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How do you wish to attend? Remotely

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? (If you are providing input on service plans and budget adjustments, please select "November 20") (required) Council

Date of meeting (If you are providing input on service plans and budget adjustments, please select "November 20") (required) Nov 14, 2023

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (If you are providing input on service plans and budget adjustments, please write "budget" below) (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

(required - max 75 characters) LOC2021-0183 LAND USE REDESIGNATION

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

Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

Angelo Pastega

November 06, 2023

Calgary City Council
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Dear Members of City Council,

I want to start off by thanking council for taking the time to read my letter, concerning the great struggles our city is experiencing when it comes to our current housing crisis. I am writing this letter today to address my opinion on the land use redesignation located at 210 and 213 – 59 Avenue SW and 6006 and 6012 – 3 Street SW, in the Manchester Industrial community, file number: LOC2021-0183. I am in support for this application, as I believe it will help our city take a step forward in progressing with a solution to our current housing crisis, as well as make this community more sustainable, allowing for a higher density of multi-residential homes.

Currently, this land is designated as R-C2 - Residential - Contextual One / Two Dwelling District, which for the community, is no longer a viable option for the current population. The proposed land is currently occupied by parking lots as well as a small portion of low-density commercial buildings. Many students for example, are looking to move out of their parents' homes, and live on their own, but either can't find a place since there is rarely any options

available or the options available are simply too expensive and not affordable. Having single detached, side-by-side, and duplex homes is not going to help our current crisis, so we must make the change to help accommodate everyone.

I personally live in this community, in an affordable housing apartment building. As a student trying to pay bills, it is very difficult to save money in the current market we are in, when the price of rent and daily living expenses continues to rise. To know that there are more apartment buildings being built in my community, means that over time, the cost of rent may hopefully decrease, by increasing the density of the community.

By redesignating this land to M-H2, it would allow for a multi-residential land use, which would allow for apartment buildings with 4 to 15 storeys, to be built. Redesignating this piece of land to M-H2 would also allow for the buildings to include commercial storefronts. The proposed change would apply to multiple properties but would allow for a maximum building height of 50 metres, with a minimum of 78 units.

The Manchester Industrial community in my opinion, is the perfect neighborhood for students that want to have their own apartment, while still being able to for example, easily get to the University of Calgary or SAIT, while still being close to the inner city. With Chinook mall right on Macleod Trail, as well as plenty of restaurants, retail stores, and grocery stores, everything is there to fulfill all your needs.

The Manchester Industrial community is right along the C-Train line, and the proposed address for change is less than a 10-minute walk away for the residents of the community to be able to easily access. Especially with being right on the Red Line of the C-Train, students do not need to

worry about transferring trains or having to take a bus, to get to school. Getting to the downtown is also very convenient and close by, either by train or a 10-minute drive, allowing student and young adults to be able to still live the night life on 17th Ave, with the option to be able to drink responsibly with the C-Train so close.

As I previously stated, I am in support for the land use redesignation for this application in the Manchester Industrial community, because I believe it is going to help our city in taking a step forward to resolving our current housing crisis. With a community that is currently struggling to house people, due to a lack of availability in apartments, this would be a great addition to the community. With not many single detached homes in the community already, these new apartment buildings would fit right in, and would make the Manchester industrial community much more sustainable, with a much higher density.

Thank you again for your time today in allowing me to share my opinion on how we as a city can help grow and become a more sustainable and affordable city to live in, while not having to combat a housing crisis, that is detrimental to our economy.

Sincere Regards,

Angelo Pastega