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Dr. Noel Keough: Council Presentation Re: 2022 City of Calgary Budget

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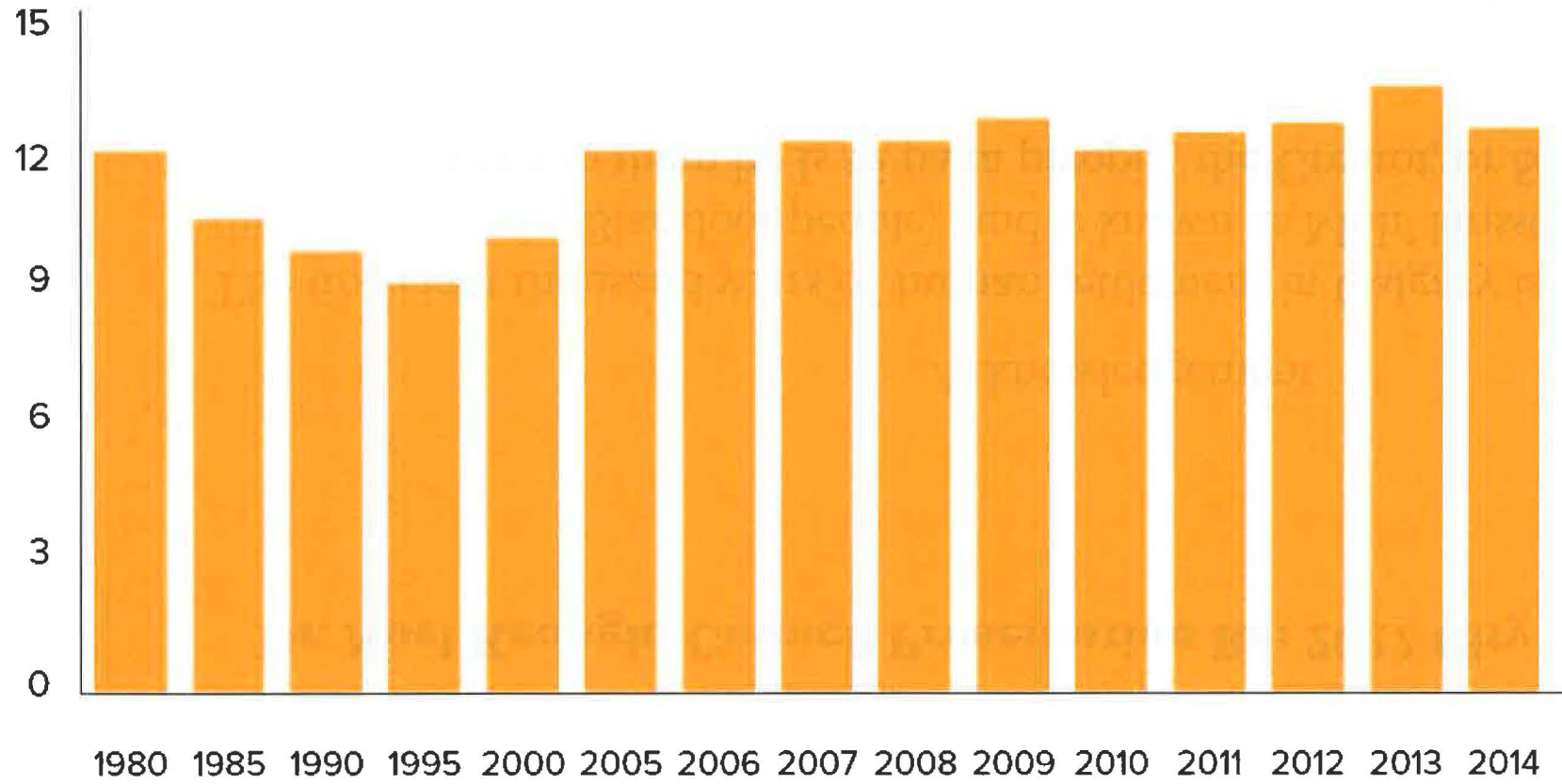
The first eight thousand years of human settlement in Calgary is an Indigenous story. To the Niitsitapi (the Blackfoot people) land is known as Moh' kinsstis ('elbow'), the territory given to them by Is tsi pa ta piyopi," the Creator, or Source of Life

I live within the traditional territories of the Siksikaitsitapi (Blackfoot Confederacy), including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani; the Tsuut'ina, the Îyâxe Nakoda Nations, and the Métis Nation. I consider this to be stolen land. I look forward to the day when there is Truth and Reconciliation and just relations between the First Nations and Settler societies.

