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First name (required)

Chris

Last name (required)

Smith

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I'm concerned the Strategy does not speak to improving the use of the existing housing stock. There are already a lot of dwellings in Calgary! I'm not saying there isn't the need to build more. But that often leads to more costs to taxpayers and a larger carbon footprint for the city.

I'm curious if these been considered?

- limiting whole-home short term rentals using a lottery system
- taxes on vacant property (see Vancouver)
- facilitating long term rentals of rooms to students and immigrants by seniors and "empty nesters" (see Homeshare Eapon.ca)



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I am not opposed to having multi use or low income residences' in my neighborhood, but my concern is that as an inner city neighborhood all we seem to get are mcmansions selling for close to a million or more each. This WILL NOT reduce the housing crisis. My concern is that by removing zoning and parking requirements we will just be inundated with million dollar side by sides which WOULD NOT help with affordability but would heavily impact our neighborhood. The parking has become insane and the city method to manage this is to require me to purchase a parking pass to be able to park in front of my own home. By building "high density" housing it turns out that this has just increased my taxes, requires me to purchase a parking pass which HAS NOT created more affordability but actually did the exact opposite.

If there was some way to require developers to put in low income housing then that would be different but you are just removing the barriers to have developers price me out of my neighborhood and significantly impact the standard of living for the people already there.

The city would get more taxes which is why they are agreeable to this proposal but I guarantee that this will not help the inner city neighborhoods become more affordable and do the exact opposite. DO NOT PASS THESE PROPOSALS WITHOUT HEAVY, LEGALLY BINDING CONDITIONS ON DEVELOPERS TO NOT PUT PROFIT ABOVE PEOPLE AND BUILD WHAT IS NEEDED AND NOT SINGLE FAMILY, 3000 SQ FT SIDE BY SIDES THAT TWO PEOPLE LIVE IN!!!

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Special Meeting of Council - Calgary Housing Crisis

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Neither

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Currently, I am fortunate enough to live in Calgary Housing. Eventually, due to other matters, I will not be eligible for Calgary Housing. This concerns me greatly because of the high rents in this will end up running out of money and have nowhere to live, unless something changes. I am chronically ill plus I am disabled meaning I am even more vulnerable to housing issues because I re either an elevator or somewhere that is wheelchair accessible.

We desperately need affordable housing in this city. People should not have to choose food over accommodation, people should not be living in their vehicles because they cannot afford rent. I extremely concerned about my future, and everyone else who is in a vulnerable situation in this city. I realize rents affect everyone however, they affect low income, seniors, disabled and chronic people the most. Please, please do something to change this. I am unable to leave Calgary as I need to be close to the major hospitals and my doctors.

I am very concerned about what the future holds for me and for other people. Thank you.

Heather Dolg

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Housing Strategy

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I am a property owner in Ward 7, and I strongly support all 33 recommendations made by the affordable housing task force. I support affordable housing because people are being constantly priced out of the city's core. In talking with many small independent businesses in East Village, they have noticed a decline in years long regulars specifically due to cost of housing.

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I support more affordable housing and the recommendations of the task force on housing and affordability, however, please ensure stricter audit and transparency requirements are placed on non-profits providing affordable housing. There are multiple opportunities for profiteering through non-profit organizations, without the proper controls. Work with the province and other regulatory bodies to ensure affordable housing non-profits are audited for the community-building capabilities. Perhaps through an instrument like Evan Spencer's proposal on asset-based community development.

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Experts have spent months developing sensible reforms to build more housing in Calgary. These include common-sense ideas, such as ensuring that duplexes are no longer banned in many Calgary communities and that the City has the ability to make developers pay their fair share of new affordable housing costs. The Housing Strategy also expedites the construction of new housing on City-owned land.

Council must approve all Housing Strategy recommendations without gutting them:

- Advocate provincial legislation to regulate residential tenancy to better protect renters, including protections against significant rent increases.
- Make it easier to build housing across the city.
- Make more land available to build more housing across the city.
- Ensure that the supply of affordable housing meets the needs of Equity Deserving and Indigenous people living in Calgary.
- Convene the housing sector to collaborate.
- Increase the investment to support housing providers.
- Ensure more individuals have a safe place to call home.

We need this comprehensive policy package, not to replace them with the patchwork of band-aid solutions proposed by Councillor Sharp and others to undermine this comprehensive strategy.

We need to make Calgary liveable for everyone. Our current housing crisis was completely predictable due to the lack of policy in place.

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SIncerely, Peter Driftmier, MSW, RSW

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up zoning of inner city housing developements

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### Dear Madam Mayor

I wish to share my concerns re blanket proposed up-zoning for all future home building in Calgary. To me, giving developers such a opportunity to build as THEY wish without hearing any concerns/issues that locals may have is asking for excessive number of closely built households without adequate local parking, bus routes, parks, schools etc. Clearly this will impact the standard of living by limiting ease of access to anything any distance from one's home, worsening parking availability (although I guess thats the council's plan to make owning a car much less desirable) amongst other things. I am actually in favour of increasing housing density but this plan, WITHOUT THE NECESSARY SUPPORTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE in Calgary and with, as I understand, the council's belief that people won't/don't need garages or cars is far too premature.

