

Heritage Calgary Letter of Support



May 4, 2022

Mayor Jyoti Gondek
Chair – Executive Committee
City of Calgary
PO Box 2100, Stn. M
Calgary AB, T2P 2M5

Dear Mayor Gondek & Committee:

Re: EC2022-0527 Residential Heritage Tax Incentive

Heritage Calgary, in accordance with our role to advise Council and Administration on heritage matters in the city of Calgary, would like to take this opportunity to support the Residential Heritage Tax Incentive program that is being brought forward for consideration as part of the One Calgary 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets.

Over the last five years, we have heard from Calgarians that more tools and incentives are needed to protect our city's heritage. The Residential Heritage Tax Incentive will be a useful tool to help preserve Calgary's heritage.

The proposed incentive makes heritage designation a more financially viable alternative to redevelopment, thus providing owners with more balanced options when choosing between redevelopment and heritage conservation.

We strongly encourage Council to fund this investment come the November budget.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Josh Traptow'.

Josh Traptow
Chief Executive Officer
Heritage Calgary