

Location Criteria for Multi-Residential Infill (as adopted 2014 March)

In order to assist in the evaluation of land use amendment applications and associated local area plan amendments, the following criteria shall be applied and reported on in Administration reports to Calgary Planning Commission. These criteria are not meant to be applied in an absolute sense to determine whether or not a site should be recommended for approval. In general, the more criteria an application can meet, the more appropriate the site is considered for multi-residential infill development (all other things being considered equal). The following table represents a proposed checklist for preferred conditions to support land use amendments in low density residential areas. It is to be used in the review and evaluation of land use amendment applications for the following districts or direct control districts based on the following districts:

Multi-residential – Contextual Grade-Oriented (M-CG) District

Multi-residential – Contextual Low Profile (M-C1) District

Multi-residential – Contextual Medium Profile (M-C2) District

Subject Site	Comments
On a corner parcel.	<p>Corner developments have fewer direct interfaces with low density development.</p> <p>Corner sites avoid mid-block development that could signal speculation that the entire block is appropriate for redevelopment.</p>
Within 400m of a transit stop.	<p>Allows for greater transit use, providing more mobility options for residents of multi-dwelling developments.</p> <p>Can reduce motor vehicle usage, thereby minimizing vehicle traffic impact on community.</p>
Within 600m of an existing or planned Primary Transit stop or station.	<p>Allows for greater transit use, providing more mobility options for residents of multi-dwelling developments.</p> <p>Can reduce motor vehicle usage, thereby minimizing vehicle traffic impact on community.</p>
On a collector or higher standard roadway on at least one frontage.	Minimizes traffic on local streets.
Adjacent to existing or planned non-residential development or multi-dwelling development.	Creates an appropriate transition between low density and other more intensive land uses or larger scale buildings.
Adjacent to or across from existing or planned open space or park or community amenity.	Creates an appropriate transition between low density and other land uses.
Along or in close proximity to an existing or planned corridor or activity centre.	Creates an appropriate transition between low density and other land uses.
Direct lane access.	Improves pedestrian environment for local residents by limiting the creation of multiple or high frequency use driveways across local sidewalks.