

December 19, 2023

J.R. (Rick) McDonald Interim Chief Administrative Officer Rocky View County 262075 Rocky View Point Rocky View County, AB, T4A 0X2

RE: Regional Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Servicing Policy

Dear Mr McDonald,

Thank you for connecting last week to discuss regional servicing. I appreciate your follow-up letter dated 2023 December 15, outlining concerns on behalf of Rocky View County regarding the City's Regional Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Servicing Policy.

The City agrees that existing Area Structure Plans (ASP) have standing, in accordance with the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) Growth Plan policy 3.1.10.1. Determining the priority and servicing options for an ASP is the next step in the planning process. The CMRB Growth Plan, which was developed with regional partners, identifies preferred growth areas for development. The City prioritizes new servicing to those areas. Lands lying outside of these areas should be considered with regional partners to ensure that decisions align with the aspirations of the region.

The City's update to the Regional Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Servicing Policy brings The Policy into alignment with the approved CMRB Growth Plan. Policy 1.4 enables review of exceptions to service lands outside of preferred growth areas on a case-by-case basis within the regional context (i.e., with CMRB regional partners). This approach ensures flexibility while maintaining alignment with the CMRB regional planning goals. Significant service requests for lands lying outside of preferred growth areas should first be brought into alignment with the plan by amendment or exception as outlined in the growth plan.

As discussed, we will share your concerns with Committee members in advance of their decision at the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee meeting on Thursday, December 21.

I appreciate your proactive engagement on this matter, as The City values its collaborative relationship with Rocky View County and the collaborative approach taken by both parties to ensure clarity on policy matters.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Please feel free to reach out if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Stuart Dalgleish
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City of Calgary

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