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Date of meeting [required]	Jan 8, 2025
What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published here .)	
[required] - max 75 characters	Local Area Plan Reconnect Project, Heritage Communities Local Area Plan
Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]	In opposition

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As a member of the Local Area Planning committee for Heritage, that devoted 3 years to reviewing, commenting, challenging, listening and working long and hard to create a densification strategy, I submit this comment respectfully. It was incredible frustrating and disappointing to have attended the LAP update at the Rose Kohn arena to ask the question, what was the result of all that work to make a plan, only to have it over-ridden by a blanket densification initiative. I actually felt sorry for the City representatives in attendance. They absolutely no answer to this question.

It is shameful to have engaged citizens, collaborating for a better plan, only to dismiss those efforts for no plan, with no consideration or engagement by Administration and Council on this critical issue.

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[required] - max 75 characters Reconnect - Westbrook Communities Local Area Plan

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Blanket rezoning flies in the very face of the Local Area Plan developed by the City of Calgary. If this rezoning policy was a fit there would be no need to "Reconnect" and "Redo" the local area plans that are still so new implementations have barely begun. The City completely ignored the voice of the people regarding concerns over the rezoning policy and how it would negatively impact our communities. This is plain to see when one reviews the "What We Heard - What We Did Report" where there were a variety of concerns raised regarding rezoning and not single one was addressed in the "What We Did" portion.

Bad Policy and Lazy Administration are two descriptors that come to mind regarding blanket rezoning and the negative impacts it will have on Area Plans and Calgary communities. This policy is akin to the provincial UCP wanting to introduce provincial policing and taking over CPP to create a provincial pension; both bad ideas; both things the people never asked for. Calgarians never asked for blanket rezoning; councillors and mayoral candidates never had it as a major platform and Calgarians clearly do not want it.

Blanket rezoning gives all the power to developers and takes away voice and authority of the people and the community. Developers care only about the money, they don't have to care about the community. Of course the city has no issue with this as they see increased tax revenues and can pat themselves on the back for creating more housing. Well, sorry, but the City's job is not to support developers, it is to support the electorate. The City is not our Mother; it doesn't know best or know what's good for us. We did not give council license to change the very face and fabric of our communities. Engagement shows the City is not listening and doing what the residents want.

I own a home on a quiet cul-de-sac in Glenbrook, one of the communities with highest number of recent row house and other multi-unit developments in the city. All of the increased development has not brought any benefits to our community. We don't see decreased crime, better snow removal, improved transit. We see increased traffic, parking issues and many structures that are out-of-place on our streets. There is currently a development proposal in our cul-de-sac for two adjoined properties both single detached homes each with secondary suites. The proposal would see the homes demolished and replaced with two back-to-back row houses totaling 16 units. This development if approved will nearly **DOUBLE** the number of households on our cul-de-sac, double the vehicles, and double the traffic. Oh and there are only a proposed 8 parking stalls for the 16 units. Where will people park? **This is a cul-de-sac of 18 houses that will nearly double to 32 households!** No homeowner asked for this, no homeowner supports this. Every home owner on the cul-de-sac, many concerned neighbours from surrounding streets, the community association and the area councillor all oppose this development and yet it could be approved. How is this acceptable? How does the city think it has the right, the authority to make such decisions?

Again Council is not our mother, it is not there to do what it thinks is best. Council is there to represent the people, to listen to the people and do what the people want. Council needs to start listening to the people and stop thinking it knows best.