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Great Communities Guidebook

Date of meeting

Mar 22, 2021

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March 15, 2021

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Attn: Calgary City Council

Ref: Great Communities Guidebook

Dear Calgary City Council,

I am writing on behalf of the Killarney-Glengarry Community Association (KGCA) Board regarding Great Communities Guidebook (Guidebook), currently slated for Public Hearing on March 22, 2021.

The current Killarney-Glengarry Area Redevelopment Plan (KGARP) was passed on March 10, 1986 and is woefully out of date. The lack of an up to date planning framework has encouraged ad hoc planning through the application of one off redesignations and policy amendments. This ad hoc planning has been detrimental by creating uncertainty for not only residents but also the development community. This uncer-

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Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters) tainty in the future development of our community has led to community conflict, discouragement of community investment, and reduced economic growth.

The approval of the Guidebook is integral to the furtherance of the creation of the Westbrook Communities Local Area Plan (WCLAP) and to provide development certainty. City staff has been diligently working with area residents on the WCLAP since 2019. This work has been done to create a new plan and provide a planning framework that restore certainty to stakeholders and provides a clear vision for the community.

The Guidebook's structure ensures that communities can customize policies and Urban Form Categorizes as needed to address the unique needs of each community. This approach has a strong history of successful in creating high quality and successful plans; as seen by the New Communities Planning Guidebook and the Developer Funded Area Structure Plan process. This method of a guidebook to lead the creation of local plans in an innovative approach with a proven history success.

Regarding the policies, the KGCA is supportive of the Guidebook's promotion of capitalizing on existing infrastructure, preserving pedestrian and cycling infrastructure, enhancing the public realm, and promoting heritage preservation.

As such, the KGCA supports Council's approval of the Great Communities Guidebook and looks forward to the completion of the Westbrook Communities Local Area Plan.

Sincerely,

Sean MacLean BURPI RPP MCIP Director of Development Killarney-Glengarry Community Association