

A historical community in the heart of Calgary

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Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra The City of Calgary 313 7 Ave SE Calgary, AB T2G 0J1

As discussed during the 2021 Stampede debrief, please accept Ramsay Community Association's formal request to initiate, engage and implement a "365-24/7 Events Plan" for Scotsman's Hill.

Scotsman's Hill attracts visitors for many reasons including but not limited to, its iconic view, an access point to downtown and year-round events, Canada Day & Stampede fireworks, group photos, the dog park and community events at the RCA recreation facility. While nearby residents understand and welcome enjoyment of the space, concerns are raised each year regarding:

- Permanent traffic calming solutions along the ridge and in front of the community facility to address increased traffic during event season and the year-round loud motorcycles and vehicles often lapping the ridge at high speeds
- Lack of a shared master plan and aligned resident communication for large events, such as Canada Day and the Stampede
- Busses and high-capacity limos review the bylaw and signage at all access points
- Mischief, public urination, loitering after the 11pm City Park closure bylaw
- Accessibility and connection improvements from the ridge to Downtown
- A review of access points for the Ramsay School Stampede Parking Fundraiser

The RCA is an advocate for improving safety, communication, and sustainability. Given the number of changes in recent years, such as road closures in and out of the community, increased use of the RCA facility, and turnover of external stakeholder staff and RCA volunteers, the timing is right to reengage and address these reoccurring themes. Given the lack of detail for Scotsman's Hill in the recent LAP draft, its uncertain timeline, we ask that this engagement take place independently and in advance of the summer 2022.

Sincerely, Nicole Battistella, President Ramsay Community Association



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