

Joint Use Agreement Triennial Report: 2012-2014

Background:

This report is to meet the requirement as per the Joint Use Agreement (JUA) to provide an update to Council every three years, on the status of the Joint Use Reserve Fund. The previous report was approved at council on 2012 March 12 on account up until 2011. This report summarizes the funds from 2012-2014. The content of the report was prepared collaboratively by all parties of the JUA.

Purpose:

The primary purposes of the JUA include the following:

- Determine matters related to the use, development and maintenance of reserve land that are in the best interests of the citizens of Calgary to manage the reserve fund;
- The JUA prioritizes the allocation of reserve land in the following order:
 1. Neighbourhood schools and open space
 2. Community schools and open space
 3. Regional schools and open space; and
- Set out the framework for the allocation of reserve land, Municipal Reserve (MR), Municipal School Reserve (MSR) and School Reserve (SR), between the City of Calgary and the Calgary Board of Education and the Calgary Catholic School District based on a priority for allocation for local, community, and regional needs.

The JUA allows the decisions on the allocation, use, development, and maintenance of reserve lands to occur in an efficient and timely manner under one agreement versus requiring individual arrangements and agreements with each school board for each parcel of land.

Membership:

The Joint Use Agreement is an agreement between The City, the Calgary Board of Education (CBE) and the Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) regarding the joint allocation, management, and use of municipal reserve and the joint planning and use of school sites and open space. The Joint Use Coordinating Committee is the body that is charged with monitoring and implementing the responsibilities under the agreement. The JUC for 2012 -2014 consisted of the following members:

- Scott Lockwood (JUC Chair – City of Calgary – Community Planning)
- Kyle Ripley (City of Calgary – Community Services)
- Brent Hughes 2012-2013 (Calgary Board of Education)
- Eugene Heeger 2014 (Calgary Board of Education)
- Richard Mysliwy (Catholic Separate School Board)
- Keith Parker (JUC Secretary - City of Calgary – Parks)

This committee operates on a consensus model.

Process

The JUCC meets once a month to administer the JUA, which include the following key activities:

- Provide input and recommendations to the Area Structure Plan (ASP) and subdivision process regarding the location and utilization of reserve land;
- Coordination of activities involving the development of such land with recreational and educational facilities;
- Coordination of the public use of playing fields and gymnasiums in school facilities after hours;
- Provide recommendation regarding the taking of money in place of reserves, disposition of reserve land;
- Make recommendations to Calgary Planning Commission on the allocation of reserve;
- Make recommendations to City Council on the expenditure of the Reserve Fund; and
- the utilization of the resultant funds which are deposited in the JUA Reserve Fund;

Progress

The benefits of the JUA framework has resulted in some notable land acquisitions since the inception of the JUA and the reserve fund in 1985, this includes: Nose Hill Park, Notre Dame High School and Cardel Place, Westside Recreational Facility and Ernest Manning High School, Shawnessy Regional Recreation and Educational Complex, The Genesis Centre and new High School, and Seton Centre Recreational and Education Complex.

Fund balance

Joint Use Agreement Fund 2012-2014 Comparative Statements

Year	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Investment Income	Disbursements	Balance of Funds
2011					\$59,901,205
2012	\$59,901,205	\$9,824,565	\$1,120,337	(\$6,236,632)	\$64,609,476
2013	\$64,609,476	\$4,167,574	\$1,122,030	(\$2,172,107)	\$67,726,974
2014	\$67,726,974	\$7,039,257	\$1,220,343	(\$663,715)	\$75,322,860
Totals		\$21,031,397	\$3,462,711	(\$9,072,454)	