

Previous Council Direction

Below is the context and previous council direction around this report.

Context

2020 January 21 Council approved Notice of Motion PFC2020-0106 directing Administration to make better use of the Roads Rights-of-Way table to support, in addition to road widening, improvements to the public realm and pedestrian environments. Part of this work required Land Use Bylaw amendments.

On 2021 June 21 the Land Use Bylaw was amended to include a new Purpose Statement to clarify the intent of the setback table is to provide improvements in terms of public realm, pedestrian environments, and mobility options. To reflect this the Roads Rights-of-Way table was renamed the Public Realm setbacks table.

The remaining items in the Notice of Motion are currently being addressed through ongoing Local Area Plan work.

Previous Council Direction

The table below provides details of Council direction since 2019 that have guided Administration's work on amendments to the Land Use Bylaw proposed in this report.

Timeline of Previous Council Direction

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2021 June 21	PUD2021-0649	Land Use Bylaw Amendments to Support Business and Economic Recovery On 2021 June 21, Council gave three readings and adopted bylaw 27P2021. The amendments included renaming the land use bylaw section from Roads Rights-of-Way to Public Realm Setbacks and providing a new purpose statement to clarify that the intent of the setbacks table is to provide in addition to road widening space for public enhancements.

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Notice of Motion – Bylaw Setback Reform

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council directs Administration to report to Council no later than Q3 2020 with recommendations on the following:

1. Criteria needed to support applicant-provided improvements within bylaw setbacks, and between the curb and building edge generally, in order to achieve enhanced public realm and context specific mobility improvements, while still allowing for a flexible approach based on site and area specific considerations;
2. The formalization of a process used by CPAG, CPAG partners, and City asset owners to review and assess development applications with the intent to better achieve the above setback objectives;
3. Clarify the intent of the bylaw setbacks in supporting public realm and context-specific mobility improvements by renaming the Road Rights-of-Way Property Line Setbacks table within Land Use Bylaw 1P2007 and by adding a purpose statement;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that City Council Directs City Administration to bring forward updates to relevant bylaw setbacks at the time of local area plan and/or multi-community plan creation/update, including currently underway plans, with particular consideration to:

1. Creating streetscape plans and/or cross sections for streets with bylaw setbacks, where prioritized, that provide guidance to applicants and/or the City of Calgary for how improvements should be implemented;
2. Decreases or increases to bylaw setback allowances, where appropriate;
3. Removal of bylaw setbacks that are no longer required;
4. Supporting below – and/or above-grade building projections into the bylaw setbacks that still consider utility impacts, enable street furniture/tree provisions, and support enhanced public realm;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the future renewal of the Land Use Bylaw consider further policy direction that better and consistently aligns with the bylaw setbacks with the objectives of the Municipal Development Plan, Calgary Transportation Plan, Complete Streets Guide, Main Streets program, and other relevant policies.

