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9.2.1.3 Public Submissions to One Calgary 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets received as of 12:00 p.m. 2018, November 21

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: James Seller <j.seller@ideagroupinc.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2018 10:28 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 18000 - City of Calgary Budget Negotiations

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello, as an engaged citizen I wanted to provide my feedback to sectors of the Calgary budget important to me. Continued funding and support of the bike lanes and they groups that work with them. As well as support additional spending to improve the urban forest cover.

Thanks,

James Seller, P.Eng

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From: Trudy Weir <tmbweir@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 1:46 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Major cities in Europe operate their public transit on zone systems, - the farther away from city centre the more you pay. Why not implement that here. It takes me an hour to go 5 Km yet I pay the same as some on the c train leaving from the Deep South to downtown. Hardly seems fair.

Regards, Trudy Weir

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Cory Payne <corypayne@live.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 3:41 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

With regard to annual tax reviews and the newest 4-year planning cycle, I find it disingenuous that the City only talks about mill rate adjustments. For example, The proposed property tax rate increases of 3.45% for 2019, and 3% for 2020 to 2022 would have a monthly impact to the typical household averaging around \$5 per month. This doesn't factor in the changes in assessed value of property which seems to be a moving target each year. In fairness, if you expect that assessments are going to increase 5%, this would be in addition to a proposed 3.45% increase, meaning 8.5% increase in total.

I would like the City move towards a static property value assessment that changes less frequently than each year. By sticking to an agreed assessment for several years, or even permanently, I think would provide the following benefits:

- Save the City money on performing and mailing assessments each year, and from having to manage committees for the purposes of appeals
- Prevents the City from having to deal with huge swings in assessed value, as is being discussed this year with regard to downtown office vacancy. A fair median assessment value allows property managers to better budget their own lease rates to their tenants.
- Forces the City to be transparent about tax rates each year

New communities can be assessed as they are moved in to based on comparable value homes in established neighborhoods.

Finally, I would also like the City to consider more broad service cuts, since the proposed 3.45% tax increase is not the actual year-over-year tax increase most properties will see. We need to manage this number that the end result - assessment change AND mill rate change - aligns at or very close to the regional inflation rates. The City can do more to cut down on subjective spending ("pop up labs" in parking spaces, creation of poorly-used bike lanes, recreation programs) from where we are today. Overall the City needs to better focus on core services like garbage handling, snow removal, and emergency services. During tough economic times, other initiatives like identifying wildlife in city parks just simply needs to take a back seat.

Sincerely submitted,

Cory Payne

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jian Jun Li <lijj@ucalgary.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 3:57 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] new budget

City should definitely consider to cut spending and roll back city employee's salaries. People lost jobs everywhere except those working in city departments.

Jian

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jarvis <jarvisschmid@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 7:09 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget Plans

It's incredibly important that investment into existing communities is maintained. They have to deal with ageing infrastructure and changing, dynamic needs. It is easy to overlook this in substitution for greenfield community investment.

This can be executed through initiatives like Complete Streets, Main Streets, bicycle infrastructure and pedestrian infrastructure.

Jarvis Schmid

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: john cruz <johnnycruz51@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 7:53 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 service plans and budgets

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi

What is the city doing to cut wages and work force considering the economic downturn we are currently in?

Also wondering why our city manger is proposing tax increases for residents and businesses when we have 2 billion in reserves?

Thanks
John

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brian Betz <bbetz@MoneyMentors.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 6:42 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Once again, Council demonstrates a total lack of control with regard to spending. City employees are overpaid and underworked. Freeze salaries and department budgets. And would somebody please explain to me why the city limits keep expanding. Why does Calgary need 14 new “communities”? Isn’t Calgary big enough? Jeromy Farkas is correct in his approach and has my total support.

Brian Betz
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: sheila ichino <sheila_ichino@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 6:51 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] City budget

Like all responsible adults, the City needs to reduce expenditures when revenues fall.
Please reconsider the large administrative city bureaucracy and consider privatizing many city functions.

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brenda Towler <bmtowler@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 7:36 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Looks pretty.

In the details below the pretty do you have any concession plans for Seniors.

Please note that just as accommodations are being made for immigrants and new Calgarians needing support via services and lower cost housing, what accommodations are being made for the influx of increased senior citizens, Calgarians who have lived and worked here and are now heading into retirement.

I think there have been assumptions that seniors will go into retirement rich, please note that as there are citizens who are rich, immigrants who are rich, there are also citizens and especially seniors who are NOT going to be rich in retirement. We don't have plans of living with our parents or our children.

The past culture in the City has been to live independent. Our seniors now and immediate future, have worked and contributed to this City, some living here since birth, please don't look away.

What concession plans do you have for Seniors?? Tax reductions? Transit reductions?

When one little old lady resides in her home, to which she has worked and paid for as well as maintained, eats far less, and produces less garbage, compost, recyclables than those home owners who have many more occupants, family members, and possible basement and back yard dwellers.

What concession plans do you have for the growing population of Seniors? There are some who look after their parents, but the Calgarians from yester year were brought up to fly the nest and grow to full independence. Seniors, baby boomer seniors, is a growing population, similar to that of immigrants to our City.

What concession plans do you have in place?

Regards,
Brenda Towler
Calgary Born and Raised

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: RAINER HOFMEISTER <hienergyconsultants@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 7:37 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Fiscal responsibility!!!'n

Wake up!'

If the city can't afford certain services then cut them back! Do without as most people have to do when money is short!

Prudent financial city planning takes into account dips in the economy, foresight used to be one of the main jobs of city council not popularity contests or grandstanding.

Any one can raise taxes as it takes no talent for that, true leadership makes difficult and unpopular decisions which are best for a city, province or country during difficult financial times.

Do we really need remote rural sidewalks swept routinely? A billion dollar library? Olympics? Etc!

Please do what is best for Calgary middle income earners who have been burdened to support wasteful spending of taxpayers money, we want accountability now!

Kindest regards,
Rainer Hofmeister

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Blanechar <Blanechar@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 7:53 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget

City needs a 10% cut in staffing levels, consultant costs and all salaries! Welcome to the real world!

Sent from my Galaxy Tab® E

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Amar Pandila <amar@pandila.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 8:18 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Ward11 - Marina Mason
Subject: [EXT] Service Plans and Budget

Council,

As Calgary continues to struggle with high unemployment, very large vacancy rates downtown, and Federal and Provincial apathy towards our main industry, the city needs to recognize these challenges and find ways to reduce or freeze tax rates, not raise them above the rate of inflation.

Our family finds that proposals from administration to raise taxes above the rate of inflation is very disconnected from reality.

When calgary was growing we were told we needed to increase spending to "keep pace". This suggests that with downtown vacancy at 25%, we need to have a corresponding reduction in city hall spending.

Please understand that we are all in this together. Raising taxes 3.5% will result in even more resentment towards city hall, and the council members that support such callous indifference to residents of our city, and the reality we all face.

It is clear to me that bold steps will be applauded and appreciated as we continue forward. No more raising fees and taxes to support what we as citizens view as a bloated, cash grabbing city hall.

Sincerely,
Amar Pandila

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: John Mercer <mercerjr@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 9:09 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Property Taxes

We moved unto our current home in 2005. Between then and 2017, we have seen the Property Tax to the City increase by 113.4% while inflation during that same period was 26%. The service and delivery charges associated with our utilities have increased at an even greater rate. We recently retired and don't have the benefit of the very generous pension that city employees enjoy at our expense. CPP was increased by 1.5% this year while your proposed tax hike is 3.4%. You've cut back on garbage and compost collection with no decrease in monthly charges. Is your plan to force lifelong Calgary residents out of their homes? The City has already killed the once vibrant downtown by elimination of old neighbourhoods and outrageous parking rates. There is no revenue problem, only a spending problem. Private citizens have had to endure wage freezes and rollbacks, and often reduced hours. When will you people realize that we're in a recession in this city and raising costs is not sustainable.

John Mercer
S.E. Calgary resident

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Sid Tolchinsky <sidney@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 9:25 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: peterdemong@calgary.ca
Subject: [EXT] Property Taxes

The proposed tax increase of 13% over the next 4 years will continue to make Calgary's economic issues worse rather than improve them. It will leave Calgarians with less disposable income to spend in the city which in turn will hurt small businesses such as restaurants at a time when the business property tax burden is already shifting to these same businesses.

Its time for administration and city council to make some very tough decisions. Its time to stop looking to save a few dollars here and a few dollars there. Its time to look at saving millions, if not hundreds of millions of dollars each and every year. Here's my proposal of how to do just that:

The city must look at every service it provides and every program it has and ask these tough and difficult, yet necessary questions:

1. Is this a service / program that the city of Calgary must provide? If not, then cancel it as soon as feasible.
2. If it is a service / program that Calgary must provide, what is the appropriate service or program level?
3. Once the appropriate level has been determined, then what is the best, most economical way to provide the service or program? I.e., 100% public, 100% privatized or some other combination.

This will not be an easy process nor one without detractors; but without going through this or a similar process, our property taxes will continue to rise faster than consumer inflation and citizens ability to cope without continuing to seriously impact people's spending.

Yours truly,

Sid Tolchinsky
Sundance

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Margie Ridgway <MargieR@storoffice.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 12:40 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I am a small business owner in Calgary – and your management of my taxes is irresponsible.

*What happened to buy local? Support local business? In a time when Calgary is hurting so bad, and we are trying to hang on to our businesses and keep our employees working – the municipal government should be giving us **tax breaks** – not tax increases. I understand that Mr. Trudeau doesn't care about Calgary business, and even our provincial government. But our own municipal government?*

What is going on with the city union employees? Are there provisions in the city union contract to deal with the pressures on our economy? Or did we just agree to keep everyone working at a negotiated rate? Can private business get that deal? Is that how it works – you make a deal, and regardless of the profitability, we – as tax payers just keep giving you more and more of our money – so you can support a poorly negotiated union contract?

Can we get 100% transparency on our union contracts before we ask our private business owners to cough up more money to pay the union wages??

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From: Jon Dinkel <jondin@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 12:59 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2020 Service Plans and Budgets

It is imperative that a thorough cost review be conducted on both operating and capital budgets by outside independent cost analysis team.

It is likely many of these services can be done by outsiders at a much lower cost to the public. Also a review of cost of operations may reveal many cost inefficiencies

in the system. I do know of groups who perform these services at the corporate level. There is also the possibility of sunk costs on projects which were terminated at no

benefit to the taxpayer. There are groups who will participate on sight to review all aspects of operations. These groups have been successful at the corporate level.

Thanks you.

Jon Dinkel

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Darryl Thomlison <dthomlison@delphienergy.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 1:05 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: darryl thomlison; info@seanchu.ca
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I would like the city to consider rolling back salaries on all civic employees(at least 10%) and freezing salaries(no inflation adj) for at least 3 years. I work in the downtown core and can assure everyone on council that salaries in my office and everyone else I know downtown, have not increased for 5 years...no increases, no bonuses, no pensions. Also, cutting the office staff at the city by 10-20% would seem reasonable considering every company in the core has cut more than 10% of their staff...likely closer to 25% in most cases. Work harder, quit look to the tax payers to keep paying for the lack of b___ to make the hard decisions during tough times!!!

Darryl Thomlison
Ward 4

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Court Ib <courtib79@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 1:18 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] I support the increase to CADA funding for the arts

Good morning,

The arts are vital to creating a city that can attract and sustain development and investment.

I support the leadership demonstrated by increased support to Calgary Arts Development to sustain arts organizations and creative industries. Beyond sustainability, increased funding will position the arts sector to help create a thriving downtown core and prosperous city overall

I agree there should be a provision for cost of living index increases each year for Calgary Arts Development funding.

Warmly,
Courtney Ilie
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Walt DeBoni <wdeboni@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 2:20 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] City Budget

I am writing in support of the increased funding for Calgary Arts Development in the proposed budget.

As a supporter, donor and board member of arts organizations, I feel strongly that a vibrant arts sector is vitally important to the life in our community. In addition to “making life worth living” in Calgary, a strong arts sector is key supporter of economic growth by making our city more attractive to new entrants.

I commend the leadership that is demonstrated by this increased support for the creative industries in Calgary.

Best regards,
Walt DeBoni

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Walt DeBoni <wdeboni@shaw.ca>
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Best regards,
Walt DeBoni

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Yang Wang <wangyang1176@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 3:13 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Against

With such high jobless rate, why you think should spend much more money? For more police? What that for? I had never heard any break in case got solved. I just saw more and more police hiding behind tree or house shooting for speed. Shouldn't they have some better thing to do?

If the city had ever spent some effort to push the Trans Mount pipeline project hard as Vancouver did for against, we should had be in much better situation to pay more tax.

In commercial company, people lost job when losing business. Why you guys are still not been fired? Why you think you deserve a life time secure job with limitless dental package paid by our tax money?
Should you be just a little less shameless?

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Quest Theatre Artistic Director <artistic-director@questtheatre.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 3:43 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Increase Arts Funding!

Hello City of Calgary

I believe that **THE ARTS** are an important part of our city. I am writing to show my support in increasing support to the Calgary Arts Development to sustain arts organizations and creative industries. I think there should be a provision for cost of living index increases each year for CADA.

Thanks for listening!
Nikki Loach

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kunji Mark Ikeda <mark.kunji@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 3:54 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Proposed Budget

To those who serve the public of the City of Calgary,

I would love to voice my support of the proposed increase to the Calgary Arts Development Authority. The CADA do wonderful work with what they have, and it is startling to see our city so far behind funding for cities like Edmonton and Hamilton. This is a positive step that will have a large amount of small impacts on the lives of artists, and those who benefit from Calgary's Arts sector.

Arts are extremely important to my life and my community and I would love to see this trend continue to help our arts sector continue to improve in the near future. I would like to see a provision for cost of living index increases each year for CADA.

Many thanks for hearing my voice,
Kunji Mark Ikeda

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ron Congram <rgcongram@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 4:54 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Expenses

Why is it that city hall never takes a hard look at the bloated management structure they have in place. It's the same old bluster, scare citizens indicating services have to be cut. Someone at city hall has to have some courage to break down the empirical walls and examine each line on the operating statement just like all non government agencies do. Jeromy Farkas appears to be the only councillor at city hall with any gumption. Maybe he should take a run at the mayors chair next time around. He appears to be a candidate Calgary needs at "this point in time. A pragmatist ! Everyone wants to protect their fiefdom. Why doesn't the city manager step up to the plate. Forget the politics. Take a step into reality.

Ron Congram
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Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Mary Anne Moser <moser@beakerhead.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 5:03 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] New hope

Thank you for being open to feedback and listening to what people are saying, especially those opinions that are not the same as your own. These are the hardest ones to hear.

We probably do not realize the magnitude of what we will miss by taking ourselves out of the running to host the Olympics. Now we have to find a way to get this city out of the energy sector doldrums on our own.

The additional investment in the arts is a step in the right direction and I, as a scientist, would like to see even more investment in ambitious creative initiatives that can help replace the lost opportunity of the Olympic bid.

Mary Anne Moser

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: David Zhang <wdzhang67@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 5:33 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] about the new budget 2019-2022

Hi

I read the draft and notice the increased \$ to be collected from people. I am not happy. The economy is still bad and it hard for a lot of people to make ends meet and the city is still trying to collect more / I don't like it

Thanks

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: m traboulsi <traboulsifamily@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 5:50 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] The Arts

- Hello,
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- I'm a citizen who believes the arts are important to my life and community.

Marg Traboulsi

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: SHANNA JURESA <s.s.juresa@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 5:50 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback on the proposed city of Calgary budget

Hi there,

As a everyday train user we need more free parking places at the Summerset area. The cost for a transit pass plus the cost of reserved parking is not sustainable for a multi vehicle household. Passes are getting more expensive and trains, buses are not on time or clean and not enough of free parking lots at train stations. Not sure why we are paying more and not receiving services?

Also our property taxes are getting more expensive and again not receiving service. Why is city of Calgary building more condominiums and not building enough of parking places for the condominiums. Around my home we have too many condominiums and people who live in them have no where to park. Why are we building more condominiums and no parking underground for the condominiums owners?

Why are we paying councillors and mayor more every year and every other individual has to make due with no increase in income?

City administration has to get better with services use funds to increase services like schools improve roads conditions and building hospitals.

Thank you,

Shanna Juresa
Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dana Christine Bagares <dbagares@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 6:50 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Re: citizen feedback

- I'm a citizen who believes the arts are important to my life and community

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Nadia <nnepom7@telus.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 6:51 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Creative Calgary

I support the leadership demonstrated by increased support to Calgary Arts Development to sustain arts organizations and creative industries. I know that the arts are important to my life and community.

Best Regards,

Nadia.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: L k <chaoyuqiu30@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 7:41 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] About new budget

Dear,

Just read something about the new budget. I had something to say.

1. I don't agree with the increased fee charge to people. Taxable people will get more burdens. The low income people use transit pay very less, but these people who pay tax already have to pay too much again in using these service. Same as recreation Center. People who pay tax already can't afford those so high fee actually. It's double charge from those taxable people. It's very unfair to the people who pay taxes.

2, we should not spent too much money on building leisure center and gym, we should use those money on more important things such as build green line, build oil pipe, hold olympic, to help those companies to getting better, to increase the economic. Not only spend, spend, then ask money from people who couldn't afford already. You should think why people worry about the olympic.

3, with the worse economic, people's income dropped lots, they can't afford the increased taxes and living fee. We don't want to be a low income to ask money from government. But please concern our difficulty. Should our government and other people who depend on government start more saving in spend the money? Don't only think that you should be more happy. Don't think of how to get more money from others. Try to think how to save money, how to do it in most important things. Try to reduce the tax from people, try to attract more rich country and business to come to invest. Try to build well the economic. More rich business, more rich people, more taxable people, then, government will rich. Give same cheaper fee for taxable people as those low income people. Because taxable people already paid taxes. They should have same rights in same low price on use the city service as those low income people who pay anything.

Hope you will concern what I said.

Thanks a lot.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Douglas Noullett <douglasnoullett@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 9:00 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Sutherland, Ward; CAWard1 - Ralph Smith
Subject: [EXT] Budget feedback

Thank you for providing this opportunity to contribute to this process. The website was easy to follow, the plan easy to access, and easy to read (for the most part).

My first impression in reading the plan was a sense of confusion. Calgary is in crisis. Our unemployment rate is very high, the employment rate of young people is even worse. Our office towers are empty. Our major infrastructure is aging (Saddledome, McMahon stadium, no field house, no conference centre). This plan looks like it was authored for a city with money to burn and not a worry. Calgary is in crisis - where is the crisis response?

Further reading led to an increasing sense of disbelief. It appears the authors, and the Council, are living in a bubble that does not in anyway reflect the reality of Calgary today. Increasing property taxes when so many people are on fixed incomes, no incomes, or have had their incomes reduced by 30% to 50 % seems tone-deaf. Increasing business taxes by 25% left me dumb-struck.

In my opinion, the Council does not have the moral authority to increase taxes until they acknowledge the city is in crisis, stop pretending otherwise, and respond like we are in a crisis.

My recommendations are:

1. Every department should be challenged with a 10% cut in budget. They should be instructed to provide three alternatives by which this could be achieved.
2. Implement an immediate hiring freeze.
3. Implement an immediate wage freeze.
4. Act immediately to align the pension and compensation structure of senior bureaucrats and City Councillors with the private sector.
5. Form a task force of business, political, and labour to develop an action plan to rejuvenate the economy.
6. Develop an infrastructure development plan to build in order: a new event centre, a new field house, a new or refurbished football/soccer stadium, and a new conference centre.

Yours truly
Douglas Noullett

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Chad R <chad.roman34@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 10:23 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Lower taxes. No property tax increases. Streamline, cut, and modernize delivery of services. Pretty much only employer still offering defined benefit pensions? Really ask yourselves is that fair? Good value for taxpayers? Switch to define contribution plans benchmarked to private sector by job class for all city employees.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Vivian Stieda <vstieda@ucalgary.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 9:33 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I just want to provide my feedback on the city budget and Calgary Arts Development. I fully support sustaining the arts in Calgary as I believe in the power of culture and its civilizing effect on a community. I would, however, like to also suggest that the city be a little more judicious about how it spends money as my capacity to keep paying higher taxes (they have more than doubled in the last 5 years) is reaching its end. I don't mean to conflate the arts with landscape architecture and urban infrastructure, but at the end of the day, funding for these projects all come from the same source: my taxes. An example of questionable spending is the updated river walk. It is beautiful and inviting, and I am grateful for the work that has gone into it. But one has to wonder why it was necessary to build rows and rows of wooden benches when lower cost and equally attractive ones would have been sufficient. There appear to be some counselors who have no sense of the burden they place on tax payers, and who think of themselves as "visionaries" when they are really just "shopaholics" with good taste and my money. Perhaps they could put their egos aside and instead, engage the community to find creative solutions that are more affordable. I fully understand the burden city hall is under to create beautiful spaces with a diminishing tax base, and I applaud the work you have all done in creating a space that is civilized and inviting, but I do ask that you think carefully about some of the options you put in place.

Respectfully,

Vivian Stieda



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From: Ken Barden <kenbarden@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 10:16 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Dear Sir/Madame;

Thirteen days to provide feed back on a 668 page document? Clearly you are not looking for citizen feed back.

Nonetheless the document is a well written piece of propaganda.

Having been involved in several successful business it must be nice to budget in the way you do. Let's add up what you want to spend, with annual increases, to determine how much revenue is needed. Business start with the revenue line to determine how much they have to spend. If revenues do not increase or if they decrease one needs to cut costs.

The economic conditions of our great city are in a dire state of affairs. The commercial tax base has been eroded and 10 % of Calgarians are unemployed. This is not going to change for at least a decade and likely longer.

It is past time to embrace some fiscal restraint and stop putting your hands deeper into my wallet.

Ken Barden
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ann Tyrell <songbird7@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 10:33 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback for City budgeting

- Glad that the Green bin is only being picked up every second week (similar to the Black bin) – this makes a lot of sense and should help keep costs down.
- Green spaces in Calgary are great – love Nose Hill and Fish Creek Park as well as the parks in the downtown area – thanks!
- I don't support the bike lanes, especially in the non-core areas of the City – I would prefer wider sidewalks where bikes as well as pedestrians can go – keep the roads for cars. Bikes can cause traffic to slow down and can cause accidents so I don't agree with having cars and bikes sharing the road.
- Glad that Crowchild is being improved and the Ring Road is wonderful!
- Transit Calgary: like the LRT but wish that for the downtown area that the rails were either above ground (2nd floor) or underground – there have been a few fatalities over the last few years where pedestrians have been killed walking over the tracks (I know this was a decision made years ago but it was not the right decision, in my opinion). Too bad that the North/South line will not be done in my lifetime – I live in North Central and the bus service is not good except for rush hour times.
- Tired of taxes always going up – is there ever going to be a time when we don't have tax increases?
- With Calgary being a large city now, it would be great to have the LRT go to the airport (like other large cities in Canada).

That's all I can think of for now. Ann Tyrell, 116 Hidden Valley Landing NW, Calgary, AB (and lived in Calgary since 1984)

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Nancy Cameron <ncameron1353@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 11:08 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support for the Arts in Calgary

- I support the leadership demonstrated by increased support to Calgary Arts Development to sustain arts organizations and creative industries
- Beyond sustainability, increased funding will position the arts sector to help create a thriving downtown core and prosperous city overall
- There should be a provision for cost of living index increases each year for Calgary Arts Development funding
- I'm a citizen who believes the arts are important to my life and community

Sincerely
Nancy Cameron

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Mario DeMarco <mariodemarco723@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 11:20 AM
To: Public Submissions; Ward8 - Michael Mooney; Ward11 - Marina Mason
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Hello City of Calgary feedback team, Ward 8 office and Ward 11 office.

I am a 30 year old male that lives and works in the beltline. Every year I get frustrated by the constant stated need to increase taxes and cut services.

I am frustrated for several reasons:

1. Paying more for less
2. Paying high union labour rates to a bloated city of calgary workforce
3. Small businesses continue to struggle
4. Getting less services.

I feel that we need to take a real hard look at what services the city should provide, vs what we can contract out to small businesses and have SLA's in place to ensure quality does not suffer. Here are some examples:

Garbage/Recycle/Green Bin: Have we recently looked at the cost benefit of allows contractors to do pickup at single family homes? This could take a phased approach as city staff retires, we simply do not replace them. This would lower the pension payments over time and enable small businesses a crack at supporting the city they live and work in.

Snow removal on city roads: I know we already have some contractor snow removal, but why not more? In a snow event if a truck and plow meets the spec required by the city, let them help. You could even require a course to ensure the driver meets training requirements. You could mandate GPS devices used by all sorts of commercial fleets to determine what they actually plowed.

Golf Courses: With the exception of Shagannapi every public golf course lost money. Additionally, these courses do not collect property tax. Why is the city in the business of running golf courses? Sell the land to private courses and use zoning laws to ensure that it will continue to be a golf course or a park. This reduces the operating costs for parks and enables private companies to run a business. Additionally, you will be able to collect tax revenue for the land.

Parks: I used to work for parks, and as a parks worker I will state point blank that I was overpaid. In 2009 and 2010 a PW2 who was a seasonal employee got over \$20 to cut grass. At the end of the day this was a low skill job that could be done separately.

Before you tell me you need to increase taxes and cut services again, have a hard look at what the city does vs what the private sector can do.

Sincerely,

Mario DeMarco

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Manjit Nijjer <manjnijjer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 11:39 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Please increase Transit service so that Calgary can keep moving.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Geraldine Ysselstein <geraldine@rozsafoundation.org>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 12:13 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Arts in Calgary

Thank you City of Calgary for considering an increase to the city budget for the arts. The arts are important to the quality of all of our lives whether we realize it or not. The arts express our humanity, help us reflect, empathize, and encourage us to be better to each other. And we need more of this in our complex world.

I've just returned from seeing "Chotto Dosh", a beautiful performance that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit in the modern world. Only the arts can touch us, challenge us, and reveal truths to us like "Chotto Dosh".

Please move forward on the \$5 million increase for Calgary Arts Development to sustain operations of arts organizations and creative industries. As a funder (the Rozsa Foundation), we support arts organizations through professional development, research, and grants for special projects (not the day-to-day operations).

Supporting the arts will have a transformational impact in helping the city diversify the economy, create inspiring connections between citizens, develop Calgary's reputation as a city of innovation and creativity. \

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Geraldine Ysselstein

Arts Leadership Director

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Bob McInnis <bob@remarkablepeople.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 12:22 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT]

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

*Bob McInnis
Provocateur
Coach/Consultant
587-227-1449
www.makeityourproblem.com*

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lonnie Rathie <lonmack@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 12:52 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] parks are important

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Lonnie Starling

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Maureen Kyle <Maureen.Kyle@Haworth.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 12:56 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support the Parks Foundation Calgary!!

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to you to advocate for continued funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a pivotal partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. Access to nature and green spaces are critically important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the Parks Foundation and ensure the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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- Our City's beloved Dedication bench and picnic table program is managed by Parks Foundation Calgary, supporting over 1200 benches across this City. This is another especially important part of the Parks Foundation mandate to me. 2 people who I know passed away recently and had requested cremation, so there is no gravesite or headstone to commemorate their passing. The bench dedication program provided their loved ones with a destination to visit to remember and reflect.
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I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to our beautiful, prosperous city... now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Maureen Kyle

Proud Calgary citizen since 1965

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: GERARD BRUNKA <gerrybrunka@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 1:11 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 budget

Unacceptable. The city continues to raise taxes and fees which is killing small business and eroding the livelihood of those on fixed incomes. Cuts to non essential expenditures must be made so no increase in taxes is required. And stop calling expenditures ' investments'.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lisa Mulder <lhzmulder@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 1:17 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: sstepa@parksfdn.com
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

In addition, Parks Foundation Calgary worked as our Charitable Partner so that we could apply for grants for our community garden (The Renfrew Community Garden). Also, a few years ago the Parks Foundation selected the Renfrew Community Garden for the Parks Foundation Calgary Conceptual Map Grant.

Without their support, we wouldn't have been nearly as successful in achieving our goals.

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Sincerely,

Lisa Mulder

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Alma <apede@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 1:18 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Ward11 - Marina Mason
Subject: [EXT] Feedback re: city budget / finances

Dear Council,

This is not difficult, not rocket science. It is not a revenue problem, but a SPENDING problem! If you keep taxing businesses and property owners we will all soon go bankrupt (just like the poorly managed City) – the only logical solution is to spend less! All City salaries should be immediately reduced by 20% - all perks and pensions halted. Any City employees who can't accept this are free to quit, but don't worry, there are hundreds (if not thousands) of qualified people who are ready, willing and able to jump into these jobs, even at the 20% reduction.

Your grotesque sense of entitlement is shameful... most of us non-City workers have had to accept a major reduction in salary or else we are still unemployed after years of fruitless searching for work. Nenshi et al – please get a grip on reality and do the right thing. Thank Heavens for Jeromy Farkas, who seems to be the only one down there with any common sense – please listen to him, please HEAR him!

My background is in Accounting / Finance (when I can find work, which is not often these days). I understand how money works and if you need further advice I am available as a consultant. But as I've said above, this is not difficult.

Thank you for being open to public opinion, and hopefully you're listening... Alma

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jasen Pratt <jasen@cascadeswimming.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 1:36 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks FDN

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,

Jasen Pratt

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Philip Calvert <PCalvert@ijm.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 1:51 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Regarding budget and public spaces

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- Citizen Surveys say that over 95% of people value parks, coming second only to water management.
- Our lives are better because we have parks, from Physical & Mental Health to Tourism & Economic Benefits.
- Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Philip Calvert, Director of Development and Mobilization – Alberta & NWT
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: KW <k_walker@telus.net>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:05 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Letter Requesting to Continue Funding Parks Foundation Calgary & Their Invaluable Programs/Services

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary (PFC), a critical partner in community projects who provides invaluable programs and services to this city.

