

Background and Previous Council Direction

Background

On 2025 May 1, the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board was officially dissolved following a unanimous vote by its eight member municipalities to wind down operations. This decision came after the Alberta Government repealed the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board regulation and ended its annual funding support.

Also, on 2025 May 1, Ministerial Order 025/25 came into effect, providing a transitional framework to support ongoing regional collaboration after the dissolution of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board. The Ministerial Order was issued by Alberta Municipal Affairs, and directs municipalities that were formerly part of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board to enter into the following agreements with neighbouring municipalities by 2027 November 30:

1. **Intermunicipal Development Plans:** Statutory land-use planning documents jointly prepared and adopted by two or more municipalities that share a common boundary. They are intended to coordinate land use and development near shared borders, prevent conflicting land uses, identify future growth areas, align servicing strategies, and establish dispute resolution mechanisms.
2. **Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks:** Formal agreements between neighbouring municipalities that promote cooperative and efficient service delivery. They typically address shared services, cost-sharing arrangements, dispute resolution processes, and governance structures for ongoing collaboration.

The City of Calgary shares municipal boundaries with **Rocky View County**, **The City of Chestermere**, and **Foothills County**. Existing Intermunicipal Development Plans are in place with all three municipalities (see map below). However, the Intermunicipal Development Plan with Rocky View County and The City of Chestermere require updates to align with current legislative requirements. The Intermunicipal Development Plan with Foothills County will be updated following the conclusion of the Council directed annexation (EC2024-0887). The City of Calgary has no existing Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks.

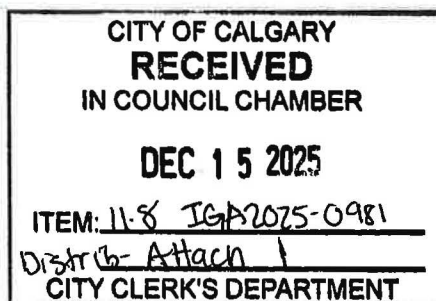
To support the development and updating of these required plans, The City of Calgary and its partners are pursuing funding through the Alberta Community Partnership Grant. This program supports regional collaboration and long-term municipal sustainability, with a maximum funding allocation of \$200,000 per project under the Intermunicipal Collaboration Stream. Applications must be jointly supported by the participating municipalities. The proposed funding applications are as follows:

1. **City of Calgary application:** To support Intermunicipal Development Plan and Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework development with **City of Chestermere**.
2. **Rocky View County application:** To support Intermunicipal Development Plan and Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework development with **City of Calgary**.

Previous Council Direction

No previous Council direction.

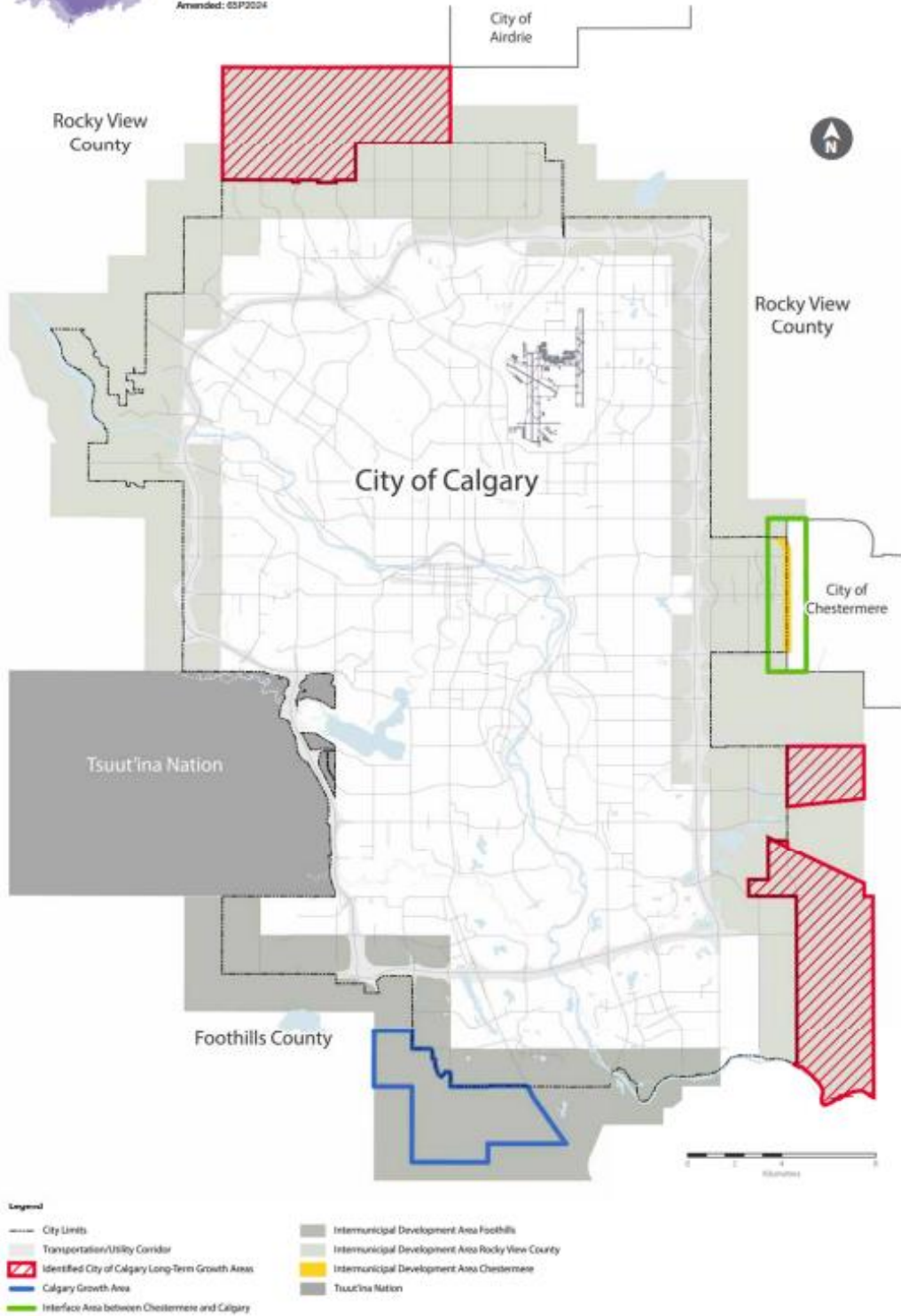
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5 Jurisdictional Areas

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Source: The City of Calgary Municipal Development Plan