

Calgary Planning Commission Member Comments



For CPC2024-0983 / LOC2024-0116
heard at Calgary Planning Commission
Meeting 2024 September 19



| Member | Reasons for Decision or Comments |
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| <p>Commissioner Hawryluk</p> | <p>Reasons for Approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This application supports the Northeast Athletic Complex. It would change the Land Use Districts on two parcels of land. The Land Use District on the 9.19-hectare parcel between 88th and 92nd Avenues NE would change from the Special Purpose – School, Park and Community Reserve (S-SPR) District to the Industrial – General (I-G) District. The Land Use District on the 16.26-hectare parcel along Métis Trail would change from the Industrial – General (I-G) District to the Special Purpose – School, Park and Community Reserve (S-SPR) District and the Commercial – Corridor 3 f1.0h18 (C-COR3f1.0h18) District. <p>This amendment would put the Athletic Park along Métis Trail, which is part of the Primary Transit Network, and closer to residents in Saddle Ridge. In terms of transportation and land use planning, this makes more sense than leaving the Athletic Park in its current industrial location.</p> <p>If done well, the combination of S-SPR and C-COR3 could provide an athletic complex with excellent adjacent services. Unfortunately, regulations might force a fence between the two parcels. One hopes that the Development Permits will allow easy pedestrian access between the parcels for a better experience at an important public amenity.</p> <p>Currently, the only City-owned athletic park in the northeast quadrant is in Renfrew (south of 16th Ave and west of Deerfoot) (https://www.calgary.ca/rec-locations/athletic-parks.html). Investing in a second City-owned athletic park in the northeast quadrant is consistent with the Municipal Development Plan’s city-wide policy of “building an equitable and inclusive Calgary” (MDP, 2.3.8). By putting the Northeast Athletic Park in a better location, this application would support that MDP objective.</p> |