

Applicant Outreach Summary

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On behalf of the Calgary Young Women's Christian Association (YW Calgary), Gibbs Gage Architects is applying for a landuse redesignation to the density modifier on the current YWCA Sheriff King Home site of 2003 16 Street SE.

Since 1910, the YW Calgary has led the community, adapting their programming to meet the changing needs of women and their families. Ever evolving, YW continues to empower women to focus on their mental wellness, achieve economic prosperity and live free from violence.

In 2019, the YW moved into a custom-built, trauma-informed Hub facility, YW's centre of operations providing administrative offices, emergency and transitional housing for single women, counselling services, economic supports and much more.

Their new strategic plan (2021-2025), approved by the YW Board of Directors, continues their journey of transforming their service delivery and commitment to support women and children to transform their lives. To this end we are redeveloping YW's Sheriff King Home crisis shelter and building a permanent, affordable, supportive housing apartment (together referred to as the Project). Both facilities, designed to support women and children fleeing domestic violence, are being built on the current Sheriff King Home site in Inglewood, leased from The City of Calgary.

In August 2021, YW submitted a Development Permit DP2021-4232 request, and no appeals were received following its advertisement on October 21, 2021. It was Released on November 16, 2021.

In our Land Use Redesignation submission, we are requesting to increase the density in the Affordable Housing facility from the current 19 to 21. These three-bedroom units will allow for two additional families of women and children fleeing domestic violence to have access to affordable housing. Throughout the course of the Project, YW has communicated with community members and provided opportunities to raise concerns, provide feedback and ask questions.

This includes regular engagement with the Inglewood Community Association, who are very enthusiastic to see the redevelopment of the crisis shelter and the development of affordable housing in their community. The YW advised them on April 11, 2022, at their monthly meeting, that we are

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preparing a Land Use submission and that they can expect to see this circulated for comments in the coming weeks. Ward 9 has also been notified of the upcoming landuse and are supportive of our proposal.

As well, the YW has created a Project newsletter for subscribers, which goes out intermittently and will increase in frequency as the Project progresses. There also is a webpage dedicated to the Project: <https://www.ywcalgary.ca/sheriffking/> that is updated regularly.

Please let us know if you require anything further. Thank you for your attention,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Yeung', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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