



## Public Submission

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First name [required]

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Last name [required]

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How do you wish to attend?

You may bring a support person should you require language or translator services. Do you plan on bringing a support person?

What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required]

Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure and Planning

Date of meeting [required]

Jul 21, 2025

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters

7.2 Naato'siyinnipi Area Structure Plan, IP2025-0703

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

Neither

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Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

Thank you for the opportunity to give feedback about the proposed Naato'siyinnipi (Aurora) Area Structure Plan.

I have used this area for personal recreation for 25 years. In the summer, I am out on the pathway system weekly. I've taken our girl guide units there many times. We have run geocaching events there as well. My family enjoys the area on foot, coming to see the prairie crocuses in the spring. I've recently participated in the Jane's walk there last month; it made me appreciate the area even more.

I've also had the opportunity to bike further upstream along the Creek, seeing the Country Hills golf course, Creekside shopping centre, and now Sage Hill that sits right along West Nose Creek. I will say they are all very close to the creek.

This proposed ASP covers a section of West Nose Creek that is mostly undeveloped up until now. But I do realize it is in city limits, and development is what happens as a city grows. But I feel that we do have an opportunity to try and save some of the wildness of this space with this proposed ASP, before development begins.

I really like how what's proposed is a mix of residential, transit, green space. It's not just industrial/commercial use. It is truly a multi use site. I really like how it will tie in to the future Green Line along Harvest Hills Blvd.

What I am still concerned about is how close the residential development gets to West Nose Creek on the southwest side of the development. (map 5 land use concept). Yes development limited to the top of the ridge, but it seems like the overall riparian setback is very small here. The ASP talks about "enhance the biodiversity and habitat connectivity...by retaining environmentally significant areas..."

I feel that building so close to the creek area will destroy habitat connectivity and increase fragmentation. In section 5.4.1 it says there should be an 18m building setback from the top of slope for all slopes greater than 15%. This seems too close. I read that St Albert has a 50m setback from Carrot Creek. Perhaps this would serve well here? Or more?

I also feel like this proposed ASP doesn't really identify where the historical resources actually are so they can be protected. Hopefully they can be identified before development begins.

I do hope we can conserve more of West Nose Creek ecology by having a larger riparian setback. And I do hope the City works closely with Indigenous Elders to identify important cultural and historic resources in the area.