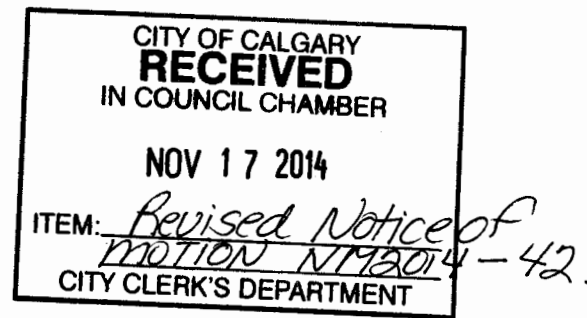


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RE: SECONDARY SUITE IMPLEMENTATION INITIATIVE
COUNCILLOR CHABOT

WHEREAS the issue of creating more safe secondary suites is important for many Calgarians;

AND WHEREAS there are over 120,000 properties in the City of Calgary that are currently zoned appropriately for secondary suites;

AND WHEREAS a secondary suite may have the appropriate land use, but may not be built to Alberta Building codes which makes the suite safe;

AND WHEREAS there are many property owners who either are unaware that their secondary suite is illegal or they know that their suite is illegal but choose to rent it out despite that, due to lack of deterrents;

AND WHEREAS there is currently no way to determine which existing suites are legal and no current way for renters to know if they are renting or going to be renting a legal secondary suite;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to investigate the possibility of establishing an 18 month relaxation for homeowners with current suites to meet with City Officials to determine if their suite is legal and or make application to bring it into compliance;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Administration and Law be directed to review the potential to fine owners for a first offence following the 18 month relaxation;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Administration identify properties with legal secondary suites on Calgary.ca's interactive map for the creation of a centralized database where renters can find safe secondary suites to rent;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Administration report back through the Working Group on Secondary Suites Enforcement no later than Q1 2015.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that any surplus revenue from enforcement fines be put towards affordable housing initiatives.