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City of Calgary
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Attention: Augusto Romero
Project Lead, Calgary's Olympic Paralympic -Dialogue Stage

Via email: augusto.romero@calgary.ca

Re: Town of Canmore Support for City of Calgary 2026 Olympic Bid



Dear Augusto,

Thank you for taking the time to come to Canmore on November 1st to provide an update to senior Town staff and Mayor Borrowman on the status of Calgary's bid to host the 2026 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Thank you also for the phone call yesterday to share details of recent discussions at City Council regarding the IOC candidature process and the need to advance bid design and development to meet the IOC's accelerated timelines. As I understand it, City Administration has been directed by Council to report back to Council next week with a formal funding request to deliver on the additional work required and to provide as much assurance as possible from other levels of government regarding their support for the Bid.

It's well known that the 1988 Calgary Olympics changed the face of Canmore and so, at the Town Council and administration are keenly aware of the opportunity and challenges associated with the potential to host a second Olympic games in the Bow Valley. While Town Council has yet to formally consider their support for participation in the bid process, Council has expressed their ongoing interest in continuing to be involved in the discussions.

To date, Canmore has been an active participant in formulating and evaluating options for the athlete's village requirements with the Calgary Bid Exploration Committee and in hosting discussions with local cross country skiing and biathlon organizations who actively support the game's return to the Bow Valley. We continue to be interested in these discussions and to working with the City to determine Canmore's role in the bid process moving forward.

Sincerely,

Lisa de Soto
Chief Administrative Officer