

Previous Council Direction, Background

Context

The North Hill Communities Local Area Plan (Plan) is a long-range, statutory planning policy (Area Redevelopment Plan) that sets out the future vision, objectives, and development policies for supporting growth and change in the communities of Capitol Hill, Crescent Heights, Highland Park, Mount Pleasant, Renfrew, Rosedale, Thorncliffe-Greenview (south of McKnight Boulevard N), Tuxedo Park, Winston Heights-Mountview, and the Greenview Industrial area. Located just north of the Bow River and Downtown, these communities are collectively known as the North Hill Communities. The Plan takes a multi-community approach to local area planning that recognizes and builds upon the shared assets and features that connects these communities including infrastructure, recreational amenities, public parks and open spaces, Main Streets, corridors, Activity Centres, and the future Green Line LRT.

The project launched in 2018 September and since then Administration has worked together with area stakeholders to create a future vision and policies for how land can be used and developed – building on the vision, goals, and policies of the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and proposed Guidebook for Great Communities (Guidebook).

Both the Plan and the Guidebook were presented to the Standing Policy Committee for Planning & Urban Development on 2020 March 4 and while at the time the Committee recommended that both policy plans be approved following a public hearing of Council, some stakeholders and councillors raised concerns with the plans as presented. As a result, on 2020 July 27 Council directed Administration to undertake revisions to plans to address the outstanding concerns (see Attachment 4 for more detailed information).

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The following table summarizes Council direction to Administration for the North Hill Communities Local Area Plan.

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
7/27/2020	PUD2020-0739	Referral for Additional Direction Council directed Administration to revise the proposed North Hill Communities Local Area Plan, in conjunction with revisions to the Guidebook for Great Communities and return to Council no later than 2021 January.
6/15/2020	PUD2020-0164	Referral for Further Direction Council referred the Guidebook for Great Communities (PUD2020-0207) and the North Hill Communities Local Area Plan (PUD2020-0164) back to Administration for further work, to return to the 2020 July 15 Standing Policy Committee for Planning and Urban Development for further direction.
3/16/2020	C2020-0390	Covid-19: Corporate Response Update (Verbal) Council approved the COVID-19 City of Calgary Governance Structure and authorized, through the City Manager and appropriate General Manager, to defer any Council and Committee reports due in Q1 or Q2 2020 to Q4 or a later date without further Council approval.
3/4/2020	PUD2020-0164	New Policy: North Hill Communities Local Area Plan The Standing Policy Committee for Planning and Urban Development recommended that Council hold a Public Hearing at the 2020 April 27 Combined Meeting of Council and give first reading to the proposed North Hill Communities Local Area Plan and withhold second and third readings of the Plan until it has been approved by the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board. Following third reading the Committee recommended rescinding, by resolution, the Centre Street North Special Study, the Highland Village Green Design Guidelines, and the North Bow Special Study, and repeal, by bylaw, the North Hill Area Redevelopment Plan, Crescent Heights Area Redevelopment Plan, Winston Heights-Mountview Area Redevelopment Plan, and 16 Avenue North Urban Corridor Area Redevelopment Plan.
1/15/2020	PUD2020-0016	City Planning and Policy 2020 Workplan The North Hill Communities Local Area Plan was included in the 2020 policy workplan which was received for information by Council.
2/6/2019	PUD2019-0145	City Planning and Policy Priorities 2019 The North Hill Communities Local Area Plan was included in the 2019 policy workplan which was received for information by Council.

7/15/2019	PUD2018-0819	<p>Motion Arising</p> <p>Council directed Administration to include policy in the North Hill Communities Local Growth Planning Initiative that acknowledges the existence of a restrictive legal caveat affecting parcels within Capitol Hill, and that addresses the misalignment between the caveat and the objectives of the future Area Redevelopment Plan.</p>
5/7/2018	PUD2018-0347	<p>Local Growth Planning North Central Green Line Communities</p> <p>Council Directed Administration to undertake local area planning for the North Central Green Line Communities (the North Hill Communities) and report back through the SPC on Planning and Urban Development no later than Q4 2019.</p> <p>PUD2018-0347 consolidated previous Council direction to undertake local area planning for Highland Park (CPC2017-0521), Mount Pleasant, Tuxedo Park, and Crescent Heights (NM2017-29) and the Main Street Implementation Plan (PUD2017-0241). Council also directed, through a Motion Arising, that Administration investigate the inclusion of the lands south of McKnight Blvd between 4 Street NW and Edmonton Trail NE into the plan area.</p>