

Applicant Outreach Summary

2024 December 23



Community Outreach on Planning & Development Applicant-led Outreach Summary

Please complete this form and include with your application submission.

Project name: LOC2024-0185

Did you conduct community outreach on your application? ☒ YES or ☐ NO

If no, please provide your rationale for why you did not conduct outreach.

Outreach Strategy

Provide an overview of your outreach strategy, summary of tactics and techniques you undertook (Include dates, locations, # of participants and any other relevant details)

We went out door knocking in our neighborhood of Temple on multiple occasions. We explained that we purchased our home with two illegal basement suites that are not permitted under the current zoning of R-CG. We expressed that to comply with our municipal regulations, we had no choice but to apply for a land use change. When we weren't able to make contact, we left letters addressing our situation. We also provided a response form and our contact details to obtain their feedback. We were able to successfully engage with the neighbors in our immediate vicinity. The first time was on October 25th, 2023, during the initial phase of our application. The city of Calgary subsequently placed an advertisement sign on our front yard about the proposed land use change. We were informed that the Planning & Development department received some feedback and they shared some of the concerns that had received. Therefore, we went out door knocking a second time, on June 11, 2024, with the intent to address the concerns. Additionally, we reached out to the Temple Community Association on December 23rd to address their feedback.

Affected Parties

Who did you connect with in your outreach program? List all groups you connected with. (Please do not include individual names)

Neighbors in our vicinity,
Temple Community
Association
Attempted contact with
Ward office, no
response

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What did you hear?

Provide a summary of main issues and ideas that were raised by participants in your outreach.

Most of the people we encountered did not have any opinion about our intent, they did not show any objections. A few neighbors were felt suspicious at the idea of involving them in our process. They felt that they had no part to play in it and that the decisions we make pertaining to our land use does not concern them. We received feedback from the Temple Community association in regards to "increased density, parking, traffic, effects on property value and safety surrounding illegal basement suites".

How did input influence decisions?

Provide a summary of how the issues and ideas summarized above influenced project decisions. If they did not, provide a response for why.

The input did not affect our decision to proceed with our application. The concerns held by the Temple community association were addressed. We explained that our application which seeks to legalize the existing suites was to promote safer housing for potential tenants and that we would be providing dedicated parking space for our tenants. In regards to the perceived value of the homes in our community, we believe that taking the steps to legalize our existing suites contributes in promoting a better image for our neighborhood.

How did you close the loop ?

Provide a summary of how you shared outreach outcomes and final project decisions with those who participated in your outreach. (Please include any reports or supplementary materials as attachments)

After receiving all feedbacks, we went out to speak to our neighbors and left letters addressing the concerns that we received. Also, we reached out to the Temple community association.