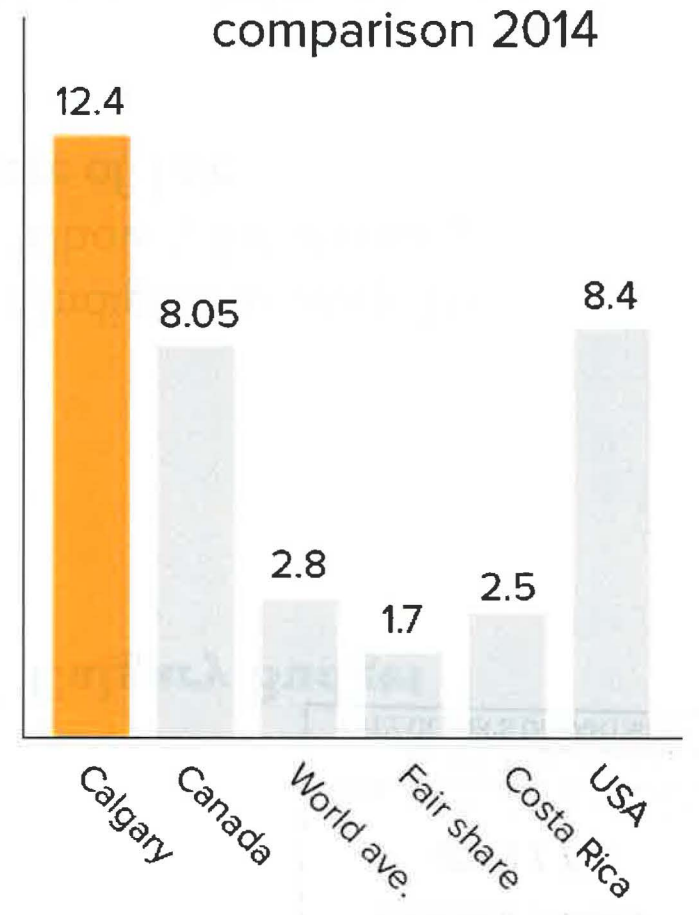


ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT

Hectares per person (Calgary)



Hectares per person comparison 2014



2020

Sustainable
Calgary

Growth is now uneconomic

We need to design a steady state economy that is, above all, fair and just and that allows us to live within our means economically, and more importantly, ecologically.

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Sustainable Calgary

**The window of opportunity for a gradual transition
to a sustainable future has closed.**



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We must now embark on a rapid transition or face the real prospect of significantly compromised quality of life and livelihoods, and a precarious future for our children and their city.



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An Earth Charter

“We stand at a critical moment in Earth’s history, a time when humanity must choose its future,... We must join together to bring forth a sustainable global society founded on respect for nature, universal human rights, economic justice, and a culture of peace. Towards this end, it is imperative that we, the peoples of Earth, declare our responsibility to one another, to the greater community of life and to future generations.”

Notes:

The proposed 2022 Adjustments strike a balance between strategic savings and critical investments, resulting in a tax rate increase between 0.64 per cent and 0.99 per cent, depending on Council's direction. This translates into an increase of between one dollar and one dollar and sixty cents per month for the typical single residential property owner, in addition to a monthly increase of almost four dollars due to assessment shifts within the residential class (individual cases will vary).

Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation is 3.1 per cent. Combined population growth and inflation is forecast at 4.4 per cent in 2021 and 3.9 per cent in 2022. These figures make zero (0) per cent tax rate changes unsustainable as we move into the next cycle.

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