

Proposed Providence Area Structure Plan Summary

On 2020 April 27, Council held a Public Hearing and gave first reading to Bylaw 21P2020 for the proposed Providence Area Structure Plan (The Plan). The Plan policies provide a vision and framework for the long-term future development of approximately 816 hectares (2,016 acres) of greenfield land in southwest Calgary. With an anticipated residential population of 32,000 people and approximately 11,000 jobs, this will meet the *Municipal Development Plan's* overall community intensity target of 60 people/jobs per gross developable hectare. Policies found in The Plan supports sensitive planning, urban design best practices, and good planning principles to create two communities with ten distinct neighbourhoods. Throughout the proposed neighbourhoods, public amenities are within comfortable walking distance through excellent pedestrian connections, while public transport and cycling facilities provide access to wider employment, retail and leisure destinations.

As a requirement under the Interim Regional Evaluation Framework (IREF), Council withheld second and third readings pending an application submission to the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) for approval of the proposed Plan.

The CMRB Administration issued an approval recommendation of The Plan on 2020 June 10. The IREF application 2020-07 was subject to a 28-day review period by member municipalities, which ended on 2020 July 08. No challenges were received by the CMRB and the CMRB issued a formal approval letter on 2020 July 09.

Council direction following first reading has now been fulfilled, and The Plan may now proceed to Council for second and third readings.