

BRIEFING

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Calgary Metropolitan Region Board – December 2020 Land Use and Servicing Committee Update

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

The purpose of the briefing is to update the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee on the work of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board, Land Use and Servicing Committee from their meeting on 2020 December 11. Cllr. Carra represented The City at the Committee.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- The Committee received updates on the public engagement process, Indigenous engagement process and work plan to complete the Growth and Servicing Plans. Each update was received for information.
- A number of policies were brought to the Committee for approval in principle including the Flood Prone Areas Policy, Economic Well-Being Policy, Agricultural Economic Policy and Environmentally Sensitive Areas Policy. In general, the Committee struggled with the approach to approve the policies in principle.
- The Committee discussed the Flood Prone Areas Policy at length. Some municipalities did not agree with advancing policy that is relevant to only a portion of the member municipalities and not others. The Committee voted 6 to 4 in approving the policy in principle.
- During the Committee discussion on the Economic Well-Being Policy, the Committee supported the policy in principle. Cllr. Carra raised the need for the Calgary Metropolitan Region to formally commit to establishing a regional economic development entity. An informal vote on the topic indicated support from the majority of the Committee members; however, the Committee did not commit to any actions on this matter.
- The Committee discussed the Agricultural Economic Policy. A motion was made to redirect the policy to regional administration for further discussion. The motion was supported by the Committee.
- A number of municipalities expressed concerns with the Environmentally Sensitive Areas Policy. Cllr. Carra made a motion to send the policy to regional administration for further discussion. This was supported by the Committee.