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Planning and Development Services Deferral Request to Regular Meeting of Council 2025 March 18

Deferral Request – Response to Notice of Motion EC2024-0374, from Q1 2025 to Q2 2025

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

On 2024 March 12, Council directed Administration, that with respect to Notice of Motion EC2024-0374, the following be adopted:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Administration prepare options for how private tree conservation tools and incentives could be applied in Calgary, including options for a private tree protection bylaw, based on similar practices across Canada and which are suitable for the Calgary context;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Administration report with recommendations, budget estimates and public education and engagement needs on the above through the Community Development Committee no later than 2025 Q1.

## **STATUS UPDATE**

With respect to the previous Council direction, Administration has assembled an internal advisory committee and completed a thorough jurisdictional scan and analysis of best practices across North America, with findings being evaluated for application to Calgary's context. This enabled the development of options for new measures to support the private tree canopy in Calgary, including potential tools and incentives, public education and engagement, as well as options for a tree protection bylaw.

## **OUSTANDING WORK**

Additional internal engagement is necessary to further refine these options and evaluate effectiveness for Calgary's context before bringing the final recommendations to Community Development Committee.

## **REPORT BACK TIMELINES**

The report will be presented to the Community Development Committee meeting on 2025 May 08.

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