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## NOTICE OF MOTION

**RE: Interim Alternative Use of Blue Line NE LRT Right-of-Way**

**Sponsoring Councillor(s):** COUNCILLOR GEORGE CHAHAL

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WHEREAS the RouteAhead 30-year strategic transit plan outlines planned future Light Rail Transit (LRT) and other rapid transit corridors across Calgary.

AND WHEREAS right-of-ways (ROWs) have been identified and reserved for planned medium- and long-term LRT extensions along the existing Blue Line NE.

AND WHEREAS the timing for funding and construction of future LRT extensions is variable, with reserved ROWs potentially remaining unused for many years.

AND WHEREAS there may be opportunities to activate reserved LRT ROWs for community purposes and transportation improvements before LRT extensions occur.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council directs City Administration to:

- a. Explore potential interim alternative uses for the reserved LRT ROWs for the Blue Line NE, north of Saddletowne Station, that may include, but are not limited to, transit improvements, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and parks that can be converted to LRT infrastructure.
- b. Provide an assessment of feasibility, capital costs required, return on investment and timelines for the potential interim uses.
- c. Report back to Council through the SPC on Transportation & Transit by Q1 2019.