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Mayor Gondek Office of the Mayor, The City of Calgary 800 Macleod Trail SE, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M5

November 25, 2024

Dear Mayor Gondek:

Re: Proposal to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary

On behalf of the Tsuut'ina Nation, I am writing to formally propose the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary to build on our shared history and positive relationship.

As neighboring governments, we share many overlapping interests and challenges that can be more effectively addressed through a formalized partnership. This MOU would serve as a guiding framework to formalize our collaboration and ensure a mutual commitment to addressing key priorities and fostering sustainable growth for both our communities.

The MOU would outline guiding principles for how our two governments can effectively work together in areas of shared interest, including but not limited to:

- **Economic Development**: Establishing a shared vision for economic opportunities that supports the prosperity of the Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary, fostering mutually beneficial projects that drive innovation and growth.
- **Fire and Emergency Services**: Ensuring adequate and coordinated emergency response capabilities to protect lives, property and resources of the Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary.
- Transit Services: Exploring enhanced transit options and connectivity to support mobility and access for Tsuut'ina citizens and Calgary residents to the Tsuut'ina Nation.
- Water Infrastructure: Continuing to collaborate on strategies to address water management, accessibility, and sustainability for the benefit of the Tsuut'ina Nation and

surrounding communities.

• **Tourism**: Enhancing collaborative efforts to promote tourism initiatives that celebrate the Tsuut'ina Nation's rich cultural heritage and attract visitors to our region, benefiting both the Tsuut'ina Nation and the City of Calgary.

This MOU would also affirm our collective intention to engage in regular dialogue, work transparently, and uphold shared values that reflect our commitment to building a strong and collaborative relationship.

The Tsuut'ina Nation values the partnership we have cultivated with the City of Calgary, and we see this MOU as a vital step in formalizing our commitment to work together toward shared goals. We would welcome the opportunity to meet and discuss this proposal in further detail to ensure the MOU reflects our collective aspirations and priorities.

We look forward to continuing this meaningful relationship and working together to achieve tangible and impactful outcomes for our communities.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Roy Whitney-Onespot

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Chief of the Tsuut'ina Nation

cc: Elsbeth Mehrer, Deputy Chief of Staff, The City of Calgary

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