



Previous Council Direction / Policy

- In 1992, Council approved a Policy for Utility Extensions Beyond The City's Boundaries (UEP004)
- In 2011 Council directed outside city servicing requests considered only for Calgary Regional Partnership (CRP) members
- In 2014, Council directed Administration to reserve, in principle, up to 27,200 ML of water from The City of Calgary's Water Licence capacity to provide water services to Airdrie, Strathmore and Chestermere for 20 years



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- At the same time, in 2014, Council also approved in-principle provision of supplemental water servicing to Okotoks, subject to consultation with Province
- 2017 September, Council directed Administration to develop interim guidance to enable Council to consider regional servicing requests until such time as the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) establishes a regional servicing plan



Background

- Water supply is the limiting factor for growth in the Calgary region
- Our climate is changing and contributing to fluctuating and unpredictable water supply
- The City is supportive of sustainable regional solutions that enable servicing of the region
- The existing 1992 policy for Utility Extensions Beyond The City's Boundaries (UEP004) needs updating due to a changing regional and regulatory landscape

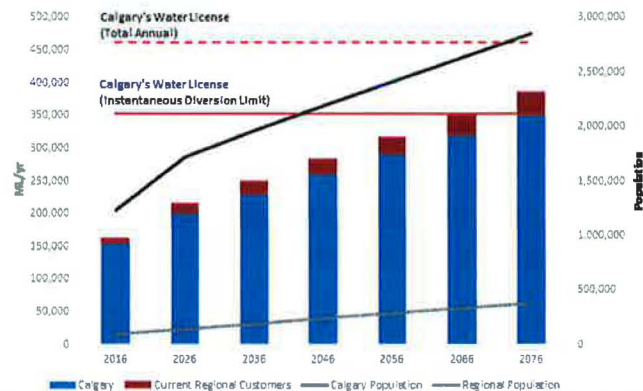


Changing Regional Landscape

- 2007 – Province closed the South Saskatchewan River Basin to new surface water licences
- 2017 – Province informed The City that a portion of Calgary's water licences must be transferred to provide water servicing to new regional customers, contrary to how water has been provided in the past
- 2017 – The Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) and associated Regional Growth and Servicing Plans will likely result in additional requests for The City to provide regional servicing

Strategic Direction

- The City's water licences need to be protected for Calgary's future growth



Forecasted Use of The City's Water Allocations and Population for Calgary and Region

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Strategic Direction

- The CMRB and regional servicing plans will require new water management solutions such as:
 - Integrated watershed management
 - Regional water licences and supply
 - Upstream storage for water supply and flood mitigation
- The City needs to establish a new regional water, wastewater and stormwater servicing policy based on sound principles that protect The City's water licences until there is further clarity on the CMRB and regional servicing plans

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Key Elements of Proposed Policy

- Watershed protection
- The City will retain full ownership of its water licences, and will not transfer licence to any entity
- Engineered stormwater servicing will be considered on a case by case basis
- New wastewater servicing will be considered on a case by case basis with attention to watershed and source water protection and Administration may proactively consider wastewater servicing, even when no request is received



Administration Recommendations

That the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee recommend that Council:

1. Rescind the *Policy for Utility Extensions Beyond the City's Boundaries - UEP 004* (Attachment 1); and
2. Adopt the proposed *Policy on Regional Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Servicing* (Attachment 2); and
3. Direct Administration to return to Council in 2018 Q2 on the 2019 – 2022 Regional Water Allocations;