

**LAND USE AMENDMENT
THORNCLIFFE (WARD 4)
THORNCLIFFE DRIVE NW WEST OF TRAVOIS CRESCENT NW
BYLAW 93D2018**

MAP 3N

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This land use amendment application seeks to redesignate a single residential parcel from a Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1) District to a Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1s) District to allow for either a Secondary Suite or a Backyard Suite as an additional use. The site contains an existing single detached dwelling. To Administration’s knowledge there is not an existing suite located on the parcel and the application was not submitted as a result of a complaint.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

On 2013 September 16, Council directed Administration to remove fees associated with land use amendment and development permit applications for secondary suites to encourage the development of legal and safe secondary suites throughout the city.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION(S)

2018 January 25

That Calgary Planning Commission recommends **APPROVAL** of the proposed Land Use Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION(S) OF THE CALGARY PLANNING COMMISSION

That Council hold a Public Hearing on Bylaw 93D2018; and

1. **ADOPT** the proposed redesignation of 0.08 hectares ± (0.19 acres ±) located at 6324 Thorncliffe Drive NW (Plan 925JK, Block 4, Lot 7) from Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1) District **to** Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1s) District, in accordance with Administration’s recommendation; and
2. Give three readings to the proposed Bylaw 93D2018.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed R-C1s district, which allows for one of two forms of secondary suite uses (Secondary Suite or Backyard Suite), is compatible with and complementary to the established character of the community. The proposal conforms to relevant policies of the Municipal Development Plan and will allow for development that has the ability to meet the intent of Land Use Bylaw 1P2007.

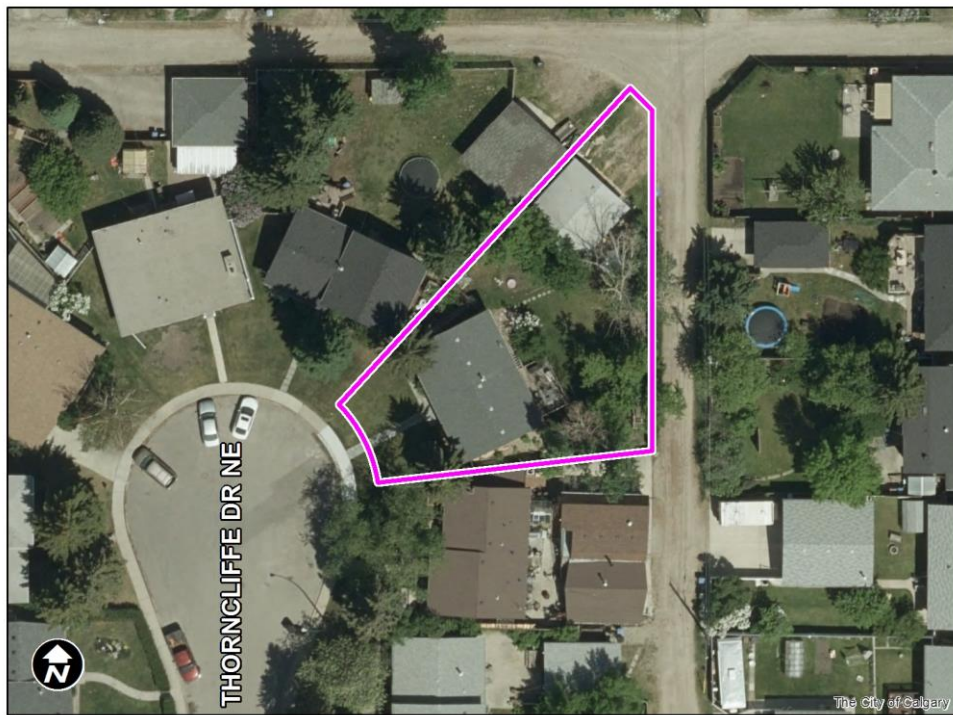
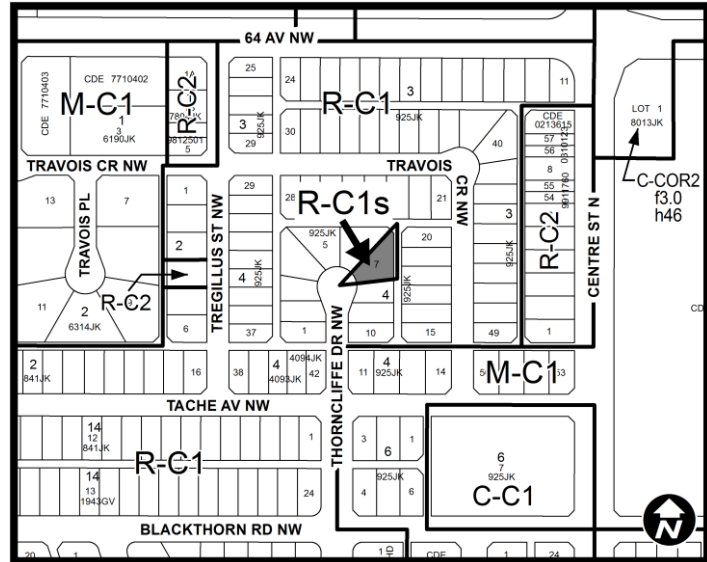
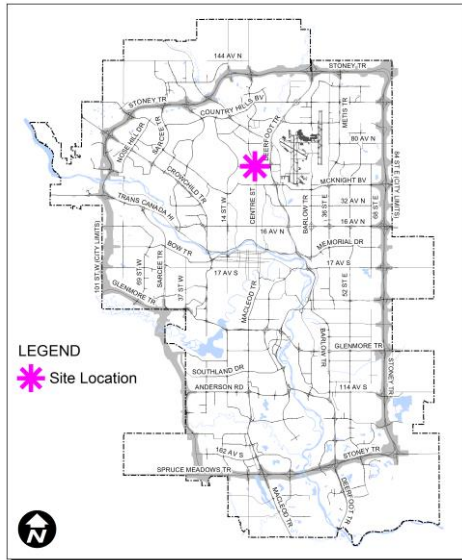
ATTACHMENT

