

# Background and Previous Council Direction

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In May 2021, Council approved the closure of the Inglewood Aquatic Centre when the Repsol Centre (MNP Community & Sport Centre) specialized leisure aquatic amenities (Leisure Expansion Aquatics Project) are ready for use (CPS2021-0748). Administration determined the Beltline Aquatic & Fitness Centre and the Inglewood Aquatic Centre do not meet the long-term aquatic needs of the service catchment and that ongoing operation of the Beltline and Inglewood facilities are not required to provide fundamental aquatic recreation amenities (e.g., lane swimming) in the service catchment, as these amenities are currently provided by other City- or partner-operated facilities. The need for specialized leisure aquatic amenities (e.g., water slide, wave pool, lazy river) can be met through investment in the MNP Community & Sport Centre.

## Previous Council Direction

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2021 May 12	CPS2021-0748	<p><b>Beltline and Inglewood Pools Program</b></p> <p>Council approved Administration's recommendation to approve the capital budget of \$45 million for the Repsol Centre; approve one-time funding of \$400,000 in 2022 from Budget Savings Account for the Inglewood Aquatic Centre to allow the community to demonstrate use in alignment with CPS2020-0236 targets (tax support per visit), keeping the facility open in the short term if targets are met, and closing the facility if targets are not met.; and close the facility when Repsol specialized leisure aquatic amenities are ready for use.</p>
2020 February 03	PFC2020-0028	<p><b>Beltline and Inglewood Facilities Rates and Fees</b></p> <p>Council directed Administration to implement Scenario 1 at the Beltline and Inglewood facilities listed in Attachment 1 of PFC2020-0028. That decision kept rates at the two facilities in line with what was implemented as part of the new 2020 admission and pass model</p>
2019 November 29	C2019-1052	<p><b>2020 Adjustments to the One Calgary Service Plans and Budgets</b></p> <p>Council approved C2019-1052, 2020 User Fee &amp; Rate Changes, Attachment 9C which reflected increases to single admissions. Council directed Administration to report to the Priorities and Finance Committee on 2020 January 21 with the addition of new user fee categories intended to increase prices at Beltline and Inglewood.</p>

2019 November 29

PFC2019-1330

**Flatwater Pool Business and Service**

Continuity Council approved PFC2019-1330 on 2019 November 29 as amended, including specifying price increases as shown in point 2 below:

1. Maintain funding for up to 2 years (\$400,000/site, per year) for the Beltline Aquatic and Fitness Centre and the Inglewood Aquatic Centre from 2019 Corporate Program Savings to maintain service at both sites starting Jan. 1, 2020.
2. Implement a combination of the A1, A2, A3, and B1 concepts contained in PFC2019-1330 in order to:
  - Redesign program mix/allocation to focus types of programming to capitalize on each location's strengths.
  - Increase marketing and promotions in order to increase user base by increasing awareness among non-users, using market segmentation to reach out to under-represented populations.
  - Modestly increase prices compared to other City direct-delivery facilities, remaining competitive with other recreation facilities in the area.
  - Reduce hours to better align with times that are more financially viable, operating two facilities in tandem so one will always be open.
3. Update phase one and complete phase two of the Facility Development and Enhancement Study to include emerging communities and provide recommendations based on city-wide recreation infrastructure needs.
4. Prepare a Request for Proposal for a shift to a partner operated model for either or both pools.
5. Identify long-term, sustainable service alternatives and targeted investments to maximize community and social benefits in the area of the two flatwater pools.
6. To engage affected community stakeholders in the above work and report back to Council through the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services with an update on the progress of the work no later than Q4 2020.
7. To develop appropriate targets for long term operating and capital support for each of these facilities reporting back to Council through Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services no later than Q1 2020.

2019 September 11

CPS2019-1055

**Flatwater Pool Business and Service Continuity Update**

Council approved CPS2019-1055, directing Administration to continue to explore business and service continuity options for

		the two flatwater pool facilities and report back to Council no later than 2019 November 30.
2019 July 23	C2019-0901	<p><b>Proposed 2019 Budget Reductions</b></p> <p>Council approved C2019-0901 removing \$60 million from the operating budget for the current tax year. Council also approved Motions Arising related to that report including: pending discussions on business continuity opportunities and area Councillors, allocate up to \$800,000 from 2019 Corporate Program Savings to allow for interim servicing of the community recreational assets referred to in Line 75 – Recreation Opportunities for the 2019 year, and report to Council on 2019 September 30.</p>
2019 June 10	C2019-0782	<p><b>Immediate Tax Relief for Calgary Businesses</b></p> <p>Council approved C2019-0782, directing Administration to identify permanent budget reductions of \$60 million for the 2019 tax year. Council identified 13 guiding principles for Administration to consider in identifying proposed reductions, which included possible reductions to and/or elimination of programs, services and staffing positions.</p>