I am able to personally speak to this firsthand as I, my Northern Hills Community, and all of the 700+ Calgarians who participated in the Longest Mural in Canada project in Calgary this summer, have benefitted from these programs and services. I created the Longest Mural in Canada project and applied to PFC for a gift admin account which was approved. Working with PFC made managing my mural project so much easier as I didn't have to worry about managing the bookkeeping or getting cheques sent to pay for materials needed for the project. For this project, the value of this service was immeasurable as timelines to beat the snow were extremely tight given Calgary's unpredictable fall weather!!

As a Calgarian, I believe that our City's welcoming public spaces are important to all of us here in Calgary as we live, work and play where we live. These park areas and community spaces build culture, connectivity and give neighbours a reason to get to know each other. They also leave strong impressions on visitors who come to Calgary from around the world. The vibrancy of our Calgary communities depend on these spaces without which could very easily become vacant, unused and quickly rundown.

Where would all of our community projects be without the opportunity to have PFC as a partner? How many Calgarians wouldn't connect? I can say with certainty based on the one project I did this summer that I am sure it would be thousands of people still walking around as strangers.

For these reasons, I would ask for Calgary City Council to please accept this email in support of PFC and for the City of Calgary to please continue investing in the sustainability of our parks and public spaces such as the Longest Mural in Canada. A project which had national and international media coverage and put Calgary, Calgary's artists and Calgary's art on the map...once again!

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Sincerely,

Kim Walker

A resident of Northern Hills – Home of the Longest Mural in Canada!

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Wendy Kunsman <wkunsman@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:06 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Increased funding to Calgary Arts Development

I support the proposed \$5,000,000 increase in funding to Calgary Arts Development. Research has proven that investment in the arts is good business as well as adding to the quality of life for citizens.

I am a citizen who believes that arts contribute immeasurably to my life and my community.

Wendy Kunsman

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Stacey Ngai <staceaway@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:25 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Bryan Goehringer
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation

Dear City of Calgary,

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To be clear, my request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary in order to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

Sincerely,

Stacey Ngai

Native Calgarian

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Sarah Duncan <duncan.sarahp@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:30 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

Sarah Duncan

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kevin L <lawsonfortytwo@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:31 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary

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*Sincerely,
Kevin Lawson
Calgary PowerHockey League Director of Operations*

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Martin, Shane <Shane.Martin@JUSTICE.GC.CA>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:36 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary Funding

Dear City of Calgary,

We are writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. We are not for profit sporting organization that believes that nature and green spaces are important to the City and community. Our sport could not exist without parks. We request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,

Shane Martin

Chair, Calgary Dragon Boat Society

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brett MacAulay <brett.macaulay@calgarygymcentre.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 2:43 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding for Calgary Parks

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Sincerely,

Brett MacAulay
Chief Executive Officer
Calgary Gymnastics Centre
<http://www.calgarygymcentre.com/vision-and-mission/>

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Bryan Goehringer <bgoehringer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 3:16 PM
To: Stacey Ngai
Cc: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Re: Parks Foundation

This is great, thank you! We've had more than 30 send already. For some reason beyond my rational they did not include us in the city's four year budget plan.

We asked for \$350K/year for 4 years towards our operating budget.
Arts Commons asked for \$6Million and got \$5Million (in either case this was a significant increase from previous funding)

We invest back into the community \$5 for every \$1 the city invests. This year we granted nearly \$1Million to community, school and sports groups as well as provided administrative support to nearly 80 projects.(all of which at a fraction of what it would cost to have the City of Calgary do the same work).

Thank you again. We are excited to see what comes next.
Bryan

On Fri, Nov 16, 2018 at 2:24 PM Stacey Ngai <staceaway@yahoo.com> wrote:

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Native Calgarian

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Bryan Goehringer
goehringer.branded.me
403-909-6344

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jenna Gagnon <jenna.gagnon2@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 3:35 PM
To: Public Submissions
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As a police officer working in the area of Kingsland, I appreciated seeing an area normally so dull and glim, a new playground put up that brought life to it. I think this is a very important organization and it needs your help.

Sincerely,

Jenna Gagnon

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Deborah Sword <deborah@dsword.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 3:56 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Sara Stepa
Subject: [EXT] Support for Parks Foundation

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm a community volunteer for a small project that fundraised to built a beautiful drinking fountain in Riley Park. With broad community and business and government support, this little project accomplished the amazing. The institutions bordering Riley Park have been neighbours for over a century and had never before collaborated on a project. Now, they know each other's phone numbers. This volunteer effort has raised and injected over \$100,000.00 new money into the local economy and is leaving locally designed and fabricated, functional, public art as its legacy.

None of it could have happened without Parks Foundation assistance. Simple as that. Parks Foundation administered the funds, and the expertise staff provided expertise and the logistical support for this incredible community-building project.

Please give the PFC the funds it needs to keep helping communities create and maintain natural spaces. Nature contributes to health and longevity. The science and medical evidence are compelling on that. City leadership is about placemaking, the latest thinking on urban design is compelling on that point too. Parks are placemakers, where people gather, recharge, relax, and destress.

Give PFC the resources to make Calgary and Calgarians healthier, happier and welcome in special, natural places.

L. Deborah Sword, PhD
Conflict Manager & Writer
Volunteer Project Manager
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If you received this in error, please notify me by return e-mail and delete the copy you received. Thank you for your assistance, with apologies for any inconvenience.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dd N <dynojp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 6:20 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget feedback

Please use money saved from Olympics for Infrastructure, Transit Safety, etc... thanks.

Dyane Noguchi
Ward 1

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dd N <dynojp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 6:30 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget review

Money saved from olympics could be used for....

- police funding
- transit crossings safety
- fix library access for disabled
- infrastructure

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Henry Yau <yauh@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 6:34 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget

Cut spending, not raising taxes!

Henry Yau

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jamie van <vanderlaanj81@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 8:29 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support parks foundation

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Sincerely,

Jamie van der Laan

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Maria Alderson <maria_alderson@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 9:29 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Snow removal

It would be nice as tax paying citizen that our street actually gets plowed. Last winter our street, Cranwell Close, did not get plowed once and we were driving on a street with a rut that was approximately 6 to 10 inches deep.

Thanks,
Maria

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dennis Cadeau <denniscadeau@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 6:01 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Garbage bins

During the winter months the green composte bin is picked up every other week there fore my monthly fee should be cut in half as well as my black bin thanks Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: S Grewal <Sprgrewal@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 6:48 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Budget Feedback

I would like to submit some feed back regarding Calgarys budget proposal.

What makes me extremely uncomfortable regarding the budget is that we continue feeding more into urban sprawl. The city is facing a budget shortfall then why is it not removing the most unnecessary thing needed at this time which is 14 new communities? Sure our population has jumped drastically last year but there is still a glut of housing units in the market right now, we don't have an affordability crisis due to lack of supply, the market is shifting towards rental due to rising interest rates and new mortgage rules, and currently theres still new communities that haven't even been close to building out. Condo developers have mentioned in the past that they would be more encouraged to bring forth more midrise/highrise projects if the city stopped approving more greenfield development. Our urban density is sitting at 2111.8 sq.km(2016), we should be aiming at reaching at least 3000 people per sq.km before anymore greenfield is accepted. This situation is really worrying because there seems to be no end to this. Calgary practically still has the same low vibrancy levels since Nenshi took office in 2010 with grand promises. We have all these redevelopment plans approved like Westbrook station, Banff Trail, Chinook, Sunridge etc. but none of them have had any real work started on them, even during the boom years. These new neighbourhoods only make the city less efficient in the long run. If we were denser, we would be able to generate more tax per sq.km and increase transit revenue from higher ridership. Other than the core values decreasing, this is one of the big reasons I truly believe we are beginning to run into tax issues which will only get worse in the long run. Please delay the 14 new communities for the time being and save Calgarians a 0.75% tax increase. We have the largest exodus of youth in Canada currently in this city. The boom kept young folks in the city and now they're running to the GTA and metro Vancouver for a vibrant lifestyle and more job opportunities. We should continue investing in dense vibrant neighbourhoods and an entertainment district, not filling the pockets of suburban developers. Calgarians are hooked on to suburban living and its up to city council to change the buyer taste of Calgarians. If you continue to pump more greenfield development, they will keep coming because its dirt cheap compared to an infill or condo in the inner city. I don't need to go on a further lecturing councillors regarding the benefits of density but it seems to me that half of them have forgotten. As of today, those 14 new communities are not a necessity.

I hope my message is sincerely heard and believe me I speak for the vast majority of young Calgarians.

Thankyou for taking the time to listen

-Sunny

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Tammy Avramenko <tavramenko@telus.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 9:48 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Tammy Avramenko
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Waste and Recycling Issues

This is my email I sent to the city's waste and recycling department after our blue bin was ignored this Friday. I kind of went on a bit further expressing the issues I have with our current program. I thought I'd voice my opinion here as well:

Every other blue bin was picked up in my cul-de-sac Friday 16Nov except for ours. My green bin was out as well, but understand that it wasn't being picked up with the new winter schedule in effect. However, for the last 3 weeks it has been completely full of loose leaves. I had one clear bag remaining that didn't fit, so I placed it in the blue bin to finally get rid of the last of my leaves.

I don't know whether the driver didn't pick up my blue bin because there was a bag of leaves on top. But as it stands now, for the entire next 7 days, I have absolutely NO room whatsoever in my blue bin to recycle anything, I cannot squeeze even one more leaf in my green compost bin, and I of course have no room at all to put ANYMORE waste in the black bin since the city reduced black bin pick up to every other week.... which practice has many Calgarians, including myself, stacking bag upon bag in the black bin to try and get rid of two weeks worth of waste. It's positively the worst system ever our city has ever come up with - it simply isn't working! The birds get into the bags of garbage, homeowners return home and have to pick up their own garbage that's either been compromised by animals or refused to be taken by a driver because it's fallen off the already overloaded bins. People in my neighbourhood go around after everyone has put out bins and place their extra bags in others bins who have space. I've seen this done so many times.... and we are paying for the service that "chooses" whether or not it will be provided by the drivers, like in my case. It's ridiculous and not fair.

So I guess I will collect all my weeks worth of waste, compost and recycling into a garbage bag this week and do what with it? Hopefully find a commercial dumpster and sneak it in? Run around my cul-de-sac after dark and distribute my garbage in others' bins? Obviously not! So what do I do? I guess fork out more money to the city and drive my garbage this week to a landfill? If you have other suggestions, I'd appreciate hearing them.

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Tammy Avramenko
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Mary Rozsa de Coquet <mary@rozsafoundation.org>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 10:43 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Greetings

I read in the proposed four year budget that “Support will be increased to Calgary Arts Development Authority to sustain operations of Calgary’s arts organizations and creative industries” (page 35).

This support is essential, and a \$5million dollar increase to CADA funding will facilitate doing exactly that: increasing the sustainability of current CADA clients. This support warrants a “thank-you”. This **support should also include cost of living indexing** over the four years so that the economic impact is not diminished.

What this support does not provide is

- adequate funding to introduce new diversity, inclusion and multi-cultural programming
- adequate funding to help Tourism Calgary meet its goals
- adequate funding to help CED roll out its downtown place-making strategy
- adequate funding to animate the connect between the National Music Centre and the Stampede Grounds with the new events centre

In other words, neither CADA nor the arts organization they fund nor the thousands of citizens they employ, will be able to move forward on their unique ability to contribute to or lead city-building initiatives. This like building half a building, or having a building sit empty, and surely we have enough vacant towers.

I believe the budget should include very modest additional funding for the Civic Partners (CED, Tourism Calgary, Convention Centre, and CADA) to work together to immediately implement some city-building initiatives so that they, and the city as a whole, can realize their goals of a prosperous city.

Thank-you.

Mary Rozsa de Coquet

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Allan Châtenay <al@explor.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 10:48 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Carra, Gian-Carlo S.; Farkas, Jeromy A.; Sheila Taylor; Sara Stepa
Subject: [EXT] Urgent: Support Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city.

I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community and I lead a volunteer not-for-profit that provides youth baseball to over 600 Calgary families through our Little League program.

With the help of the Parks Foundation we recently completed a \$2.5 million project to build an amazing new Little League diamond in Stanley Park. While the facility was privately funded entirely through the generosity of a philanthropic businessman who shares our Association's vision for youth baseball in Calgary, the project would not have been possible without the Parks Foundation's Project Gift Administration program, which facilitated the charitable donation and the administration and payment of project costs.

I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces. Additionally, we note the following key points related to Parks Foundation's work:

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Sincerely,

Allan Châtenay
President
Calgary Rocky Mountain Baseball Association

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: LUJUN QI <lujunqi@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 11:51 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Oppose to increase property taxes!

We oppose to pay more property taxes in exchange for a better living environment. We need to expand energy production to increase the employment rate of Calgary residents. The city government needs to do something useful for the public, rather than doing superficial work.

Lujun

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: jack meyer <filemanjack@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 12:33 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary 2019-2022 budget.

Hello.

One Item in your budget I refuse to see a real point is seeing this Green Cart, Program which for me and my one Brother is a waste of time and a harassment on our funds. We have a lawn care company in Summer that takes care of our lot, and food waste is not ever being taken to green cart as it is time consuming a lot , as we do eat out.

So the fee \$6.50 is a real tax not a user fee on our funds available and now with winter, it is a cash tax on us.

Stop this as it is not helping me at all.

Filemanjack is here to be of service...

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Boyd Penner <boydpenner@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 12:37 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019 budget

Good day folks.

Sorry to start with a rant, but the ease in which this council spends money and throws stones at any who object is just WRONG!! Sorry but I digress.

A number of the sad expenditures over the last year continues to shock and annoy me. Top of the list is transit. We always here how the service continues to lose money. As a public service I can understand how this can happen but the continued extravagance is completely unacceptable. Sadly it has been happening for years. Cases in point:

- re-branding all of the buses with the spiffy red stripe
- building all new bus shelters and curbs etc. In all of the years the glass panels are replaced after being vandalized, what do they do but spend a HUGE amount of money making all glass structures. Saw the first broken one on a stop that was not yet open on 18 Street SE in Riverbend.
- re-brand the new BRT routes and the buses to be used on these routes, apparently bus numbers are not valid enough for a citizenry of idiots.

Now rather than a fleet of universal buses, we get each route with dedicated buses. If one breaks as they tend to do, what with the stupid citizens do when a red bus shows up instead? Oh the confusion.

- re-branding all of the city fleet with new logos. I guess someone loves red and stylized coat of arms.
- the continued lack of will to enforce the existing by-laws relating to 'illegal' suites in R-1 zones areas, the uni-driveways to provide additional parking for same, and the loss of revenue and increased costs to the public. Examples are additional waste services, added stress to the infrastructure such as water, sewer and traffic as well as over crowded schools, none of which are supported by the property taxes. Two families in a single house is not a big deal until you do the math where some areas every 2nd or 3rd house has the suites with NO TAX collected to assist in supporting them.

Add to the continued abuse of power with this council spending almost as much time, if not more, 'in camera' instead of in public. My favorite is the veiled threats to the citizens by our mayor. Do these folks not realize they WORK for US?

I'm very sure if we the public, had the opportunity to check out line by line, by department budgets, many heads would roll and we would have cash up to our waist left over.

Cheers,
Boyd E. Penner

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Boyd Penner <boydpenner@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:09 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] budget

Good day. Sadly this is my second attempt.

I must say I am very disappointed in the financial irresponsibility consistently demonstrated by this council and the administration. Money seems to be spent as a matter of course to fulfill a small groups dreams.

The most recent is transit, which has been running amok for years.

- re-branding the fleet, obviously some one loves red stripes
- the recent construction of new bus stations built entirely of glass panels. Guessing about \$250 each? Saw my first of many broken pains and the bus stop was not even open. (18 St. SE in Riverbend)
- the re-branding of the new BRT routes and the new bus colours for each route. Guess the public is too stupid to read bus numbers anymore. Sadly what happens if the pink bus breaks? The poor stupid public when a red bus shows up and they will not know what to do.

All these expenses when we are constantly told transit loses money all the time. Solution, spend more money.

Again on the theme of red, happy it is not purple, the new city logo with the stylized coat of arms. Everything appears to have been updated over the last while. Too bad it is our money not the decision makers.

The recycling program is also an interesting exercise. On 2 different occasions and 2 different dumps, I watched to transport trucks dump full loads of baled cardboard dump their loads at the top of the lift.

When I complained I was told they were storing it there. Just how STUPID do the powers that be think we are?

I'm sure if the citizenry had the opportunity to go over the budgets by department and line by line there would heads rolling. Our collective taxes have risen dramatically over the last 2 terms of this council and I'm not really sure we have been receiving the value we deserve. I know the raises awarded to council, by council, are just another example of how stupid the public is believed to be. Sadly you are being proven correct.

Boyd E. Penner

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Meg Kendall <meganakendall@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 1:19 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] My Parks Foundation Support

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Sincerely,

Meg Kendall

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Derek Thibeault <derekthibeault@telus.net>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 1:46 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] City of Calgary Budget

The mismanagement at city hall is disgusting. Their answer to everything is to raise business and property taxes. The city budget has went from 300 to 400 million over the past four years with little to no population growth in Calgary. How about cutting the budget and cutting business and property taxes. We are in a severe recession in Calgary with an increasing unemployment rate and wcs oil prices tanking with a 40-50 barrel discount from the wti world price for a barrel of oil. People can not afford any more increase in expenses. If the city ran their budget like we have to run our household budget they would be in bankruptcy and never get out. City Hall give your head a shake and pretend the money you are spending is your own!

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: fschaan@shaw.ca
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 2:34 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback on Plans & budgets 2019-2022

A fairly comprehensive report, but I see a lack of focus on living within our means.

With the slow economy and loss of corporate tax revenue, don't stretch the citizens even further by just increasing residential taxes or adding more services and admin fees. I and many others have felt the pain of job losses and salary cutbacks, but I see the city doing little to reduce its administration and salary costs, and/or deferring capital spending. My perception of my interactions with city departments are that many are bloated, with many management layers and administration – these have to be looked at hard just as businesses did and are continuing to be forced to do.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide input.

Fred Schaan

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Schneider <sschneid@shaw.ca>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 2:40 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

You need to stop spending money unnecessarily in communities. I live in citadel and the amount of time and money that has gone into some projects is irresponsible especially in these times when we should be watching how we use our money. For example putting two more four way stop signs in on the drive, putting up a fence in citadel ridge close to please one household, and the plowing of streets in the spring time when the weather was changing the next week. It seems like the people who complain always get what they want. Have you ever thought of asking the rest of the neighbours what they would like before moving forward on some of these things. Also the steps that were put in connecting citadel ridge drive to st brigid. These were put in the same time as the fence was put up. They are useless and a hazard. Someone is going to be seriously hurt and then the city will be putting out a lot more money in a law suit. This was all done because of one household.

Instead of putting in bike lanes, reducing speed limits, putting in more traffic signs maybe you should start educating pedestrians. They do not look at all when crossing and then complain when someone gets hit.

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Chris Fox <foxchristine45@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 4:52 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT]

There should be no more money spent on art work in this city personally feel we have enough. Also from what I heard the green spaces won't be mowed as often well I feel you guys should get fines for that or same guidelines should match the residents in this city. Also the bs that kids can not have a lemonade stand that is donating money to charity or to help wild fire relief without a business license is crap. You're just money hungry, also how are kids that are under 18 to get one. Yeah I am voting this mayor out and my ward 5 council member too will be out. Also the crap that this council gets to pay the music as loud as they want in the evening is crap we should have been allowed to vote on them allowing them to do so having the loud extend permit for noise or whatever it's called. You seem to forget this neighbourhood has year round schooling. To inform for this next year it's here anyone smoking pot and it's in my kids system I am really looking in to what legal action I can proceed with in regards to city of Calgary the council's attitude and the people smoking it as you all did not care people were drinking in public it was like oh well there is a concert going on wow police department I am disappointed.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kaleigh Goehringer <kaleigh.prentice@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 5:03 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary Parks Funding

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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- Our lives are better because we have parks, from Physical & Mental Health to Tourism & Economic Benefits.*
- Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.*

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Kaleigh Goehringer
Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Matt Keay <mattkeay@businessoncamera.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 5:47 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Citizen Feedback - Parks and greenspace
Attachments: Public Submission.pdf

Please see attached letter (PDF), best of luck for visionary and active leadership!

Positively,

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November 17, 2018

RE: Parks Foundation

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In the context of Sport and what that means from the re-classification of federal funding perspective in regards to skateboarding, we are unlocking a new systemic, cultural, and economic opportunity our City can lead while continuing a focus on well utilized and visionary outdoor spaces that are inclusive, active shelters and playful, we can meet a need for innovative outdoor public spaces by bringing arts, sport and horticultural expertise together.

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Sincerely,



Matthew Keay

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kathryn Chin <kathryn.chin7@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 17, 2018 7:16 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] In support of Parks Foundation Calgary

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Gillian Brondyke <gillianbrondyke@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 6:43 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding Support for Parks Foundation Calgary

November 18, 2018

Dear City of Calgary,

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On a personal note, the fully accessible Playground at St. Boniface Elementary School in Lake Bonavista Calgary would never have been built without the partnership between ourselves and Parks Foundation Calgary (PFC). Catholic Schools do not receive funding from casinos or bingos which makes large capital projects extremely difficult to build. It took our playground committee 4 years of tireless volunteer hours to come up with enough funds to build our project. PFC was one of our biggest supporters. They not only provided a \$25,000 Grant for our build, they also provided up to date financial reporting with their "Project Gift Administration Program". The Project Gift Administration Program allowed our volunteers to focus on their fundraising efforts, rather than having to divide their energies with financial reporting and accounting as well. This reduced "volunteer burn out" substantially. Lastly and just as importantly, PFC was able to liaison and provide us with close to 200 Corporate Volunteers to help us build our playground. Without these extra volunteers that came out during the week to build the "St. Boniface Playground" our project would have taken an extra week to complete!

PFC was one of our project lifelines. They became our grant partner, volunteer coordinator and accounting advisor. They were also our biggest cheerleaders to keep us going on our 4 year odyssey to build our playground. On the day we dedicated our playground, PFC made the time to joins us in our celebration. PFC was there for us the entire step of the way!

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Sincerely,

Gillian Brondyke
Playground Co-Chair
St. Boniface Elementary School

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Patrick Reilly <PatReilly_715@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 9:47 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I'm a resident of Lake Bonavista and thanks for inviting public input on the new budgets. Please, please, please consider dumping our very inadequate policy about snow clearing ... leaving it to chinooks!!!! It's been many years since we've had really mild, snow free winters ... many years ... and in the meantime, the city has been giving it far too small a priority. The main streets get a single lane clear fairly quickly, but the plows then leave behind big furrows of ice and snow ... leaving them to us, the citizens, to clear. Lots of seniors affected, etc. and again .. a simple point about "basics first" please. Would greatly appreciate a real turnaround on this crazy, long standing problem.

Patrick Reilly
Lake Bonavista Drive SE

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kevin Wright <kfwright125@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 10:27 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Taxes

Please limit tax increases to the percentage increase in The Old Age Pension. As a homeowner, I have to manage my expenditures to reflect the reality of my income. The City should do so as well rather than seeing ever increasing taxes as being acceptable and the norm.

Thank you

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Elizabeth Webster <elizabethwebster@shaw.ca>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 10:37 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Transit Suggestion

Hi there,

Seeing that transit will now be operating on a budget that will mean riders pay \$4.10 per trip is actually quite horrific. What if someone had a broken leg and needed to take the bus just a few stops? \$4.10 is an absurd price to pay for that. I truly think Calgary needs to look at transit models like San Francisco where you pay per distance travelled. Considering many Calgary Transit users live in Okotoks and Airdrie (who don't contribute taxes for our transit system), CT could make up the difference for those travelling from the very end of the line.

People will no longer be able to afford transit if these costs consider to rise like this. Many people in Calgary are now living paycheck to paycheck as the cost of living has grown enormously and wages don't always reflect that. Just because no one can afford to park downtown doesn't mean they should be gouged with transit fees because they have no other choice. Please consider the position your valued customers are in; it won't be long before we aren't able to afford the cost per trip if changes aren't made. By making the cost over four dollars for a single trip, you will lose ridership significantly. Please consider the "pay per distance" models. Please.

Thank you for your time,

Elizabeth Webster
Born-and-Raised Calgarian

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Andrew Newson <newsonac@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 12:01 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Efficiency at City Hall

We should not have to face cuts to our services yet. The first round of budget revisions should focus on finding efficiencies at City Hall.

All large employers allow inefficiencies to build up over time. Industries do it government do it.

It would not be unrealistic to start each City Hall department off with a goal of finding ways to reduce cost without effecting man power or services. This could be set at 2% this year and rise by 1% per year.

A wise council would have mandated this when the first signs of the Great Alberta Recession started. We are 4 years into this cycle without the Council having shown any leadership.

Now you can see that the will of the people is to not spend frivolously on a poorly planned Olympics. City Hall and Council can now set too and work on a 0% budget increases for the next 5 years.

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Richard Beauchamp <richardbeauchamp8@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 1:55 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

No more tax increases plain and simple. No more increases for transit, bin, or property taxes. This is not acceptable. Nenshi keeps saying he has our backs? What a load of crap.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Michelle Lemmens <mlemmens@telus.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 2:00 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] City of Calgary Budget - Parks Foundation Calgary
Importance: High

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,

Michelle Lemmens
403-990-2440

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jamie Leong-Huxley <jamie@intolla.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 3:28 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support for Arts Funding

I support the increase in funding for Calgary Arts Development to sustain operations of arts organizations and creative industries.

- Beyond sustainability, increased funding will position the arts sector to help create a thriving downtown core and prosperous city overall
- There should be a provision for cost of living index increases each year for Calgary Arts Development funding

I volunteer with Calgary Arts Development, am on the Board of Alberta Foundation for the Arts, and work at Alberta College of Art and Design. My family believes the arts are important to my life and community.

Jamie Leong-Huxley

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jeffrey Boyd <jboyd@ucalgary.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:38 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget - letter of support for Parks Foundation Calgary
Attachments: 2018-11-19-pfc-support-letter.pdf

Please find the attached letter of support for continued funding of the Parks Foundation Calgary.

Jeffrey Boyd
Secretary, Waterwerks Kayak Club

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From: Jeffrey Boyd
Secretary, Waterwerks Kayak Club
35 Pt McKay Cr NW
Calgary, AB T3B 5C3
<https://waterwerks.ca/>

To: City of Calgary

Subject: Parks Foundation Calgary Funding

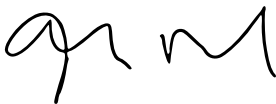
I am writing to express my support for continued funding of the Calgary Parks Foundation. The Waterwerks Kayak Club supports instructional whitewater kayaking programs. While we have programs for people of all ages, we specialize in introducing youth to paddling. Waterwerks also serves as an entry point into the world of competitive whitewater slalom, an Olympic sport – several current national team members started through our club.

We recently received a grant from the Parks Foundation to support the purchase of equipment for young paddlers. This is enabling us to take full advantage of the re-opening of Harvie Passage. The equipment is used to introduce young people to the sport of kayaking, and if they choose, give them a starting point to slalom competition. Harvie Passage is a major change to the visibility of kayak in the community. The timely grant from the Parks Foundation is helping us to show the sport to Calgarians, and gives us equipment for young Calgarians who are inspired by what they see.

In addition to our instructional programs, Waterwerks also promotes river safety throughout all of its activities. Safety is a key component of all courses, starting with teaching essential skills in the pool, and continuing onto the water with all outdoor river activities. The Parks Foundation, by helping to fund our activities at Harvie Passage, is supporting a highly visible example of safe and fun enjoyment of the Bow River.

The Parks Foundation should be commended on their excellent staff. Throughout the grant application process, and subsequent to the award, all of the Parks Foundation staff were polite, helpful, and supportive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JEFF BOYD', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jeffrey E. Boyd
Secretary, Waterwerks Kayak Club

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Joshua Riker-Fox <joshua@riker-fox.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 8:12 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Joshua Riker-Fox
MBA - Olympian - Adventurer
www.riker-fox.com
@joshuarikerfox

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Boyd Penner <boydpenner@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:00 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget 2019

Good day. Sadly this is my second attempt.

I must say I am very disappointed in the financial irresponsibility consistently demonstrated by this council and the administration. Money seems to be spent as a matter of course to fulfill a small groups dreams.

The most recent is transit, which has been running amok for years.

- re-branding the fleet, obviously some one loves red stripes
- the recent construction of new bus stations built entirely of glass panels. Guessing about \$250 each? Saw my first of many broken pains and the bus stop was not even open. (18 St. SE in Riverbend)
- the re-branding of the new BRT routes and the new bus colours for each route. Guess the public is too stupid to read bus numbers anymore. Sadly what happens if the pink bus breaks? The poor stupid public when a red bus shows up and they will not know what to do.

All these expenses when we are constantly told transit loses money all the time. Solution, spend more money.

Again on the theme of red, happy it is not purple, the new city logo with the stylized coat of arms. Everything appears to have been updated over the last while. Too bad it is our money not the decision makers.

The recycling program is also an interesting exercise. On 2 different occasions and 2 different dumps, I watched to transport trucks dump full loads of baled cardboard dump their loads at the top of the lift.

When I complained I was told they were storing it there. Just how STUPID do the powers that be think we are?

I'm sure if the citizenry had the opportunity to go over the budgets by department and line by line there would heads rolling. Our collective taxes have risen dramatically over the last 2 terms of this council and I'm not really sure we have been receiving the value we deserve. I know the raises awarded to council, by council, are just another example of how stupid the public is believed to be. Sadly you are being proven correct.

Boyd E. Penner

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ilona Dezentje <ilonadezentje@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:08 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Calgary Parks Foundation

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely, Ilona

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Colin Dalton <col.dalton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:20 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

To whom it may concern:RE Parks Foundation Calgary

I'm writing today to advocate for continued support for Parks Foundation Calgary, who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life, my family and my community. I would like to see leadership from Council to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces for our future generations.

Of special note to myself is the dedication bench and picnic table program, which is managed by Parks Foundation Calgary, and I believe there are now over 1200 benches across this City, showing the incredible interest and support this program has. Personally, Parks Foundation has aided the development of green space in my neighbourhood of Tuscany, which has made it an amazing community to live it.

