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March 15, 2021

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Mr. Don Fairbairn Chair Calgary Green Line Board c/o City of Calgary P.O. Box 2100, Station M Calgary, AB T2P 2M5

Dear Mr. Fairbairn:

Further to my December 14, 2021 letter, I would like to acknowledge the ongoing collaboration between my department and City staff to resolve the outstanding recommendations from the LRT Review.

I am pleased at the progress being made on the review of the Greenline project. I know that meetings between the City of Calgary and my department happen frequently each week and I appreciate your dedication to maintain the positive momentum on this important project.

I have supported LRT construction since I first ran for City Council in 1998. During the 2019 election we committed to maintain funding for Edmonton and Calgary's LRT projects, and after the election, our government legislated \$1.53 billion for the Green Line LRT in Budget 2019. We strongly support the goals of LRT construction in Calgary and smart infrastructure investments that will create jobs and promote economic growth.

Our goal is and always has been ensuring that Calgarians and all Albertans get value for their \$1.53 billion investment. I am grateful to the officials who are working hard to make the Green Line into a project that works for the Calgarians who will use it, as well as the taxpayers who will fund it.

Sincerely,
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Ric McIver Minister



March 25, 2021

Hon. Ric McIver
Minister of Transportation
320 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

Dear Minister McIver,

Thank you very much for your letter on March 15, 2021 acknowledging the extensive work and collaboration between your department and the Green Line project team. We are encouraged by and appreciate the efforts of your officials and we appreciate your support of our collaborative efforts and your long-time support for LRT development as an investment in the future prosperity of Calgary and the province.

Since the Green Line Board was announced on January 14, 2021, we have been focused on understanding and closely scrutinizing all aspects of the Green Line LRT Project. The Board takes the responsibilities delegated to us by the City of Calgary seriously and is committed to our Council approved mandate.

Over the past few months there has been considerable progress towards addressing the recommendations on project structure, cost and risk concerns brought forward through the provincial review. The Board is aware though that agreement on a procurement and contracting strategy remains a key outstanding item. We hope you share our confidence that, with our teams working together, we will be able to deliver results that are both attractive to the market and deliver value for taxpayers.

The path forward for Green Line relies on aligning all funding partners. Thank you for your continued commitment to Green Line and, on behalf of the Board and the project team, we look forward to continuing to advance this critical project.

Sincerely,

Don Fairbairn Executive Chair

Green Line Board