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Pat Kelly
Member of Parliament,
Calgary Rocky Ridge

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To Whom It May Concern

Re: Symons Valley Park

I am pleased to provide a letter of support for Symons Valley Park, a project led and managed by the Symons Valley Leisure and Amenities Society.

Development of this park is estimated to cost approximately \$3 million, which is being raised through private sponsorship, community fundraising and government support. It is my understanding that the intent of the project is to develop an accessible space with all-season outdoor amenities for recreation and leisure for over 30,000 residents of the communities of Kincora, Sage Hill, Nolan Hill, Sherwood and beyond.

Key features of Symons Valley Park include a natural forest with walking and biking trails, a multipurpose rink, basketball hoops, tennis and pickleball courts, a bicycle skills park, a playground, barbecue and picnic area, an amphitheatre, and seasonal storage.

I wish the Symons Valley Leisure and Amenities Society all the best with their fundraising efforts and grant applications, and with the anticipated completion of this significant project.

Sincerely,

Pat Kelly, MP
Calgary Rocky Ridge
Shadow Minister for Small Business and Western
Economic Development

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April 21, 2021

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Symons Valley Park

The proposed Symons Valley Park is in the Calgary-Foothills Constituency and as the MLA for this Constituency, I fully support the park development proposed by the Symons Valley Leisure and Amenities Society. This project will serve several communities including Kincora, Nolan Hill, Sage Hill and Sherwood.

I commend the work done by the planning committee who have spent countless volunteer hours to make this dream a reality.

Symons Valley Park will provide community-accessible, all-season outdoor amenities for recreation and leisure. It will be the future recreational destination for over 30,000 residents in Symons Valley and beyond.

I am impressed that this Park will serve all ages and provide recreational and leisure opportunities throughout all four seasons of the year. As Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addiction, I am well aware of the importance of such activities for mental health.

The concept plan demonstrates that the planning committee has shown great foresight and careful planning for all aspects of this project. It will provide needed leisure and recreational space and contribute positively to the quality of life in the Calgary-Foothills Constituency.

This Park will certainly be welcomed by current residents and given the projected growth in these communities, I anticipate that it will be a positive attraction for new residents in the future.

I strongly support the Symons Valley Park project and I am pleased to provide this letter of support.

It gives me hope when I see positive plans for the future and the continued efforts of volunteers to enhance their communities. We need these signs of hope as we live through this COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,



Jason Luan, MLA
Calgary-Foothills Constituency



Calgary

Office of the Councillors
COUNCILLOR JOE MAGLIOCCA

April 26, 2021

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Symons Valley Park Project

Dear Sir/Madam,

As the City Councillor for Ward 2, representing the Symons Valley communities of Kincora, Nolan Hill, Sage Hill and Sherwood, I am pleased to lend my full support for the Symons Valley Park Project.

The Symons Valley area is populated with young families from many different ethnic backgrounds. This proposed park will provide a destination for these diverse young families to play and have fun year-round.

There is a strong need for new park developments in the Symons Valley area as they contribute both to the overall work-live-play balance and an enhanced quality of life. Furthermore, as these communities are new and developing, there are very few school parks, or other recreational amenities that more developed, inner city communities enjoy. This project is proposing a hockey rink, tennis courts, picnic areas, bike parks amphitheatres and much more that will provide a significant enhancement to the recreational opportunities in these communities.

I fully endorse the efforts of the volunteers on the Community Association Boards and the Symons Valley Leisure and Amenities Society who are working together with The City of Calgary to provide this park that will enhance the quality of life for residents in the Symons Valley community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joe Magliocca'.

Joe Magliocca
City Councillor - Ward 2

April 4th, 2021

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Kris McPherson
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Dear Kris,

On behalf of the Kincora Community Association, I wanted to write you this official letter of support from our board. The future Symons Valley Park project is not only a much-needed amenity for the NW of Calgary it will become a community hub for Kincora, Sherwood, Sage Hill, and Nolan Hill citizens. With a lack of amenities within our own communities beyond builder provided playgrounds and the natural reserve areas our communities are striving for a place our families can be active and engaged outdoors.

