## Letter of Support



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Dear Mr. Jamiseon:

## Subject: The Guidebook for Great Communities

The Calgary Heritage Authority (CHA), in accordance with its role to advise City Council on heritage matters in the City of Calgary, would like to take this opportunity to support "The Guidebook for Great Communities."

We are pleased to see that many practices already undertaken by heritage planners and the City are being formalized into official City policy.

Specifically, we are pleased to see the following policies in the guidebook:

- Encourage the adaptive re-use of heritage resources in order to retain and conserve them and, where appropriate, support development applications and Land Use Bylaw relaxations that enable their retention.
- Encourage property owners to designate Inventories properties by enabling additional development potential on sites.
- If an Inventoried property is to be demolished or redeveloped, interpretative or commemorative features should be incorporated into the new development and photo documentation of the property shall be obtained.
- Encourage the design of the new development to be compatible with abutting sites on the Inventory through architectural design, the use of setbacks, massing, street wall height and landscaping.

Thanks again for the opportunity to provide our support. We look forward to continuing to work together on matters of heritage policy.

Sincerely,

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