I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Colin Dalton
61 Tuscany Ridge Mews NW.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Suzanna <suzannatangen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:22 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding Support for Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. Our organisation, Ultimate Wheelchair Sports believes that nature and green spaces are important to our lives and the community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,

Suzanna Tangen | Program Coordinator
Ultimate Wheelchair Sports Foundation

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: ken <ken@perfectimagesigns.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:49 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] No to tax increase for the next 4 years

Out taxes are already too high and it's hard enough for family's already. Make some cuts starting with pensions,city employees, services, art and things that we don't really need. Calgary voted no to the Olympics for a reason! We can't afford it.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Barron Timmons <barrontimmons@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:01 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] More green space please - Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

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- Our lives are better because we have parks, from Physical & Mental Health to Tourism & Economic Benefits.*
- Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.*

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Barron Timmons

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jose Alvarado <alvaradojox@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:14 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Jose Alvarado

128 Legacy Cir SE, De Winton, AB T2X 0W8

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Carlos Herrera <carlos.herrera@aveva.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:19 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Letter of support to Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Carlos Herrera

AVEVA Group plc is registered in England at High Cross, Madingley Road, Cambridge, England CB3 0HB.
Number 2937296.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Luke Fuglestveit <lukefugazi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:25 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Building Safety

Good day,

I just want to weigh in on the building safety portion of the proposed budget. Building safety is said to provide citizens, communities and customers assurance that new construction projects have been reviewed and inspected to meet Alberta's safety standards prior to occupancy. However I see that much more can be done on this front line. Too much reliance is being put on the idea of "new home warranty", where instead more can be done proactively during the inspection process to scrutinize the building / construction process. Far too much consideration is being given to the builder, while little consideration is being given to the people who end up with these homes, renovations, etc. The people intended to be protected by the building safety laws, should not have to fight with an insurance companies in order to hopefully take care of issues that could have been remedied up front. The design of these building safety laws were intended to protect the end user, and not have them fighting with insurance companies to have the building laws fulfilled. Much more can be done on the front lines to protect the public's best interest.

Regards,

Lucas

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dan Giovinazzo <dg@infusioncoworking.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:33 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget Feedback

Hello, I'm following on with respect to feedback on the proposed 2019 and beyond budget.

With respect to what's contained therein my comments are around two area's specifically, costs and taxes. Generally, my view is that the budget fails to recognize the fact that the city remains in a very difficult position with respect to the ongoing challenges in oil and gas, along with the associated issues that has on our financial condition. Despite that, we continue to spend on low value add, unnecessary and redundant items that are beyond the scope of the basic needs of the city. This is having a profound effect on our ability to incentivise new business growth and sectors outside of energy while matching services and spending with today's realities. Budget's and business plans should reflect the conditions within which we operate and having items within labelled "A Prosperous City, A City of Safe & Inspiring Neighborhoods, A Healthy & Green City" all feel like disconnects between the budget and the current economic environment. The categorization make it difficult to understand where costs and dollars are being incurred while having some of the key details of how financials are normally produced very difficult to find.

Costs

- Costs & Spending are going up almost 10% over the course of the budget. It's understood that inflation and population are both expected to rise over this period. That said, the city is built on an industry many are labelling "in crisis." This is the time to sharpen our pencils, weather the storm and do everything needed to support a budding entrepreneurial sector that will be a key driver to our economic diversification going forward.
- On inflation and population. Not all costs are variable and efficiencies should always keep cost increases lower than those figures, most certainly in challenging economic situations. Consolidation of staffing, challenging budgets, asking everyone to do a bit more with a bit less, freezing salaries are all things that almost every single business in the city has and continues to do. The city should be no different and there's no reason to believe it can be done in the private sector but not in the public.
- On supporting small business and new ventures, this is principally a tax issue, but dollars such as those designated to the investment fund, OR those that come from savings to more broadly support new ventures in the city. The city and its programs should not be picking winners and losers. Rather it should be supporting a healthy and robust environment where small business has the best chance at self created success and where the tens of thousands of entrepreneurs can help be the catalyst to building a more sustainable economic environment for the city.
- All that said. Cost cutting has been a theme. It needs to continue to be more of a theme and the city needs to find more.

Taxes

- With a systemic \$90M tax gap in the city related to the core the labels in the budget should read "Building Stronger Foundations, Living Within our Means, Diversifying our Future." Calgary is world class but going through a very difficult time. To get us out and continue getting better priorities need to reflect the core attributes that need to be at the forefront in this budget. Right now they're not.
- The electorate have been taxed to death and now isn't the time to add to it. There's also a sense of frustration, as seen very predominately during the Olympic debate, of being sick of tax dollars being wasted. There's countless area's we see this. Get that under control and taxes can be further mitigated.
- On the non-residential side, simply put, a potential 25% increase in business tax is economic suicide. To categorize it as anything else to be completely tone deaf to what the city needs and representing council and the city failing in their fiduciary duty to the electorate. Betting on whales to transform the city will be a failing strategy, every time. Amazon is the perfect example of this. Attempting to attract those types of entities will prove next to impossible. Further, doing so successfully will come at what could reasonably be argued is extortion and at a cost the city will never be able to bear. The path forward is in the 50K plus small business and

growing, continuing to feed into the city economy. Taxing to the extent posited, or even low double digit will kill much, if not all, momentum in that sector. A 5% rollback on salaries as an example bridge that gap. Whether through staffing changes, salary freezes and holding on any incentive programs, that's the reality businesses have continued to face to keep going. The city needs to do the same.

To say it in a word, the budget is frustrating. Frustrating in that it fails to show a commitment and understanding of the issues at hand, fails to do enough to support the sector that is key to driving us forward, or that it reflects what electors have said with respect to spending and taxes, i.e. cut spending, lower taxes. The answers out there are hard. They are for a great many Calgarians. Making hard decisions are what council and city leadership are paid to do. The ones to be made right now are focused on economic issues, bread and butter challenges, the ones that don't make for splashy headlines but focussed on tightening the operational budget.

Sincerely,

Dan Giovinazzo

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: yakelin diaz <diaz.yakelin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support requested

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Yakelin Diaz

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jim Agudelo Vargas <jimagudelo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:37 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Need budget for parks

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Sincerely,

Jim Agudelo

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: sandra narvaez <rinconmusicaldesandra@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:45 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support for park foundation

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Sincerely,

Sandra Narvaez

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Milena Mayorga <mayorgamilena@yahoo.es>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:52 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Park Foundation

Dear City of Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Milena Mayorga

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Silvia Gomez <silviabg0918@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:55 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding for Parks Foundation Calgary

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Silvia Gomez

Palaschuk, Jordan

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Sincerely,

Sandra Narvaez

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Mylene Torres <mylenetorres@me.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:58 AM
To: Public Submissions
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Sincerely,

Mylene

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Gail Hamilton <gail@hericanepromotions.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:09 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] FW: In Support of Parks Foundation Calgary

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I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces. I am very impressed with the dedication and enthusiasm that this group shows in their efforts to keep Calgary beautiful and vibrant

They make a difference!

Gail Hamilton
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Wilbert Lamb <willielamb@me.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:49 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 budgets

Hello all:

Could one of or all of you on council, at one of your many press conferences, detail to your customers the taxpayers of Calgary why part of your solution(s) is not with reduced expenditures?

When it's incredibly obvious that there's a problem with businesses locating downtown, and business's out of the core saturated with tax increases, and record numbers of persons that are out of work (NOT by Employment Canada's definition) in Calgary why does part of the answer not lie in prudent spending and an overall reduction of costs.

I think taxpayers are confused when in their daily lives the results of a reduced economy are oh so obvious, but council plods ahead with tax increases on top of tax increases.

Looking for answers,
Respectfully,
Wilbert Lamb
23-27 Ave. SW
Calgary, AB T2S 2X7

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: cpratt <cpratt@telusplanet.net>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:08 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback on 2019 - 2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Simple - prioritize projects and stop spending money you don't have.

There was no NEED for a \$247 million library when a \$100 million library would have worked just fine.

Reduce the Council's Pensions.

Reduce fees for garbage bin pick ups as the pick up schedule has been reduced.

Stop spending money on pet projects. Stop!.

However I am sure this comment along with all the others with similar opinions will be assigned to Bin 13. Ignore and forget.

This City Council is out of control in its spending. Its not a revenue problem its a spending problem.

Good example is the Millions wasted on the Olympic bid when it could have been allocated to affordable housing.

Stop the spending!!

Colin Pratt
9423 Albany PL SE
Calgary

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Sarah Geddes <geddes@pressandpost.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:20 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary - urge to fund

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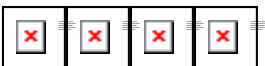
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brad Harrington <brad.harrington@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:21 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget Feedback

Hello,

Firstly I would like to say there are many things I appreciate about living in Calgary. We have excellent parks, strong environmental leadership and a culture that fosters diversity and inclusion. The main concern I have with the current budget and the direction of Council is around the endless tax and fee increases that are being piled onto the taxpayer year after year. The narrative from Council has been that citizens must decide between reduced services or increased taxes, but what about the City reducing the cost to deliver those services? It sounds like reducing labour costs, which is most of the operating budget, is a hot potatoe that no one in the City wants to address. For example, unionized city employees have enjoyed big wage increases year over year while many other Calgarians have had their wages frozen for several years now or even rolled back. Expensive luxury pension plans and bonuses for retirees are other examples of out of control spending and excess.

Before asking Calgarians to decide between paying more taxes or having less service, the City of Calgary needs to do what any other organization would do if times were tight and look first to their spending and stop treating taxpayers as a limitless ATM.

Lastly I would like to address Mayor Nenshi's comment regarding what he thinks Calgarians would say about the budget:

“I think most Calgarians would say, ‘You know, you’re keeping up with inflation, that makes sense,’ and that’s precisely what we’re doing.”

That would all well and fine if wages were going up at inflation, but they're not. We still have a high unemployment rate and many people are still struggling. Before you tell the Taxpayer to "pay up" yet again, you need to take a long hard look at the very expensive workforce you keep and reduce those costs to get them in line with the average worker in Calgary (i.e. most don't have Defined Benefit programs, most don't have "retirement bonuses", etc).

Sincerely,

Brad Harrington

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: devina bhandary <devinabhandary@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:49 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Letter of support to Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

Devina Bhandary

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Hafiz Mitha <hafiz@playcityapp.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:56 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Pubic green spaces funding support

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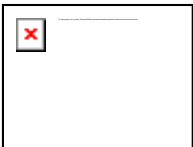
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Sincerely,

Hafiz Mitha
CEO



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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Josie Daub <president@calgaryspeedskating.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 1:38 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

Josie Daub

President

Calgary Speed Skating Association

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Our file:

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Patricia Gomez <patricia.gomezdiaz15@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:00 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Required

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Sincerely,
Patricia Gomez

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Freddy Olivares <freddyolivares1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:14 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,
Freddy Olivares



Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Joey <joeycalgary@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:24 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary Arts Funding

To City Council,

Thank you for the \$5 million increase to arts funding. It is a great start and we are grateful.

Serving on the Public Art Board it is clear to see that artists live precipitous lifestyles. Art is NOT a hobby.

Artists live real lives, raise children, pay taxes and are important contributors to Calgary's economy.

Calgary has some of the most talented artists in Canada and they need our support. Double that increase and you will add to the economic success of Calgary and our talented artists. In addition, it will diversify Calgary in a meaningful way.

Calgary: Making it the place you LOVE to live!

Joey Stewart
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From: Nick Herrera <herreranicolos99@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:31 PM
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Sincerely,

Nicolas Herrera

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: adriana Navarrete <adriananavarrete@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:40 PM
To: Public Submissions
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Adriana Navarrete

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From: Eduardo Gómez <ejgd427@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:41 PM
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Sincerely,
Eduardo J. Gómez D.
147 Chapman Circle SE T2X 3T9
[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Isabella Alatorre <isabella.alatorre@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:44 PM
To: Public Submissions
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Sincerely,

Isabella Alatorre

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Andrew Baird <112andrewb4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:43 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding support for Parks Foundation Calgary

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Andrew Baird

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Maria Alejandra <marialejandra1493@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 3:42 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding for Parks Foundation Calgary

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*Sincerely,
Maria Miranda*

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Warren Wiebe <warren.wiebe@cschurch.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:04 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] importance of parks

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- Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.*

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Warren D Wiebe/Calgary



centre street church

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community groups

north calgary/airdrie community pastor

phone: 403.520.2687 | fax: 403.520.2698

email: warren.wiebe@cschurch.ca

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A Centre Street Church Christmas Production

Saturday, December 1 | 4pm | *6:30pm

Sunday, December 2 | *9am | *11am | 6pm

* Children's Ministry available

Given

A CHILD IS BORN



Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Heather Isidoro <HIsidoro@pinecliffenergy.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:34 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Sara Stepa
Subject: [EXT] support for Calgary Parks Foundation

Dear City of Calgary,

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My personal experience with the Parks Foundation was through my kid's school. We requested and received funding support to build the Buffalo Rubbing Stone School Circle of Courage Learning Grounds. This is a very unique, multi-discipline space that incorporates many subject areas (Science, Engineering, Arts, Math, Music) along with a natural play area. There are several spaces for multiple classrooms to work and learn outdoors together. When the Sara Stepe from the Parks Foundation attended our grand opening she sent the following remarks back to us:

Sorry I missed you on Saturday for the opening at the school, but WOW! What a phenomenal space!! I was beyond amazed at the design, flexible use, and creativity put into that space. You and your team did an absolutely great job!

This design and the space that was created was one of the top spaces I have seen. Like I said I was beyond impressed and I think its incredibly functional. So much for everyone, and an opportunity for kids to really use the space in a variety of ways.

Without the assistance from the Parks Foundation we would not have been able to put everything we wanted into this space and create this amazing and unique space for not only the school, but the whole community. Some quick facts on our project from a green perspective:

- we added 131 deciduous shrubs, 5 coniferous trees, 24 deciduous trees
- re purposed a concrete culvert from Inland sitting inventory
- recycled ~35 trees (up to 12 inch diameter) that were cut down elsewhere in the city
- used 237m3 of mulch made from trees cut down elsewhere in the city

I would love to show someone from the City of Calgary the space personally if there was interest. As well as working with the Parks Foundation we also worked with many community partners to reuse and recycle natural products.

I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure future support of projects like this that will add to the vitality of this city.

Sincerely,

Heather Isidoro

Direct: 587-233-0510

Mobile: 403-589-8078

Email: hisidoro@pinecliffenergy.com

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Elisangela Almanza <elita.almanza@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:52 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Requesting funding for Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

Elisangela Bohemier.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Hanna Cedergren <hmcedergren@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 6:47 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget priority - Parks Foundation

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Without this financial support, Rosemont School Community would not be able to revitalize our aging school grounds. School grounds improvement would have to be funded by parent and community fundraising. With a small school of 220 children, we are unable to generate the funds needed to fulfill a naturalization project for our school.

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Sincerely,

Hanna Cedergren

Rosemont School Grounds Project Lead

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: rayden.nash <rayden.nash@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:21 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget/ spanking CITIZENS

Personally I dont see making this city suffer by raising things higher and higher. Property taxes are unaffordable, your tax help program is a joke having to fight every year for it is nothing short of a sham. We dont need sports crap. Let the teams and fans pay for it. Seniors suffer poor people also suffer. And council and the city photo OP mayor waste quote waste money on ridiculous art,pipe dream and rose colored nightmares for the POOR people of calgary to pay. Enmax charges ungodly amounts " quoting one employee " WE GET TO PAY FOR MAYOR NENSHIS OLYMPIC NIGHTMARE LOSS" personally I believe the mayor and council lost thier Olympic legacy so their going to screw the CITIZENS of calgary for it.

Why not save this city make it more affordable now look at now not 50 years from now. People are suffering and people believe now nenshi and council font give a shit.

Rayden nash

Make Calgary great again let's gave a plebiscite to vote the laughing stock council out of office let's give nenshi a vote of non confidence.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: loisderksen <loisderksen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:25 PM
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From: Sherry Choma (Horvath) <slhorvat@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 9:48 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Funding for Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary. They have been a critical support in helping us rebuild a playground in Glamorgan, S.W. that was removed quite suddenly by the Calgary Catholic School District. I am a citizen who believes that nature and inviting community spaces are important to the quality of life of Calgarians. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

Parks Foundation has provided us with invaluable information and support as we have worked to rally our community, raise funds and secure grants to build a new playground. They have helped us network and understand processes and industry jargon. According to City of Calgary census (2011), our Glamorgan community has a higher percentage of rental properties and lower than average income. Our community members need free, accessible and inviting play spaces and public gathering places. Almost all of the play spaces in our community were built in the 1970s or earlier. The removal of St. Andrew School's playground left a void in our community. Parks Foundation Calgary has been essential in helping the volunteers of our community-led project learn about playground construction, access grants and manage finances. Thanks to the support of Parks Foundation Calgary, we are on track to build a new playground for our community this spring!!

Parks and public spaces are crucial for community and family well-being. I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,
Sherry Choma

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: RON JANZ <ronjanz@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 1:30 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] In support of Parks Foundation Calgary

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- Citizen Surveys say that over 95% of people value parks, coming second only to water management.
- Our lives are better because we have parks, from Physical & Mental Health to Tourism & Economic Benefits.
- Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Ron Janz

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: blinley@telus.net
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 6:56 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: blinley@telus.net; Demong, Peter; Ward11 - Marina Mason
Subject: [EXT] Budget

I have just been reading over the lovely FEEL GOOD budget the city has submitted and it is extremely difficult to drill down to find specifics about what the city is spending money on.

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- Police service budget (highest paid in the country) cut 10% they need to find cheaper and better ways to support Calgarian's and stop the whining.
- Fire - Cut 10% - stop sending fire trucks to every traffic accident. That protocol came in 10 yrs ago, prior to that no fire trucks at accidents.
- Art - cut in half, only maintain what we have - no more stupid art projects.
- Streets - cut 10% - only clear snow off streets which are cities responsibility
- Parks - Cut 10% - I don't see why it costs this much, evry time I am in a park, the washroom is locked and I never see any workers, except of course at city hall and steven ave.
- waste/recycle - cut 20% - very little operation in the winter months (5 mnths of the yr).
- Other services - cut 20% - water s/be affordable for all.
- Well Run City - cut 30 % - its not well run, salary / benefits to high. To many perks not enough work.
- Enabling Services - cut 30% - to much mgmnt not enough doers. Salary / benefits to high

I would cut these costs until you achieve a 5% reduction in spending from 2018 and 2019 resulting in a reduction in property taxes and utility costs of 5% each yr. Then the final 2 yrs s/be a "0" property tax / business increase.

Feel good is over. Time for reality. Council has to reduce spending and bring salary/ benefits in line with the private sector. This spending reduction will lower residential and business tax and restore the Calgary and Alberta advantage which will stimulate the economy.

Cut OLympic spending NOW, not Jan. Cut losses and move on.
Brian Linley

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: James Free <freeofwicklow@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 8:34 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

- 1) Council must tighten the leakage in all departments. Corporations do this regularly. The idea that a budget 'must' be spent or it will be reduced next year is ludicrous.
- 2) While art projects are great, they are a slap in the face to those who have not worked for several years and are using the foodbank. Art projects should be reserved for times of affluence.
- 3) Multiple pensions being collected by City workers and councillors must stop.
- 4) Compensation packages must be examined as well. Alberta is on its' knees financially. Freezes and cuts have been implemented in the private sector. The city must follow suit.

James D Free

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: sara giraldo <saragiraldosu@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 8:48 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Founding to support Park Foundation

Calgary, November 20 2018

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Sincerely,

Sara Giraldo

Enviado desde [Outlook](#)

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Wendy Couronne <wcouronne@vermillionenergy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 8:50 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: sstepa@parksfdn.com
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation support

Importance: High

To whom it may concern:

I have personal experience with the Parks Foundation and the benefits they give the community.

In 2017 our community school received a grant from the Parks Foundation that help supplement a matching grant from CIP.

Without their support and funding we would not have been able to realize our dream of an amazing addition to our school park.

With their help we were able to plant large trees to provide shade, put in swings and picnic tables.

We see so many kids and families using this park all year round. As the trees grow they will provide shade and the park will be an ever better place to come and play as time goes on.

Without them this would not be possible. They are a very important program for the city and for the parks and green spaces of Calgary.

All older schools do not receive funding from the government and if they do it is a matching grant that it is extremely hard to raise money for.

Especially a school like ours, in a lower income area with kids that are bused from out of the neighborhood.

We do not have the demographic of financial support from our community.

At the current time we are trying to get a community garden started. We are finding all kinds of challenges and this may be a program that we as a community may not get to realize!

Please think again about closing this program.

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Sincerely,

Wendy Couronne

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Calgary, AB T2P 0R3
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: 12gardener3 <12gardener3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 8:54 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service plans and budgets

Dear Council

The priority for the money that tax payers give needs to be value. A workforce that seeks to give 100% not just enough to stay within union rules. Sustainable (for taxpayers) pay, benefits and pensions to city workers. Far too much of our money that we intrust to you goes to subpar work.

Yes, we need to encourage and make setting up business easier.

We need a public transportation system that works for all areas of the city

We do not need more arts and creative places, we have our schools and libraries. We do need places where people can move - sport facilities! Healthy body, healthier mind. These sport facilities can also accommodate arts and creative activities.

Seniors and disabled people need to be able to access all public facilities safely.

Prioity for all services should be to keep them efficient not to keep people in employ.

Best regards,
Alice Anderson

Sent from my Samsung device

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Alexis Apps <aapps@vivo.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 9:40 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Amtul Siddiqui
Subject: [EXT] Vivo support letters for inclusion in Councillor budget package
Attachments: Vivo Letter for Exp Aug 2018.pdf; 3813_001.pdf; doc11029620181115135426.pdf

Good morning,

Please find attached for inclusion in the Councillor budget packages the three letters of support for Vivo.

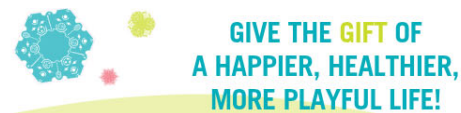
Thank you!

Alexis Apps

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vivo.ca



To whom it may concern:

I am father of two little girls, my wife and I have been a resident of the Coventry Hills area for over 10 and our family has been using Vivo on and off through out that time. I find that Vivo is the central hub for our community and does act as a focal point for many events. More than just sports but many other events as well. My family and I tend to go less to Vivo because of the constant issues of it being over crowded. Trying to find services for our family in our local area is proving to be difficult to say the least. The population trying to use Vivo just too big for its current design. Don't miss understand me, I do feel Vivo runs an incredible programs and does a lot of good for the community. It's just very disheartening to try and get into those programs. We will wait for the second these programs open to scramble to get our entries in. Where we might be successful with one kid, but the time we get to the next child those programs are filled. We find ourselves routinely heading outside of Vivo to access similar programs sometimes as far as Airdrie or worse.

I feel as well as my family does it's critical to expand Vivo to aid our communities with the local services we desperately need. In the years we have seen this community grow and flourish, we have seen that the services supporting it have not been able to keep up. Vivo is the central hub for our communities. It's the place we hold meetings, go for sports, attend events, have birthday parties, get healthier through physiotherapy, converse with our neighbours, and a place where larger communities events happen. An expanded Vivo will help bring our community closer together. Allow us to build better relationships with our neighbours and citizens. This doesn't even touch on the fact it gives a local place for our children to learn, grow, and explore in a safe way.

I feel very strongly that we need to fully fund Vivo expansion requests. This would go a very long way to dramatically improving the lives of our citizens in the community. This would also aid my family to keep things more local and allow my children to grow with in the community and make more meaningful relationships. With Vivo being the central focus, I fear that not funding the expansion project would only further harm our community.

I would urge whoever is making decisions on funding the Vivo expansion to please understand our community is greatly under served right now. We desperately need this to help and continue to build a vibrant and sustainable community.

Sincerely

Tavis Settles

164 Covewood Green Ne.

August 20, 2018



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Monday September 17, 2018

To Whom It May Concern

My name is Ben Gratton and I am one of the Vice-Principals of Notre Dame High School. I am here today to talk to you about the symbiotic relationship that our school has with VIVO. We all understand the importance that a school can play in a student's life. For some, it is a place to acquire knowledge, for others it is the only safe haven they have in their lives. I am pleased today to let you know that everyone at Notre Dame High School is extremely grateful to have VIVO as an extension of our home. They are an addition to our school that has allowed us to permeate a culture of caring and respect throughout the community of Coventry hills.

When I heard that I would be speaking in front of City Council today, I immediately began to think about how I could portray some of the ways in which VIVO serves our student body. I collaborated with my colleagues, staff, and students at Notre Dame to find out what story could be told or event could be shared that would emphasize the connection between the two buildings. Could we summarize the bond between facility and school in a story or two to get the point across? Alas, the answer to this deeply rooted question was a complex and meaningful no.

Ask any family member to summarize their relationship between their siblings or parents and you get the ever famous Facebook status of "it's complicated." That whirlwind sensation of so many emotions that are evoked when one thinks of the happiest, saddest, proudest, challenging, and rewarding times one gets in a working relationship. Students at Notre Dame High School experience these same emotions on a daily basis when they attend VIVO. Whether it is creative students seeing their artwork proudly displayed in the main foyer during Fine Arts week; or the commemorative 150th anniversary flag our welding students were honored to create using a brand new plasma cutter they were given from a grant from the federal government; students doing activities or games in one of the gyms at VIVO because the four Phys. Ed classes with over 40 kids in them cannot fit in the single gym at the school; the sense of belonging felt by our students with disabilities that earn real work experiences by helping to clean and organize various spaces; providing an opportunity for Notre Dame to offer specialized programs like the Canada Hockey Skills program which gives young aspiring hockey players a chance to earn high-school credits playing Canada's game; the typical spaces, like a weight room, basketball court, or swimming pool that allows kids to lead healthy lives which is proven to improve the likelihood of graduation. These are just some of the experiences that make VIVO more than an extension of the home of Notre Dame High School students.

An extension to VIVO would allow students of Notre Dame High School to feel more connected to their community. More space would provide even greater opportunity to learn, play and grow in a safe environment. VIVO's mission statement is "Raising healthier generations" and the community of Coventry Hills, especially all those at Notre Dame High School, are able to proudly live up to this statement. Further space at VIVO would be monumental in developing the whole child now and for our future. And as the old slogan goes "it takes a village to raise a child". The growth in Calgary demands that as more families come to this amazing city that their children have the same opportunity to be the best version of themselves. So investing in the growth of VIVO is investing in the growth of our children.

Thank you.

Ben Gratton
Vice Principal
Notre Dame High School



CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



North Calgary Cultural Association (NCCA)
(Working Hard to Build Bridges Among Diverse Organizations)
216 Panamount Hill NW Calgary, AB. T3K 5P5



October 18, 2018

Re: Support Letter for Vivo for Healthier Generations' Expansion

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a proud resident of North-Central Calgary and have called Coventry Hills my home since 1999. I have seen the Northern Hills Community grow as someone who raised my family in the area. That time our area population was a lot smaller than today and our needs for extra space were not many. We never dreamed that Northern Hills will expand that much and that I have a passion for the community and have good knowledge of community needs due to my past experience as town Councillor for 18 years.

In 2009 a few seniors got together and formed the North Calgary Cultural Association ('NCCA') with a mere 6 members. The goal of the NCCA is to promote social activities, encourage and promote amateur games and exercise, provide a meeting place for discussions and provide social services to the community with a focus on seniors - a growing population in the community. Soon after forming the association we realized that there is no community place in the area where more than 50 people can have a meeting. Panorama community centre has the capacity for 50 but in two different rooms. We met with Mayor Naheed Nenshi to explain the needs of the community and need to expand Vivo but did not make any progress. Now it is dire need of expansion. At present we have 132 members and all our main functions are arranged in the NE quadrant as there is no space in Northern Hills.

We turned to Vivo. It was a building with accessibility for all of us - as a community hub, a point for health care and recreation. Vivo is the only place like this in the area with a population of 130,000 which is growing really fast. NCCA has had similar growth and in 2018, we grew to 132 members.

We met with MLA Jamie Kleinsteuber, Minister Joe Ceci and Minister Amarjit Sohi on behalf of Vivo. Earlier this year, the Provincial Government came back with fifteen million dollars toward the goal of sixty-million dollars for the expansion of Vivo. During our meeting with Minister Sohi, we were told that the City of Calgary support is required to approve Federal funds and that these Federal funds are available as soon as the City is on board.

I am writing this letter in support of Vivo's expansion plans. Vivo is already a community hub that knows how to operate successfully. The expansion will continue to enrich the lives of all members of the community and give the physical space needed for cultural associations, families, the youth and seniors.

Sincerely,

Surinder Plaha
North Calgary Cultural Association

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Mark Verlaan <mark_verlaan@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:05 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] City of Calgary Budget Priorities

Dear City of Calgary,

I want you to know that the Parks Foundation Calgary runs a number of programs that are critical in maintaining Calgary's status as one of the best places to live. One of their biggest contributions to our city is facilitating and funding exciting playgrounds to replace the older structures in the community and to ensure Calgary stays green! I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,
Mark Verlaan

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ron Butler <ron.butler44@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:49 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Budget 2019-2022

I did want to provide feedback but on your website, the email feedback button was not working, so am sending this way.

Overall there are many, many good things happening at the City and you should be proud of the work that is being done. Good example is expansion of Calgary Transit. After reviewing your report, I would have the following items that I see as a high priority or what is missing:

- Diversification of industry - know we are trying , but needs to be more effort (and money) on this from both the city and the province
- Taxes - while I am okay with small residential tax increases, what we are doing to small business is unacceptable and making things worse. While the reasons that are printed always focuses on big businesses reducing in size (and therefore taxes paid), which technically is true, I see the City not doing enough to reduce how much is spent. While I know there are always 'small' budget reductions that take place, I find it amazing that if large companies laid off from 10-40% of their workforce, I have not seen any layoffs from the City. There needs to be a big and fundamental cost reduction to reflect the tax base . I have been involved with many of these in past and while a terrible thing to go through, it is always amazing that the non-important work stops and good work continues. City need to do this.
- Example, golf courses. I fully support keeping them but with no subsidy. If City staff cannot do this, then needs to be outsourced and please don't reassign people to other departments, like you usual do. Reduce the numbers!! and therefore the costs.
- Another example is on IT. How many jobs have we eliminated do to advances in IT area. I sense City is way behind in this area.
- Know we lost a lot of government dollars on not having the Olympics. So going forward with these capital projects, should be based on economic value and dollars coming into the City from these as to which get built first. Not sure if it is new hockey arena, field house, enhancements to Arts Commons, conference center, etc. but do it based on economics.