Our board would like to lend our support and backing towards any grants or funding that you require. Whether this requires letters of support, in person or virtual recommendations and interviews, and any sort of in-kind donation or volunteering that our group can provide.

Although the Symons Valley Park will be officially within Kincora's boundaries, we know this amenity will be beneficial to all of our property values, a site for the KCA and other associations to host and run events and become something we can all be proud of supporting and developing.

Please reach out to our board for anything we can do to help support you in your pursuit towards fulfilling this project. I know personally your goals are ambitious and I hope to see this design come to fruition!

Travis Merrick

Travis Merrick

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Dear Kris,

On behalf of the Nolan Hill Community Association, I wanted to write you this official letter of support from our board. The future Symons Valley Park project is a much-needed amenity for the community of Nolan Hill as well as the other surrounding communities of Kincora, Sherwood, and Sage Hill.

Our board would like to lend our support and backing towards any grants or funding that you require. Whether this requires letters of support, in person or virtual recommendations and interviews, and any sort of in-kind donation or volunteering that our group can provide.

Although the Symons Valley Park will be officially within Kincora's boundaries, we know this amenity will be beneficial to NHCA and other associations to host and run events, and become something we can all be proud of supporting and developing.

Please let us know if there is any way the Nolan Hill board can assist you in the completion of your project.

Kind Regards,

Mason Hender



April. 13th, 2021

It is with great pleasure I write this recommendation letter for the Symons Valley Park Society (SVLAS) to aid them in obtaining funding for the Symons Valley Park project. SVLAS has a deep connection to the community and has proven to be a passionate, understanding, organized and full of community spirit and inclusion. I have been around non-profits for many years in my career and believe in this group of extra ordinary volunteers and I am very proud of their early successes thus far.

As one of two remaining founding Directors of the Sage Hill Community Association (SHCA) and proudly representing 8,700 residents I look forward to our final community population in Sage Hill of just over 22,000 once construction is complete. It is my and our board's pleasure to collaborate with the SVLAS on both design, fundraising and marketing to see this project through. Personally I have lived in the area since 1989 and have seen the valley change from agricultural lands to the communities of Sage Hill, Kincora, Nolan Hill and Sherwood. Both our boards are made up of resident volunteers where we work at an arm's reach to develop this site in the interest of the community.

Sage Hill, Kincora, Sherwood and Nolan Hill lack indoor and outdoor recreation, community halls and park space as many of these amenities are a 15 minute drive (or over an hour bus ride) from our door steps. With the support of our residents the Sage Hill Community Association has full trust in the SVLAS to manage this project to which an eventual 60,000 residents in the Symons Valley area will be able to use and enjoy.

We wish our friends the best of luck and look forward to many more years of continued collaboration.

On behalf of the Sage Hill Community,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ross Utigard", written over a circular scribble.

Ross Utigard

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April 16, 2021
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Re: Letter of Support to Symons Valley Leisure and Amenities Society (SVLAS)

This official letter is being written in support of SVLAS's current and future funding / grant applications. The Sherwood Community Association (SCA) is a non-profit organization composed of volunteers who represent Sherwood community residents to the City of Calgary and many other neighboring communities and organizations. The SCA was established and formally incorporated in 2010 and has been evolving and growing since then. The primary function of the organization is to act as a liaison between residents, provide/encourage resident engagement and youth leadership programs through creating a wide variety of events that in turn create a sense of belonging in the community. All residents are encouraged to voice their opinions and concerns, which builds a welcoming and inclusive environment for residents to engage in.

On behalf of the Sherwood Community Association, I extend our full support to all types of the projects of SVLAS. The future Symons Valley Park project is not only a much needed amenity for the NW of Calgary it will become a community hub for Kincora, Sherwood, Sage Hill, and Nolan Hill citizens. With a lack of amenities within our own communities beyond builder provided playgrounds and the natural reserve areas our communities are striving for a place our families can be active and engaged outdoors.

Our board would like to extend our support and backing towards any grants or funding required for the success of SVLAS.

If you require any further clarification, I would be happy to discuss this with you. Feel free to contact me at president@sherwoodca.com .

Sincerely,



Satnam Pannu
President
Sherwood Community Association (SCA)