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Good Morning Mr Chair and Committee

My name is Josh Traptow and I'm the Executive Director of the Calgary Heritage Authority

The CHA is very pleased to see that Council has made Heritage a priority through Council priority N3 and we are looking forward to our Civic Partners presentation on Monday.

We are also very pleased to see that Administration is recommending an increase to the Heritage Conservation Grant Program. This grant program has not seen an increase since 2010 from the \$225,000 with a portion of that allocated to the Lougheed Building until 2022.

I would note that the Edmonton heritage grant program is over \$2M.

Calgary's grant program is over subscribed as it is and cannot meet the demand. In 2017 alone we saw 12 properties designated with a majority of those sites looking to access the grant program.

We think there is always opportunity to do more when it comes to heritage, but with competing priorities we understand that items likes the tax abatement program aren't part of One Calgary.

Calgary currently has 92 municipally designates sites compared to 151 in Edmonton. Clearly their grant program is working when it comes to incentivizing home owners to seek designation.

The Inventory lists 847 sites, 159 have been demolished leaving 688 sites that are eligible to be designated. Only 13% of the Inventory is designated. We have a lot of work to do to continue to provide tools and incentives to property owners.

Thank-you.

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