A few thoughts from me. Thanks for Listening.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Helen Innes <helen@innesfamily.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 11:39 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary Funding

Dear City of Calgary,

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Helen Innes

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Hayley Gislason <Hayley@homespace.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:02 PM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Matt Vermunt
Subject: [EXT] Feedback for 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets
Attachments: City of Calgary_Feedback to Council_11.19.2018.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find attached - HomeSpace's feedback letter to Council, on the focus area of *A Prosperous City – Affordable Housing*.

In summary, the need for affordable housing in Calgary is great. As experts in this sector, we strongly recommend the City continue commitments to affordable housing in the form of the following:

- Disposition of city owned land for non-market housing development,
- Expedited development approvals for affordable housing developments, and
- Financial support through the Housing Incentive Program (HIP)

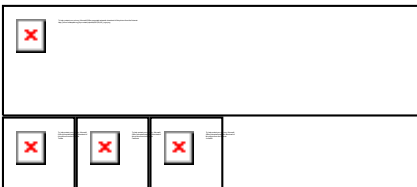
We look forward to speaking on this subject at the public hearing next week.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Hayley

Hayley Gislason
Communications Advisor

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Katie Franczak <kmfranczak@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:15 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

Katie Franczak

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Dinora Vega <dinoravega@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:15 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Parks Foundation Calgary,

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Sincerely,

Dinora Vega.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: ruth@ruththorkelson.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:36 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2020 Budget plans

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support **Parks Foundation Calgary**, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

In particular, the City of Calgary is tearing down an old play structure in my neighbourhood (Signal Hill), with no plans for redevelopment as a playground. In the six years since we have made our home in Signal Hill, there are 12 children under age eight – so far – that have appeared on our section of the street alone. And potentially more to come. We have applied to Parks Foundation Calgary for funding for a new play structure and are hopeful that with increased funding, it will consider our request.

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Sincerely,
Ruth Thorkelson and Mark Watton
109 Signal Hill Circle SW

Ruth Thorkelson
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lisa Raffan <lisa@phoenixfoundation.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:52 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,
Lisa Raffan

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Carrie Plesuk <carrie.plesuk@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 12:56 PM
To: Public Submissions
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*Sincerely,
Carrie Plesuk*

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Calvin Lee <leecheehay@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 1:01 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Hello City Council,

I personally oppose the property tax hike. I would prefer if the City Council can look for more ways to reduce expenses and costs instead of continuing to increase taxes.

The economy in Calgary is already pretty bad due to the lack of pipeline capacity which all governments fail to solve for years. I would hope even if there is an increase, the increase in property tax can be minimized.

If City only increases taxes when there is no control in spending, no amount of tax revenue would be sufficient. Please just manage money like you manage money for your household.

Prioritize the needs and development would also help. We do not need to develop so many communities at the same time, given the growth in population is still slow and the availability of condos throughout the city. The new library is so fancy and expensive it is amazing. Bidding the Olympics also wasted a lot of money. Better management of these projects can certainly reduce the tax burden of fellow citizens.

Thanks so much,
Calvin

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Stephen B. Wilton <sbwilton@ucalgary.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 1:02 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback on 2019-2022 Budget

Hello,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the budget proposal. My comments focus on one area - the city's response to the climate change crisis.

It is clear from prior feedback that reducing our climate impacts is a priority shared by the majority of Calgarians. However, I was disappointed to see that the budget only includes a small allocation related to studying resiliency and mitigation of the effects of climate change. These are important of course, but I think that much more could be being done locally to make Calgary a Canadian leader in municipal responses to climate change. An adequate response requires coordinated efforts from all levels of government as well as individual citizens. Around the world, we have seen many examples where cities have stepped up to lead when larger orders of government have been slow to act. There are many, often simple, opportunities where city government can effectively nudge citizens to make more sustainable choices. These include programs to subsidize retrofits to improve residential and business energy efficiency, further improvements to public transit and expansion of cycle tracks, and many other ideas.

Thank you,

Stephen Wilton, Calgary.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Amber Dennison <amber.m.dennison@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 2:07 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Please Fund Parks Foundation Calgary
Attachments: Fall2018 Playground Flyer.jpg

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to advocate for funding for Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a mother who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. Kids have lots of opportunity for screen-time, but we need safe and interesting parks to entice children to play outside more often. Parks are a great way of leveling the socio-economic field, to give every kid some essential play time - even if their parents can't afford team sports etc. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

In particular, the City of Calgary is tearing down an old play structure in my neighbourhood (Signal Hill), with no funding for replacing the playground. Since 2014, 12 children under age eight have appeared on our section of the street alone, with number 13 expected this spring. Parks Foundation Calgary has been instrumental in helping us (a group of neighbours) apply for grants and fund raise for new equipment (Please see attached flyer for details). We would have very little hope of replacing our playground without help from Parks Foundation Calgary, without them we would be looking at merely green space where our playground had been.

Impact Facts about Parks Foundation Calgary – Parks Matter!

- Parks Foundation Calgary supports 20+ new park and sport projects each year, helping communities across the city reach their project goals.
- Through Parks Foundation Calgary's grant programs they give approximately \$750,000 EACH YEAR to sport and community led projects.
- Our City's beloved Dedication bench and picnic table program is managed by Parks Foundation Calgary, supporting over 1200 benches across this City.
- Did you know that over 85% of project partners say they gained new knowledge and skills from working with Parks Foundation Calgary?
- Citizen Surveys say that over 95% of people value parks, coming second only to water management.

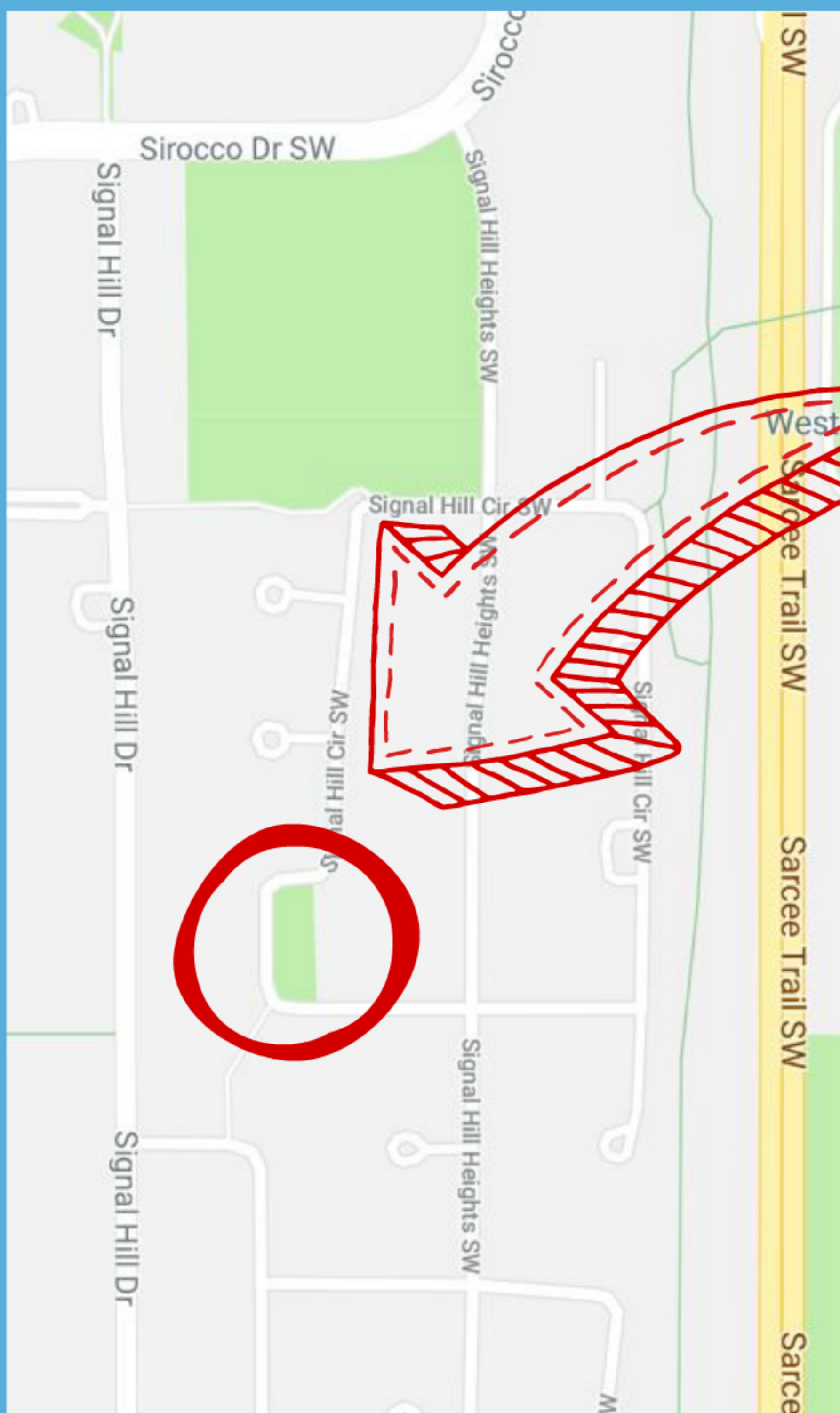
I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Amber & Christopher Dennison

105 Signal Hill Circle SW

Coming in 2019...



Playground Replacement for Signal Hill Circle

Our old wooden playground has been around since the 80's. In 2016 the City of Calgary slated it for removal (due to safety concerns), and had planned on turning our playground into green space. But we (a group of neighbours) have been working hard to replace the playground equipment and we're half way there...



**1. Like us on facebook,
www.facebook.com/SignalHillCircle**



2. Donate via Parks Foundation Calgary website, select Signal Hill Circle Park under community-led projects.

Join Us

Replacing the playground will cost \$85,000. Our group has raised nearly \$40,000 but we need your help to close the gap before summer 2019. Take action and join us. Let's keep Signal Hill Circle playground cool.



Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Claudio Rojas <corojas@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 2:23 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary Funding

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- *Our lives are better because we have parks, from Physical & Mental Health to Tourism & Economic Benefits.*
- *Parks add value to our lives and were one of the standout reason Calgary was named #4 on the "Most Livable Cities" list.*

My request is that the City of Calgary would fund and support Parks Foundation Calgary. Their work is vital to the building of parks, open spaces, pathways and amateur sports which make for a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Claudio Rojas

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Amelie Schumacher <amelie.schumacher@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 3:52 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,

~Amelie Schumacher

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Amelie Schumacher

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Alanna Maria <alannamariab@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 4:06 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Yes for Vivo

Hi There,

I wanted to take the time to share my support for Vivo for Healthier Generations in the budget deliberations. I was thrilled to learn they were recommended under the "Healthy and Green City" priority.

Thank you so much!

Alanna Bryant

THE CITY OF CALGARY
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MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Montgomery Community Association 2017-2018 Annual Report February 28, 2018



Working Together for a Better Community

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Canada 150 Grant (Federal) and Capital Conservation Grant (Municipal)

PROJECT COSTS	Project Costs	WD Assistance	WD %
Assisted Capital			
Community association upgrade costs incurred from April 1, 2016 to October 31, 2017	\$272,977	\$240,220	88%
Total Assisted Capital	\$272,977	\$240,220	88%
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Non-Assisted Capital			
Community association upgrade costs incurred from September 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016	\$212,243	\$0	0%
Total Non-Assisted Capital	\$212,243	\$0	0%
Total Non-Assisted	\$212,243	\$0	0%
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$485,220	\$240,220	50%

Includes costs to complete exterior building upgrades, landscaping, sidewalk replacement, entrance upgrades, replacement of windows, light fixtures, and the electrical panel as well as professional fees and federal signage requirements.

Includes costs to replace the roof and air ventilation systems.

Project is now complete.

This has been proudly supported by Western Economic Diversification Canada

FINANCIAL REPORT

Year ending August 31, 2017

	2017	2016	2015
Revenues			
Hall Rentals	50,745	61,372	57,997
DFC	15,316	15,316	15,449
Grants	37,056	-	-
Programs	3,439	4,693	16,661
Casino	66,470	-	72,698
Other	7,289	6,161	16,125
Total Revenues	180,315	87,442	178,931
Expenses			
Salaries & Benefits	66,520	63,552	57,204
R & M	57,370	19,226	19,572
Utilities	14,528	14,157	15,280
Program Costs	8,758	5,763	2,151
General & Admin	4,441	3,537	3,027
Messenger	-	-	8,141
Other	28,707	26,953	32,515
Total Expenses	180,324	133,188	137,890
Surplus	(9)	(45,746)	41,041

Our Mandate: Vision

The MCA will engage all ages and backgrounds to stay connected to our community where families live, work, play, and grow.

Our Mandate: Mission

MCA will provide responsive and responsible management/guidance within the community and embrace principles of inclusion, sustainability, and community pride.

Finance Committee



- Prepared monthly reports for the Board
- Compiled information to provide to auditor
- Completed all bookkeeping and banking requirements
- Organized, secured May 2018 Casino
- Grant applications to City of Calgary
- Managed Grant and Casino reporting requirements
- Assisted Treasurer with accounting entries



Planning Committee

- Reviewed and provided comments on over 70 development permits, home occupation permits, business use changes, and land use applications
- Continued to work with West Campus Development Plan
- Continue to advocate for quality development within the community
- Continue to stay informed regarding Trinity Development
- Working with the City of Calgary regarding the MainStreet Project.



Looking east along 16 Avenue SW from 16 Street SW
Looking west along 16 Avenue SW from 16 Street SW

Civic Affairs

- Maintained relationships with City, Provincial, Federal Government.
- Hosted All-Candidates Forum.
- Said good-bye to Ward 1 and Ward Sutherland; moved to Ward 7 with Druh Farrell.
- Working with City of Calgary on 16th Avenue beautification, Home Road upgrades.
- Facilitated Main Streets open houses.
- Working with City on South Shaganappi Interchange Study



Communications

- Maintained the community website
- Continued monthly newsletter: Montgomery Messenger with Great News.
- Managed Twitter Account @mcapeople
- Managed FaceBook page @MontgomeryCA
- Launched Notable Neighbours
- Utilized Bold signs and Folding boards to announce community events/activities/open houses
- Utilize the "M" community notice board for announcements.

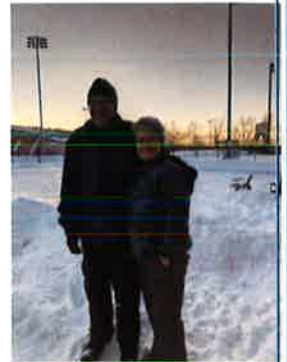
Notable Neighbour:
Angela Williams



Community Engagement



- Annual Community Clean Up
- Supported community initiatives through the Ripples Grant.
- Pickle Ball
- Yoga
- Winter Fest
- Skating Rink
- Barbeque On the Bow
- Shouldice Park users.



Community Garden



- One of a very few true community gardens; site is shared by all members of the committee.
- New Raised beds which makes gardening for seniors easier.
- New garden shed.
- Continuing partnership with Terrace Road School

Building Committee

- Completed all work under the Canada 150 Grant and the Capital Conservation Grant.
- Including: soffit, fascia, painting, repointing, stone work, sidewalks, parking bulbs, roof, MUA unit, garden, benches, trees, landscaping, irrigation, lighting
- Completed "As Built" Drawings with S2 Consultants



Children's Programs

- Organized youth outdoor Soccer Program (U4 to U12)
- Playgroup
- Summer Camp



Heritage Committee



Summer 1953. Up to the roof-line. Note how far away the road allowance is. "Montgomery 1998" shows a widened paved road and a bus stop right outside the front door!



- Continued to collect and archive newsletters and photos
- Exploring a Marker/Way finder for Shouldice home.

The City of Calgary, Corporate Records, Address: CalA86002004



**Home road facing NW at intersection of highway 1 in Montgomery.
Circa Oct 1960
City of Calgary archives**



Seniors' Social



- Hosted Monthly Seniors' Socials in collaboration with the University of Calgary Nursing Students
- Continued affiliation with and support for AAA (Alliance for Active Aging)



Community Safety Initiative

- Monitored activities within the community.
- Liaised with the City Police.
- Facilitated meetings with residents who express concerns.
- Attended Ward 1 Chief of Police presentation.
- Attended Calgary Police Commission: Community Dinner and Community Policing Awards



Personnel

Facility Manager:

- Oversees the daily operations of MCA's facility.
- Ensure cleanliness of the facility.
- Schedules and Manages rentals and bookings.
- Provides monthly updates to the Board.
- Ensure completion of monthly and annual maintenance.
- Liaise with members of the community.
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Assistant Facility Manager:

- Carry out general maintenance and facility maintenance tasks as required by facility manage.
- Support Facility Manage in completing tasks related to the facility's operations.
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Community Engagement Coordinator:

- Enhance facility utilization, increase activities and promote involvement by residents.
- Manage, administer, and execute events.
- Liaise with volunteers to facilitate events.
- Provide monthly updates to the Board.
- Promote the community and ensure timely and accurate communication.



Facility Management



- Ensured annual facility inspections completed
- Ensured annual maintenance completed
- Managed Main Hall and boardroom rentals.
- Worked with the City of Calgary on LifeCycle projects.
- Kitchen fire/insurance
- Dealt with ongoing Make Up Air difficulties.
- Compliant with City of Calgary Recycling Initiatives.
- Hosted Christmas Dinner

Follow these three steps for collecting and setting out yard waste for pick-up

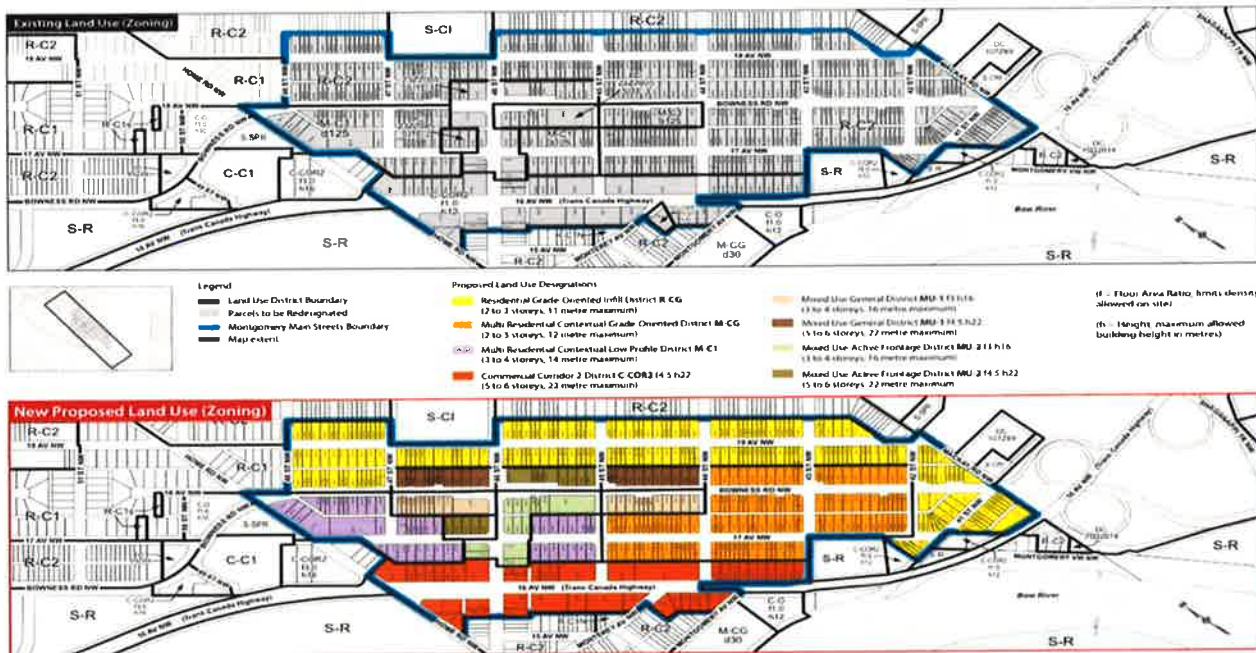


Governance



- Reviewed by-laws, no changes this year.
- Reviewed Strategic Plan; set one-year and five-year goals.
- Reviewed License of Occupation and Lease Agreements with the City.
- Reviewing policies and procedures.
- Continued relationship with Shouldice Park staff and other City departments
- Completed Community Asset Map with Business Improvement Area (formerly BRZ now BIA)
- Maintained partnerships Federation of Calgary Communities, University of Calgary, Calgary Police Services, and South Shaganappi Area Strategic Planning Group.





Calgary



Main Street: **Montgomery**

The Montgomery Area Redevelopment Plan was approved in 2008 and encourages the success and growth of the commercial area along both Bowness Road NW and 16 Avenue NW. This includes pedestrian focused commercial access within mixed use buildings along Bowness Road and a gateway commercial area of high quality along 16 Avenue NW.

EXISTING Land Use (Zoning)

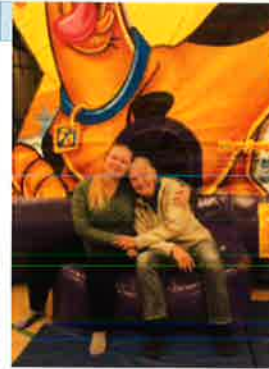
The existing land use districts (zoning) allows for a limited amount of mixed use development on a small portion of Bowness Road NW and 16 Avenue NW. There is some capacity for low-rise apartment buildings, but the majority of nearby residential development is constrained to single or semi-detached homes. If development was built to the maximum of the current zoning, the main street area would not be able to meet the desires expressed by the community or reach the population and employment targets to allow for growth and vitality.

PROPOSED Land Use (Zoning)

When Montgomery residents and main street users provided their input about the future of this area, they shared that they would like to see improvements to sidewalks, a better overall pedestrian experience and have a variety of retail and small businesses. Additional retail and improved public realm can only be supported with more population. Rezoning could allow greater flexibility for mixed use, apartment, or row or townhouse development, create more housing options and business opportunities for Montgomery.

In the fall of 2016, Montgomery residents provided detailed feedback at public input sessions on a proposed land use framework to meet this growth potential. These comments were considered when refining this proposal.

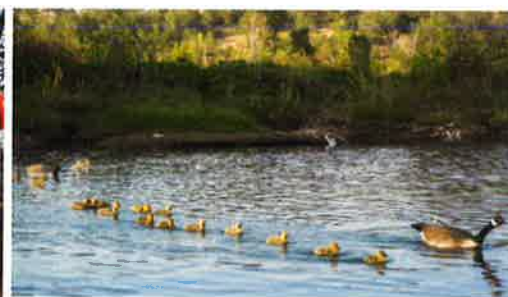
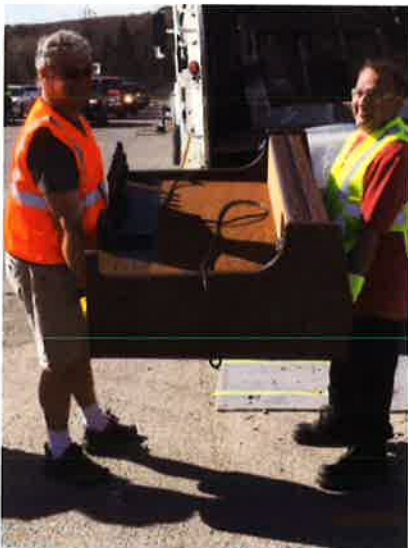




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Working Together for a Better Community

Your Worship and Members of Council

Re: Main Streets funding

Montgomery Community Association and residents have been engaged with the Main Streets since its inception. The hook was the plan for the city to work with landowners, communities, and developers to create new vibrant main streets across Calgary. The city identified 24 potential main streets across the city. The 24 identified Main Streets border 60 different communities with a population of 300,000, one-quarter of Calgary.

A key issue to Main Streets was noted to be the need to gain political and community support for the development of the main street.

For four years, Montgomery Community residents were told and reassured and read that the infrastructure investment from the City was forthcoming. The Community Association supported the densification targets in support of the MDP. The agreement to the ARP amendments was based on this understanding and promise. This is clearly an egregious misunderstanding; however, the confusion is not on the part of the community.

<http://www.calgary.ca/PDA/PD/Pages/Main-Streets/yyc-Main-Streets/B-bowness-road-montgomery.aspx#mainst-top>

"As part of regular road maintenance, Bowness Road N.W. is scheduled for repaving in 2019. The road surface will be removed and replaced which presents an opportunity to redesign the road so it functions more effectively for all users. As a result, the projects will be combined and implemented together, providing significant improvements on Bowness Road N.W. while reducing construction costs and minimizing impacts on businesses, residents and road users.

Our investment in Montgomery starts in 2019."

Further, the Project Brief noted that "Council also approved funding in May 2017 to implement the Montgomery Main Street improvements".

The infrastructure in Montgomery dates back to the 1960's and there has been very minimal investment in the community since that time. Main Streets, as promised, was an opportunity for this situation to change.

I cannot begin to express how betrayed our community feels by this clear “bait and switch” by City staff. This loss of trust is significant.

I appreciate that \$30 million dollars has been recommended to be included in this budget and that Bowness Road in Montgomery is recommended to be one of two of the projects to be funded. I urge Council to, at a minimum, to approve this recommendation.

However, it is imperative that the City establishes a sustainable model of funding for developed areas. The infrastructure needs to be maintained in order to promote the development that is intended in the MDP and the ARP.

Montgomery is located within walking distance of the second largest employment hub in Calgary outside of downtown (including Alberta Children’s Hospital, University of Calgary, Foothills Hospital, Innovate Calgary, and Market Mall). Many residents from all over the City come to Montgomery for access to sports fields, river access, Jump Start accessible playground, pathways, and off leash areas.

While Montgomery is experiencing significant growth and redevelopment; we are losing out on development opportunities because of the age of the infrastructure and the lack of public space amenities. In speaking with developers, many hesitate to enter Montgomery for fear of triggering an extremely large infrastructure expense. Development in Bowness was stopped due to the aged sewer system and the new sanitary truck line was built. That sanitary truck connects to the original sewer system in Montgomery. Developers are aware of this. Green field development continues to the West and North of the Community; the developed areas infrastructure needs to be considered and the down-stream impacts mitigated within these projects.

Montgomery has been a part of this Main Streets since its inception. What follows is a review of the process to date:

December 16, 2014 we were approached by city staff to host an open house for Main Streets in February 2015 and on January 13, 2015 we were invited to attend workshops. The Main Streets campaign was to explore how growth can happen in a meaningful way for residents, businesses, and developers in the main street neighbourhoods. The first step was to gather local perspectives about main street issues, opportunities, and outcomes through a series of workshops. We began promoting Main Streets in the community newsletter January 2015. We promoted the open house and the online engagement opportunities through the city website.

September 2015 the “What we’ve heard and what’s next” document from the city noted that the Main Streets engagement was one of the largest local planning engagement efforts initiated by the City, noting that more than 2200 Calgarians collectively volunteered 1335 hours of their time to share concerns, suggestions, and future visions for main street neighbourhoods. What we heard was placed on the City website.

The city decided to move forward on 7 of the Main Streets. Montgomery has 2 identified Main Streets areas: Bowness Road and 16th Avenue. We were selected as a community because of the significant infrastructure needs and our expressed willingness to work with the city as a partner on this initiative.

From 2014 to 2016 the City undertook extensive public engagements, performed economic and market demand studies, and completed area planning reviews.

The community worked very closely with the city to come up with a plan to take to council which would amend the ARP. The Community Association believed that the proposed rezoning would provide a vibrant business zone and would also encourage a wide range of housing and accommodation options for people who move to Montgomery. We worked with the city main street team to maintain the character of the community while meeting the MDP densification targets.

January 30, 2017, we received an email stating that City staff were planning to take the ARP amendments to CPC in February 2017 "to allow for the start of working on Street scape design which is part of the priorities". We submitted a letter of support for the amendments to the ARP January 31, 2017 with the understanding that funding would be forthcoming to follow through on the infrastructure and public realm improvements promised.

The changes to the Montgomery ARP were approved in Council on April 10, 2017.

In the what next section on the City Website, it was noted that the City would be calculating the infrastructure investments and local improvements that will complement the needs of these areas. Programs related to streetscape master planning, heritage and character home retention and parking solutions were noted to be already underway (May 25, 2017).

November 27, 2017 I received an email including a project brief: Road maintenance is scheduled for repaving in 2019 the road surface will be removed and replaced. This was noted to be an opportunity to redesign the road so it functions for effectively for all road users. It also noted that Council approved funding in May 2017 to implement the Montgomery Main Streets improvements. "As a result, the projects will be combined and implemented together, providing significant improvements on Bowness Rd while reducing construction costs and minimizing impacts on businesses, residents, and road users.

Further community engagement occurred and what we thought was public realm /streetscape design work was undertaken.

Then on June 20, 2018 at a meeting to present what they heard regarding the street scape plan to the stakeholder's group, city staff stated that the improvements were not funded. This surprised both our community association and our Councilor.

At the time, I submitted a letter expressing my concerns including a copy/paste from the City website that says the project is funded.

