Calgary Planning Commission Member Comments



For CPC2023-1095 / LOC2023-0148 heard at Calgary Planning Commission Meeting 2023 October 19



Member	Reasons for Decision or Comments
Commissioner Tiedemann	Application to redesignate from R-C1 to DC based on R-C1 to allow for the additional use of "Community Recreation Facility". The intent of the additional use being requested through the DC is to facilitate a youth support center. It was mentioned during CPC that the use in this location may be challenging given it is not on a corner lot. I feel that the parcels location, one lot off of the corner, is not so problematic that I was unwilling to support it. I believe the use can fit harmoniously with the surrounding homes and that the social benefit outweighed any planning concerns. The CPC package contained a very strongly worded letter of opposition from the President of the CA who also operates a youth center on a neighbouring site. I actually believe that there could be benefits and synergies to having two youth facilities in proximity to each other and I would encourage the applicant on this file to engage with the CA to ensure the best possible outcomes for the community area achieved.
Commissioner Hawryluk	 I supported this item because I typically trust Administration's recommendations. After voting, I wondered if a Direct Control District with a defined use might have been a better option than a Direct Control District with a discretionary use of 'Community Recreation Facility.' Someone may want to ask about whether a Direct Control District with a defined use may have more appropriate than a Direct Control District that is modelled on a Land Use Amendment in Ogden.