There needs to be a massive improvement in public transit, more schools and other amenities and proper public engagement before such drastic changes to the city structure are made.

Please DO NOT give developers the only say in what and where multiplex homes are built.

Thank you for your considerations

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I am in support making more housing available in Calgary. However the proposed blanket re-zoning is not the way to go.

In the vicinity of the community where I live are at least two huge tracts of land where affordable housing could go in. The North Hill (former Sears site) mall is crying for redevelopment as is the Brentwood Co-op site. Each of these could accommodate high density housing, are accessible to students at SAIT and U of C and are adjacent to LRT stops.

Please do Not approve blanket re- zoning which is a piecemeal approach, will negatively impact neighborhoods and does nothing to reign in rapacious developers. Instead find means to develop sites such as those mentioned above. Far more housing will become available if they can be redeveloped into high density housing than by shoehorning a 4/6/8 plex into a lot in a residential area

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Affordable Housing

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? (required)

In favour

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Most people who have stability, whether they acquired it or were born with it, are just one misstep (accident, illness, addiction, bad investment) away from knowing how it feels to be homeless and penniless.

Just because you may not experience homelessness or an inability to pay the ridiculous rents and ban on pets in this province, does not mean you are not going to at some point in your life, or at least your child, a friend, or another loved one will.

So with that in mind, in what world does blocking affordable housing sound like a good idea? Do you realize that rents are so high in Calgary, people have to either leave the city, live in unsafe conditions, or add themselves to the homeless population? Much of this all stems from allowing the housing industry to police itself and the lack of will from policymakers to be willing to do anything that might affect their donor base. When given the choice, the housing industry will never build affordable units, as we have seen for the past two decades.

The younger generations know they have no hope of ever owning a home in Canada. Builders and landlords have never been reigned in because it's always been about now, and my term, not the future.

Lack of affordable housing will also contribute to an increase in crime and addiction. When people are desperate and see no future in being able to afford a simple apartment, why wouldn't they? Drugs mask their current circumstances and crime might give them a free cell with meals.

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Please do better as humans.

Please be a better human and be someone the future generations might want to look up to.

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Standing Policy Committee on Community Development

Date of meeting (required)

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recommendation to immediately make the base residential district Residenti

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In opposition

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Hi,

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As a city of Calgary resident in Ward 6 I wish to express my strong opposition to the blanket re-zoning of the entire city. This will only lead to more expensive duplex's in desirable parts of the city. Doing very little to address housing costs. Beyond the above, this will greatly change the landscape of our neighborhoods and negatively impact current residents with increased traffic, parking, and noise. I suggest having a city wide information pamphlet distributed to everyone along with a vote to determine whether City residents truly want this or not. Let the majority of people have their voices heard. This is a critical step that will be hard to walk back from once it's implemented.

Thank you,

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Date of meeting (required)

Sep 15, 2023

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My support of the recommendations, more supply means lower prices

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In favour

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We should use all the recommendations presented to us. Higher densification is part of the answer. We also need to speed up the process for approvals and get more homes built faster. A point that a lot of people are missing is a simple supply and demand equation. We have such little houses that prices have skyrocketed. The example I keep hearing is that 650k townhouses aren't affordable... the townhouses won't be 650k because us building a lot of them would indeed help us match the demand thus lowering prices.

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Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure and Planning

Date of meeting (required)

Sep 15, 2023

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I remember when I first moved to Calgary about 30 years ago and the

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Neither

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Standing Policy Committee on Community Development

Date of meeting (required)

Sep 14, 2023

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September 14 Community Development Committee meeting

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Hello,

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I am a citizen of the Rideau/Roxboro community and would like to express my opposition towards the up-zoning from R-C1 to R-CG zoning. I strongly disagree with allowing developers to build higher density dwellings without a thorough application process. This would fundamentally impact our community and the value of our properties.

I urge you to delay the implementation of 'Recommendation #1(d)' in Councillor Sonya Sharpe's Notice of Motion.

Regards, Tasha Cadotte

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Standing Policy Committee on Community Development

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Land Use Zoning Changes- blanket zoning

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In opposition

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I am strongly against the idea of blanket rezoning all R1 lots to allow for up to 8 dwellings. There has been no consideration of whether schools, parks, roadways or utilities can support this increase. Citizens who own in these R1 areas are largely financially invested in their homes and also deserve to have their rights and input listened to. Rezoning to R2 would be totally reasonable to help with the housing shortage but not 8. Calgary does have a lot of land available and this will only become a cash grab for developers in well-established neighborhoods as opposed to increasing affordable housing. A solution is needed, but this is not it, Increasing density is a great idea, but not to 8! That is ridiculous.

