

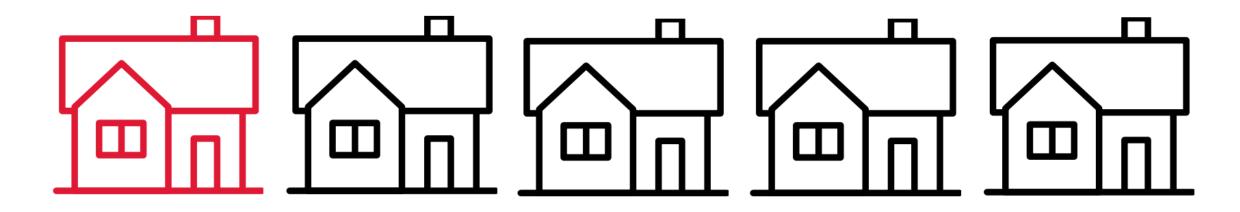
# Calgary's Housing Strategy 2024-2030 – Land Use Amendment Citywide

LOC2024-0017, and Land Use Bylaw Amendments

April 22, 2024



### Why now?



Nearly 1 in 5 households in Calgary cannot afford their housing.



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### **Overview**







How Calgarians contributed



How will rezoning help with housing choice



### Recommendation

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- (c) Procedural amendments to delete redundant districts from the Land Use Bylaw (Section 4, Revised Attachment 3).





### **Recommendation Summary**

City-wide rezoning to the R-CG district in the developed areas and to the R-G district in the developing areas

Rezone to the H-GO district where appropriate in the 3 approved local area plans

Textual amendments to the R-CG district rules

Remove any redundant districts



### The need for more homes - population growth

# Alberta's population growth is breaking records, but signs of strain are showing

Sharp rise in residents has helped drive economic growth, but has also made affordable real estate less so

- Financial Post, April 15, 2024

## Calgary sees record annual population growth, expects decrease in job growth rate: report

City population as of April 1 estimated to be 1,389,200

- CBC News, May 10,2023

# Calgary sees record housing development in 2023, but demand is outstripping supply

- Global News, April 16, 2024

# Alberta still the fastest growing province in Canada

'Part of what we're seeing now is really just a consequence of there being a lot of economic opportunities for workers in the province,' said Calgary economist Trevor Tombe

- Calgary Herald, March 27, 2024

Varcoe: 'Calgary is Canada's current housing hot spot' as prices and

rents rise — and employers grow worried

- Calgary Herald, April 8, 2024

Calgary's already tight rental market expected to be squeezed even further in 2024 and 2025