1. Proposed Bylaw 93D2018

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LOCATION MAPS



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ADMINISTRATIONS RECOMMENDATION TO CALGARY PLANNING COMMISSION

Recommend that Council **ADOPT**, by bylaw, the proposed redesignation of 0.08 hectares \pm (0.19 acres \pm) located at 6324 Thorncliffe Drive NW (Plan 925JK, Block 4, Lot 7) from Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1) District **to** Residential – Contextual One Dwelling (R-C1s) District.

Moved by: C. Friesen
Absent: J. Gondek

Carried: 7 – 0

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Applicant:

Phillip Pattison

Landowner:

Phillip Pattison
Jennifer Pattison

PLANNING EVALUATION

SITE CONTEXT

Located in a low density residential R-C1 setting in the community of Thorncliffe, this pie-shaped site is approximately 25 metres by 34 metres in size and is developed with a bi-level single detached dwelling and a two-car detached garage that is accessed from the rear lane. Single detached dwellings exist to the north, east, south, and west of the site.

According to data from The City of Calgary 2017 Census, the following table identifies Thorncliffe's peak population and year, current 2017 population and the population amount and percentage difference between the peak and current populations if any.

Thorncliffe	
Peak Population Year	1977
Peak Population	11,379
2017 Current Population	8,474
Difference in Population (Number)	-2,905
Difference in Population (Percent)	-26%

LAND USE DISTRICTS

The proposed R-C1s district allows for an additional dwelling unit (either a permitted use Secondary Suite or a discretionary use Backyard Suite) on parcels that contain a single detached dwelling.

Approval of this land use application allows for an additional dwelling unit (either a Secondary Suite or Backyard Suite) to be considered via the development permit process. A development permit is not required if a Secondary Suite conforms to all Land Use Bylaw 1P2007 rules – only a building permit would be required.

