

Increase Public Investment into Safer Streets for Calgarians

Case Study: 38th Ave & 19th St SW/38th Avenue SW

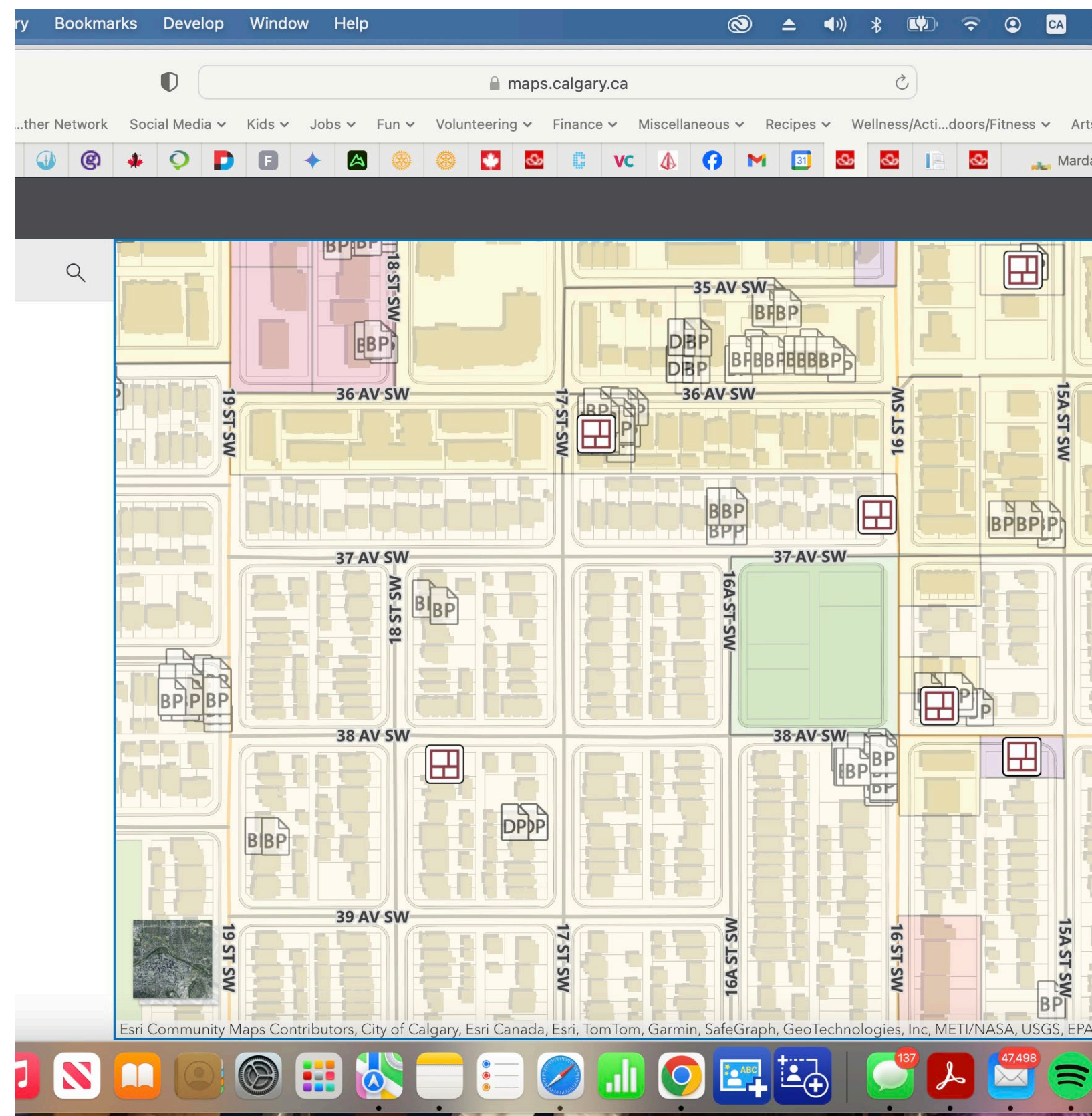
Residents - Melanie Todd, Dakota Kunz and Becky Larson

