

Applicant Outreach Summary



Community Outreach on Planning & Development Applicant-led Outreach Summary

Please complete this form and include with your application submission

Project name: West Calgary High School

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)

- 1) Public displays or kiosks,
The Land Use amendment sign has been posted on the site for a number of weeks now.
- 2) One -on -one conversations,
Interested parties are contacting both the City and Calgary Catholic Seeking details regarding the proposed development, and we are having a number of one on one conversations,
- 3) Website,
<https://www.cssd.ab.ca/west-high-school>
It should be noted that additional information will be added to this website as the Development Permit application process proceeds.
- 4) Online Surveys or Polling
Calgary Catholic typically offers a number of Public Engagement opportunities supporting the opening of a new school, this includes but is not limited to:
 - a) Thought Exchange on Design Elements:
242 Participants, 148 thoughts, ~3,500 ratings,
<https://calgarycatholicsschools.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/public/EXddOG73CeFCqPOx48DH1FUBrMFRoqOj5EUeDXwcwFqkKQ?e=zxVSA>
 - b) Attendance Area consultation,
 - c) Principal Attribute Consultation,
- 5) Conversations with potentially impacted Shareholders/Community Partners



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Affected Parties

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

- 1) Ward Councillor/Council
CCSD had been working with Councillor Pootmans on this site for several years, CCSD/City (JUCC) brought this site to PUD and to Council for funding for this site from the Reserve account. Council approved a JUCC recommendation of a \$5million dollar investment in this site, so it is safe to say they generally support the development of this Joint Use Site, from both the City and Council, CCSD has reached out to Councillor Sharp, who is the current Councillor representing the interests of Aspen Woods, and we hope to meet her, prior to this decision and Council date.
- 2) Strathcona Christie Aspen – Community Association,
CCSD has reached out to the community association, has spoken with office staff and we are currently waiting for a call back from their Board.
Will continue to follow up and provide information regarding the development in a hope to clear up any false information.
- 3) Calgary Academy,
CCSD has met several times with Calgary Academy regarding this development, CCSD has coordinated efforts to also support the interests of Calgary Academy, Calgary Academy has provided a "Letter of Support" which captures the significant collaboration that CCSD (CCSSD) has undertaken with Calgary Academy and also confirm their support of development.
- 4) Webber Academy,
CCSD met with Webber Academy on May 17th, 2024 to discuss the development, CCSD received concerns regarding the development from Webber Academy, Webber Academy's principal concern was regarding access to the site, and CCSD informed Webber that we were seeking an access via 17th, Ave, CCSD has coordinated efforts to also support the interests of Webber Academy, such as maintain Tree screening where possible between our developments.
CCSD can certainly reach out for a secondary meeting with Webber Academy again, however, it is unlikely that we will receive endorsement from Webber on this parcel. Should this site not be developed as a Catholic High School, the land will revert to Webber with Direct Control Land use for a nominal price, relative to its current worth. Webber Academy could significantly benefit financially from this parcel, either via sale or development.

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What did you hear?

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

While the High School and recreation amenities will be welcomed by many on the West Side of Calgary, others will be concerned regarding the loss of the natural Aspen Tree stand, and the current park opportunity. However, it should be noted that the parcel is not Reserve currently and should the Joint Use Site not be constructed here, the ownership of the parcels will likely revert to Webber the parcel could be redeveloped into a number of uses (residential, commercial, industrial, etc.)

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.

No decisions are open for input; however, we are willing to inform the community of project details. The design of the site and the inventory of recreational amenities has been determined by the City of Calgary based on the needs of Calgarians. The design of the school, and its programming, is heavily constrained by requirements of the Provincial Government and the City of Calgary through the development permit application process. CCSD conducted public consultation regarding outcomes for the school from the general public, and feedback as incorporated as possible.

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)

As the project nears approvals of Development Permit and goes through internal processes at CCSD and Alberta Education and Alberta Infrastructure, more detailed information about it will be made available through the CCSD Website and could be communicated with the Community Associations.

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