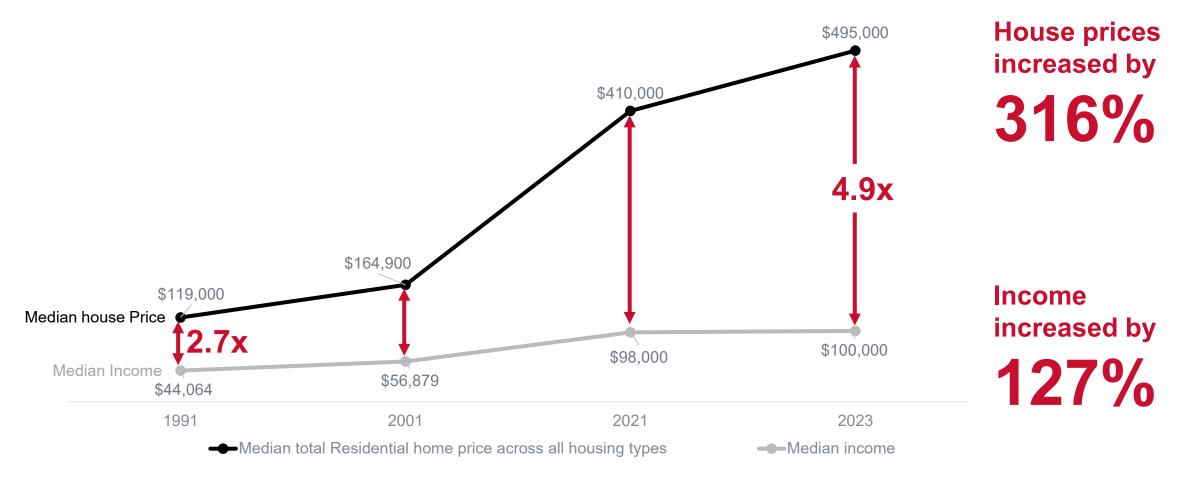
- CBC News, April 4,2024







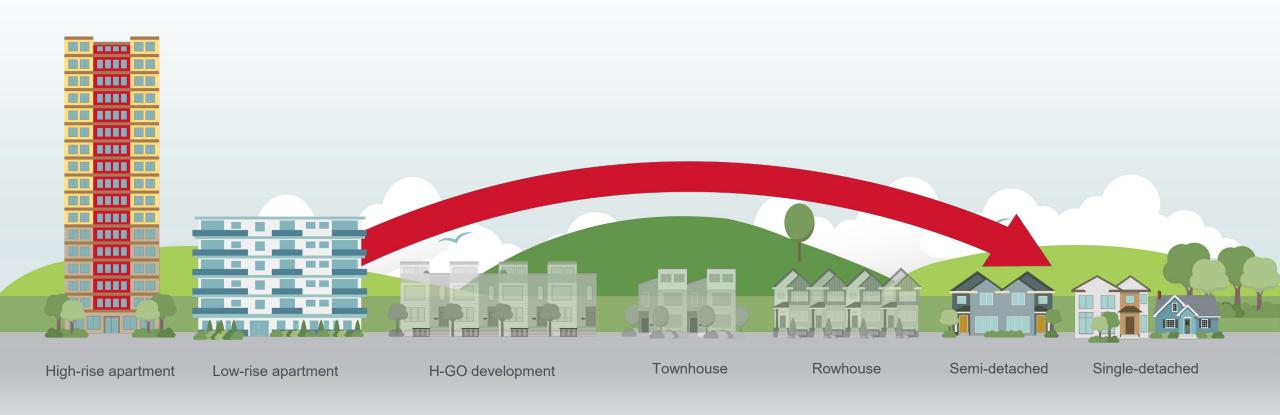
### The need for more homes – price vs income



Calgary Median Income (Statistics Canada, 2021) and Median Home Prices (Calgary Real Estate Board, 1991-2023). Notes: in the absence of current census data on income, an assumption has been made for a median income increase to \$100,000. Home prices represent the median home price for the census year (e.g., the 2021 census used 2020 incomes, therefore median home prices were taken from 2020).



### Increasing housing choice





### The spectrum of housing forms

















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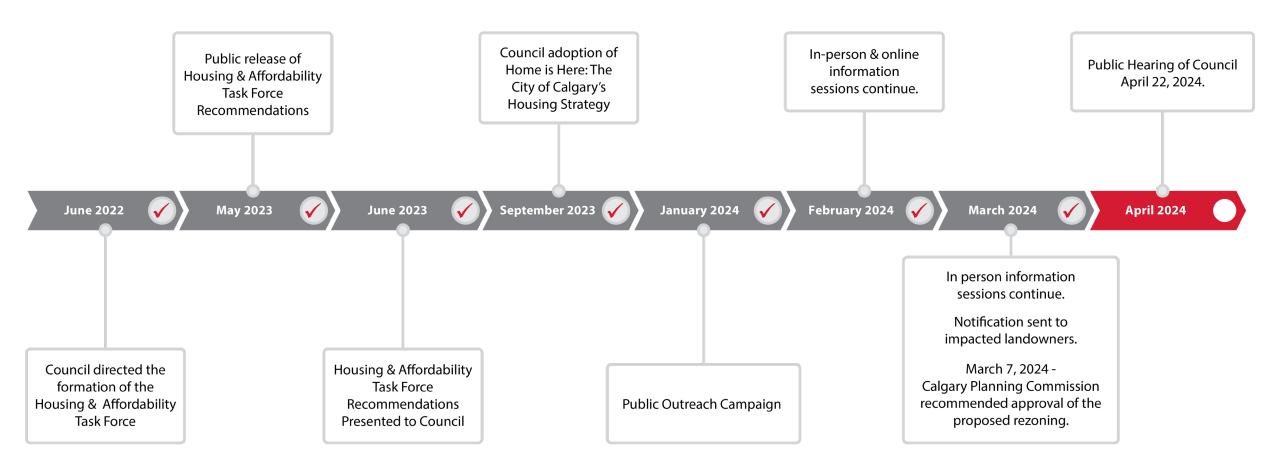
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### Journey to now





### **Reaching out to Calgarians**



89 BOLD signs

9 city led in-person information session

2,517,605 social media impressions

18 media 36,553 engage portal visits interviews 2 122 024 · · ·

notification letters

1,300 calls received

123,924 visits to the website

290,792 = 3,900+ contributors to the feedback portal

2,170+ newsletter subscribers

33,023,707 digital advertising impressions

Over 1 million postcards 51 social media posts

Information as of April 11, 2024

news



# Support we heard from Calgarians

- Addressing the housing crisis matters for Calgarians
- Calgary needs more housing diversity
- Will help to achieve the goal of building more homes
- Equitable for all Calgarians
- Housing affordability is important for our economic future





### Concerns we heard from **Calgarians**

- Calgarians expressed general concerns about:
  - Won't address affordability
  - Density in specific areas of the city
- Calgarians expressed specific concerns about:
  - Parking
  - Waste & Recycling & Organics
  - Infrastructure
  - Height
  - Landscaping
  - Property values





### Addressing concerns that we heard from **Calgarians**











Infrastructure



**Property value** 





Height





















































### Response to what we heard



Removing rowhouses from a permitted use to a discretionary use



Addition of contextual singledetached as a **permitted** use.















