March 6, 2017

Mr Feisal Lakha Transportation Engineer, Project Leader City of Calgary

Mr Evan Woolley Councillor, Ward 8 City of Calgary

Sent by email

Re: follow up to meeting of March 1, 2017

Dear Feisal & Councillor Woolley,

We write with two primary purposes.

Firstly, we thank you and your team for joining us on March 1 to discuss the Crowchild Trail study and the land bridge concept. As we and other members of our communities stated on several occasions, we are very appreciative of your approach and believe that we've established a constructive and open working relationship on this important issue.

Feisal's discussion of the importance of expectations was particularly helpful; we fully recognize and appreciate in the strongest way possible a project plan that does not include property impacts to our communities.

Further, even though we do not agree on everything, we value the clarity you provided on your rationale, the effort you took to share with us the work you've done on assessing our ideas, and the insight you've provided on the process that will unfold in the coming weeks.

Secondly, we wish to convey our understanding of both key commitments made to date and takeaways from the meeting. We ask that you compare the following to your own record and we recommend that there is value for all of us in swiftly surfacing and resolving any discrepancies.

Key Commitments and Takeaways:

 Provided council approves funding, the short term plan will include sufficient sound and visual attenuation on both the east and west sides of Crowchild Trail. This includes adequate landscaping modifications on the west side of Crowchild trail, subject to the principles outlined in (4) below;

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- 2. You will further consider our suggestion that there is no downside in including the land bridge park, as a general concept, in the long term plan. We clearly understand and appreciate the near term considerations at play. However, as we have advanced our own thinking on this file, we have concluded that there is tremendous benefit in one day finding a way to restore a meaningful physical connection between our communities. We are open in our thinking to the finer points of that concept, but the land bridge is our version of "dreaming big", which we think is imperative for any long term development strategy;
- For the benefit of future community leaders, city council members and administration, should the long term plan recommendation not include the land bridge park concept or a derivation thereof, we request that the official record capture our strong advocacy on this idea and that the study memorialize in some way that the exclusion is contrary to the desires of our communities;
- 4. Prior to the recommendations reaching committee or council review, you will examine ways to more clearly depict in your drawings the nature of visual and sound attenuation commitments, notwithstanding that the finer points around micro-siting, selection of materials and details of that nature, will be finalized later in the process. With that in mind, you will consider our suggestion of adjusting your drawings to both clearly convey firm commitments, but also to signal where they are subject to further refinement, perhaps the use of footnotes, stamps indicating "illustrative", etc;
- 5. Further to (4), we take great comfort in your commitment that we will be further consulted when the project advances sufficiently to the stage where these important, more detailed, declsions will be made.

Thank you again for your continued dedication to this important work and your constructive engagement with us.

Sincerely,

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Mike Wilhelm President, Shaganappi Community Association

Dean Patry President, Scarboro Community Association

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