

Background and Previous Council Direction

Background

Discussion around the impacts of hail on private property initiated in 2020 following the 2020 June 13 hail event: at that time, the costliest hail event to occur in Calgary. Since then, there have been two other hail events (e.g. 2021 and 2024) that have significantly impacted Calgarians. The 2024 hail event is now the costliest storm in Calgary's history, with an estimated \$3.2B of insured losses, \$1.8B in private property damages, and close to 60,000 homes damaged.

The City of Calgary responded to the 2020 hailstorm by providing financial relief in the form of a resilient roofing rebate of \$3,000 for households who experienced damage in 2020, in the absence of provincial support. During the second round of resilient roofing program funding, it was expanded to provide a rebate for any homeowner who either experienced damage in the 2021 event and wanted to replace their roof with resilient materials. This program closed in 2022 due to the program fulfilling its purpose and achieving its goals.

Previous Council Direction

DATE	REPORT NUMBER	DIRECTION/DESCRIPTION
2020 July 20	PFC2020-0828	Combined Meeting of Council – Notice of Motion – Disaster Relief and Mitigation Administration was directed to engage with development and building industry stakeholders to identify mitigation actions that will increase resiliency of residential buildings to severe weather events in Calgary, with the focus largely on exterior building components.
2021 March 16	PFC2021-0194	Priorities and Finance Committee Administration responded to the Disaster Relief and Mitigation Notice of Motion through the Mitigating the Impacts of Severe Weather Events in Calgary Report in which Council approved the proposed resilient roofing rebate program and directed Administration to return with full details to PFC in 2021 April.
2021 April 27	PFC2021-0575	Priorities and Finance Committee That with respect to Report PFC2021-0575, the following be approved: That the Priorities and Finance Committee recommend that Council: 1. Approve \$2.175 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve investment income for one-time operating budget to fund year one of the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program.

		<p>2. Approve the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program as identified in Attachment 2, and direct Calgary Building Services to return to Priorities and Finance Committee no later than Q2 2022 with a monitoring report on the program's progress, lessons learned, and approach for the subsequent years of the program.</p>
2021 May 10	PFC2021-0575	<p>Combined Meeting of Council</p> <p>Approval of the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program report in response to Notice of Motion PFC2020-0828 Disaster Relief and Mitigation.</p> <p>1. Approve \$2.175 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve investment income for one-time operating budget to fund year one of the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program.</p> <p>2. Approve the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program as identified in Attachment 2, and direct Calgary Building Services to return to Priorities and Finance Committee no later than Q2 2022 with a monitoring report on the program's progress, lessons learned, and approach for the subsequent years of the program.</p>
2022 April 19	EC2022-0378	<p>Executive Committee</p> <p>Resilient Roofing Rebate Program Monitoring Report was presented and recommended Council direct Administration to close the program once all funding was allocated.</p> <p>Councillor Dhaliwal proposed an amendment to</p> <p>1. Request a report outlining the number of outstanding applications on the waiting list, including the number of homes where the roof was already replaced as a result of the 2020-2021 hailstorm,</p> <p>2. Identify the total cost for provision of rebates to those households where the roof has already been replaced as a result of the 2020-2021 hailstorm, as well as a potential funding source,</p> <p>3. Consider approval of additional funds to cover the costs outlined in Point 2 above; and</p> <p>4. Direct Administration to not accept any further applications.</p>
2022 May 10	EC2022-0378	<p>Combined Meeting of Council</p> <p>Council voted against the amendments proposed by Councillor Dhaliwal and the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program closed as intended outcomes had been achieved.</p>

2024 December 05	EC2024-1330	<p>Notice of Motion - Reinstatement of the Resilient Roofing Rebate Program</p> <p>Councillor Dhaliwal put forward a Notice of Motion requesting that Council direct Administration to review the outcomes of the previous Resilient Roofing Rebate Program, including cost-effectiveness and equity in program design, reporting to Council by Q2 2025 with recommendations, timelines and funding options to implement a similar program; and that the proposed program should take into consideration the most effective monetary and non-monetary ways to reduce maximum risk to households from hail, as well as how incentives could be coordinated with different orders of government and industry.</p>
2024 December 17	EC2024-1330	<p>Regular Meeting of Council</p> <p>Council approved the Notice of Motion to review the outcomes of the previous Resilient Roofing Rebate Program and report on recommendations for a similar future-looking program for household hail resilience.</p>