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THE CITY OF CALGARY
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NM2016, November 28

RE: RESOLUTION OF COLLECTION OF THE BUSINESS
IMPROVEMENT AREA LEVY

COUNCILLOR POOTMANS, CHABOT, CARRA, SUTHERLAND

WHEREAS Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) have served Calgary successfully for over 30 years and contributed to creating City-defining areas of local community, municipal, provincial and national interest;

AND WHEREAS BIAs have been tenant-based organizations driven by volunteers that work to create vitality on main streets;

AND WHEREAS BIAs have been funded by a BIA levy on tenant members that is paid to The City, based on an additional levy to the Business Tax payable, and these levy revenues then returned to the BIA;

AND WHEREAS the Business Tax is being phased out and replaced by the Non-Residential Property Tax as a base for calculation of the BIA levy and to be paid by the building owners;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to prepare a report on the alternative methods for collection of the BIA levy in Calgary; the method to inform all of the businesses along those main streets in regard to the budgets and AGMs as there may be limitations under FOIP and to report back through Priorities and Finance Committee no later than March 21, 2017.

Signature of Member(s) of Council