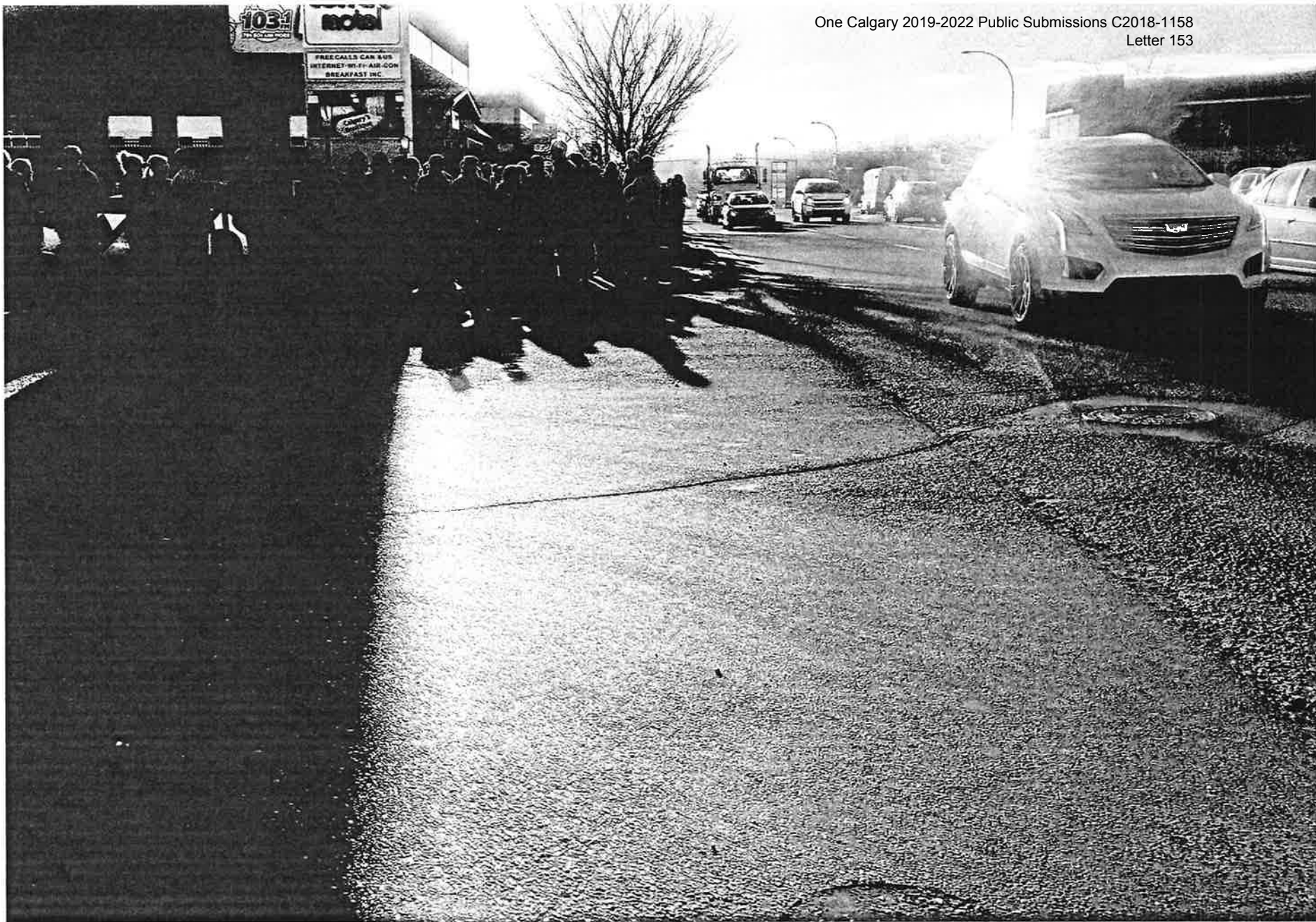
On August 1, 2018, I received a letter stating that there have been some miscommunications between the city and the community with respect to capital funding available for Bowness Road Main Streets Streetscape program capital budget. Further, "The City recognizes that the information on the website is incorrect, and we are committed to updating our website to reflect the that there is currently no funding allocated for construction of streetscape improvements with the 2016-2019 budget cycle." If the response to a request is the need to change your website, then clearly the misrepresentation of information is the City's.

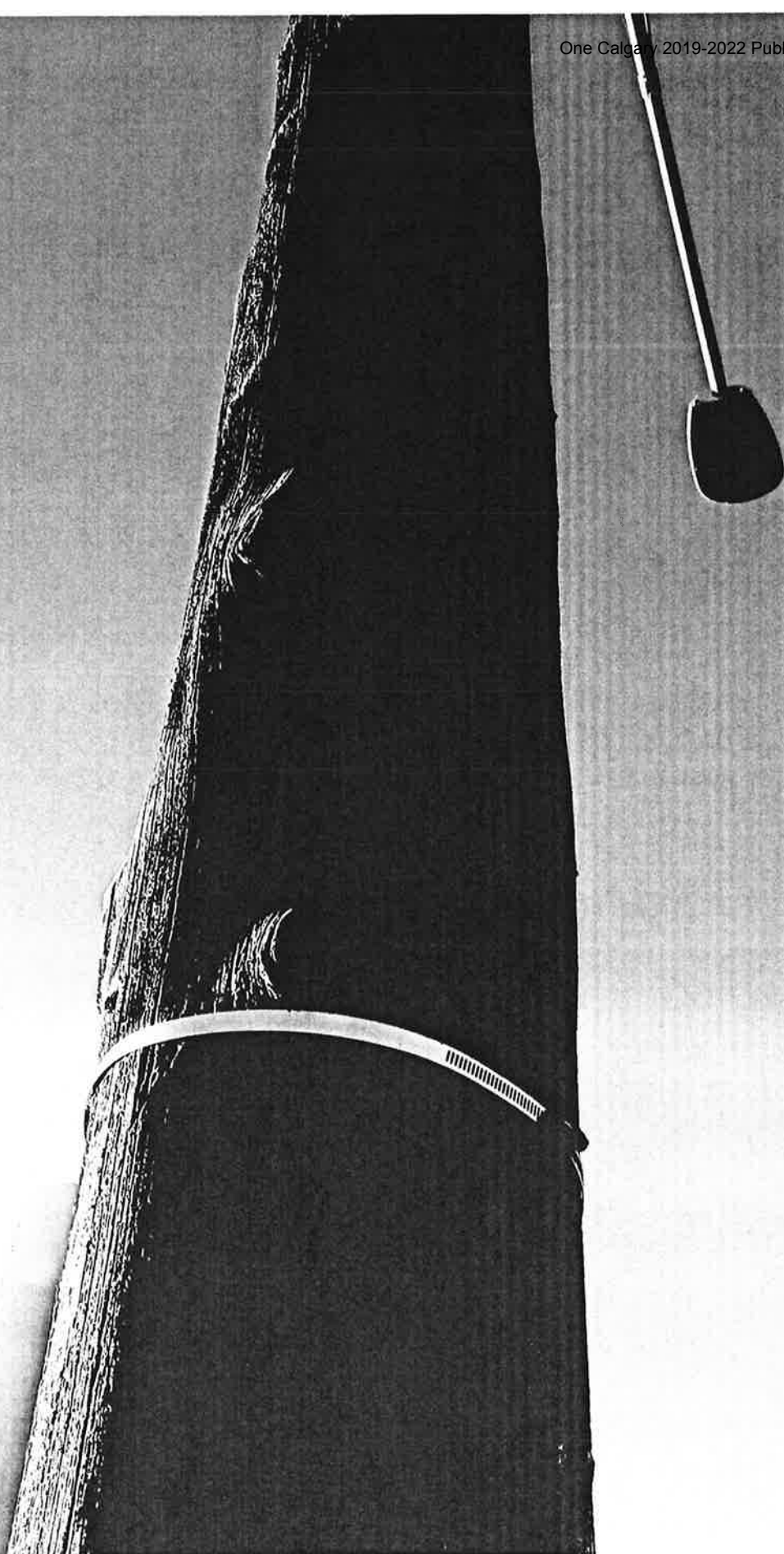
In closing, the amount of effort and time that the City and the Community Association has invested in Main Streets is enormous. As a community, many residents compromised on the densification for the promise of community investment. This trust in the City in developing positive working relationships with communities and residents is at risk. Council has approved .75% funding for green field development, it would be great to see an equitable commitment to the developed areas. Councilor Gondek spoke to wanting to stop pitting Calgary communities against each other, this can be done through the commitment by Council to equitable resources, not kind words.

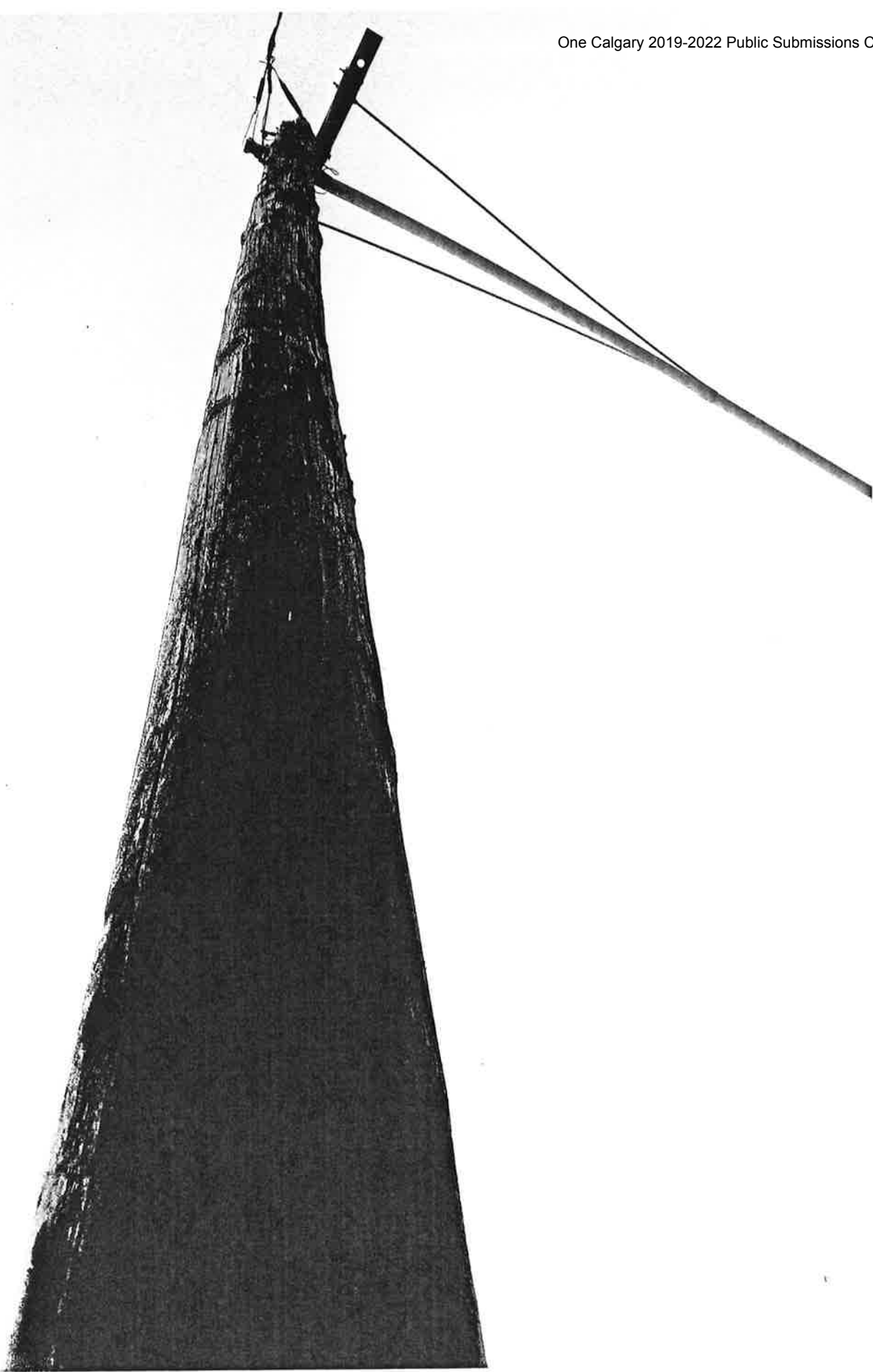
I am enclosing:

- photos of current infrastructure along Bowness Road.
- Letter from MCA to Michael Magnan and Kaely Dekker dated July 5, 2018.
- Letter from Michael Magnan dated August 1, 2018.
- City website project brief.
- Montgomery Main Streets June 2018.
- Montgomery Community Association Annual Report (February 28, 2018).

