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NOTICE OF MOTION CC 661 (R2009-05)

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RE: IMPROVING CALGARY'S ACCESSIBILITY

COUNCILLOR DRUH FARRELL

WHEREAS The City of Calgary has an obligation to build and promote a city that is accessible to persons of all ages, abilities and incomes;

AND WHEREAS by 2019 nearly 200,000 Calgarians over the age of 15 will be living with a disability;

AND WHEREAS the critical and chronic accessible housing shortage prevents dignified and independent living for many Calgarians, often forcing longer stays in hospitals and other care facilities;

AND WHEREAS the need to improve accessibility is recognized in the Calgary Corporate Accessibility Policy, Imagine Calgary, the 2020 Sustainability Direction and the Access Design Standards;

AND WHEREAS Administration is reviewing and updating the Calgary Corporate Accessibility Policy;

AND WHEREAS Council directed Administration to conduct a review of the resource requirements associated with achieving the Advisory Committee on Accessibility goals to be considered as part of the 2016 Action Plan Adjustment process;

AND WHEREAS The City's accessibility commitment is particularly important with regard to City-owned and operated buildings and facilities;

AND WHEREAS Administration, in conjunction with Advisory Committee on Accessibility continuously incorporates principles of barrier-free design in modernization and construction of new City facilities, yet it remains that many civic facilities, including The City of Calgary Municipal Complex, do not meet current Council approved Accessibility Guidelines;

Signature of Member(s) of Council





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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

a) City Council direct Administration, in conjunction with Advisory Committee on Accessibility, to review and assess the accessibility of the Municipal Complex and report back to Council no later than 2016 October through the Land and Asset Strategy Committee with a report outlining the actions and costs to ensure that the Municipal Complex meets current City accessibility standards;

b) City Council direct Administration to assess the accessibility of the remainder of The City of Calgary civic facilities and report back to Council no later than 2016 Q3 through the Land and Asset Strategy Committee;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council direct Administration to commit to the integration of accessibility and universal design considerations to current initiatives related to planning and development, and into future planning initiatives, and report back to Council on their progress no later than 2016 Q3 through the Planning and Urban Development Committee;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council commit to advancing the issues of accessibility and accessible housing supply to other orders of government, in partnership with the community and persons with lived experiences.

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