Process for Amending Strategic Plan

Part One – Emerging Issues and Opportunities

Step 1

At a Governance and Priorities Committee Quarterly Update, Councillors interested in amending the Strategic Plan to address an emerging issue or opportunity must bring a motion accompanied by a short report to request a short report from staff on the implications of adding a proposed Action. This report must outline which of the 13 Objectives the new proposed Action will lead to, as well as the Outcome that the new proposed Action is meant to achieve.

Step 2

Two Governance and Priorities Committee meetings later at the most, staff provide a brief report to Council outlining what Actions planned for a given year may need to be reconsidered and the implications of doing so.

Step 3

At the same meeting as outlined in Step 2, Committee votes on whether to move forward the new Action and Outcome and what Action or Actions may need to be removed.

Part Two – Emergency Issues and Extraordinary Opportunities

Step 1

At a Governance and Priorities Committee Quarterly Update, Councillors interested in amending the Strategic Plan to address an emergency issue or extraordinary opportunity must bring a motion accompanied by a short report to request a short report from staff on the implications of adding a proposed Action. Emergency Issues and Extraordinary Opportunities don't need to be tied to a specific Strategic Objective, but if they do, this should be indicated clearly, as well as the Outcome that the new proposed Action is meant to achieve. Proposed new actions for Emergency Issues and Extraordinary Opportunities will require a two-thirds majority to pass.

Step 2

One Governance and Priorities Committee meeting later at the most, staff provide a brief report to Council outlining what Actions planned for a given year may need to be reconsidered and the implications of doing so.

Step 3

At the same meeting as outlined in Step 2, Committee votes on whether to move forward the new Action and Outcome and what Action or Actions may need to be removed. If Committee (and Council) supports proposed Actions and Outcomes that fall outside of the 13 Strategic Objectives, a new section will be added to the plan entitled Emergency Issues and Extraordinary Opportunities.