Marilyn Wannamaker,
President
Montgomery Community Association



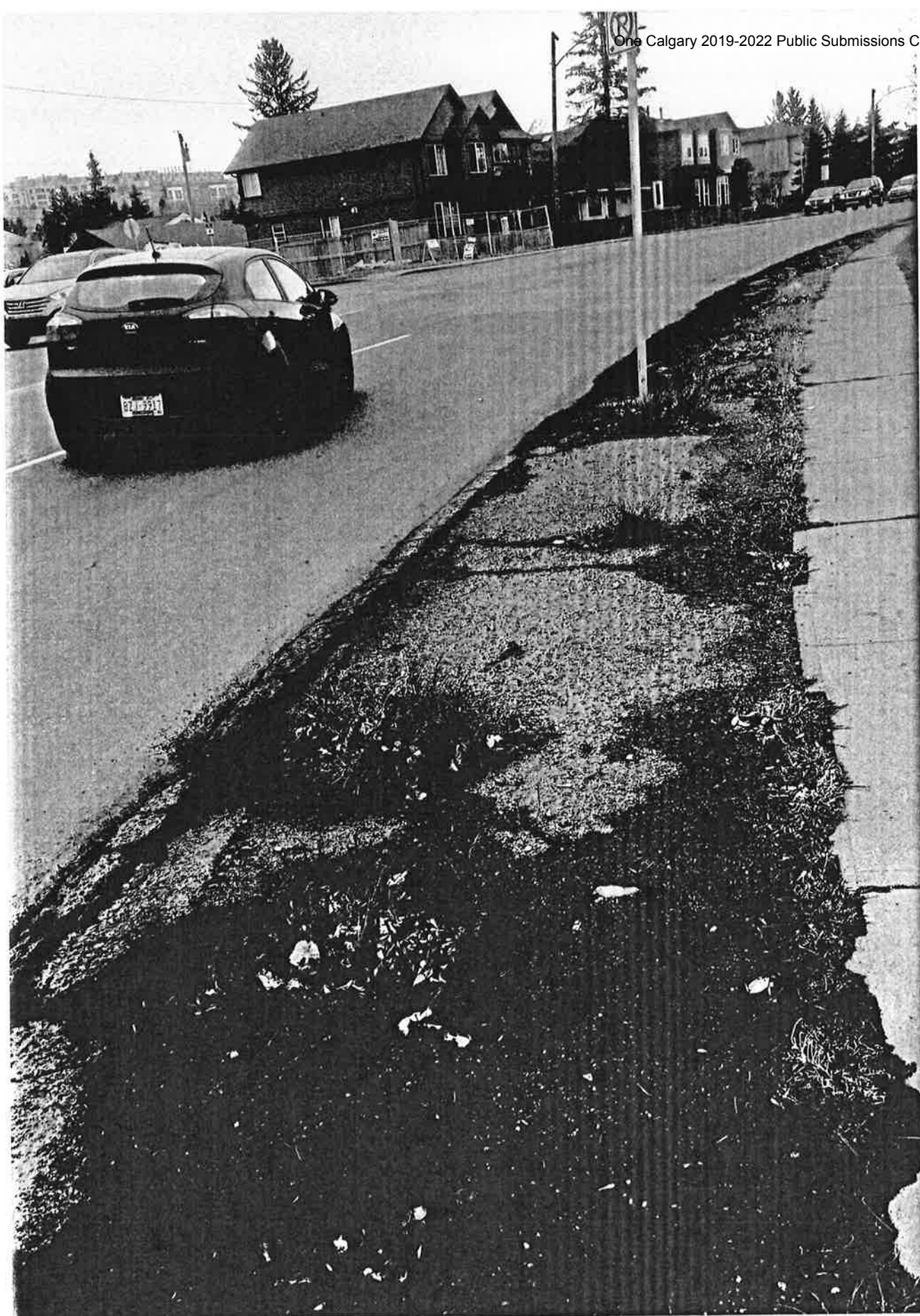






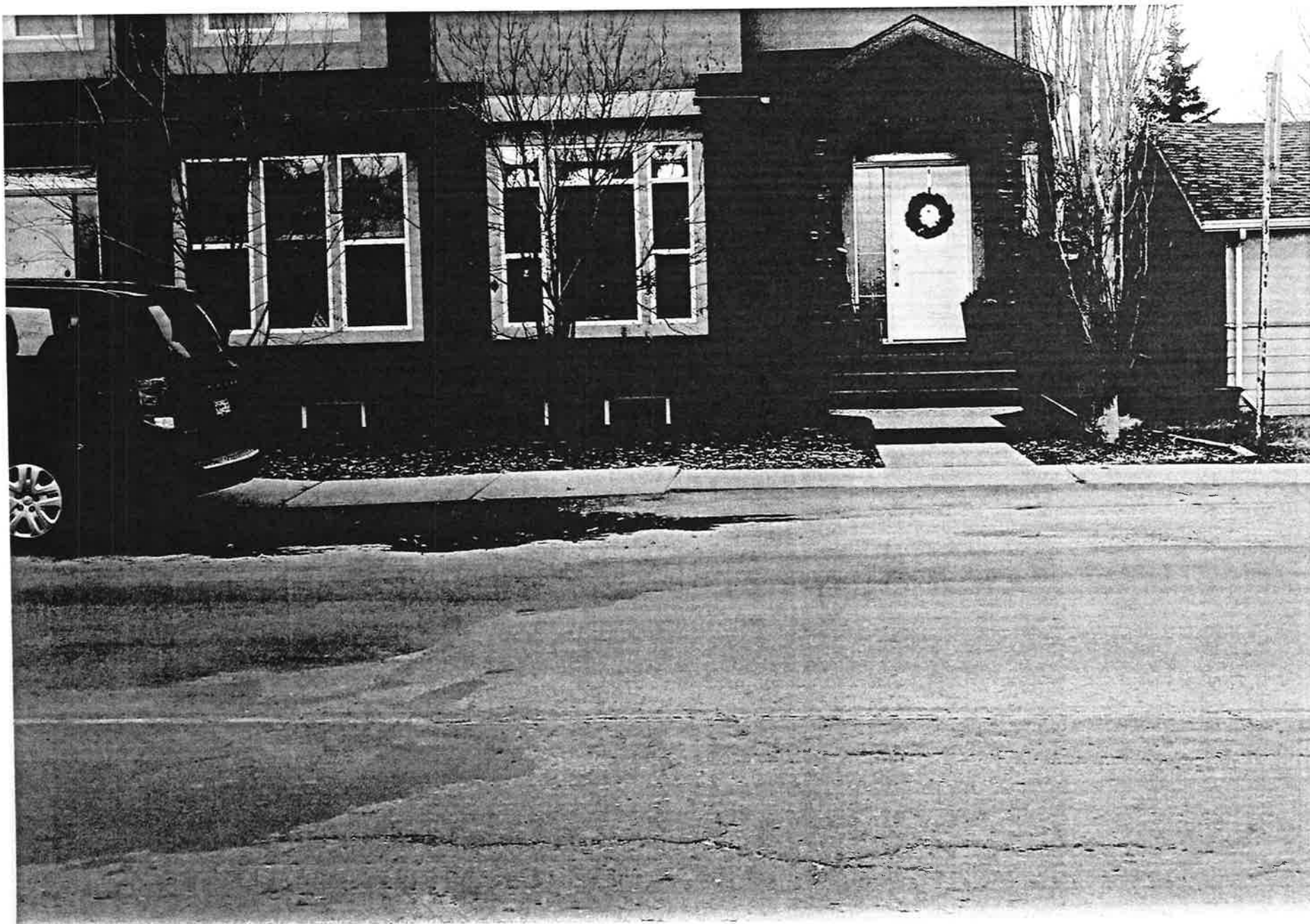


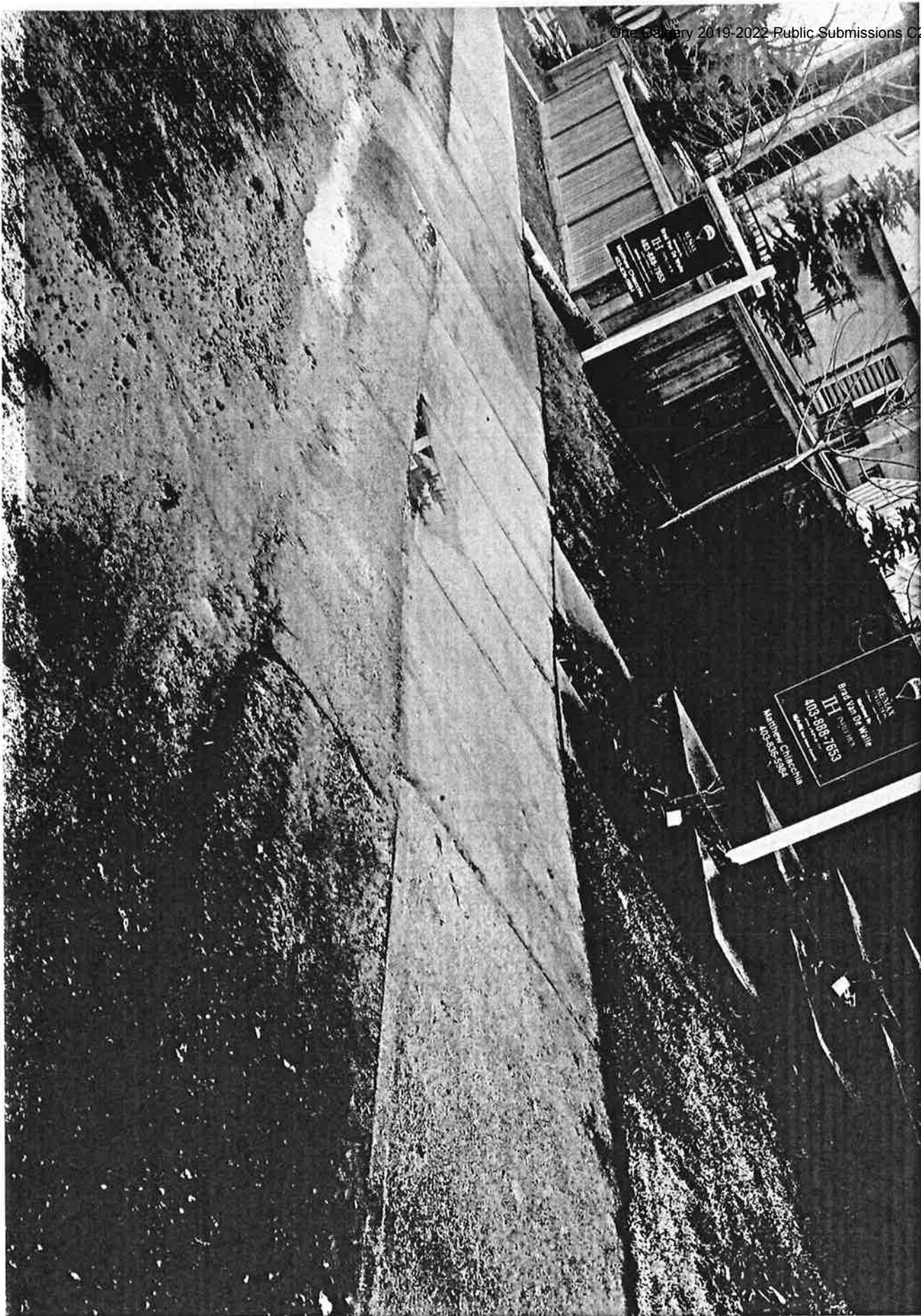








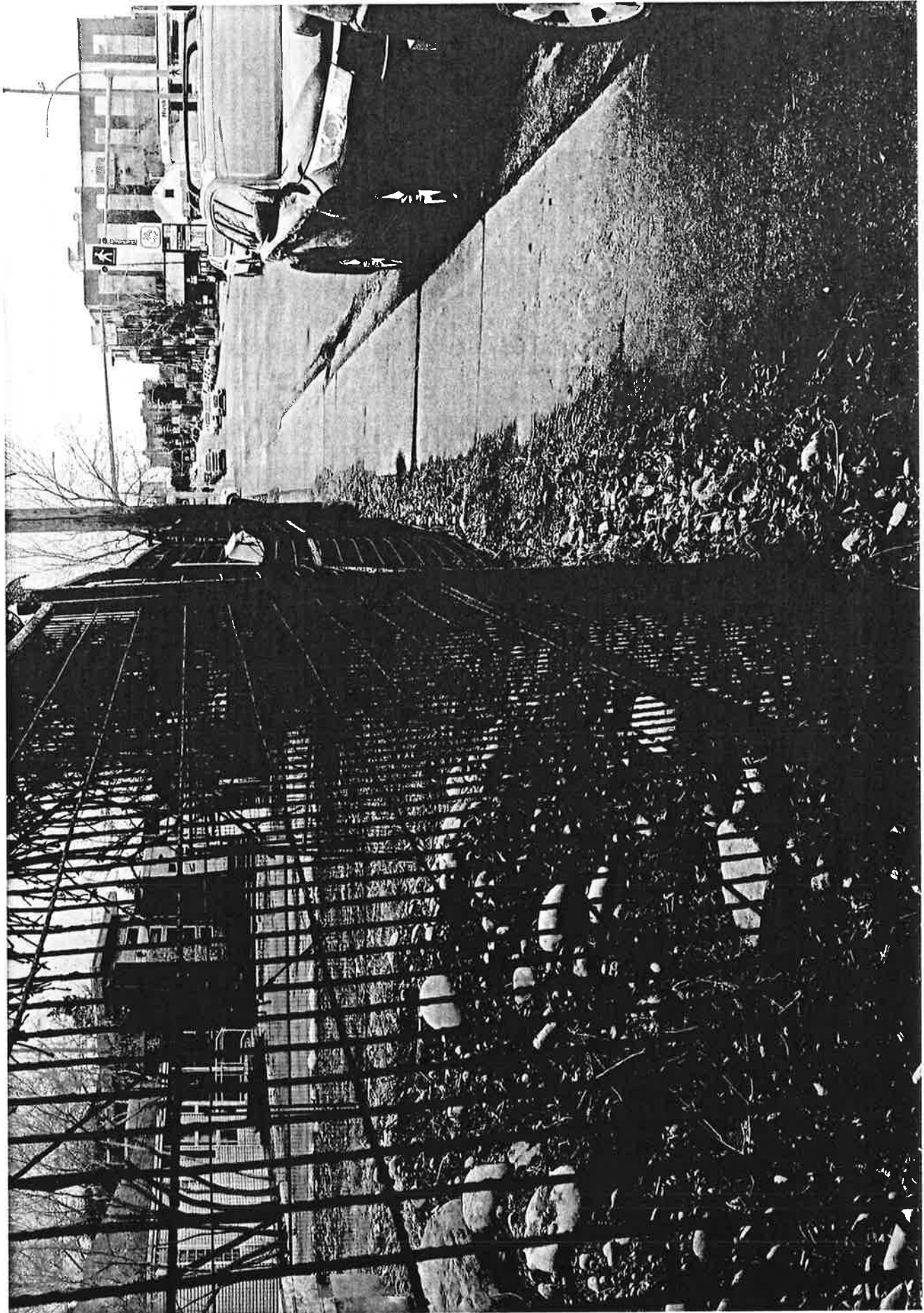


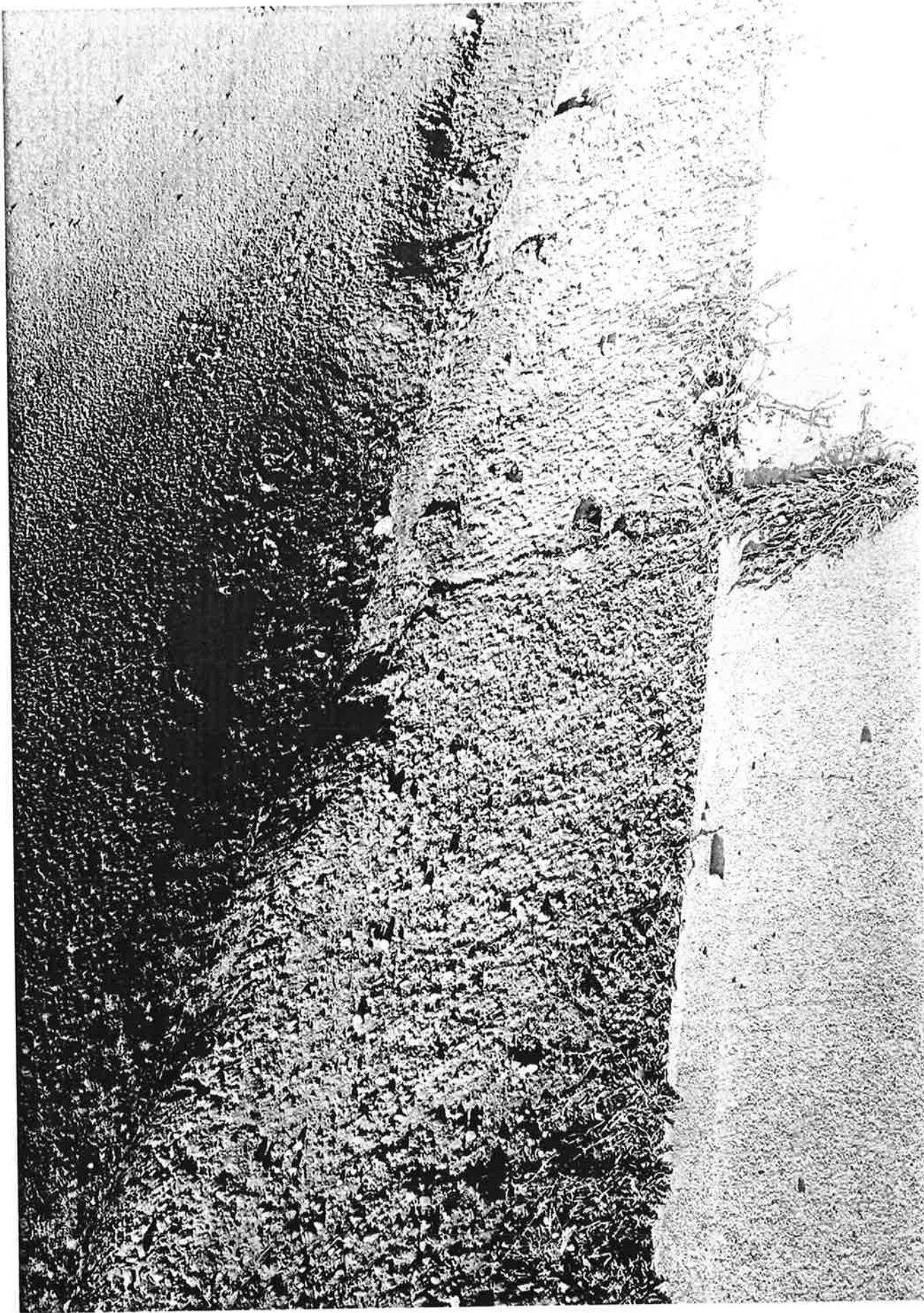










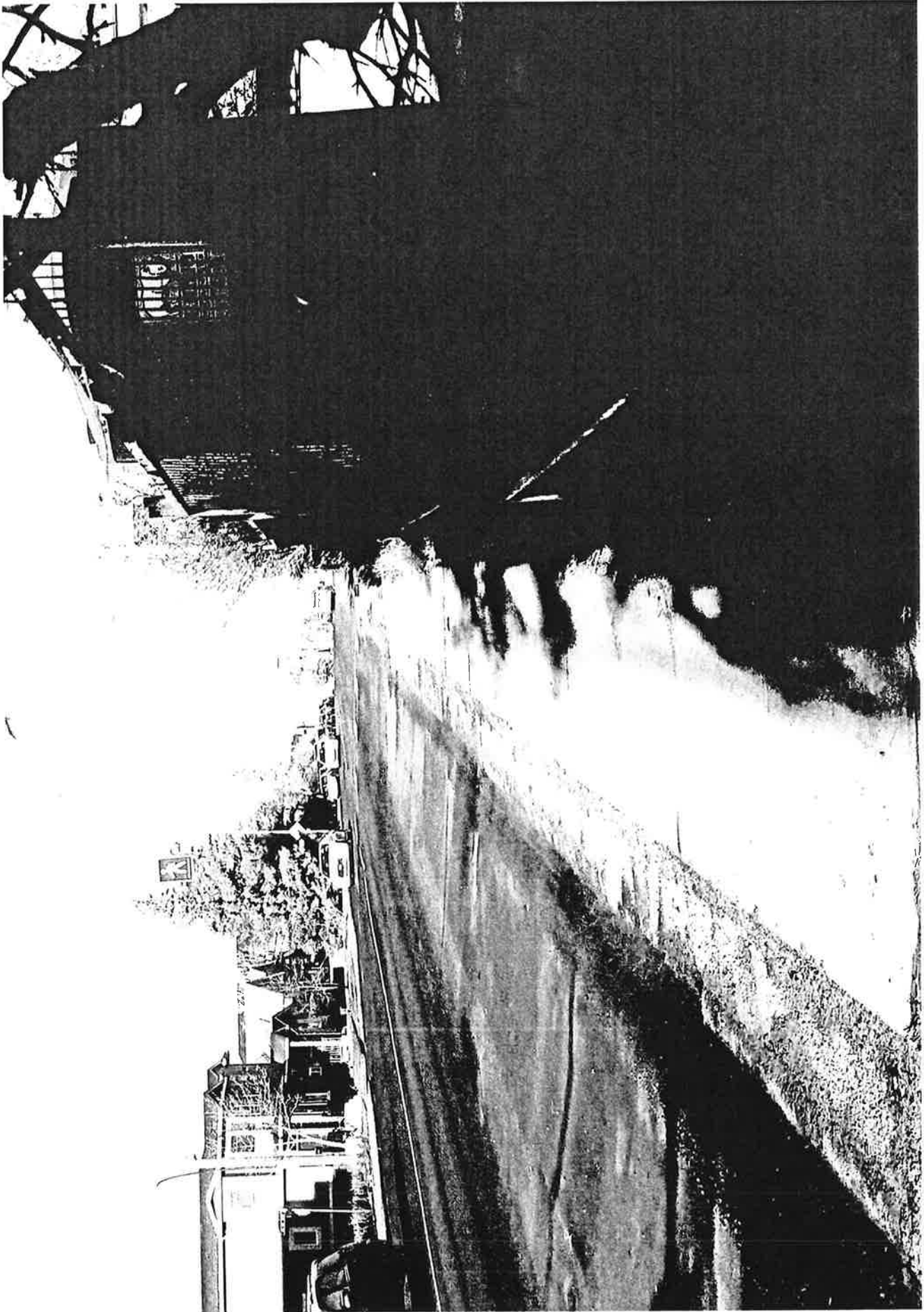


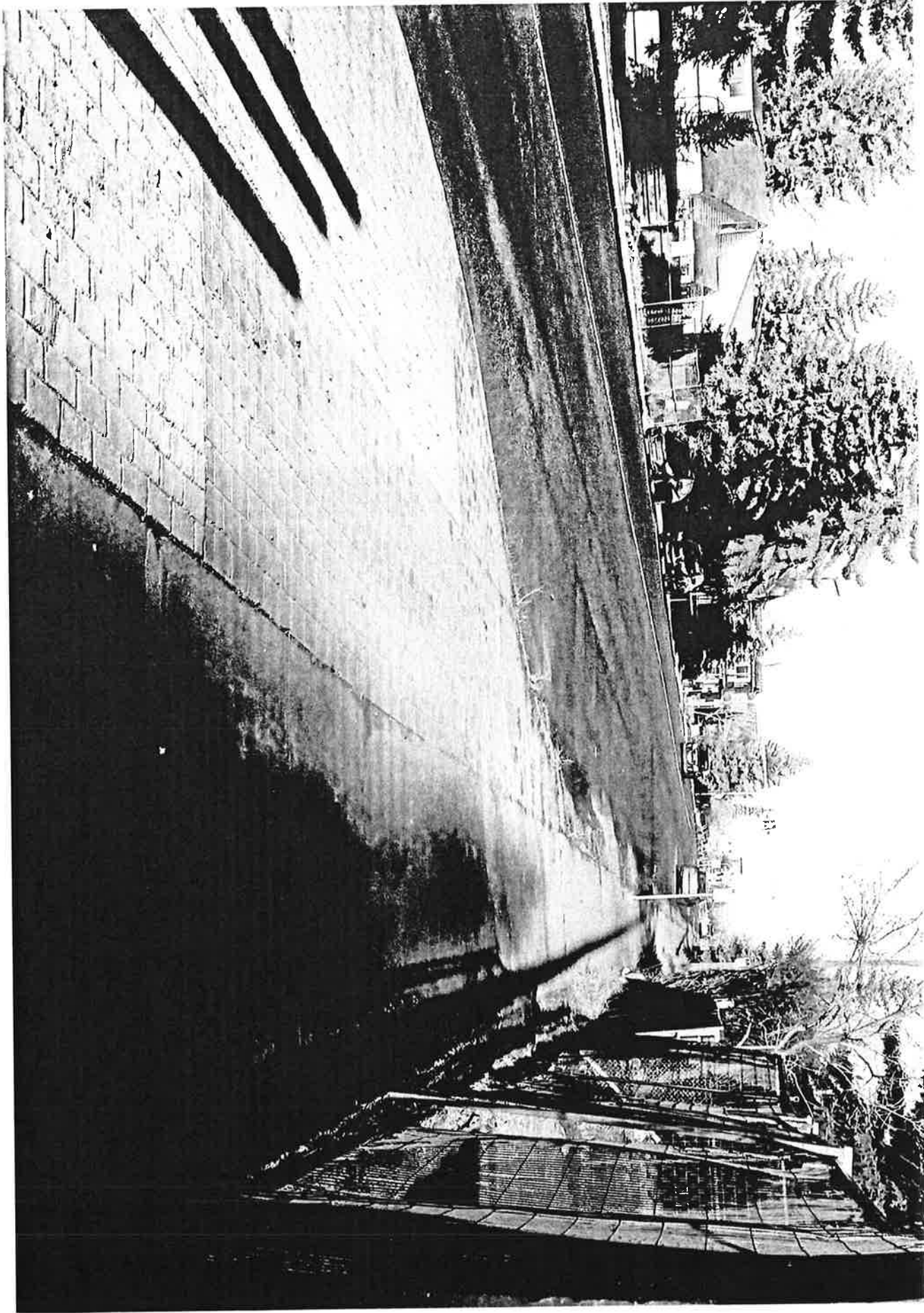


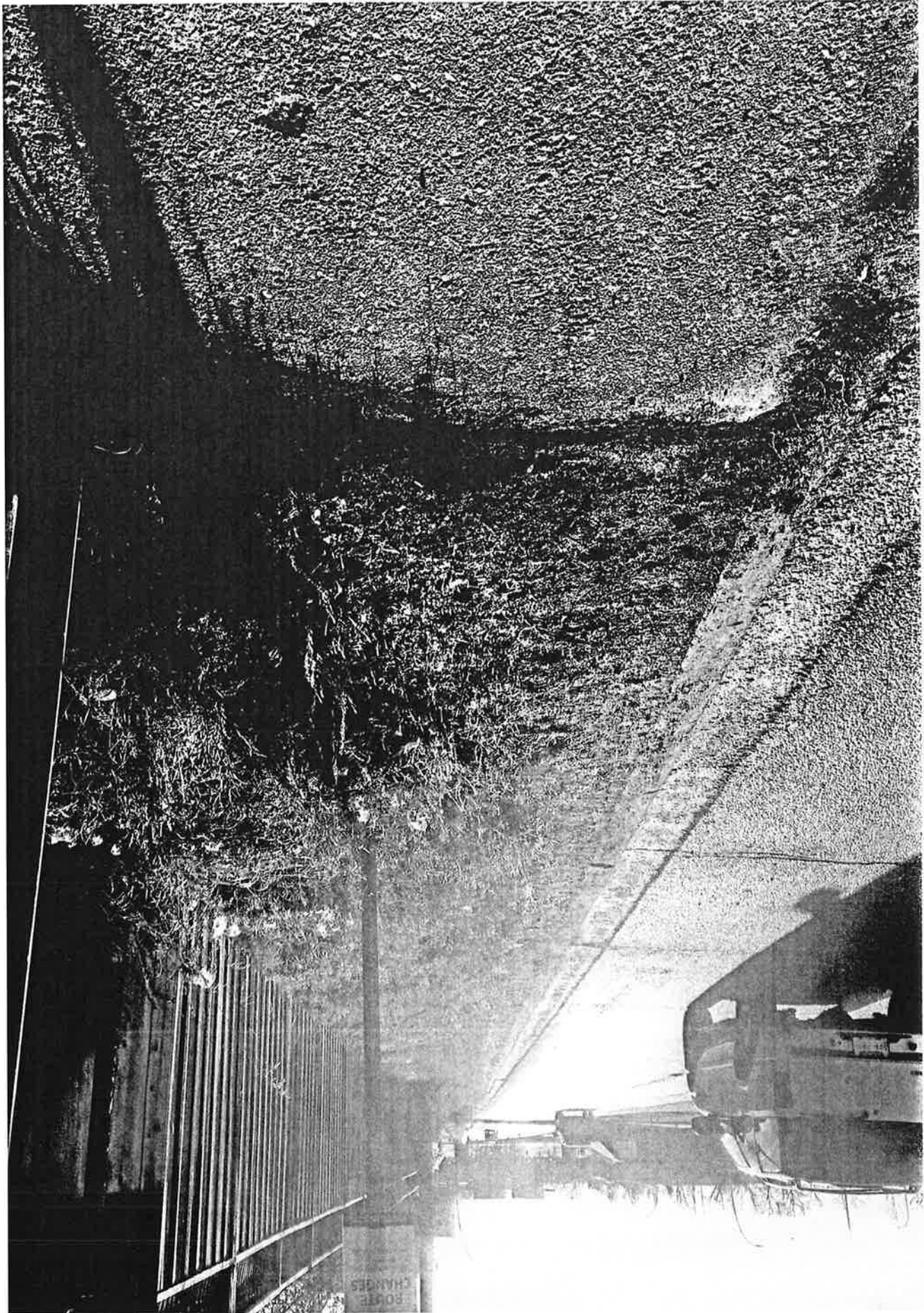
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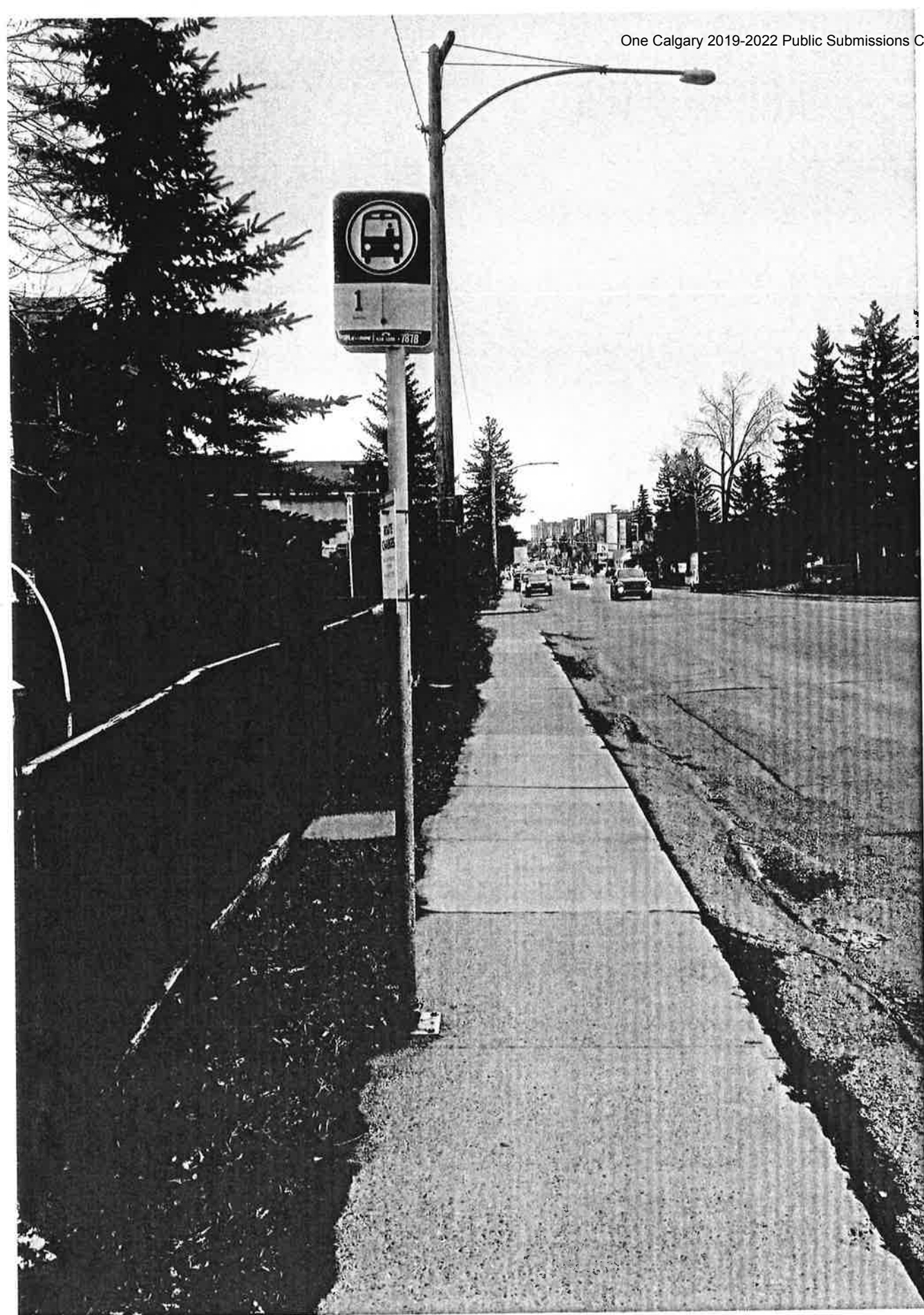
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July 5, 2018

Michael Magnan (Michael.magnan@calgary.ca)
Kaely Dekker (kaely.dekker@calgary.ca)

Dear Michael and Kaely:

As it has now been a bit since our meeting in June, I wanted to follow up.

I have been thinking about how during the community engagement sessions I was under the impression that the Main Streets Project on Bowness Road was funded and would be moving forward. As I have not heard from either of you since the meeting to provide clarity as promised, I reviewed the information provided on the City website:

<http://www.calgary.ca/PDA/PD/Pages/Main-Streets/yyc-Main-Streets/B-bowness-road-montgomery.aspx#mainst-top>

"As part of regular road maintenance, Bowness Road N.W. is scheduled for repaving in 2019. The road surface will be removed and replaced which presents an opportunity to redesign the road so it functions more effectively for all users. As a result, the projects will be combined and implemented together, providing significant improvements on Bowness Road N.W. while reducing construction costs and minimizing impacts on businesses, residents and road users.

Our investment in Montgomery starts in 2019."

I think that this statement is very clear. I am not sure how the promise of the work being started in 2019 and the information provided June 20, 2018 that there is no money to begin any work align. And by "work" I am referring to actual construction and not simply conceptual design.

This may be an egregious oversight but the confusion is not on the part of the community.

If the project is not funded and the work is not scheduled to begin in 2019 then I request that all tax revenue that has been garnered as a result of the rezoning be returned promptly to the businesses and the residents impacted. The community supported the initiative and helped promote the vision of the densification to meet the MDA targets; however, we are not supporting a tax grab without significant investment from the City. During the engagement with the Main Streets team, there was an acknowledgment that the City needs to invest in the community to promote private investment targets as agreed to by the amendment to the ARP.

Our local businesses have been hit very hard with increases not only as a result of the rezoning that occurred but also because of the shifting of the tax base from downtown. Some have commented that their taxes have doubled and that this is creating hardship for them.

The infrastructure in Montgomery dates back to the 1960's and there has been very minimal investment in the community since that time. This project, as promised, was an opportunity for this situation to change. I request firstly that a copy of the infrastructure inventory be provided to me as requested on two separate occasions, that a clear time line for moving forward be given, and/or the money be returned to the impacted community businesses and residents until such time as you (The City) are ready to proceed.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Wannamaker
President
Montgomery Community Association

cc Druh Farrell
cc Dale Calkins
cc Leon Nellissen (BIA)



Memo

August 1, 2018

To: Marilyn Wannamaker
Montgomery Community Association

From: Michael Magnan

Re: July 5 Letter Response

Dear Ms. Wannamaker,

Thank you for your letter requesting further clarity on the status of the Bowness Road Main Street Streetscape Master Plan project. Since our last stakeholder meeting in June, I have been collaborating with City staff to seek answers to the questions you brought up on behalf of the Montgomery Community Association during the meeting, which were summarized in your letter. Please find the following summary of my findings below.

Capital Investment Timeline

As discussed in the meeting, there have been some miscommunications between The City and the community with respect to capital funding availability for Bowness Road Streetscape improvements within the existing Main Streets Streetscape Program capital budget. The City recognizes that the information on the website is incorrect, and we are committed to updating our website to reflect the that there is currently no funding allocated for construction of streetscape improvements within the 2016-2019 budget cycle. However, The City recognizes the need for infrastructure and public realm investment in Montgomery, and has listed Bowness Road as a priority Main Street project. Once Council has issued directives on the 2019-2022 capital budget, The City will provide an update on capital funding availability in early 2019.

In speaking with the Roads department, the roadway paving resurfacing project has capital funding available starting in 2019. Ideally, this work will be completed at the same time as Main Streets improvements to minimize impacts the community, provided funding is available to the Main Streets Streetscape project. I have also been informed that the phasing and timing of the resurfacing project is partially contingent on completion of Crowchild Bridge upgrades currently underway, as resurfacing would further congest traffic on Parkdale Blvd, 3 Avenue NW and Bowness Road. Should coordination of the repaving and Main Street improvements not be possible, The City is committed to working with the community to finding the best solution for residents and businesses. We will keep you informed of this moving forward.

Business Tax and Non-Residential Property Tax Concerns

The City recognizes that there have been recent tax increases for property owners. The calculation of non-residential property tax is the result of numerous factors including the provincial requisition, business tax consolidation (calgary.ca/btc), tax shift from the office sector, expiry of 2017 tax rebates and Council's decision to increase funding the Calgary Police Service (0.8%) and Civic Partners (0.1%), and assessment.

Property assessments are prepared annually and are based upon market value. An analysis was performed to determine what, if any, assessment impacts would have resulted from the land use changes from the *Montgomery Bowness Road and 16 Avenue NW Policy Amendment and Land Use Amendment*. In reviewing the 755 properties' 2018 assessments, only one property's assessment would have been affected by the land use assessments. This excludes properties that have had physical changes like the construction of a new building. As the majority of the properties that are within the Main Streets area are properties with contributing buildings on them, they are valued as such and not as developmental land. Further some of the minor up zoning to land use amendments were determined not to affect values this year such as R-C2 to R-CG and M-C1 to M-X1. Business assessments, which are used to calculate business tax, are based upon a premises' net annual rental value. Or simply, what that space would rent for over the year. For properties with buildings on them, land use zoning does not play a role in determining business assessments.

Given the complexity of calculations surrounding taxation, The City's Chief Financial Office has recommended that business and property owners contact the Assessment Business Unit to discuss their individual assessments with an assessor. Property and business owners can contact Assessment staff directly at 403-268-2888. If the community association has assessment questions, please contact Edwin Lee, Manager Valuation – Commercial via email at Edwin.Lee@calgary.ca. Assessment information can also be found online at <http://calgary.ca/assessment>. It is The City's intention that through discussion with Assessment, business and property owners will gain a greater understanding of how their assessments are derived and how taxes are determined.

Conclusion

The infrastructure inventory you referenced in your letter has been completed. It will be circulated shortly to external stakeholders for review.

Thank you for taking the time to reach out and express your concerns over the Bowness Road – Montgomery Main Street project. If you have any further questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Michael Magnan



Public Realm Lead
Urban Strategy, City of Calgary
T 403.268.3450

Attachments N/A

cc: Druh Farrell, Ward 7 Councillor
Leon Nellissen, Montgomery BIA
Edwin Lee, Assessment

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Luz Mariela Jaimes <luz.jaimes@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 4:32 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides great programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces. I've seen the great work that Parks Foundation Calgary do in the city, by creating new fun parks and public spaces, as well as supporting communities to build green places for families and kids.

I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future.

*Sincerely,
Luz Jaimes*

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Peggy Warwaruk <warwaruk@telus.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 4:40 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019 Budget

If City Council is serious about costs, it can start by seriously looking at its fat-cat pension plan. Cuts need to be made in numerous public areas such as Arts, Parks and Rec, Heritage Park, Zoo and especially public art. Wage rollbacks to city workers must be considered since employees in the private sector are asked to take wage cuts in order to keep their job. Why should the public sector be any different. How can retirees afford to pay increased taxes on a fixed income?

Michael Warwaruk

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Victoria Henry <HarvestHillsHub@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 5:08 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Funding Letter of Support

To Whom it May Concern,

Please accept this letter as my unequivocal support for the continued public funding of Parks Foundation Calgary. Parks Foundation Calgary has been absolutely instrumental in getting our community hub project off the ground. The education, guidance, and encouragement we have received from Parks Foundation Calgary has been incredible. From our first step - opening a project account with them, they have been enthusiastic and experienced partners. They have educated us on suitable grants, coached us through the project steps, and ensured that we are on track with our project goals. Specifically, we have benefited greatly from the Project Gift Account Program, the Conceptual Drawing Grant, and the Building Communities Grant. They invited us to "Meet the Funders" workshops and even paired with us as partners on our successful TD Friends of the Environment Grant. Parks Foundation Calgary helped us overcome our biggest challenges and fears about tackling a community-led park space renovation and because of their patience and guidance our dreams of a beautiful and welcoming community hub have come true.

Furthermore, I have learned that Parks Foundation Calgary supports our local gymnastics club, Calgary Gymnastics Centre North, and I know the facility could not deliver the top tier program they do without their assistance. They are an instrumental service for our City and I hope you will consider funding them generously in the upcoming budget.

Thank you,

Victoria Henry, BEd.

Co-Chair, Harvest Hills Hub

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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Pete & Ingrid <peting@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 5:25 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Vivo expansion

My family and I were overjoyed to hear that funding for a Vivo expansion was on council's list. We've lived in North central Calgary for almost 20 years, our children , now teenagers, have gone to Vivo, to school, played and lived their entire lives in this community and we love it here! This expansion is long overdue, Vivo is too small a facility to serve the needs and size of Northern Hills, with our ever-growing population.

They only way they can accomplish their mission of raising Healthier Generations is expansion!

Thank you for your consideration!

The Cuffe family, Panorama Hills NW

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: ECS Playground Playground <ecsplaygroundcommittee@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 5:39 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen/parent who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my family's life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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- Through Parks Foundation Calgary's grant programs they give approximately \$750,000 EACH YEAR to sport and community led projects.
- Our City's beloved Dedication bench and picnic table program is managed by Parks Foundation Calgary, supporting over 1200 benches across this City.
- Did you know that over 85% of project partners say they gained new knowledge and skills from working with Parks Foundation Calgary?
- Citizen Surveys say that over 95% of people value parks, coming second only to water management.

I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future. Parks Foundation Calgary has been an integral part in managing our project. Prior to partnering with Parks Foundation Calgary we were struggling to manage our project. They Parks Foundation has helped up pull the project together and provide us with direction. They provide an invaluable service.

Sincerely,

Korinne Kazias & Sherri Nickle
Eugene Coste Playground Committee Co-Chairs

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Donovan Seidle <donovan.seidle@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 5:46 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support for the Arts

To whom it may concern,

I grew up in Calgary, went away to school, and now work as a musician in the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra. Living in a predominately resource-based industry city like Calgary presented challenges for an artist like me, but also opportunities.

I congratulate the City of Calgary for proposing a much needed \$5 million increase for Calgary Arts Development to sustain the operations of many arts organizations and creative industries. I heartily support this endeavour by City Council, and urge them to, in addition, consider writing in a provision for cost-of-living index increases (that often threatens to outstrip gains of this sort in the long run).

As ever, (and perhaps more than ever), the arts contribute to the economic and social well being of our communities, and I applaud the recognition of this from City Council.

With support,

Donovan Seidle
Assistant Concertmaster
Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Adam Loria <adam.loria@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 6:01 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Hello-

Here is my feedback in regards to the subject line:

Please ensure that the Calgary Police Service (CPS) receives the funding that they require.
Over the past number of years, in my opinion, Calgary has become a more dangerous city to live, with major crime and dangerous driving being at the forefront.

Providing additional funding, to any other City department, other than the CPS, is not required at this time, at least in my opinion.

I'm born and raised in Calgary, hoping to stay forever, so please provide the CPS, and them only, the highest of priority (City departments) when it comes to budget/funding, as their Leadership team see fit.

Much appreciated,
Adam

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Harry Robinson <hjrobins60@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 6:15 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I have no idea why this city wastes money asking their opinion, when time and time again Nenshi and the current administration pay no attention to tax payers anyway. Think Olympics, bike lanes, art projects all of which received negative comments, but Nenshi and company just continue. Current admin is a farce and so out of touch with reality.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: leanne Reynolds <leannereynolds4@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 7:34 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Feedback on budget

This is my opinion on the budget, I am upset that my property taxes are going up, again yet I do not have an increase in services. You are driving people out of the city.

With the economy the way it is, public art should have a funding of zero. Increasing the cost of transit is not going to increase ridership in a city with people losing their jobs.

The average homeowner has a budget where they spend what they earn.

Go out to the malls and talk to people, listen to them.

I look forward to hearing your feedback on my comments.

Leanne
Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Jocelyn Colquhoun <jocelyn.colquhoun@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 7:35 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Calgary Arts Dev

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to fully indorse the increase of 5 million to the Calgary Arts Development to support the arts in Calgary.

As a 30 year member of the clarinet section of the CPO I know how hard it is to get a full house in these challenging times. 5 million would be a great start to boost the arts and entertainment of Calgary.

Especially since the Olympics' proposal has been Voted down it's going to be lean times ahead. Please keen culture in Calgary alive.

Sincerely,
Jocelyn Colquhoun
Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Susan Tyrrell <sj-tyrrell@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 8:59 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Municipal Funding for the Arts

As a passionate participant, donor, and volunteer in Calgary's arts community, I strongly applaud the proposed \$5 million increase for Calgary Arts Development to sustain operations of arts organizations and creative industries.

Calgary's per capita funding of the arts is the lowest among Canada's cities: only \$6.50 as opposed to \$13.54 for Edmonton and \$19.36 for Vancouver. In the past, this low rate was offset by generous support by the oil and gas sector. However, since the downturn in this industry, arts organizations have seen corporate contributions drop by 30%, causing many of them to scale back on programming, and some, such as the Calgary International Children's Festival, cease operations altogether.

A healthy arts community is more than a "nice to have." It creates jobs, influences business locations and relocations, and attracts tourists. Currently 50,000 Calgarians are employed in the arts sector; increased investment would support economic diversification and create more jobs. While Calgary was recently ranked the fourth most livable city in the world by *The Economist*, it was noted that the area in which it ranked lowest was "culture and environment." In fact, of the top 10 cities in the survey, Calgary ranked last on this measure. A vibrant arts community, effectively marketed, has great potential in the long-term in strengthening tourism for our city. According to a 2008 study *Business and the Arts* by McKinsey and Company, every dollar spent on the arts results in \$1.90 in economic benefit, \$2.60 when tourism is factored in.