Private Investment into Densification is being made

Increase Public Investment to improve the Street Level experience for Pedestrians and Cyclists



38th Avenue and 19th St SW



38th Avenue and 18th St SW



38th Avenue and 16th St SW

Public Investment Needed

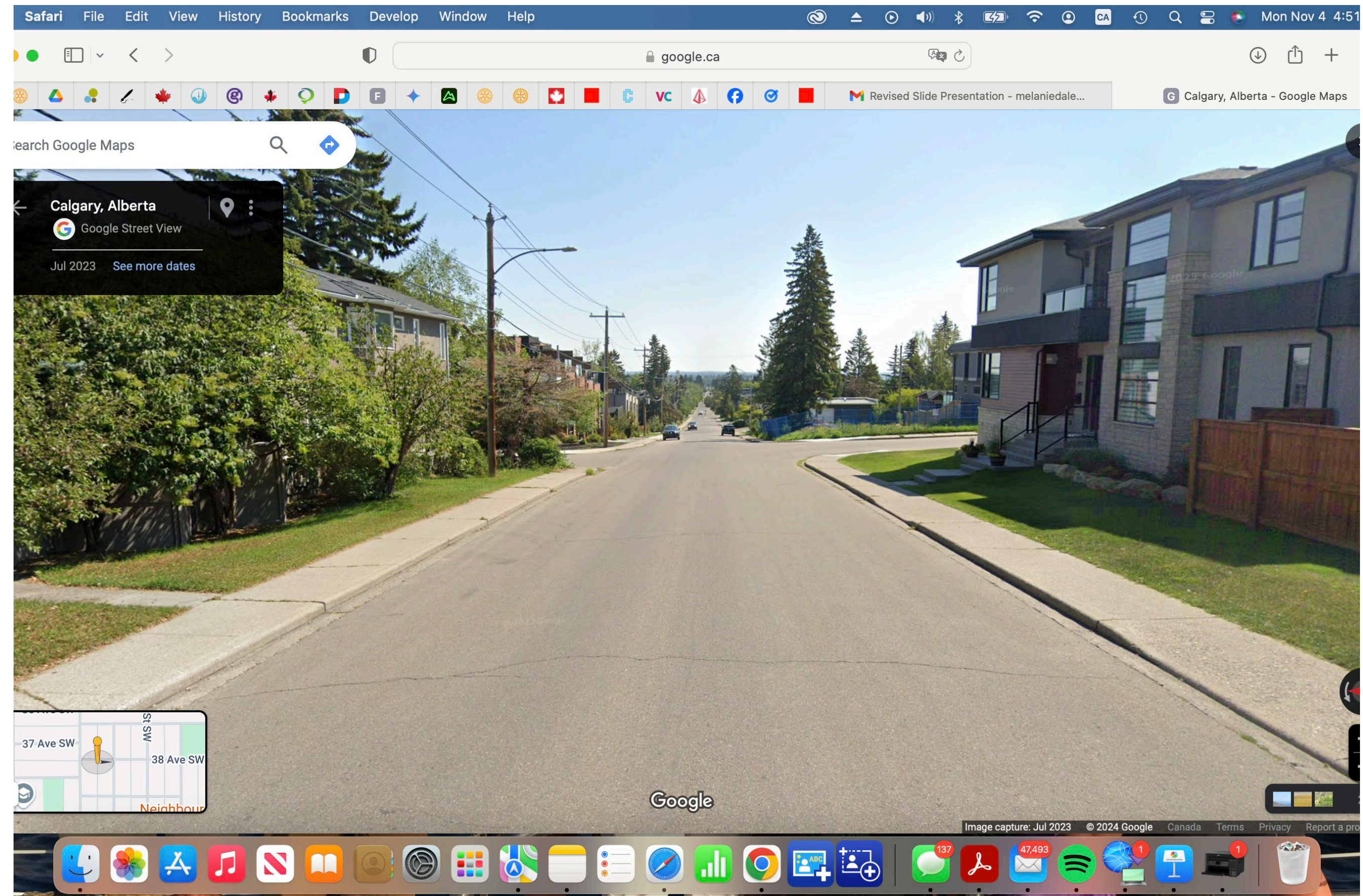
- Streets need to be reinvested in to:
 - alleviate traffic issues
 - increase walkability
 - safety for pedestrians & cyclists
- Traffic calming required



