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Re: Macleod Trail and 25th Avenue – Alternate Grade Separation Options

On behalf of the Calgary Stampede, thank you for the recent opportunities to meet with you and other representatives of the City of Calgary Transportation Planning Business Unit to discuss the above matter. We understand that a request is going forward in June of 2016 asking that a detailed study and investigation be undertaken to assess alternatives and determine the most beneficial and appropriate approach to dealing with traffic and LRT congestion issues associated with Macleod Trail and 25th Avenue.

Based upon the very preliminary discussion to date, it seems quite certain that regardless of the option selected, Stampede lands will be significantly impacted both during the construction and post-construction phases.

We are aware that the option that has 25th Avenue passing over the south leg of the LRT line necessitates a grade-separated interchange at Macleod Trail which in turn results in impacts to Stampede Park. Implementation of this plan appears to significantly affect the south access at 3rd Street and the future development potential of our deeded lands adjacent to this arterial. Conversely, the LRT grade-separated option also affects the development potential of our property as 25th Avenue is realigned such that it bisects the south lands and also eliminates our Trail Blazer building.

Additionally, we feel it is important to fully understanding potential operational and Master Plan impacts that may affect the Big Four Building, 17th Avenue Crossing and BMO Centre. For these reasons, the Stampede is looking forward to being engaged at the appropriate time as a key stakeholder in the process, should the detailed study of transportation interchange options proceed. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Rosenberg', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Paul Rosenberg
Chief Operating Officer
Calgary Stampede