



Report Number: EC2024-1240

Meeting: Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 2024 November 07

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: Infrastructure Health, Safety and Reliability in Bowness and Montgomery

Sponsoring Member(s) of Council: Sonya Sharp, Terry Wong

WHEREAS the community of Bowness was once a separate town and was annexed into the City of Calgary in 1964,

AND WHEREAS the community of Montgomery was once a separate village and was annexed by the City of Calgary in 1963,

AND WHEREAS the rapid increase in community density has placed considerable strain on Bowness and Montgomery's aging infrastructure,

AND WHEREAS The City of Calgary has experienced unprecedented levels of challenges to its water supply, resulting in unforeseen Capital repairs and significant Operational challenges over the past several months,

AND WHEREAS The Community of Bowness and Montgomery has borne the brunt of the burden requiring Boil Water Advisories, road detours, construction traffic, noise, and elevated levels of inconvenience since June 5th, 2024, and likely to continue until the Bearspaw South Feeder main pipe is completely repaired,

AND WHEREAS the repeated infrastructure failures and resulting disruptions have impacted the quality of life for residents in Bowness and Montgomery, creating significant challenges for the community,

AND WHEREAS the underlying causes of the Bearspaw South Feeder Main pipe break remain unknown, leaving residents and Council without critical information on the factors contributing to the failure and potential risks to surrounding infrastructure,

AND WHEREAS immediate action is required to prevent further disruptions to essential services and ensure the safety and reliability of infrastructure for residents in Bowness and Montgomery,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That Council directs Administration to complete a scoping report on the overall health such as infrastructure age, life expectancy, operating capacity, projected repairs and timeline of the major infrastructure including roads, water, and wastewater, in the communities of Bowness and Montgomery,

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT such report includes but is not limited to: Water System, Sanitation and Sewer systems, Parks and Green Spaces, Storm Sewer, Roadways, and curbs.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT such report to specifically consider and identify the social, economic and city budgetary impacts and potential impacts of densification and aging upon said communities, and to report back through the Infrastructure Planning Committee no later than June 2025.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Administration provides interim updates on findings to the Infrastructure and Planning Committee on a regular basis, particularly if immediate risks or urgent infrastructure needs are identified before the final report is submitted in June 2025.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT all Development Permits for new buildings containing residential dwelling units not received prior to 26 August, 2024 (the date of the second round of Stage 4 Water Restrictions) Development Permits (exempting Development Permits of 4 units and 4 suites, or less) and Land Use Redesignations in the communities of Bowness and Montgomery will no longer be accepted nor processed by the City of Calgary pending completion of the aforementioned infrastructure.

Attachment:

1. Notice of Motion Checklist