Automobile Culture

Streets Over-designed for Cars

- Marda Loop communities built in the 1950's & 1960's, height of the automobile; our streets reflect this mode of transportation
- Long, straightaway, wide streets on a grid pattern.
- Wide lanes and shoulders encourage faster driving.



The Issues

Unsafe for Pedestrians & Cyclists

- Cars do not stop; rolling stops at best
- Cars speed up and down 38th Avenue
- Aggressive driving



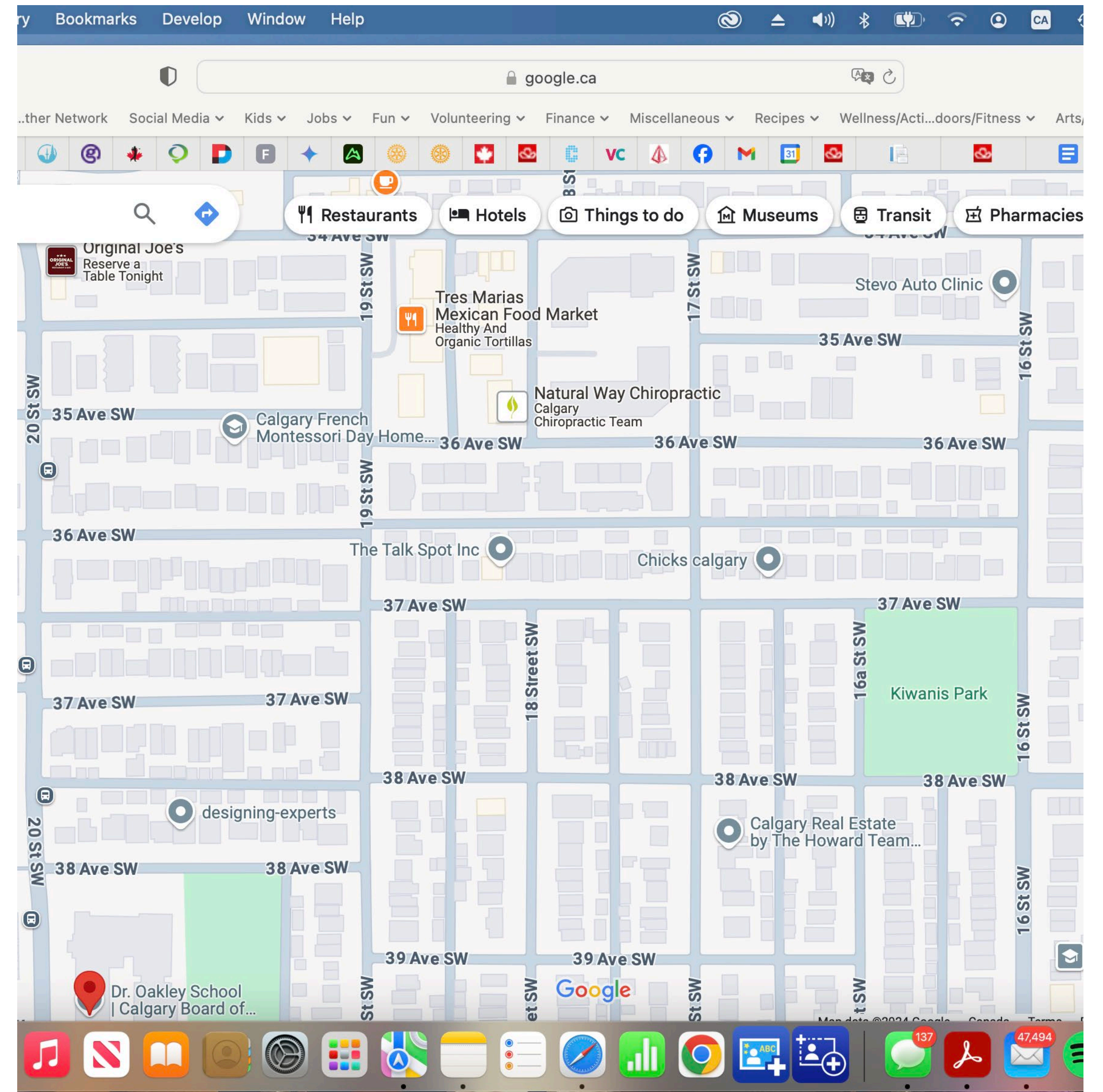
Video Evidence



Improve Walkability

Help Pedestrians travel safely to:

- Dr. Oakley School (CBE) - 290m away
- Kiwanis Park - 500m away
- Kindervalley Montessori - 550m away
- The Loop within the Loop - 300m away
- Shops & services on 33rd & 34th Avenue



Design for Slower Traffic

- We need investment to redesign our streets so that pedestrians and cyclists feel safe.
- Upper Photo: wide lanes, and long block lengths, communicate to drivers that higher speeds are appropriate.
- Lower Photo: narrower travel lanes, shorter block lengths, contribute to drivers travelling more slowly.



