



**Public Submission**

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First name [required]	Dianne
Last name [required]	Allen
How do you wish to attend?	
You may bring a support person should you require language or translator services. Do you plan on bringing a support person?	
What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required]	Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure and Planning
Date of meeting [required]	Dec 11, 2024
What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published <a href="#">here</a> .)	
[required] - max 75 characters	Calgary Plan
Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]	In favour



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December 3, 2024

City of Calgary Infrastructure and Planning Committee

**Subject: Calgary Plan**

Dear Councillors:

The final draft of the Calgary Plan demonstrates that the City of Calgary is thinking strategically about what kind of city we want Calgary to be in 30 years and how we will get there. The City of Calgary's BiodiverCity Advisory Committee (BAC) endorses this forward-thinking approach and commends City Administration for this significant and impactful roadmap.

The BAC is especially pleased to see the Calgary Plan present the ecological network in Key Direction 2. This network of interconnected natural areas, parks, public open spaces, river and creek systems, and environmentally significant areas offers resilience to extreme weather events and longer-term climate change challenges. Also, it provides Calgarians with opportunities for improved physical and mental health through access to nature. Beyond our own human interests, the ecological network can help reduce the threat of extinction for many species of plants and animals that are part of the web of life, upon which we also depend. The ecological network also supports a connected landscape for wildlife movement that ensures healthy biodiversity in and beyond our city while reducing potential for human wildlife conflict.

We encourage the City of Calgary, and especially the Infrastructure and Planning Committee, to work towards expanding and protecting the ecological network both within and outside of the current physical footprint of the city. Planning for future developments should consider the benefits of supporting biodiversity for ecosystem and human health and the mitigation of climate change effects.

If you have any questions regarding biodiversity and natural areas, please feel free to contact the BAC.



Dianne E. Allen  
Chairperson, City of Calgary BiodiverCity Advisory Committee

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First name [required]	Pat
Last name [required]	Letizia
How do you wish to attend?	In-person
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## Climate Advisory Committee

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November 28, 2024

Re: The Calgary Plan

Dear Mayor Gondek and Members of Council:

The Calgary Climate Advisory Committee has the mandate to provide City of Calgary Council and Administration with advice on policies and strategic initiatives that relate to climate change mitigation and adaptation. The Climate Advisory Committee also has a focus on Human Resilience and Equity due to the disproportionate impacts of climate experienced by equity-deserving groups. With that in mind, the Climate Advisory Committee supports the Calgary Plan as it represents a critical step forward in enhancing our community's ability to mitigate and adapt to climate change through guiding future growth and development of Calgary.

The Climate Advisory Committee supports the foundations of the Calgary Plan, with specific regard to climate and equity in the Plan. As we face the growing impacts of climate change on people, the environment and the economy, it is crucial that our city's planning processes prioritize climate resilience in all three areas. By incorporating equity considerations into the Calgary Plan, we can ensure that the most vulnerable populations are not left behind as we face the challenges, and more importantly the opportunities, of growth as we head to 2050.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback on the Calgary Plan and look forward to continuing to work together advancing action on climate mitigation and adaptation and improving Calgary's resilience to climate change. This Plan will help guide us more effectively, driven by the goals of a shared, healthy, and prosperous future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Letizia".

Pat Letizia  
Chair, Calgary Climate Advisory Committee

Cc: Climate Advisory Committee Members:

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