

Returning Officer Report to Regular Meeting of Council 2024 December 17 ISC: UNRESTRICTED C2024-1352

2025 Adjustments to Ward Boundaries in response to Deferral Request C2024-1164, from 2024 October 29

BYLAW

BYLAW 29M2024

Being a Bylaw of the City of Calgary to Repeal and Replace Bylaw 19M91, Being a Bylaw of the City of Calgary to Revise the Electoral Ward Boundaries and to Authorize the Returning Officer to Establish the Boundaries of Voting Subdivisions of the City of Calgary.

Second Reading Third Reading

HIGHLIGHTS

- Adjustments to ward boundaries are necessary to align annexed land with Calgary's ward boundaries. No residents, communities or businesses are impacted by these ward boundary changes.
- First reading of Bylaw 29M2024 was given on 2024 July 17 and the Returning Officer was directed to give statutory notice of Council's intent to give second and third readings of Bylaw 29M2024 at the 2024 October 29 Regular Meeting of Council.
- A Deferral Request was approved at the 2024 October 29 Regular Meeting of Council to allow additional time to coordinate legislated advertisements.
- Bylaw 29M2024 is presented for second and third reading at the 2024 December 17 Regular Meeting of Council.
- If approved by Council, the ward boundary adjustments will come into effect with the 2025 General Election.

BACKGROUND

Prior to second and third reading of Bylaw 29M2024, the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) requires that proposed ward boundary changes be advertised at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper. These advertisements occurred on 2024 October 8 and 2024 October 15. Following the last day of advertisement, the MGA requires sixty (60) calendar days be provided to allow an elector to submit a petition regarding the proposed ward boundaries. A petition regarding the proposed ward boundaries must be submitted by 2024 December 16 (4:30 p.m.).

The MGA requires that ward boundary bylaw amendments be passed by December 31 in the year preceding a General Election year (e.g., 2024 December 31 for the 2025 October 20 General Election).

RECOMMENDATION:

That with respect to Report C2024-1352, the following be adopted: That Council give second and third reading to Proposed Bylaw 29M2024, to repeal and replace Bylaw 19M91 Returning Officer Report to Regular Meeting of Council 2024 December 17 **ISC: UNRESTRICTED**

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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Chabot Seconded by Councillor Pootmans

That with respect to Report C2024-0513, the following be adopted: That Council:

- 2. Give first reading to Proposed Bylaw 29M2024, to repeal and replace Bylaw 19M91; and
- 3. Direct the Returning Officer to give statutory notice of Council's intent to give second and third readings of Bylaw 29M2024 at the 2024 October 29 Regular Meeting of Council.

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chu, Mayor Gondek, Councillor Sharp, Councillor

- For: Spencer, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor McLean, Councillor
- (13) Wyness, Councillor Penner, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Wong, and Councillor Dhaliwal

MOTION CARRIED

That Bylaw 29M2024 be introduced and read a first time.

MOTION CARRIED

ATTACHMENTS

1. Proposed Bylaw 29M2024

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