

June 7, 2018

Dear Standing Policy Committee on Transportation and Transit:

We are a group of concerned seniors who support the Improving Accessibility and Reducing Injuries Notice of Motion.

We cannot rely on chinooks to clear the snow. One member of our group was trapped in her apartment for 3 weeks because of accessibility issues. Seniors, people with mobility issues and parents with strollers and the ones who suffer the most because of these issues. We have called 311 and have not found it helpful.

The city needs to be more accountable for clearing the snow on city properties within a 24 hour limit.

This snow has limited our mobility, we can't get to the bus stops because they are plowed in. It is even difficult to get off the bus. The icy streets leave us nervous to be injured. We have fallen and gotten hurt because of the icy streets and sidewalks. Seniors are already at a higher risk for injury, and take longer to heal. But this issue effects everyone, not just seniors.

Bus stops and driveways are plowed in. We suggest: plows have a drop gate to avoid pushing snow onto driveways, sidewalks, bus stops. This is common practice in other cities.

We also support the points under the Notice of Motion, and we hope you will represent citizens of Calgary and support this issue to benefit the lives of Calgarians.

Sincerely,

The Bridgeland Forever Young Seniors Group.



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AND MORE