



## GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE

### **Innovation – The City will play an active role in the process of climate innovation.**

Developing and deploying new, better, and more economically-viable climate-friendly solutions and incorporating natural assets and ecosystem functions, and remove barriers to innovation to build climate resilience.

### **Inclusiveness – The City will involve multiple stakeholders in climate planning and implementation at a city, regional and inter-governmental scale.**

The City will involve city departments, partners, rightholders, indigenous people, stakeholders (such as the development and building industry) and communities (with particular attention to under-represented groups) in planning and implementation to enable climate risks and opportunities are understood, incorporated and applied.

**Integration – The City will integrate both mitigation and adaptation considerations in all investments to improve energy use, reduce carbon emissions, reduce disaster risks and strengthen resilience for future climate conditions.** The City will undertake comprehensive mitigation and adaptation of climate change across a range of sectors The Corporation, as well as support broader community and regional initiatives. Climate actions should be considered at all times. Services will appropriately reduce climate risks and greenhouse gasses over the short, medium and long term. Departments will be responsible for actions related to their services.

**Relevance – The City will develop locally-relevant solutions to address local climate-risks and vulnerabilities, and low carbon energy opportunities.** The City will propose cost-effective actions that can realistically be implemented by the actors involved, given local priorities, finances and capacities. It will include the development of implementation plans alongside policy to enable private sector and community implementation.

**Commitment – The City will provide strong governance to assess and sustain progress, adequately fund and ensure ongoing meaningful partnerships.** The City will lead in all its roles to the corporation and community to mitigate and adapt to climate change and lessons learned will be shared with industry and the community. In addition the City will lead climate education to all parts of the Calgary community. The City is committed to scientific knowledge, local understanding, and empirical inputs to inform decision-making.