At a time when Calgary's downtown core has been vacated by many businesses, the proposed increased funding will help mitigate this area's decline and contribute to diversification of our local economy. I hope that along with this increased funding, there will be a provision for cost of living index increases each year, so we do not fall behind other Canadian cities once again.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Tyrrell
210-2320 Erlton St. SW
Calgary, AB T2S 2V8
403-616-8507

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Leslie Dennis <lesliefdennis@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:17 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

I appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on these important documents. Overall, I think the service plans and budgets are well done and despite the comments made by many members of the public, the budget increases seem quite reasonable to me, given the inflation and population growth expected in Calgary. I do, however, have a few comments:

1. Once again, the Calgary Police Service is getting more money, and social services are being cut. However, preventive social services are really the best way to cut crime - research shows that random police patrolling is not very effective. The performance measures being used are still weak and not the outcome measures that should be used - they are either activity measures (e.g. calls for service, citizens per police officer), or they relate to things that a police service has no real control over (e.g. Crime Severity Index). I have used police examples here, but they aren't the only service with weak measures - I hope to see improvement in the future. Vague performance indicators may suggest that goals are also unclear, which is not what is needed when resources are limited. Although benchmarking can be difficult, given different baskets of services that may be provided in other jurisdictions, I would still like to see more of this in future.
2. With regard to affordable housing, I once worked in a downtown building that had been converted from an apartment building to an office tower. Given that Calgary has underutilized office towers, could this approach be reversed in order to create more affordable housing? A wait list of 4,000 for Calgary Housing is simply unacceptable in a civilized society.
3. I support increased funding to Arts and Culture, given how low funding is in Calgary, relative to other major cities. Arts and culture provide not only employment, but are key to creating a great community that businesses and people want to locate in.
4. Overall, I would like to see The City do a much better job of communicating the value it provides to the citizens of Calgary. Many people that I speak to have no idea how much support The City gives to Civic Partners, social agencies, and recreational facilities, for example. The City's Annual Report is enough to make even the most dedicated reader doze off. Surely, the City Corporation is large enough to provide information in a way that will capture the interest and excitement of Calgarians. We need to fight against very negative attitudes that have been forming towards government in recent years.

Thank you again for all the hard work that you do, and I hope my comments will be helpful in your decision making.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ron Groome <groomer@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:27 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Overall, I think it is a sound budget.

I think we need to expand our community standards bylaws to include better anti-idling bylaws. We need to be competitive with other cities like Ottawa and Toronto where idling is allowed for much less time than in Calgary. We need to catch up with these more progressive cities and we need to enforce these bylaws (assuming we do change them).

Catherine Groome

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Kristy Howe <kristy.howe@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:59 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Letter of Support for the Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

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Our community school is currently fundraising to build a new playground to be installed in 2019- the Parks Foundation is supporting our efforts through the financial management of our project. This has alleviated a huge amount of work and stress from our parent volunteers. It allows us to focus our attention on project planning and fundraising. We have also applied for the Park Foundation Building Communities Grant, a \$25,000 grant that we can then use for our CFEP matching grant application. Without these funding sources, our project goals would be difficult to attain.

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Sincerely,
Kristy Howe

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: yulied Luengas <yuliedluengasc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 11:32 PM
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Sincerely,

Yulied L. Luengas C.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: ROGER WOZNEY <rwozney@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2018 11:32 PM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets.

Dear City Council:

My input:

Implement a city wide freeze on spending.

No increase for inflation.
No increase in police funding.

For a period of four years.

Also, set up a referral system whereby every City employee can provide ideas on saving costs.

Regards,

Roger Wozney
Cell: 403.519.5056.
rwozney@shaw.ca

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: 4038294997@txt.bell.ca
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 12:20 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT]
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Sincerely,
Celinda Rondon P.

This message was sent from a Bell mobile phone.



Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Celinda Rondón De Peñalver <nenarondonp@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 12:22 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Support Parks Foundation Calgary

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Sincerely,
Celinda Rondon P.

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Patricia Conway <patmconway@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 1:06 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Dear City Council,

Having looked over the budget proposals for the coming four years, I commend all staff and counsellors for a job well done.

I like the layout, the clarity of what's been done in the past for each department and what is proposed.

Poverty is a major issue here, affordable housing must move up in priority in this budget. If even a single family has to sleep in a church or a curtained off "room" at INN from the Cold - that is one too many! But several families are doing that right now. Why in the midst of a down turn is this city still one of Canada's most expensive places to live? Why are only 3.6% of Calgary households supported with non-market housing when the national average is 6%? How can anyone feel safe, or valued or respected when they shuffle from one church to another or one shelter to another?

Why are we waiting until 2020 to hire an Affordable Housing Resource (1FTE) to support development of off-reserve indigenous housing when we need that housing now? Council Directive (W5) "develop a positive, strong and enduring relationship with Treaty 7 First Nations, Metis Nation of Alberta Region3 and all urban Indigenous Calgarians" - surely this can include the housing component?

If we have housing, we have a beginning to a better life. We failed to meet our Fifteen Year housing goal, let's get on with it, put more money and real effort into housing for all. It's one of the priorities Calgarians gave our City Council. Leverage that funding from the Federal and Provincial governments, don't just talk about it. Make those incentives happen, expedite approvals for sustainable, well-planned, energy efficient, liveable housing.

I had hoped to see more support for the Arts and Culture sectors of Calgary. I feel these are vital for a Prosperous City, a Safe and Inspired City, a Healthy and Green City, and a Well Run City. Calgary is considered a wonderful city to live in, by international reviewers and by our own citizens. Art and Culture opportunities are important to this international recognition. More money is needed to help our arts organizations.

The report from Recreation indicates lower philanthropy has "compromised the sustainability of many arts organizations". More money must be allocated to the Calgary Arts Development Authority in this budget. Not only do the Arts and Cultural facilities and creators add to our quality of life, they also add incredible revenue to the City and our province. I am glad to see Travel and Tourism is recognizing the importance of Art and Culture to Calgary.

The City is putting a lot of money into renovating the old Planetarium for Contemporary Calgary. Let's not forget Glenbow Museum, our wonderful theatre companies, the Philharmonic and other cultural institutions that make Calgary a great city to live in. The report states "A strong arts and culture scene contributes to a vibrant, prosperous city". Yet Calgary gives less tax money to the arts than other Canadian cities!

The Recreation Department's report recognizes the changing demographic of our citizens with "evolving ethno-cultural needs" and the growing Indigenous and immigrant populations. There must be support for these growth areas.

In the case of Heritage Park, city and provincial flood mitigation efforts meant Glenmore Reservoir wasn't accessible this past season, resulting in a deficit. Heritage Park must be supported and this deficit funded by the City and province.

Libraries need to be well funded. The positive reaction of Calgarians to the new Central Library as well the year after year increases in library use by Calgarians show how important a community resource our libraries are.

The Calgary Zoological Society does a good job of fundraising and certainly having the pandas will increase visitor numbers. However, the entry fee to the Zoo for a family is horrendously expensive. If we price a visit out of reach for middle income families and school groups, the educational, recreational and social value of the zoo is lost. Fair Entry is a good idea but let's make the Zoo, SPARK, Heritage Park, Fort Calgary and Glenbow Museum affordable for everyone. There is a growing income disparity in Calgary that closes doors for many families.

This budget addresses many issues of climate change but one aspect that's been missed is how important education for children is - through nature, our parks, urban wildlife and Recreation, Zoo and SPARK programs. City plans for system changes aren't enough if Calgarians, from children to seniors, don't see and understand the reasons for protecting the environment. Recycling, reusing, composting etc. mean nothing and won't be supported adequately if Calgarians don't feel connected to the world around us.

The Climate Resilience Strategy and Action Plans "to support protection and enhancement of our community's natural environment" is well worth supporting and will have results if our population connects to that natural environment.

This isn't the time to cut services!

Council Directive (N5) sounds wonderful but Calgary is failing miserably at this. "Provide stakeholders with tools to improve the quality of urban design and advance our sustainability, climate resilience, food security"..... with every old house that's knocked down huge amounts of waste goes to the landfill. New infills are thrown up in a few months with no design integrity or awareness of the community around them. Vibrant neighbourhoods need more than words. The new buildings aren't sustainable, there's no effort to use technology to improve on construction methods, no solar panels or passive solar design, no room for a garden, just huge garages. Put more money into the planning department staffing and get some people who are innovative and willing to take risks (one of the directives to administration and to council itself). Require builders and developers to plan and build to a higher standard for greater energy efficiency and use of materials with less waste. And that includes affordable, attainable and City owned public housing new and renovated. Energy efficiency shouldn't be cut, it saves money in the long run.

Why did Council approve fourteen new suburbs when all those roads and other infrastructure are adding huge costs to the city and aren't sustainable? We're not creating Inspiring neighbourhoods!

I'm glad to see making Calgary a Healthy and Green City is a priority. Council Directives (H1), (H2) and (H3) are well thought out and need adequate money to happen. Don't cut this.

Why does the police department take up \$38.21 of our taxes each month? And social programs only \$2.39? Social programs that help individuals and families through mental health, economic, addiction and other problems would be much more effective.

I look forward to hearing back from you about the budget and my input.

Sincerely,

Patricia Conway

2515 - 17A Street N.W. Calgary, T2M 3S7
403-251-4196

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: harman Samra <harmans011@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 3:51 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Hey there! Love the feedback option you guys are providing for the 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets. I love Calgary lived here my entire life and love watching the city grow and prosper but there are some places where the city is the same as it was 5-10 years ago. I would like to see more main roads maintained and the first road that pops in mind is centre street from beddington all the way to the calgary tower centre street is full of potholes bumps and dips alot of calgarians use this road to get to and from work everyday and I think it's time to start construction on it the road is absolutley awful and one of the worst to drive on in calgary. Another thing I'd like council do is bring the arena into talks please or even the entertainment district calgary lacks that we miss out on huge concerts and events I know this has been a touchy subject but it's TRUE a new arena will bring in more acts across the world that we miss out on it brings in excitement to the city and most importantly jobs. Look at all the bars that are full after events look at all the taxis that have generated alot of revenue because of this it brings a hub for us calgarians to enjoy our city and brings in world class acts and brings attention to our city we need to move forward with this I feel like. We are a world class city that needs a world class venue that will bring in world class acts and world class attention to our city.

Thank you for this feedback option and I hope you guys read this all the way through and understand just voicing my opinion and giving feedback!

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Leslie Ann Kalman <leslieannkalman@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 9:10 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] support letter for the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary
Attachments: FWHAS support letter for Parks- Nov.20,2018.pdf

To whom it may concern

Please find attached my support letter for the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary. This is a fantastic organization that truly needs City of Calgary support.

Thank you
Fairview Women's Hockey Arena Society
Leslie Ann Kalman, Director

Fairview Women's Hockey Arena Society
#2-8038 Fairmount Drive SE
Calgary, AB
T2H 0Y1

November 20, 2018

City of Calgary
Calgary, AB

Sent via email to publicsubmissions@calgary.ca

Dear City of Calgary,

RE: Funding support for Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that recreational facilities and nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's recreational facilities, parks and public spaces.

Ten years ago the Fairview Women's Hockey Arena Society took over the management and operation of the Fairview Arena, after the Fairview community turned the arena/community building lease back to the City. Not only did the arena need millions of dollars in renovations, it did not come with basic items like an ice re-surfacer, nets, or score clock. The Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary was there for us when I applied for funding to help us to purchase the very necessary ice-resurfacer. The skills that I gained by writing my very first grant, and the fact that it was so successful, inspired me to successfully write over another \$1 million in grants to renovate the Fairview Arena. The Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary continued to support the Fairview Arena by providing us with more grant money, for our renovations and the next ice-resurfacer. Although the Fairview Arena is no longer standing, the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary grants were integral to its' very successful ten years of operations, which benefited amateur hockey, ringette and figure skaters of all ages.

Over the past ten years I have noticed the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary logo and dedications to Calgarians on numerous park benches. Apparently there are over 1200 throughout the City! Almost every arena and sports facility has a sign which thanks the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary for money and support for very important upgrades. Many Arena Managers have mentioned to me that it was the Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary money that made their equipment purchases and/or renovations happen.

The Parks/Saddledome Foundation Calgary has been very professional, helpful and a pleasure to deal with over the years. Please continue to financially support this very worthwhile organization as they benefit so many Calgarians in every community in our wonderful City.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 403-617-1425 or leslieannkalman@shaw.ca

Thank you,
Fairview Women's Hockey Arena Society



Leslie Ann Kalman, Director

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Shelly Bruce <slmcleancanada@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 9:10 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

After reviewing the plans and budgets for the next 4 years, I have to shake my head. Who thought up the categorization of budget by Calgary's definitions of a vibrant City. Putting the budgets in this way is a great way to hide a lot of costs!!! I saw a lot of monies under the category of OTHER. No explanation.

Why don't you show wages and salaries which is the biggest driver to expense? I did notice that you are entering into salary discussions with the unions. Perfect time to negotiate a lower wage. People in the city make way too much money. Examples: dance instructor.... \$30 per hour. Most dance instructors make around \$20 per hour if they are teaching pre school kids. Water inspection technician with no special education requirement makes over \$30.00 per hour. In times of austerity, which this certainly qualifies for... most oil companies reduced their staffs wages by 10%. This is what should be done with the city.

I did notice that the auditors office is getting a renovation. Why does this cost over a million dollars? I don't understand why everything at city hall is so expensive?

Do you really think this is the time to have a new indigenous relations office in the city with more overpaid staff? We have done without it for so long so wait until the city recovers.

From what I do understand about the local municipal act, the city has to balance their budget and does so by taking out a loan from the province. It appeared in the budget documents that you wanted to take the interest and loan out of budget calculations. That seems like a way to hide the fact that the city owes money.

Find a way to give Heritage Park the money they need. It is a valuable resource. Maybe take it out of the slush fund you gave Calgary Economic Development fund to encourage new business. There is a real waste of money....and the fact the first award went to our Mayors friend and yes Olympics cohort. At least Heritage Park charges admission. Calgary Public library no longer charging for a library card.... \$12.00 wasn't too much for a card, and the rest of City Hall loves to have user pay fees.

What I really would like to see is the City to run itself just like a business. When times are tough, reduce the salary and wages instead of just raising taxes. The more that the city raises taxes, the more that you cause people to either go out of business and lose their taxes. Or people will move out of the city. Reduce expenses... Even the fancy budget documents could have been reproduced more cheaply than it was developed. A 600 page document is ridiculous. A lot of it didn't really tell the average citizen much.

Have your accountants go back to simple basic bookkeeping 101 classes and produce financial statements and budgets that are easy to understand.

Sent from my iPad

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Maddy <maddy.milne@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 9:35 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary Arts Development Funding Increase

Good morning,

I am writing to you because I support the leadership demonstrated by increased support to Calgary Arts Development to sustain arts organizations and creative industries.

My Mom has played for the CPO for over 30 years, and as a family we are tremendous supporters of the arts. We recognize their importance and worth in our lives and communities. Creating a well-funded arts sector in Calgary will create lasting benefits for Calgarians as a whole.

There are countless benefits to this proposed increase. Increased funding to the arts in Calgary will help create jobs and tax revenue, which are huge economic drivers for the city. It enables arts education for new generations, and it engages citizens to participate in events together.

I thank you for taking the time to read my perspective, and to listen to other Calgarian's perspectives on this matter.

Respectfully,

Madelyne Milne

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Silvia Pires <smpires@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:00 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Request for funding support for Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

Our community school is currently fundraising to build a new playground to be installed in 2019- the Parks Foundation is supporting our efforts through the financial management of our project. This has alleviated a huge amount of work and stress from our parent volunteers. It allows us to focus our attention on project planning and fundraising. We have also applied for the Park Foundation Building Communities Grant, a \$25,000 grant that we can then use for our CFEP matching grant application. Without these funding sources, our project goals would be difficult to attain.

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I would like to request funding support from the City of Calgary for Parks Foundation Calgary to ensure support of parks and open spaces as a vital piece to a prosperous city now and into the future.

Sincerely,

Silvia Pires

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Donald Cormack <dgcormack@me.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:02 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Farkas, Jeromy A.
Subject: [EXT] 2019 -2022 Budget

First, the City needs to build a survey to ask about individual components to the indicated budget as some areas are quite acceptable and others need work.

Overall, however, the City needs to better control the ever increasing expenses. Start with a Zero budget increase which better reflects the current economic environment. Operating costs need to be capped , or reduced in some areas. One very simple one is all new employees have a defined contribution plan versus the existing defined benefit plan. All existing employees are grandfathered. Companies have all done this, so why not the City. This change takes leadership and a willingness to lead. Get better control of capital expenditures. Art is fine, but not in today's environment. A 1% or so levy is not trivial on a \$5 billion capital budget . From past examples, do we need things like \$50 million interchanges (Flanders and Macleod come to mind) going forward. We do need the Green line, but surely in today's economic environment, the costs can be reduced and controlled. Challenge the need for the capital project and more specifically, challenge the budget. How did the Green Line budget, historically, jump 100%? Start with zero based budgeting in all areas, and quite simply saying it will result in service reductions. Look for efficiencies and improvements; the oil industry has been forced to do this, so why not the City?

On the Revenue side, use the "rainy day " funds to extend business tax offsets. It is pouring in the Calgary business community, so use some of the funds, short term. Residential property tax increases need to be curtailed. A 3% to 3.5% annual increase is ridiculous in this Alberta environment. Get a handle on the costs or we will become Greece. Perhaps some projects need to be reduced, deferred or eliminated. And please, please do not simply tout that we are still the lowest property tax in Canada. Perhaps an independent assessment of this statement is warranted as other jurisdictions do not all have separate fees for services (eg, various cart charges, municipal franchise fees or local access fees on utility bills, etc, etc). Trust but verify !!! Let's deal with our issues and not simply justify increases as the services will need to be cut or our taxes are lower than others.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lorne Daly <lornedaly123@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:02 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] calgary arts development

I believe we should sustain arts organizations and increase funding for them too. the arts are very important for the life of the city and the community and should be sustained. thank you Lorne

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brittney Russo <brittneyrusso3@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:20 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes in the power of physical literacy for children. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Sincerely,

Brittney Russo
Foundation of St. Teresa of Calcutta Chair

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ida Heron <iheron@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets - feedback

The following comments are on the proposed service-based view (how "individual" services are performing) and budgeting.

A. Service-base view

I support a service-base view if it also contains flexibility to examine services that may be shared or transferred between departments. To look at how "individual" services are performing, without also looking at how other service areas could contribute to performance, is short-sighted.

To briefly illustrate my point, recently I was attempting to resolve an issue in Waste & Recycling services. The issue was disposal of leaves from city trees on city boulevards, in older neighbourhoods with huge old trees. And specifically, on corner lots where many trees exist on two sides of a property, thus generating a massive amount of leaves for a single property owner to dispose of.

311 advised me the issue would be directed to Waste & Recycling but also Parks & Open Spaces may be able to help. Waste & Recycling was unable to pick up these leaves due to rigid guidelines of bagging that were unintentionally not followed by the property owner. When I asked Waste & Recycling about using Parks & Open Spaces, they were unaware of this possibility of help from another service area and they were also unable to find anyone in Parks & Open Spaces to confirm whether help from them could happen. And despite other suggestions offered on my behalf to resolve the deadlock, these suggestions did not fit the parameter of what Waste & Recycling could do within the resources and budget they have. Unfortunately in the end, the issue was left to the property owner to find his own way of disposing the bags of leaves.

Here is an example of one department not knowing what another department could have offered. The property owner was literally left holding the bag.

B. Budgeting

I assume budget funding remain individually allocated and is not allowed to be shared or transferred between services.

During the same period in my example above, I observed a Snow Removal crew unnecessarily sanding our street when there was less than 1/2 inch of snow remaining the night before a two-day Chinook that was well publicized in the weather forecast, which is readily available to the public. I have to question why it was impossible to get a needed service (leaves disposed of from city-owned property), while another service (snow removal) was being wasted. To me, it was a case of a budget shortfall in one service (above scenario) and a use it or lose it budget mentality in another service (outlined here).

Also, traditionally budget funding is allocated on a yearly basis and departments spread the budget over a 12 month period. What if funding could be given out for 9 months, with the remaining 3 months held in contingency. Then services facing a shortfall can be funded from services with a surplus within the same budget year.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Angela Lenox <justcheckingin@live.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:38 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary Parks Foundation Support

Dear City of Calgary,

I'm writing to you to advocate for funding to support Parks Foundation Calgary, a critical partner who provides invaluable programs and services to this city. I am a citizen who believes that nature and green spaces are important to my life and community. I request support from leadership to invest in the sustainability of Calgary's parks and public spaces.

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Thank you for your time.

Kind Regards,

Angela Lenox

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Sheila Will <SWill@CalgaryEconomicDevelopment.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:43 AM
To: Public Submissions
Cc: Steve Allan; Sheila Will
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budget
Attachments: 2019 - 2022 Service Plans and Budgets - Calgary Economic Development Ltd.pdf

To Mayor Nenshi and Members of Calgary City Council

The budget for Calgary Economic Development for 2019, and beyond proposes a budget in the 2019 year of some \$6 million, which would require an extraordinary decrease to our current service levels and make it extremely difficult, and for practical purposes impossible, for CED to respond to the requests and expectations that have been, and continue to be, placed on us by City Council, City Administration and the community.

Please see the attached Report for details.

If you have any questions with respect to the attached report, please do not hesitate to call on me (403-837-8472), or Councillor Davison, who represents Council on the Boards of CED, Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund and Calgary Film Centre Limited. City Manager Jeff Fielding is also well aware of our activities by virtue of being a member of the CED board and Mayor Nenshi is also a representative of the OCIF Board. Please don't hesitate to reach out to them with any questions you might have regarding our activities as well.

Thank you for your support of our work to date and I hope we can count on your continued support of CED in our efforts to work with you in building our great City.

Best regards

Steve Allan
Executive Chair
Calgary Economic Development Ltd.

in the report

Date: November 20, 2018

To: Mayor Nenshi and Members of City Council; CED Board of Directors

From: Steve Allan

Subject: 2019 – 2022 Budget Options and Service Plans

Purpose of this report – background information.

Calgary Economic Development (CED) had been advised by City of Calgary Administration, leading into the 2019-22 Budget cycle, that based on strong results it would be allocated a base budget of \$10 million annually. CED learned last week that this is not the case and that the budget recommendation to Council by City Administration proposes a core budget of \$6 million annually for CED, which is a reduction from the current core operational and one-time funding of \$9.3 million.

Over the last three years CED has received one-time funding of \$10 million from The City of Calgary, Government of Alberta and Government of Canada, which was designated to headquarter attraction, talent hub promotion, and the acceleration of sector development as outlined in the 2012 Economic Strategy: Building on our Energy.

Over the past three years, the organization quadrupled its performance with respect to the number of companies retained, expanded and/or attracted and jobs retained and created.

In 2018, CED has already attracted, expanded and retained 75 companies resulting in over 6000 jobs – that represents nearly half of the total wins achieved over the past three years.

Since 2026, 179 companies have been attracted, expanded and retained resulting in over 13,000 jobs created and retained.

Needless to say, the organization has navigated a very challenging economic period and has gained marked momentum.

In 2017, every \$1 invested into CED is estimated to have generated \$52 in economic activity in the community. (Appendix A)

CED is Calgary's lead economic development organization and is focused on supporting long-term solutions across many aspects of Calgary's recovering economy. The challenges facing Calgary cannot be fixed overnight with single short-term tactics, but rather require many long-term initiatives supported by stable and predictable funding. The proposed base grant would significantly diminish CED's impact on the Calgary economy with respect to companies supported, jobs created and downtown office absorption.

Given the significant reduction proposed to CED's funding, the Senior Management Team has completed a deep analysis of the core business including support for the Downtown Strategy and the Economic Strategy for Calgary. This report provides information on programs that can not be supported with a base grant of \$6 million per year, including many successful programs and the corresponding high performing human resources to deliver those programs. CED has also set out what programs and results it believes it is able to support with the reduced funding of \$6 million grant level.

The impact: what CED proposes to do less of

In 2018, the CED budget included \$3.5 million of one-time funding from all three orders of government – these funds were the last of the Resiliency and HQ funding that was granted as a part of the three-year program in 2016. These funds were used to support the following sectors and initiatives: Agribusiness, Transportation and Logistics, Real Estate, Creative Industries (partial), acquisition of Start-up Calgary, adding an inside sales team, as well as, all associated travel, marketing and research expenses. When added to the 2018 base funding of \$5.8 million, these funds provided CED with a total budget of \$9.3 million.

The original 2019-2022 budget request of \$10 million annually contained an increase of approximately \$4 million to CED's existing base budget to ensure the team maintains service levels, continues to pursue sector diversification across all of the sectors identified in the Economic Strategy and strengthens the much-needed marketing of our city for talent, business and investment attraction.

The human resources required to put more "boots on the ground" is 12 FTE, all of whom currently work at CED on contracts tied to the one-time funding granted in 2016. Furthermore, an additional 7.5 positions are required to support all three of the entities overseen by staff at CED, including CED proper, Calgary Film Centre Limited (CFCL) and OCIF. In considering a reduction of the core budget envelope to \$6.0 million, CED has evaluated every program and initiative based on ROI to Calgary.

With the reduction of \$4 million to the budget, the scope of the services provided by CED will need to change with a number of programs scaled back or eliminated altogether. The following programs, services and initiatives will be impacted:

Sector Diversification

- CED will continue to support all of sectors identified in the Economic Strategy: *Calgary in the New Economy*; however, the amount of activity in each of those sectors will be dramatically reduced with less activity in each of the target markets. CED had anticipated 2 Business Development Managers in the budget to support these emerging opportunities.
- The Client Services and Business Development teams will be merged into a new Sales team, but with significantly reduced staff. The new Sales team will only work on large client files to directly support company attractions or expansions at the front end of the sales spectrum.
- CED will have to reduce the time and costs committed to each target market by the sales team in their efforts to attract new businesses and investment.
- CED will likely have to significantly curtail or eliminate our Advisory Committees and Round tables including Real Estate, Transportation & Logistics, Energy and Agri-business.
- CED will have to reduce the number of lead generation and familiarization events focused on attracting companies to Calgary.
- Other opportunities CED cannot respond to without special funding, could include projects like responding to RFPs (such as was done for Amazon HQ2) and one-off projects initiated through notices of motion or research project requests which CED receive from time to time by Administration or Council.

Global Business Centre and Trade Programs

- CED propose to close the Global Business Centre and eliminate the popular trade program, TAP (Trade Accelerator Program).

Startup Calgary and Innovation Ecosystem

- CED will have to reduce the Start-up team resulting in far fewer events and support for Calgary entrepreneurs and limit CED's involvement in the Innovation Ecosystem Coalition and Development.

Small Business Support

- CED will have to eliminate responding to research and information requests from small business and real estate support to smaller commercial operators. CED would end its subscription to Local Intel for the small business microsite and any sponsorship to community partner events.

Workforce

- CED will eliminate participation in Calgary Local Immigration Partnership, Momentum's social innovation programs, programming to support under-employed workforce or student groups.

Calgary Film Centre

- CED cannot support the administrative costs of the Calgary Film Centre without assurances of being fully reimbursed by the City for the efforts of the CEO, CFO, Finance team, Administration, IT and Marketing services.

Total reduction in current staff of 50 FTE at CED as a result of the above programming and service reductions is 17.5 FTE, leaving the staff complement at 32.5 FTE, which is similar to staffing levels from 2015.

Core Funding \$6,024,000 – What services CED proposes to continue doing

The core function of CED is to steward and support the new Economic Strategy for Calgary approved by Council in June 2018.

Business attraction, expansion & retention: Over the next 4 years, CED will limit its focus to larger organizations with a workforce of at least 20 individuals. CED will continue to focus on selling Calgary but the Business Development (Sales) team will be smaller than the current complement as will the supporting areas of research, marketing, talent and real estate services. The Sales team will continue to leverage OCIF as a valuable tool to help attract and expand businesses in Calgary.

Telling Calgary's story: While awareness and lead generation campaigns will continue to run, the reach and duration of these campaigns will have to be significantly reduced and will focus primarily on content and media outreach. CED will have limited capacity to execute out of market campaigns to drive lead generation which will impact company wins throughout this budget period. CED will endeavor to extend its reach through the private sector support of the Action Calgary program but the ability to generate this support may be diminished due to reduced relevance of CED.

Opportunity Calgary Investment Fund (OCIF): With reduced marketing, it will be more difficult to tell Calgary's story in our high potential markets, CED will continue to administer OCIF. However, CED cannot absorb the costs related to the administration of OCIF without being reimbursed by the City for the OCIF program for the efforts of the CEO, CFO, VP Client Services, Research, BDM and Marketing and overhead such as rental costs.

Startup Calgary: The Startup Calgary program will continue; however, there will be fewer events and programs offered by a smaller team. While CED will continue to seek additional funding from other sources, including other orders of government, it will not likely keep this program whole and will lead to a significant change to the scope of the program.

Securing other sources of funding: Funding from other orders of government will be critical if CED are to undertake specific research projects or pursue new opportunities. To facilitate this, CED will dedicate a resource to pursue government funding.

Supporting other community initiatives: While CED may be unable to support the existing sector Advisory Committees, CED will support the Talent, Place and Innovation committees created as part of the implementation of the Economic Strategy and will participate in the Business-Friendly Committee being established by Councilor Sutherland.

Conclusion:

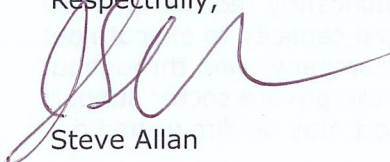
Over the past three years, in large part due to the financial support of Council, strong and productive relationships with Councilors, the Mayor, Administration, other levels of government and the business community, CED have evolved into a results-driven organization that is having an impact on the attraction and retention of companies and jobs, and the absorption of office, warehouse and industrial space.

CED has also expanded the reach of telling Calgary's story more effectively in more markets, leading to greater awareness and lead generation capabilities for CED.

While it cannot be accurately predicted at this point, the impact of a \$4 million reduction in the budget request on the metrics proposed for the next four-year period will be significant. Rather than the 100 companies CED expect to attract annually over the next six years, with jobs created predicted to grow from 6,000 in 2019 to 9000 in 2022, the metrics will more likely return to the level of results achieved prior to 2016 (when CED received additional funding) of 22 companies and 1500 jobs per year. As well, rather than absorbing office and industrial space at an expected rate of 500,000 square feet in 2019, to 1,250,000 square feet in 2022, CED's efforts to contribute to office and industrial space absorption will be significantly reduced and CED will not be in a position to contribute in any material way to one of the most significant challenges facing Calgary today.

CED respectfully requests that Council reconsider and restore the request for additional budget funds of \$4.0 million to establish a base budget in 2019 at \$10 million, such that CED can continue to make a positive contribution to Calgary's evolving economy.