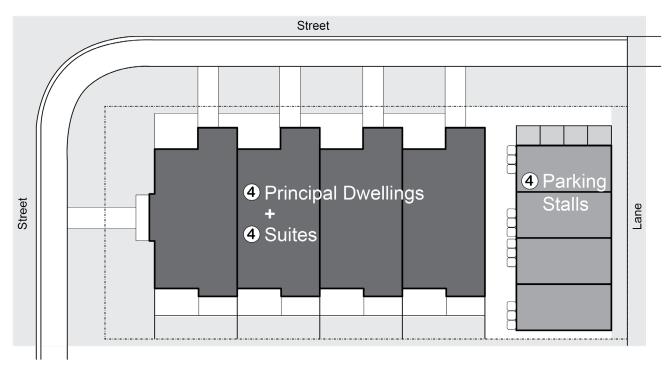
### **Factors for redevelopment**



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### Potential number of units









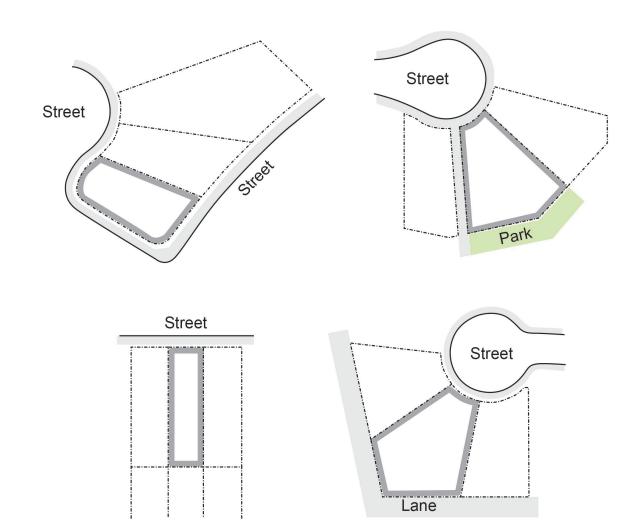




### Rezoning & development permit

#### R-CG uses:

- Single-detached
  - Single-detached with a secondary and/or a backyard suite
- Semi-detached
  - Semi-detached with a secondary and/or a backyard suite
- Rowhouse
  - Rowhouse with a secondary suite
- Townhouse
  - Townhouse with a secondary suite
- Cottage Housing Cluster









### **Summary of Planning Rationale**

Land is used efficiently to reduce land consumption
-South Saskatchewan Regional Plan (2014) page 40

Compact mixed-use, infill and redevelopment can improve environmental, social and economic outcomes.

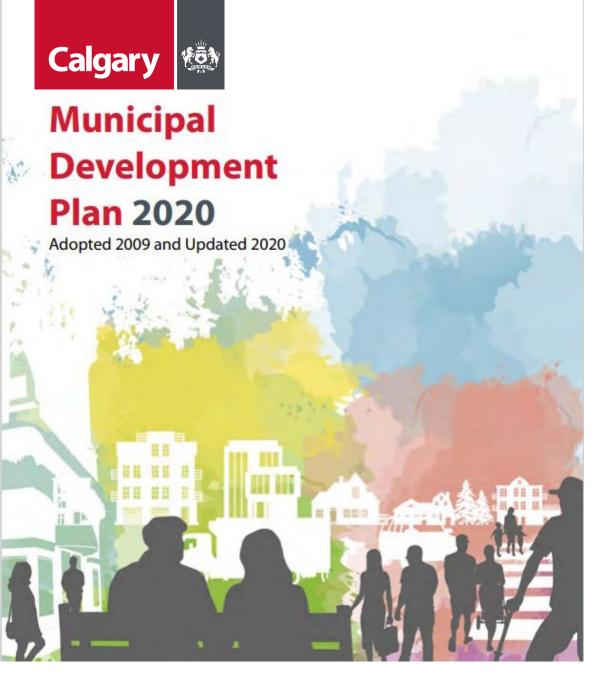
- Calgary Metropolitan Region Board Growth Plan (2022) page 47

Rapid suburban growth and the removal of natural and agricultural landscapes for development can have significant impacts on Calgary's carbon emissions

- Calgary Climate Strategy (2022) page 40

Amend and streamline planning policy and process to allow for diverse housing.

- Home is Here: The City of Calgary's Housing Strategy 2024-2030 (2023) page 9



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- Consider housing affordability in planning decisions (Policy 2.1.1.b)
- A prosperous and diverse economy (Section 2.1)
- Support complete communities and ensure efficient use of land, infrastructure and provide housing choices. (Policy 2.2.4.a)
- Encourage change in low-density neighbourhoods that is of similar scale and built form (Policy 2.2.5.a)
- Support a broader range of housing choice to help stabilize population declines (Policy 2.2.5.b)
- Provide a range of housing types and densities to provide housing choices for all stages of life. (Policy 2.3.1.a)



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