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NOTICE OF MOTION
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NM2017, May 8

RE: ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUNDS

COUNCILLOR DRUH FARRELL

WHEREAS The City of Calgary has an obligation to build and promote a city that is accessible to persons of all ages and abilities;

AND WHEREAS Council committed to the accessibility of all civic facilities in July 2015 through NM2015-16;

AND WHEREAS playgrounds are important community gathering spaces for Calgarians of all backgrounds;

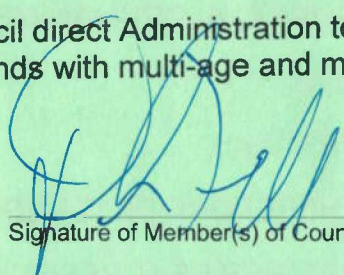
AND WHEREAS creating more inclusive gathering spaces helps to address the effects of social isolation and sedentary lifestyles felt by many seniors and persons with disabilities;

AND WHEREAS most Calgary playgrounds are not designed to be enjoyed by persons of diverse ages and abilities;

AND WHEREAS recent advances in playground equipment, surfaces, and overall design have the potential to improve accessibility;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council direct Administration, in conjunction with the Advisory Committee on Accessibility and the development industry, to explore criteria, mechanisms, and options for incorporating some accessible playground equipment and surfaces into new playgrounds, and report back to Council through the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services with an implementation plan in Q1 2018;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council direct Administration to explore opportunities to retrofit high priority existing playgrounds with multi-age and multi-ability features.


Signature of Member(s) of Council