



**Report Number:** EC2025-0860

**Meeting:** Executive Committee

**Meeting Date:** 2025 September 08

## NOTICE OF MOTION

**RE: Acknowledging Motor Sports as Part of Calgary's Sports Landscape**

**Sponsoring Member(s) of Council:** Gian-Carlo Carra

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WHEREAS The City of Calgary owns property at 4974, 4998 and 5404 Blackfoot Trail SE (“City Property”), comprising approximately 74.26 acres of land currently under lease for recreational purposes by the not-for-profit organization Wild Rose Motocross Association;

AND WHEREAS The City of Calgary has announced plans to build a new South Central Bus Garage on the City Property to replace the aging Victoria Park Garage and increase bus maintenance and storage infrastructure capacity, as well as a proposed extension of 50 Avenue SE;

AND WHEREAS Council adopted the vision and principles in *GamePLAN: Reimagining Public Recreation* (“GamePLAN”), which establishes a strategic framework to guide investment in the public recreation system;

AND WHEREAS GamePLAN acknowledges public recreation as an important service that generates significant social and economic value, and is supported by principles that aid implementation of the vision, including:

- **Level the Playing Field:** Remove barriers to participation, especially for children and youth;
- **It Takes a Team:** Leverage a network of service providers, programmers, facilities and amenities to support Calgary’s legacy as a livable city;
- **Change the Game:** Challenge historical definitions of recreation and promote new ways of thinking about the role of public recreation in civic life;

AND WHEREAS Council’s Investing in Partnerships Policy (February 2017) promotes partnerships with external, not-for-profit organizations that help to strengthen economic development, tourism, events, connect communities, and offer a wide range of sports and recreation opportunities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to acknowledge the significant recreational, tourism, social, cultural and economic benefits of the Wild Rose Motocross Association, and the impact of its displacement on the recreational landscape in Calgary;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED Council direct Administration to include Wild Rose Motocross Association within the GamePLAN vision and strategy, including its role as an emerging and non-traditional sport, in alignment with the guiding principles of GamePLAN;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED Council direct Administration to explore opportunities for partnerships with Wild Rose Motocross Association as an external, not-for-profit recreational organization;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED Council direct Administration to continue direct communications with the Wild Rose Motocross Association or their representatives to provide updates on the timing of the South Central Bus Garage and 50 Avenue SE extension projects to ensure that the organization can continue to operate.

Attachment:

1. Notice of Motion Checklist