City Programs

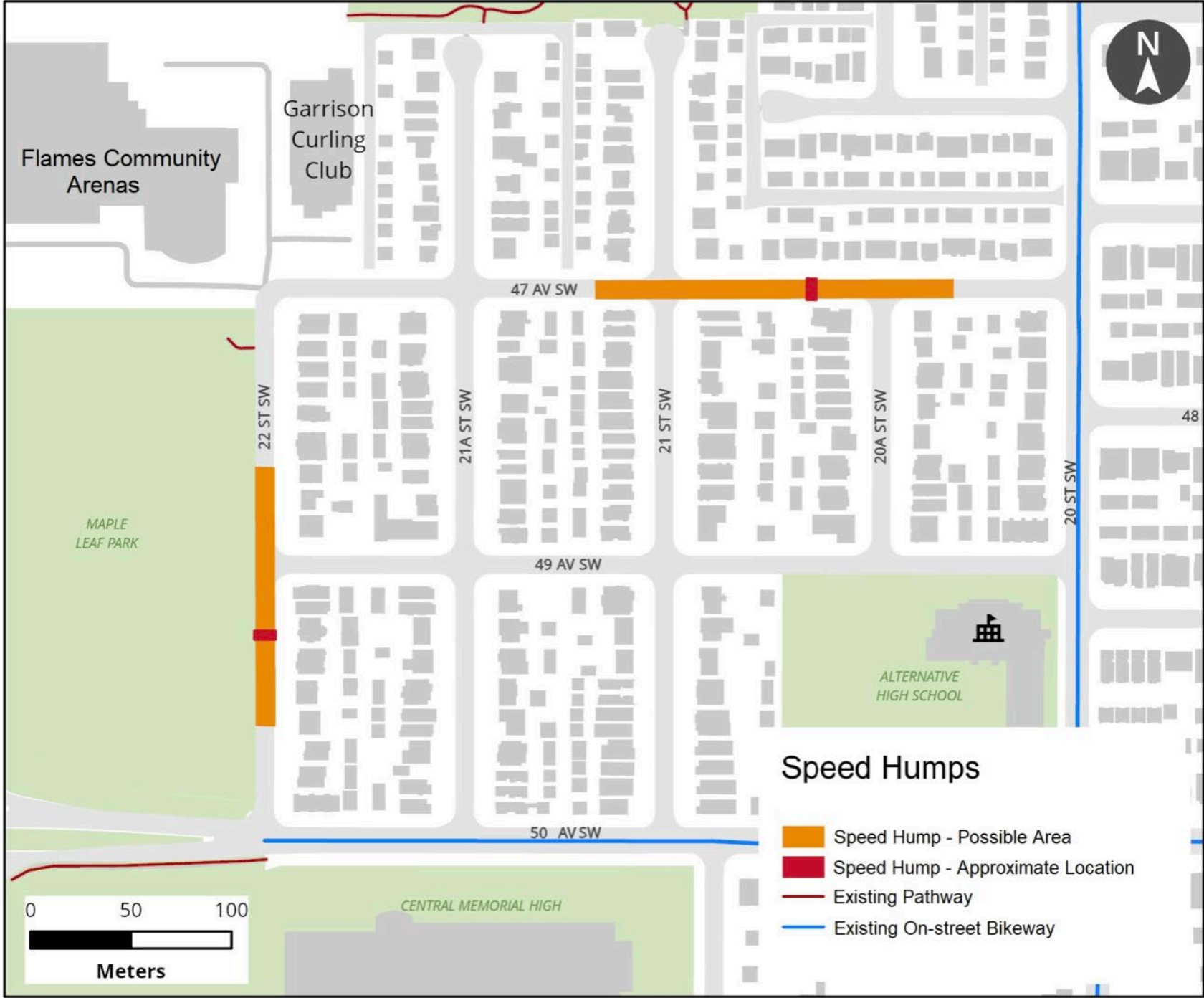
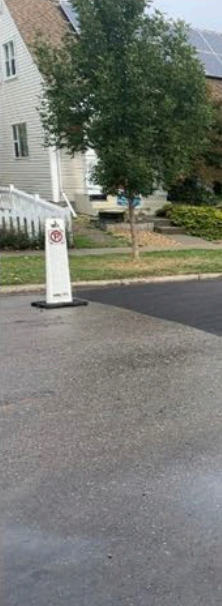
Increase Funding for these existing programs:

- Active and Safe Routes to School
- Pedestrian Strategy - needs an update from 2016
- Speed Hump Installation Program - humps installed on 22 Street SW and 47 Avenue SW in September 2021

Altadore speed humps installation

In September 2021, speed humps were installed in Altadore on 22 Street S.W. and 47 Avenue S.W. to help slow vehicles down as they travel through the community.


With several schools, parks, and recreational facilities in the area, slower vehicle speeds make the streets safer while maintaining access for residents and visitors to the community however they choose to travel.



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Neighbourhood Streets

- Neighbourhood Streets Policy - great ideas! Please add funds so that we can put this policy into place.



NEIGHBOURHOOD STREETS

Policy

The Neighbourhood Streets Policy describes the many ways The City of Calgary, residents and partners are contributing to the safety, inclusivity, and vibrancy of Calgary's community streets.

It guides our engineering design, but also empowers resident-led activities to contribute to safe, inclusive and vibrant community streets.

Update – July 2022

The Neighbourhood Streets Policy was approved by Council, *replacing* Calgary's 2003 Traffic Calming Policy. Thank you to everyone who provided input on the pilot!

We are continuing to develop a new intake process for citizens to submit traffic concerns and will be completed by winter 2022. Once complete, communities will be invited to apply for neighbourhood street enhancements using the new process.

Timeline

July 2022: Council approved the Neighbourhood Streets Policy.

Summer/Fall 2022: The City is working on a new intake process for traffic calming projects.

Winter 2022:

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