

# **Addressing Predatory Tow Truck Behaviour**

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#### **Previous council direction**

**Notice of Motion: 2024 November 26** 

- Direct Administration to address predatory tow truck behaviour by implementing:
  - A prohibition for tow trucks to attend at a recommended radius of a vehicle collision unless called upon by a first responder or vehicle owner; and,
  - Establish a fine structure to act as an effective deterrent.

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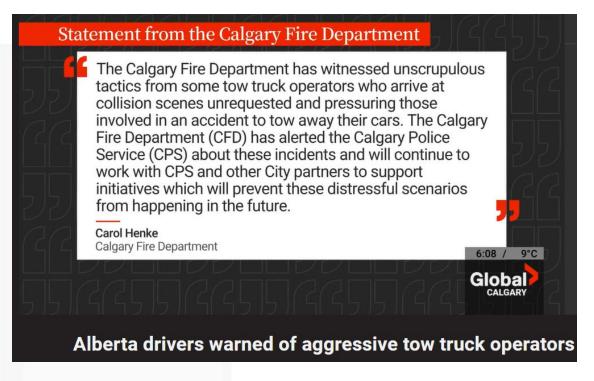
#### Unscrupulous tow truck drivers' target unsuspecting crash victims

'Legitimate tow truck companies will not use high-pressure or fear-based tactics, and they will not charge exorbitant prices or additional fees on top of the tow cost,' police say

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## **Proposed bylaw amendments**



### Calgary Traffic Bylaw 26M96

- Defining "towing service vehicle"
- Towing service vehicle restrictions
- Owner liability
- Fine: \$10,000



## Street Bylaw 20M88

Alignment to Calgary Traffic Bylaw





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