



**PUBLIC SUBMISSION FORM**

CC 968 (R2023-10)

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How do you wish to attend? Remotely

If you are providing input on service plans and budget adjustments, please indicate if you require language or translator services. (required - max 75 characters) English

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) LOC2023-0161 AMENDMENT TO THE BELTLINE AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN BYLAW 83P202

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)

To Whom It May Concern,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. My name is Makenna Chow, and I am a student at the University of Calgary, currently residing in the Beltline neighbourhood. I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed redevelopment plan at 1319 - 14 Avenue SW (LOC2023-0161), as I believe the project aligns with the vision of creating a thriving and complete community in the Beltline.

As a student, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the transformative power of well-planned urban development. The plan to introduce non-residential uses in an under-construction apartment building by Battistella Developments is a practical urban development initiative. With the site being located near 14 Street SW and 17 Avenue SW, it makes for an ideal site for such a project.

The proposed plan's emphasis on additional amenities in the existing high-density apartment building is commendable. It seamlessly links the goals outlined in the Municipal Development Plan, which seeks to foster vibrant, accessible, and inclusive communities. By providing a wider array of local goods and services, this plan will undeniably enhance the quality of life for both the residents of the building and the broader Beltline community.

Allow me to highlight a few key reasons why I believe that this redevelopment plan deserves your full support:

**Enhanced Local Amenities:** The inclusion of non-residential uses will greatly benefit residents and nearby properties. It will offer a diverse range of goods and services, thereby increasing convenience and accessibility for all members of the community.

**Market Responsiveness:** The proposal demonstrates keen responsiveness to market demand. This forward-thinking approach is essential in ensuring that our city remains dynamic and attuned to the evolving needs of its residents.

**Promoting Small Businesses:** Allowing additional non-residential uses in the Beltline community will create opportunities for local entrepreneurs and small businesses to thrive. This, in turn, fosters economic growth and supports the local economy.

While I understand that there have been concerns raised, such as potential impacts on parking and traffic, I believe that these issues can be effectively addressed through careful planning and community engagement.

In conclusion, I urge the City Council to give its full support to this redevelopment plan. It represents a significant step towards creating a more inclusive, vibrant, and forward-thinking Beltline community. As a student, I am excited about the positive impact this plan will have on our city's urban landscape and the opportunities it will provide for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. I look forward to witnessing the positive transformation that this proposal will bring to our city.

Sincerely,

Makenna Chow