

	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	Weight
Project Impact: Research Question & Methodology	<p>Research question is not well-defined and is not related to the research agenda in program criteria.</p> <p>Is unclear what the significance or benefits will be from investigating the research problem.</p> <p>Project is using an out-of-date or inappropriate approach to the problem they are trying to solve. Research results may be invalid or irrelevant to the proposed question.</p>	<p>Research question aligns with program criteria, but may not address a specific knowledge gap and/or is too broad/narrow to produce actionable results (lack of appropriate boundaries).</p> <p>Research may produce some benefits from investigating the research problem, but may not be of interest or specific to the Edmonton context.</p> <p>Project is using an adequate approach to the problem they are trying to solve, results may have some validity but will likely have shortcomings in generating conclusions to the research question.</p>	<p>Research question is directly answering a topic in the program criteria, should provide new insights or clarity to the problem, and is scoped appropriately.</p> <p>Research will likely produce local benefits from investigating the research problem.</p> <p>Project is deploying an appropriate approach that will generate research results relevant to the proposed research question.</p>	<p>Research question addresses a knowledge gap specific to the Edmonton context and should produce local data than can be supported and/or contradicted.</p> <p>Research should lead to significant local benefits from investigating the research problem.</p> <p>Project is deploying a winning or novel approach with multiple opportunities to generate new insights and advance knowledge in this field.</p>	20%
Project Impact: Municipal & Community Impact	<p>Edmonton context is not established or understood. Applicant(s) does not understand the landscape in which they are trying to operate.</p> <p>Research will not advance municipal knowledge and no pathway for practical policy solution or municipal intervention is identified.</p> <p>The applicant(s) has not demonstrated an ability to engage and mobilize knowledge with key stakeholders in the community.</p>	<p>Edmonton context is established but not well understood, applicant may be missing critical knowledge pieces, research, and/or programs that have already been completed.</p> <p>Research may inform or advance municipal knowledge, but practical policy solutions or municipal interventions may be difficult to develop or require further work.</p> <p>The applicant(s) has partially demonstrated an ability to engage and mobilize knowledge with key stakeholders in the community.</p>	<p>Edmonton context and community need is established and well understood by applicant. Proposal identifies most of the relevant stakeholders, institutions, and entities who are currently working on the situation.</p> <p>Research will advance municipal understanding and knowledge for the chosen problem, and provide pathways for policy solutions or municipal interventions.</p> <p>The applicant(s) has demonstrated a clear ability to engage members of their community. Knowledge mobilization strategy and plan is effective and should lead to results being broadly shared and understood by key stakeholders.</p>	<p>Community need is well-defined and based upon robust evidence from the City of Edmonton and community members.</p> <p>Research will inform and lead to practical policy solutions or municipal interventions to a challenge faced by the City of Edmonton.</p> <p>Applicant(s) have a robust ability to engage members of the community and are seen as a reputable and trusted messenger. Knowledge mobilization and sharing of research results should lead to changes in understanding, awareness, and behavior in citizens.</p>	30%
Likelihood of Success: Feasibility	<p>Project activities or defined interventions are incapable of delivering the stated outcomes and is not well positioned to deliver positive results in the future.</p> <p>Project has no prior or additional funding and can not reasonably be completed in the allotted time frame. Expenses are poorly defined or unreasonable given the project activities.</p>	<p>Project activities, timelines, target groups, and benefits are defined, but applicant may struggle to complete project within given timelines and with current resources.</p> <p>Budget provides some value/impact per dollar spent and expenses are mostly reasonable given project work-plan; but some expenses may be poorly defined.</p>	<p>Project activities, timelines, target groups and benefits are clearly defined and it is reasonable to expect that they will deliver the expected research results on-time and budget.</p> <p>Project has prior or additional funding, and will likely be completed in the allotted time frame. Budget provides good value/impact per dollar spent and expenses are reasonable given project work-plan; expenses are well-defined.</p>	<p>Project activities, timelines, target groups and benefits are clearly defined and should lead to positive short and long-term outcomes that advance the Cities-IPCC mandate.</p> <p>Project has prior or additional funding, is well underway or can be easily completed in the allotted time frame. Budget provides strong value/impact per dollar spent and expenses are reasonable given project work-plan; expenses are well-defined.</p>	30%
Likelihood of Success: Capability	<p>The applicant(s) has no history of this kind of work and does not have in place the correct resources to see it through.</p> <p>Team profiles and partnerships are not defined, and no plan for working together is detailed.</p>	<p>Proposal is unclear on how and why this applicant(s) is doing this kind of work and they will have to obtain additional internal resources that are not addressed in the proposal to complete the work.</p> <p>Project partners or collaborators are defined, but the applicant(s) has no relationship with them at this time, and no strategy for working together is presented.</p>	<p>Project aligns with the applicant(s)'s expertise, history of work and/or mission. It is reasonable to presume they can complete the work in a timely and effective manner.</p> <p>Proposal identifies most of the relevant stakeholders, institutions, and entities who are currently working on the situation. Applicant has a strategy for engaging and working with appropriately with these stakeholders.</p>	<p>Project aligns with the applicant(s)'s previous research and/or organizational mission. Applicant(s) are well positioned to address the specific challenges; project staff and other collaborators possess the proper qualifications and demonstrated expertise .</p> <p>The applicant(s) identifies and is partnering with key stakeholders, institutions, and entities who are currently working on the situation. A robust strategy and workplan for collaboration is properly defined and presented.</p>	20%