

Background and Previous Council Direction

In September 2023, Council approved "Home is Here: The City of Calgary's Housing Strategy 2024-2030". Actions under Outcome 1, to increase the supply of housing and to meet demand and increase affordability, directed Administration to propose citywide land use changes to provide a greater range of housing choices for Calgarians. The resulting report, Calgary's Housing Strategy 2024-2030 – Land Use Amendment Citywide (LOC2024-0017) and Land Use Bylaw Amendments (CPC2024-0213), also known as citywide rezoning, was approved on 2024 May 14. At that time, Council passed the following motion:

"Direct Administration to prepare a quarterly briefing on the implementation of the Rezoning for Housing initiative to Infrastructure and Planning Committee beginning 2025 Q1 including:

- a. The effect of Rezoning for Housing on housing supply, including the number of permits issued for new low-density residential units in R-G/R-CG and H-GO districts;
- b. Timelines for permit approvals; and
- c. A summary of public letters received on development permits enabled by Rezoning for Housing including the overall number in support or opposition and recurring themes of concerns raised."

Since its implementation on 2024 August 6, citywide rezoning has contributed to a more efficient planning process, enabling a greater diversity and supply of housing options across Calgary. The updated framework has allowed a broader range of housing types to be developed on low-density parcels. Importantly, all proposed developments continue to undergo comprehensive reviews to ensure compliance with municipal bylaws and examine public feedback.