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# Policy and Land Use Amendment in Ogden (Ward 9) at 7425 – 20 Street SE, LOC2023-0305

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That Calgary Planning Commission recommend that Council:

- 1. Give three readings to the proposed bylaw for the amendments to the Millican-Ogden Area Redevelopment Plan (Attachment 2); and
- Give three readings to the proposed bylaw for the redesignation of 0.06 hectares ± (0.14 acres ±) located at 7425 – 20 Street SE (Plan 955AV, Block 8, Lots 12 and 13) from Residential – Contextual One / Two Dwelling (R-C2) District to Residential – Grade-Oriented Infill (R-CG) District.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- This application seeks to redesignate the subject site to allow for rowhouses and townhouses, in addition to the building types already listed in the district (e.g. single detached, semi-detached, duplex dwellings and secondary suites).
- The proposal represents an appropriate density increase of a residential site, allows for development that may be compatible with the character of the existing neighbourhood and is in keeping with the applicable policies of the *Municipal Development Plan* (MDP).
- What does this mean to Calgarians? The proposed Residential Grade-Oriented Infill (R-CG) District would allow for greater housing choice within the community and more efficient use of existing infrastructure and nearby amenities.
- Why does this matter? The proposed R-CG District would allow for more housing options that may better accommodate the evolving needs of different age groups, lifestyles and demographics.
- An amendment to the *Millican-Ogden Area Redevelopment Plan* (ARP) is required to accommodate the proposed land use.
- No development permit has been submitted at this time.
- There is no previous Council direction related to this proposal.

## DISCUSSION

This policy amendment and land use amendment was submitted on 2023 October 11 by New Century Design on behalf of the landowner, Jieun Ahn and Sunkyung Na. No development permit has been submitted at this time; however, as noted in the Applicant Submission (Attachment 3), their intent is to apply for a development permit for a four-unit courtyard-oriented development with secondary suites in the future.

The 0.06 hectare  $\pm$  (0.14 acre  $\pm$ ) parcel is located in the southeast community of Ogden, is a mid-block parcel fronting 20 Street SE. The site is currently developed with a single-detached dwelling. Vehicular access is provided from the rear lane as well as from the shared driveway from 20 Street SE. The site is well served by public transit, and is close to several bus stops, local parks, schools and a community market.

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To accommodate the proposed R-CG District, a map and a text amendment to the ARP is required to change the land use policy and density allowed through the R-CG District for the subject site (Attachment 2).

A detailed planning evaluation of the application, including location maps and site context, is provided in the Background and Planning Evaluation (Attachment 1).

## ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

- Outreach was undertaken by the Applicant
- Public/interested parties were informed by Administration

## **Applicant-Led Outreach**

As part of the review of the proposed land use amendment application, the applicant was encouraged to use the <u>Applicant Outreach Toolkit</u> to assess which level of outreach with the public/interested parties and respective community association was appropriate. In response, the applicant reached out to Millican-Ogden Community Association (MOCA), MOCA board members, MOCA Civic Affairs Committee, the Ward Councillor's Office and delivered postcards to approximately 80 homes within the vicinity of the site. The Applicant Outreach Summary can be found in Attachment 4.

## **City-Led Outreach**

In keeping with Administration's practices, this application was circulated to the public/interested parties, notice posted on-site and published <u>online</u>. Notification letters were also sent to adjacent landowners.

Administration received two letters of opposition from the public. The letters of opposition included the following areas of concern:

- inconvenience to adjacent residents due to the removal of the shared driveway; and
- inadequate space for parking vehicles for future residents will exacerbate the parking situation.

No comments from the MOCA were received. Administration contacted the Community Association to follow up and no response was received.

Administration considered the relevant planning issues specific to the application and has determined the proposal to be appropriate. The building and site design, number of units and on-site parking will be reviewed and determined at the development permit stage.

Following Calgary Planning Commission, notifications for a Public Hearing of Council will be posted on-site and mailed to adjacent landowners. In addition, Commission's recommendation and the date of the Public Hearing will be advertised.

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### IMPLICATIONS

#### Social

The proposed R-CG District would allow for a wider range of housing types than the existing R-C2 District, and the proposed land use change may better accommodate the housing needs of different age groups, lifestyles, and demographics.

#### Environmental

This application does not include any actions that specifically address the objectives of the *Calgary Climate Strategy – Pathways to 2050.* Further opportunities to align future development on this site with applicable climate strategies will be explored and encouraged at subsequent development approval stages.

#### Economic

The ability to moderately increase density in this location would make for more efficient use of existing infrastructure and services.

#### **Service and Financial Implications**

No anticipated financial impact.

#### RISK

There are no known risks associated with this proposal.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Background and Planning Evaluation
- 2. Proposed Amendments to the Millican-Ogden Area Redevelopment Plan
- 3. Applicant Submission
- 4. Applicant Outreach Summary

#### **Department Circulation**

General Manager (Name)	Department	Approve/Consult/Inform