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Standing Policy Committee on Community Development

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Blanket up-zoning of all RC-1 neighbourhoods

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Dear Mayor and Council,

While I appreciate the effort to reduce bureaucratic hurdles in real estate development, I believe that assuming blanket rezoning will automatically lead to more affordable housing oversimplifies the issue. Drawing from my experience in real estate development, profitability is a central driver. For instance, when purchasing a \$700K inner-city home, demolishing it to build a 4-plex, and then selling each unit for over \$800K does not align with the concept of affordable housing. The new units end up being more expensive and less affordable than the original property. Moreover, this approach overlooks critical considerations like parking, infrastructure and community integration. Blanket densification doesn't directly result in affordable housing; other factors must be considered.

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Instead of pursuing blanket rezoning, a more deliberate approach to densification is warranted to address housing affordability. As an example focusing densification efforts on areas in close proximity to major transportation arteries and transit hubs offers a practical solution that addresses concerns related to parking and accessibility. These locales are frequently characterized by lower acquisition costs, ease of service provisions, and, in some instances, underutilized or vacant land parcels, which are conducive to more affordable development options. It is important to consider the implications of relinquishing control and allowing unregulated development across the entirety of the city. Your guidance plays a pivotal role in determining the location and nature of future developments, thereby serving as a bridge between the objectives of housing affordability and densification.

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I ask that you to carefully consider this topic, as the current motion appears to absolve Calgary's leadership of its responsibility to create a well-planned city.

Regards,

**Dwight Teotico** 

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Housing Plan Recommendations

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Calgary is in a housing crisis which can only be addressed by a dramatic increase in supply. Cutting red tape and making it easier to build housing - particularly high-density and mixed-use developments - is the only way to ensure that Calgary remains an affordable city to live and raise a family in. If we bow to NIMBYism, it will not be long before Calgary suffers the same fate as Toronto, Vancouver, and countless other Canadian cities. Affordability can ONLY be addressed by taking bold action on reforming municipal regulations. I am fully supportive of the recommendations in the report and I urge Council not to water them down. Abolishing parking minimums, up-zoning land use across the city, and allowing high-density builds in ALL neighbourhoods by default is the only responsible, market-driven path forward. Get big government out of housing and allow the free market to build according to consumer demand. If we cling to land use policies of the past, no young people will ever be able to afford to stay in our great city, much less start a family here.

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Sep 14, 2023

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Community Development Committee - Sept 14

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In opposition

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Dear Mayor Gondek, Council Members, and Concerned Citizens,

I write to you today with a concern about the proposed blanket "upzoning" of all Calgary RC-1 neighborhoods. My journey, closely intertwined with my wife's, began in rural Alberta where we both came from humble beginnings. When we married we decided to reside in Marda Loop and for a decade, this neighborhood was our haven. As it evolved and the density grew, it seemed to lose its essence and our values diverged as we started a family. Our need for a more spacious and quieter setting led us to invest in our current home in Elbow Park, not too far away from the heart of the city.

While I appreciate the initiative taken by the council and the Housing and Affordability Task Force to address the pressing issue of affordable housing, this specific recommendation gives me pause as it appears to lack substantial support from data and does little to benefit affordable housing. The concept of "Blanket Upzoning" lacks empirical support, and it will inadvertently serve the interests of developers more than the broader community. It raises concerns about eroding property rights for constituents and diminishing the incentive for families to invest in Calgary's real estate. Imagine sinking your life savings into a home with a specific character in a neighborhood you love, only to have no guarantees that the qualities you cherish will persist.

Moreover, we must consider whether the City of Calgary's substantial land holdings could be more effectively leveraged for affordable housing, especially when concentrated around functional transit corridors like the Green Line and retail hubs. Handing

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over the keys to developers, who are primarily profit-oriented, without a comprehensive strategy risks compromising the integrity of our long-standing neighborhoods.

As citizens, we look to our elected officials to represent our concerns and interests, and transparency and engagement are paramount in this process. To effectively engage citizens it is paramount to involve those in the communities directly affected, and not seek guidance from pro-density citizens whose interests will not be affected in not effective nor is it genuine. The fact that you have not engaged with our community is a concern.

In conclusion, I implore the council to reconsider the proposed blanket upzoning and to embark on a more data-driven and appropriate community-inclusive approach that addresses the housing crisis while preserving the cha

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Housing

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I would like to propose a situation to address the homeless in Calgary. It is a disgrace to see this see the ever-growing displaced population. May I suggest for those homeless citizens who are willing and medically fit to do so - be moved to vacant office space. This space should be manned by Peace Officers and Security Guards. Therefore; this would meet the standards of safe and dignified accommodation. To date; we see more security guards in malls than where the disadvantaged are at. It must be stated that the homelessness issue is partly due to backwater attitudes. We cannot only implicate the substance use crisis, supply and demand. The lack of coordinated change strategy between public, private and civic entities have kept each entity siloed and the homeless homeless.