of the 9th Avenue East project substantially completed and will be finished in the spring with Phase 2 proceeding thereafter.
- 16th Avenue Sanitary Replacement project got underway.
- Collected data to begin informing the Winter Maintenance Review.

- Complete the Stormwater Management Master Plan and Drainage Study (23P.20)
- 11th St W (663-685) Sanitary Repair (26O.8)
- Winter Maintenance Review (OPR-26-051)
- Asphalt and Concrete Replacement (26P.9)
- Traffic Controller Replacement (25Q.4)
- 4th Ave W Reconstruction – Phase 1 (25P.2)
- Stormwater Separation Program (16O.4)

2026 Upcoming Projects

- 16th Ave E Sanitary Sewer Replacement – 17th St E to 20th St E (CAP-25-001)
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Bar Screens (22O.4)
- Water & Wastewater Capital Needs Assessment (26N.13)
- Municipal Reservoir Condition Assessment (26N.2)
- 9th Ave E Rehabilitation – Superior St to 6th St E – Phase 1 (25P.10)
- Water Treatment Plant Transformer Replacement (22N.6)

Questions?