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LEGISLATION & POLICY

South Saskatchewan Regional Plan (2014)

The site is located within the “City, Town” area as identified on Schedule C: South Saskatchewan Regional Plan Map in the *South Saskatchewan Regional Plan (SSRP)*. The SSRP makes no specific reference to this site. The land use proposal is consistent with the SSRP policies including the Land Use Patterns policies (subsection 8.14).

Municipal Development Plan (2009)

The site is located within a “Residential Developed – Established Area” on the Urban Structure Map (Map 1) in the *Municipal Development Plan (MDP)*. While the MDP makes no specific reference to this site. This land use proposal is consistent with MDP policies including the Developed Residential Areas policies (subsection 3.5.1), the Neighbourhood Infill and Redevelopment policies (subsection 2.2.5) and the Housing Diversity and Choice policies (subsection 2.3.1).

There is no local area plan for Thorncliffe.

TRANSPORTATION NETWORKS

Pedestrian and vehicular access to the site is available from Thorncliffe Drive and the rear lane. The area is served by Calgary Transit Primary Transit Network bus service with a bus stop location within approximately 300 metre walking distance of the site on Centre Street N. On-street parking adjacent to the site is unregulated through the Calgary Parking Authority’s residential parking permit system.

UTILITIES & SERVICING

Water, sanitary, and sewer services are available and can accommodate the potential addition of a Secondary Suite without the need for off-site improvements at this time. Adjustments to on-site servicing may be required if a Backyard Suite is proposed at the development permit stage.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

An Environmental Site Assessment was not required.

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GROWTH MANAGEMENT

This land use amendment proposal does not require additional capital infrastructure investment, and therefore no growth management concerns have been identified at this time. The proposal is in alignment with MDP references associated with growth management matters.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Community Association Comments

Administration received a letter in support of the application from the Thorncliffe/Greenview Community Association (APPENDIX II).

Citizen Comments

Administration did not receive any responses from citizens.

Public Meetings

No public meetings were held by the Applicant or Administration.

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APPENDIX I

APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION



Land Use Redesignation Applicant's Submission
Secondary Suites
PL 1264 (R2017-09)

This form is to be filled out by the applicant and provided to The City of Calgary at the time of submission. These comments are included in a report which is presented to the Calgary Planning Commission and a Public Hearing of City Council. Your comments must be limited to the area designated on this page to ensure it will fit the space requirements of the report.

- 1) What are the benefits of the redesignation, for you, the surrounding community and the City of Calgary?
For me, provide space for my work shop and allow indoor parking at the same time. Rental income would help subsidize the cost.
For community and city, provide more budget rental availability 2 blocks from future C train station in a mature neighborhood close to downtown
- 2) Provide information on how you engaged with the neighboring land owners and/or the Community Association?
What was the response?
I've spoken to neighbors that I know, haven't done much of this
- 3) Identify how you will provide the required parking for both the primary dwelling and the secondary suite on your parcel?
There will be parking for all in the new building as well as street parking out front ie, culdesac unwritten rule in the culdesac is 2 vehicles/house
- 4) Are there any potential negative impacts of this development that you are aware of?
construction can be noisy

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LETTERS SUBMITTED

Action Items

The Thorncliffe/Greenview Community Association fully supports LOC2017-0357.

Thanks
Marvin Quashnick
TGCA

APPENDIX II

IMPORTANT TERMS

While there are specific Land Use Bylaw 1P2007 definitions and development rules for Secondary Suite and Backyard Suite uses, the following information is provided to simply and enhance general understanding of these two different uses (Secondary Suite or Backyard Suite).

Important terms



Secondary suite: A self-contained dwelling unit within the main residence that has separate living, cooking, sleeping and bathroom facilities. These are commonly referred to as basement suites or in-law suites.

Backyard suite: A self-contained dwelling unit in a detached building that has separate living, cooking, sleeping and bathroom facilities. These are commonly referred to as garage suites, garden suites, or laneway homes.