Respectfully,



Steve Allan

Executive Chair

Appendix A

Calgary Economic Development supports retention, expansion and attraction business activities in Calgary. Through a total of \$9.86 million received from all orders of government in 2017 we counted 73 retention, expansion and attraction 'wins'. Economic activity generated from project wins includes the activity generated from capital expenditures and operations (labour and wages). From these expenditures calculations utilizing Alberta input – output (I-O) multipliers provides the direct, indirect and induced impacts of projects. The calculations measure the impact of capital expenditures and operations for one year.

For example, Prairie Dog Brewing was a company that CED assisted with expanding their operations in Calgary. Prairie Dog Brewing spent an estimated \$1.6 million in leasehold improvements and created 45 direct jobs. In order to estimate the economic activity generated, the following steps had to be done:

- Construction phase - \$1.6 million was multiplied by Alberta I-O multipliers from Table 5 for non-residential building construction category to derive total economic activity (direct, indirect and induced) for this phase which amounted to about \$1.28 million
- Operations phase - Total payroll was estimated by multiplying 45 jobs by average salary for Prairie Dog's industry in Alberta (brewing), which amounted to \$2.1 million total payroll. This payroll was then multiplied Alberta I-O multipliers from Table 6 for Breweries category to derive total economic activity (direct, indirect and induced) for this phase which amounted to about \$2.8 million.
- Estimated total economic activity (GDP) for this project win amounted to about \$4.1 million*.

By conducting this exercise for all 67 wins and aggregating the results, we estimate the total economic activity generated from Calgary Economic Development in 2017 to be \$513.5 million.

Having received a total of \$9.86 million in funding from all orders of government for each \$1 of government funding received Calgary Economic Development supported \$52 in economic activity.

- Total impact from capital investments and film production expenditures \$362 million
- Total impact from direct salaries \$143 million
- Total employment retained or created 6,483

Each project counted has verified that the support received from Calgary Economic Development influenced their investment decision.

* Please note this is conservative since this is only measuring economic activity-based payroll and not profit, depreciation and overhead in addition to just measuring this activity for just 1 year.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Nevena Ivanovic <nevena@womenscentrecalgary.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 10:46 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets
Attachments: 2019_22 Plans and Budgets Womens Centre Feedback.pdf

Good morning,

Please find attached the feedback to 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets from the Women's Centre of Calgary.

Best regards,

Nevena

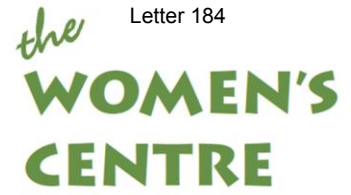
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Every woman's place for support, connections and community.

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We would like to acknowledge that the Women's Centre is situated on the traditional territories of the Treaty 7 First Nations people and is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region III.

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November 21, 2018

Dear Members of City Council,

We write today regarding the City of Calgary's proposal for 2019-22 Service Plans and Budget Priorities.

As you know, the Women's Centre of Calgary is a community organization that provides a safe, supportive space for women where they can get assistance, connect with others, and work for change. We advocate for social and economic policies that improve the lives of women, especially women experiencing poverty, who make over a half of the women who use our Centre.

On average, women are more likely to depend on public services to meet the needs of their families and maintain a balance between work and family life. This reality must be considered when determining how best to fund and deliver services. Funding decisions grounded in the principles of equity and fairness will ensure equitable access for diverse groups of women to essential services, programs and resources, making Calgary more inclusive and prosperous.

Calgary Neighborhoods' proposal for Social Programs identifies the value of having responsive, accessible and inclusive support services such as those available to women at the Women's Centre: women who experience barriers due to their gender, Indigeneity, race or ethnicity, socio-economic background, mental health or sexual orientation, are able to find community, overcome social exclusion and access educational, social or recreational opportunities.

We believe that critical social programs that relieve poverty, improve the quality of life of lower income Calgarians, and support important preventive initiatives that lead to stronger families and communities, such as Fair Entry and Family and Community Support Services, must be maintained and improved upon. Particularly, we strongly support funding the FCSS program at current or higher levels. We also propose that City Council ensure the continuation of the Sliding Scale Fare Structure as a part of its Fair Entry program.

We are supportive of the City's efforts to advance gender equity and diversity and remove barriers for diverse Calgarians, including women, starting by developing a strategy to advance gender equity and diversity in City services, governance and workforce. We hope that the adoption of such a strategy would lead to the use of the analytical tool GBA+ (Gender Based Analysis Plus), used to assess how diverse groups of men, women and gender-diverse people may experience policies, programs and initiatives, to guide the City's next Service Plans and Budget priorities document.

We look forward to being a strong community partner in the work of continuing to make Calgary a more inclusive, vibrant and prosperous city.

Sincerely,

Kendall Quantz
Co-chair of the Board

Susan Gillies
Executive Director



Every Woman's Place for Support, Connections and Community



Palaschuk, Jordan

From: laurentgrilletkim <laurentgrilletkim@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:00 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Creative Calgary

Calgary is still far from the cultural standard that all great cities have. The city needs to be much more financially involved in the development of its arts life.

Thank you

LGK

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Ken Gaida <kgaida@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:05 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019 City of Calgary Budget

In recognition of the tough times that Calgarians are experiencing, I recommend that all City departments are mandated to maintain their 2019 budgets at the same level as 2018. This is a reasonable request. Private businesses and residents are having to cope with much larger decreases.

Thank you
Ken Gaida

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Brian Mills <brmills@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:11 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Calgary's Arts Funding

I'm writing to you as a strong supporter of the performing arts in Calgary. I have never worked in the performing arts (I'm a retired petroleum geologist), but I am a personal donor to a number of arts companies, a regular arts volunteer putting in a significant amount of my own time, and a frequent performance attendee at numerous types of venues and performances.

I fully realize the value and importance of performing arts in a community as do a good number of creative and technical companies and organizations; just the sort of enterprises that Calgary needs to attract and encourage if our economy is to grow and diversify.

In your budget deliberations, I would like to strongly encourage the City Councillors to commit as much funding as possible in support of the arts in Calgary, and to bring civic funding models much closer to the levels that most other large municipalities offer. The City of Calgary could and must do a better job at keeping the arts alive and seeing this particular community thrive. Our future depends on it, and relatively small investments now, will certainly go a long way to bolstering what is already a sector well recognized for its contributions and creativity in Canada and beyond.

Thanks for your consideration.

Regards,

Brian R. Mills
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lois Kelly <cybermomabear@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:19 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service plan and Budgets

Mr. Chairman

Honourable Counsellors,

My name is Lois Kelly, I live at Cater Place 1st ST SE Ward 7 and I am a member of Community Connections East Village. We seniors have spoken 2x this year and we are grateful and thankful to have been heard regarding ice and snow removal in our city.

Thankyou for all your efforts on behalf of those of us who walk, ride, scooters, canes, wheelchairs, bundle buggies, bikes , walkers.

We understand that in" good winters" machinery may sit , be unproductive but in all weathers we people of Calgary move and DO NOT move if we fall down and can not get up.

Please use your same consideration for low income sliding scale bus passes.

FREEDOM is a Bus Pass!

We on limited income know that budgeting monies is hard work . We appreciate your time and efforts on our behalf.

THANK YOU for not forgetting us .

Sincerely

Lois Kelly Senior, Community Connections East Village .

Sent from my iPhone

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: habjmort@shaw.ca
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:20 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans & Budget

On review of Councils plans & budget, it has become very clear that both the Mayor & all Council members should take a voluntary pay cut of 10%, so as to provide some incentive for all city employees, in these increasingly tough economic times! I also believe that the majority of city employees should take a pay freeze, if not a similar cut in pay, as most are paid in excess of what they would receive in private industry.

I would be satisfied with a reduction in city services of 10-15 %. I believe that all garbage containers from the city should have a readout code, so that

I would only be charged when my containers are put out, and not weekly or bi-weekly! I think that park or golf course maintenance could be reduced, and that seasonal employees in these areas should be paid the minimum wages, except for supervisory staff.

Having operated a business, I feel that no new employees need be hired for at least the next two years, until our economy changes for the better!

Thank you for considering my views!

Harry A. Morton.

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee <planning@hsca.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:33 AM
To: Public Submissions; City Clerk
Cc: Robert McKercher; Kate Stenson; Karen Gallagher-Burt; Tyler Chalmers; Kensington BRZ; aims.yyc@gmail.com; CAWard7 - Dale Calkins; Farrell, Druh
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans & Budgets
Attachments: 2018-11-21_HSCA_Letter_re_2019-2022_OneCalgary_Budget.pdf

Dear City Clerk:

Please see attached for a letter submission from the Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association ahead of the November 26 City Council hearing.

Thank you,

Lisa Chong | MPlan
on behalf of:

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To preserve and enhance a healthy and vibrant quality of life for the residents of Hillhurst Sunnyside

This message is intended for the above-named recipient. If you have received this message in error, please contact the sender immediately.



November 21, 2018

Office of the Councillors,
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Delivered via email to: publicsubmissions@calgary.ca

RE: 2019-2022 Service Plans & Budgets

Honourable Mayor Nenshi and Members of City Council:

The Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association (HSCA) is writing to you in response to the One Calgary budget deliberations ahead of the November 29, 2018 Public Hearing of Council.

About Us

HSCA is a non-profit that serves over 10,800 residents in Hillhurst and Sunnyside. We serve one of the most diverse inner-city neighbourhoods in Calgary. Our demographics include more multi-family dwellings, more rental, non-market and social housing than the Calgary average. Three of the city's most vibrant mixed-use commercial corridors or *Main Streets* make up the heart of the community: 10th Street NW, 14th Street NW and Kensington Road NW.

Community Planning and Development

Since City Council approved the Hillhurst Sunnyside Area Redevelopment Plan: Part II Transit Oriented Development policy in 2009, the community has welcomed over 1,000 new neighbours into the area through the addition of mixed-use condo buildings in the Main Streets, TOD areas and intensification within residential areas. At the time of writing, approximately 450 condo residential units are either approved or awaiting approval at Development Permit stage; this equates to 800+ expected new residents over the next 18 months. This number excludes a number of large-scale projects currently at the Land Use Redesignation stage and individual infill developments.

Hillhurst Sunnyside has been a partner in the City of Calgary's long-term Municipal Development Plan vision to increase population density within our established communities and has embraced and welcomed affordable housing initiatives. Investing in established areas and Main Streets supports the extensive public engagement that has already been completed and capitalizes on adding people and jobs across the city. This is now becoming more relevant given the current high downtown commercial vacancies.

A part of the proposed budget and municipal tax increase is slated to go to the 14 newly Council-approved suburban communities. While it is encouraging that new suburbs are planned with critical infrastructure

from the start, we are concerned that the budget also needs to balance the needs of established communities, particularly the inner city and redeveloping areas where new housing is created.

Appendix I shows the tax uplift in Hillhurst Sunnyside as a result of redevelopment for the major TOD developments alone: the number of residential dwelling units went from **30 to 656**; the assessed value increased from **\$26,472,500 to \$284,682,350** and annual municipal taxes has grown from \$154,308 to \$1,211,690, representing a **685% increased tax base**. We are concerned that the tax uplift from this increased density is not being spent in the community where it was generated. Public projects that were promised to the community with the 2009 TOD policy amendment remain unfulfilled:

1. The Bow to Bluff public parks improvement project which spans the 9A Street corridor, including the City-owned triangular shaped lots created by the Northwest LRT. This project was originally funded by Council's Enmax Legacy Parks program for approximately \$5.7 million; however due to the weak economy, was de-funded in 2015.
2. Access to the Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Amenity Fund for community-initiated projects and local improvements remains restricted for as long as Bow to Bluff remains unfunded.
3. The ARP promises a Mobility Assessment and Plan (MAP) after the completion of six significant developments to *"review the transportation impacts of the intensified land use on adjacent roadways, as well as pedestrian, bicycle and transit connections"* (ARP Section 4.3.8).
 - Six major projects have been constructed in 2017 and there no plans to implement a community-wide Transportation Mobility Study.
 - As a walkable TOD community, we are strongly concerned about the proposed decreases to public realm improvements to enhance safety for all road users (particularly pedestrian safety), such as through the City Complete Streets program.
4. We have yet to see increased heritage retention; the ARP states that *the conservation and enhancement of heritage resources...will be encouraged as will the sensitivity of renovation and new development to the existing character of heritage buildings*. More information, incentives and tools are needed to help realize this goal.

Social Considerations

HSCA promotes inclusivity in our programming: in addition to recreation, social programs, markets, we also offer: Fresh Food Basket (providing residents facing economic barriers with access to free healthy food), weekly Neighbour Nights (free activities, vegetarian meals, childminding and peer-to-peer support), monthly Community Potluck (free warm meal and neighbour connections) and seniors' programs. The Early Learning and Child Care grant from the Provincial government has enabled us to operate a \$25/day daycare and the ability to offer child care to our most vulnerable families.

We have cultivated excellent relationships with community organizations including the Kensington Business Improvement Area, local businesses, local housing providers, Calgary Police Services, and more. HSCA has minimal access to supportive and outreach services via BowWest for two hours a week. We strongly wish to advocate to the City of Calgary, the need for social supports in the community as there is a deficit of outreach and social agencies in the area.

Within Calgary Police Service District 3, our community experiences the second highest incidence for social disorder and crime, which is steadily on the rise. HSCA and our community partners including Alpha House and the DOAP team are working together to educate and create awareness and resources. We are strongly

in favour of increased support for CPS in the proposed budget and request that more outreach and preventative initiatives are made available.

Hillhurst Sunnyside is the second community after Brentwood to undergo the TOD planning process. As population growth continues in the established areas, our community has successfully welcomed the equivalent population of a new neighbourhood every few years. Public benefit and amenity needs to be demonstrated with increased density with funding reinvested in our established communities. With station area planning underway for the Green Line LRT and BRTs, citizen confidence in the MDP vision becomes all the more important.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our feedback,

Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association

Cc: Members, Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association
Robert McKercher, Chair, Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee & Vice Chair, HSCA
Lisa Chong, Community Planning Coordinator, Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association
Karen Gallagher-Burt, Executive Director, Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association
Tyler Chalmers, Chair, Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association
Annie McInnis, Executive Director, Kensington Business Improvement Area
Advocates into Main Streets Group
Dale Calkins, Senior Policy & Planning Advisor, Ward 7 Councillor's Office
Ward 7 Councillor, Druh Farrell

Appendix I: Hillhurst Sunnyside Uplift



Hillhurst Sunnyside Tax Uplift

823 5 AV NW - VEN							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2013	11	11	Original	Land & Improvement	Single Residential	5,656,500	\$ 21,477
2014	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	10,760,000	\$ 40,318
2015	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	33,148,750	\$ 117,376
2016	228	114	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	47,202,500	\$ 175,074
2017	228	114	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	46,053,000	\$ 182,522
2018	228	114	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	44,410,000	\$ 171,769

222 9 ST NW - PALFREYVILLE							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2014	1	6	Original	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	1,210,000	\$ 4,534
2015	1	0	Demolition	Land Only	Multi-Residential	1,800,000	\$ 6,374
2016	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	2,010,000	\$ 7,455
2017	1	19	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	4,341,000	\$ 17,205
2018	1	19	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	4,000,000	\$ 15,471

1087 2 AV NW - LIDO							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2014	2	0	Original	Land & Improvement	Retail	3,360,000	\$ 35,931
2015	2	0	Demolition	Land Only	Commercial/Multi-Residential	2,877,994	\$ 20,504
2016	2	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	11,915,830	\$ 62,739
2017	126	60	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	32,131,000	\$ 127,345
2018	126	60	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	30,007,000	\$ 116,061

235 9A ST NW - PIXEL							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2011	5	5	Original	Land & Improvement	Single Residential	2,497,500	\$ 8,003
2012	5	0	Demolition	Land Only	Single Residential	2,276,500	\$ 7,869
2013	5	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	7,420,000	\$ 28,172
2014	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	37,429,420	\$ 140,248
2015	276	98	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	43,851,250	\$ 155,273
2016	276	98	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	44,391,250	\$ 164,647
2017	276	98	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	40,683,750	\$ 161,242
2018	276	98	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	40,982,250	\$ 158,511

301 10 ST NW - THE KENSINGTON							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2014	4	0	Original	Land Improvement & Land Only	Retail	4,131,000	\$ 44,176
2015	1	0	Demolition	Land Only	Commercial/Multi-Residential	3,000,000	\$ 14,293
2016	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	8,021,180	\$ 34,618
2017	156	77	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	32,918,500	\$ 130,466
2018	156	77	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	33,189,500	\$ 128,370

1110 3 AV NW - ST. JOHN'S							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2013	1	0	Original	Land Only (Since 2003)	Multi-Residential	4,010,000	\$ 15,225
2014	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	31,931,900	\$ 121,397
2015	219	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	46,160,750	\$ 114,879
2016	219	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	46,381,050	\$ 203,077
2017	219	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	45,322,050	\$ 205,831
2018	219	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	42,256,550	\$ 195,282

460 14 ST NW - BRENDA STRAFFORD							
Roll Year	# of Accounts	# of Dwelling Units	Project Phase	Property Type	Property Use	Assessment Value	Municipal Tax
2009	1	0	Original	Land & Improvement	Retail	884,500	\$ 7,265
2010	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	8,250,000	\$ 25,889
2011	1	N/A	Partially Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	14,440,160	\$ 46,273
2012	1	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	19,440,000	\$ 67,194
2013	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	28,839,500	\$ 166,716
2014	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	27,633,500	\$ 164,525
2015	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	41,866,250	\$ 216,324
2016	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	40,507,050	\$ 221,369
2017	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	35,983,550	\$ 212,520
2018	183	94	Completed	Land & Improvement	Multi-Residential	34,527,050	\$ 212,298

Residential Tax Rates	Municipal
2018*	0.0038678
2017	0.0039633
2016	0.0037090
2015	0.0035409
2014	0.0037470
2013	0.0037968
2012	0.0034565
2011	0.0032045
2010	0.0031380
Non-Residential Tax Rates	Municipal
2018	0.0146509
2017	0.0138819
2016	0.0121545
2015	0.0107367
2014	0.0106938
2013	0.0109913
2012	0.0112888
2011	0.0115099
2010	0.0099087
2009	0.0082132

*2018 taxes are estimated using the
2018 revenue neutral tax rate, adjusted
for 0.9% Council approved increase

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Danny Haines <hainesdanny@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:45 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets

Dear Councillors,

I'm writing to express concern regarding limited funding for on-street bikeways present in the One Calgary 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets. This activity is represented as line item **481404** and is allocated an average of **\$1.9 Million** in each of the four years of the budget.

This level of funding is not consistent with sustainability and equity objectives. It represents the chronic under-funding of cycling infrastructure in the City of Calgary and will have long-lasting impacts on Calgary's ability to meet the needs of its citizens.

Cycling infrastructure is an issue of sustainability and equity. Increased investment in this area leads to more people *who are not currently cycling* being able to cycle. Fiscal sustainability is achieved by shifting mode share to allow current roads to handle more people with minimal investment. Cycling reduces the environmental footprint of trips. And cycling is much lower in cost to the end user allowing lower income calgarians more transportation options.

Investments in cycling infrastructure are often criticized as appealing only to rich elites who have fancy bicycles. Research that I performed at the University of Calgary and presented at the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering's annual conference in June of this year shows that the opposite is true. **Improved cycling infrastructure disproportionately benefits those who DO NOT currently cycle.** Cycling infrastructure is seen as "nice to have" by current cyclists but is a "must have" for those who don't currently cycle. If Calgary is serious about encouraging the 72% of Calgarians who are interested in cycling more to get on bikes, then increased investment in cycling infrastructure is the best option.

I hope more funds can be allocated to this important activity so that more Calgarians are able to enjoy faster, cleaner, happier and cheaper transportation options.

Regards,

Danny Haines, [MBA, P.Eng.](#)
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Lisa Litz <lisal@horizonhousing.ab.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:48 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budgets
Attachments: 181121 CHAC Budget Letter to Council FINAL.pdf

Hello,
Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the 2019 budget.
Please accept the attached letter from the co-chairs of the Community Housing Affordability Collective.
Regards,
Lisa

Lisa Litz
Director of Stakeholder Relations

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November 21, 2018

Mayor Nenshi and Members of Council
City of Calgary
P.O. Box 2100 Station M
Calgary, Alberta
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Re: Support of Increases to Affordable Housing in 2019 Budget

Dear Your Worship, Mayor Naheed Nenshi and Members of City Council,

On behalf of the more than 50 members of the Community Housing Affordability Collective (CHAC), we are writing to express our wholehearted support for the increases to affordable housing recommended by City administrators in the proposed One Calgary: 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budget. This is a vital step towards improving housing affordability in Calgary.

Earlier this fall, CHAC released its common vision: adding 15,000+ new, affordable rental housing units in Calgary in the next decade. This would help bring Calgary up to the national average and combat chronic homelessness while simultaneously reducing the number of households over-spending on housing.

The recommended budget increases not only align with our common vision, but also with the will of Calgarians. In The City's Citizen Satisfaction Spring Pulse Survey, affordable housing was identified as a top priority for investment, with 93 per cent of respondents requesting continued and increased investment.

To address the urgent need and overwhelming public support, we encourage the expansion of the non-profit land transfer program. Access to affordable, appropriate land is a considerable barrier for our members; building on the successes of last year's pilot program will empower us to be part of the solution.

Bridging this significant gap will take the whole community. To this end, we encourage continued partnership with provincial and federal partners as well as the private sector. Similarly, initiatives like the Housing Incentive Program have made a positive impact. We support their continuation.

The recommended increases will help our members develop an estimated 1,900 new non-market homes between 2019 and 2022. Increased funding is critical to the successful implementation of the Corporate Affordable Housing Strategy and our shared goal of improved housing affordability. We thank you for recognizing the call from Calgarians to prioritize housing affordability. On budget day, please support the recommended increases to affordable housing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Jarvis'.

Beverly Jarvis
Director of Policy, Projects and Government Relations
BILD Calgary
Co-Chair, CHAC
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martina Jileckova'.

Martina Jileckova
Chief Executive Officer
Horizon Housing Society
Co-Chair, CHAC
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Palaschuk, Jordan

From: Daniel Bubola <daniel@calgarycurlingclub.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 21, 2018 11:58 AM
To: Public Submissions
Subject: [EXT] Parks Foundation Calgary

Dear City of Calgary,

I am contacting you to advocate for the continued support and funding of Parks Foundations Calgary. I only learned of PFC a year ago and it had a significant impact on our organization. As a not-for-profit we strive to be fiscally responsible while keeping accessibility affordable to large sections of the local population which includes youth, seniors, and individuals with physical and mental limitations. The contribution made to us by PFC allowed us to make a much needed major improvement to our club with minimal impact to our user fees. The Calgary Curling Club is grateful for Parks Foundation Calgary.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

Daniel Bubola
General Manager



403-283-8381

Palaschuk, Jordan

From: GM Holst <holst.gm@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2018 11:14 AM
To: Mayor Nenshi; Dalglish, Stuart
Cc: Ward14 - Blair Cunningham
Subject: [EXT] Budget Support for Calgary's Heritage

Dear Mayor Nenshi and Stuart,

Quick note to:

1. express my **thanks** for the **positive forward motion of the City's Planning & Development** department. From streamlined processed to a better website, from increased focus on customer satisfaction to improved functionality of the permit counters, from more and better communication about changes to increased engagement with citizens about planning, the Planning & Development division is moving towards 'great'! The department should be proud of itself regarding developments like the East Village, Main Streets Programs, and potentially better Local Area Planning processes. Thank you :)

2. respectfully request consideration of **increased funding to the Calgary Heritage Authority**. If more evaluations of historically significant sites can be completed, then they can added to the City's Inventory - and then they can be included in area planning, and have the chance of being saved!

I have been thrilled to know that places of special meaning to me have been evaluated and added: places like the Bank of Montreal where my mother worked, and the Tigersteadt Block where my parents had their wedding photos done; to Mayland Heights Elementary School that I attended, and the Mayland Heights Safeway that was focal to our family; to Simpson Sears (North Hill) where all our shopping was done for so many years to Scotsman Hills that brings back such glorious memories of watching Stampede firework displays; to the Big Four Building that once housed 48 sheets of curling ice where I learned to curl with my parents; to Crescent Heights Senior High School that I attended to the Condon Building where I worked for several years. And so many more (won't take up any more precious time with details).

And through events like Doors Open YYC, Jane's Walk and Historic Calgary Week, I am learning about all sorts of other places in this special City that deserve evaluation and future potential historic designation.

3. respectfully request consideration of **increased funding to the Historic Resource Conservation Grant** to enable property owners to consider designation because they can get assistance with restoration costs. The story of property owners of the Calgary Trend Home is SO inspiring! Seeing 'character homes' on a walk about town is so much more interesting than cookie-cutter suburbia!

Maybe it's because I'm aging myself :) , but as a born-and-raised Calgarian, it hurts sometimes to see our history chipped away. I get progress - and sometimes evolution is best. But our past has value too. To see how cSpace King Edward and the Simmons Factory Warehouse have been saved and energized, is so heart-warming. Can't wait to see the revitalized Historic City Hall.

As a property-tax-paying citizen, I fully support my taxes going towards the CHA and the Conservation Grants! Please don't let them wither, but help them grow!

Thanks for your time,
kind regards,
GMHolst



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RE:

AIMS - who we are and how to contact us.

Advocates Into Main Streets (AIMS) is the alliance of forty-plus and growing organizations comprised of Community Associations, Business Improvement Areas, active Established Area developers and planning and design professionals all working towards better neighbourhoods and better streets. We share a unified voice with the expressed priority of advocating for Main Streets funding and support.

We are an intentionally leaderless alliance and are represented by a cross-section of volunteers from the pool of participating organizations. CivicWorks has volunteered to deliver this letter to the whole of Council, as well as senior leadership within Administration. If you would like the opportunity to hear more about AIMS and/or arrange for a small delegation meeting, David White of CivicWorks is the best contact and directly at 403.852.8921 or david@civicworks.ca.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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November 5, 2018

ATTN:

City of Calgary Administrative Leadership Team and Senior Management Team

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Advocates Into Main Streets Message for Council

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City of Calgary Main Streets Overview

The Municipal Development Plan (MDP) identifies 24 Main Street areas for (1) strategic growth and (2) municipal investment as part of a long term plan to manage the growing population of our city over time. Since the Main Streets Initiative was launched in 2014, various stakeholder groups, including industry professionals, economic specialists, community groups, and neighbourhood residents all participated in one of the largest local planning engagement efforts ever undertaken by The City, discussing the unique challenges and opportunities for growth and development in these areas. The resulting public input and expert data points expressed a common concept: focus the Main Street Initiative on a few key or strategic streets in the short term to maximize the chances of success. A number of Main Streets, identified by this staged approach, are now in various tiers of planning and phases of implementation.

The Issue: Main Streets Investment is in Jeopardy

Proposed 2019-2022 Budget

The City's new approach to four-year budget cycle, One Calgary, has proposed a 2019-2022 Service Plans and Budget that does not find the Main Streets initiative as a funding priority. This is of great concern and highlights what could be flaws in Administration's One Calgary process whereby competing priorities have resulted in a lack of specific investment in key strategic growth areas.

Failing the Municipal Development Plan Growth Targets

Main Streets are a critical plank of The City's long term strategy for achieving the MDP's targets for a balance of growth and investment between Established and Developing areas. Today, at less than ten percent, the Established areas are well below meeting the MDP's goal of an equal, 50 / 50 share of growth in 60 years. Our alarm over the proposed lack of funding for the Main Streets Initiative is made all the more urgent considering City Council's decision to open new growth in 14 greenfield communities, an associated \$447M in proposed capital funding, and an average 0.75% city-wide tax increase to help cover The City's initial outlay for infrastructure to accommodate this new growth. A pragmatic and balanced approach—in line with The City's MDP goals—would see investment and stimulated growth across the city, utilizing the Main Streets Initiative to capitalize on existing infrastructure, grow a more mixed non-residential tax base in the Established Area, and create more complete communities with new small businesses and employment opportunities for Calgarians.



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A Breach of Trust

There are myriad hurdles to achieving a balance of growth between established and greenfield communities. A significant barrier among them is community readiness—that is, getting multiple established area stakeholders to embrace and influence the shape of prospective change. The assurance that City investment will accompany growth and intensification makes the Main Streets Initiative all the more palatable for our community partners—an equitable trade off that makes fundamental sense. With this shared understanding, the Initiative has been wildly successful to date with significant land use planning, private investment and development activity in these areas. Some Main Streets like 33/34 Avenue SW have witnessed tremendous change in recent years with a rise in density and transformation of the street to a predominantly mid-rise built form. Other identified Main Street areas like Shaganappi/Killarney-Glengarry have undertaken extensive community visioning with large areas rezoned for higher intensity (see page 4 for a breakdown of Main Streets scheduling and funding status).

Impeding stable, ongoing Main Streets funding not only fails to provide these Established Area neighbourhoods with much needed infrastructure, public realm, and safety improvements for all modes of transportation, it represents a breach of trust. It is imperative The City adheres to their promise that the places receiving density will also receive City support and funding—without it the MDP's goals for a more compact urban form will most certainly fail.

Our Ask:

We are asking City Council to include Main Streets planning and capital funding in the 2019-2022 One Calgary budget cycle to enable the continuation and timely implementation of Main Streets. Keep the momentum, start building Main Streets, and support this important Initiative as a long-term commitment to Calgary's future.

Suggested Follow-up Actions:

1. Establish a clearly-defined Main Streets Program focused on implementation and priorities.
2. Cost and establish a long-term funding source for the implementation of the Program.
3. Explore and establish mechanisms for local reinvestment of increased tax revenues from growth within Main Streets areas and create incentives for private investment.

Sincerely,

Advocates Into Main Streets

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Arlington Street Investments
Beltline Neighbourhoods Association
Bowness Business Improvement Area
Bowness Community Association
Bridgeland-Riverside Community Association
Bucci
Bunt & Associates
CivicWorks
Crescent Heights Community Association
Eagle Crest Construction
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Inglewood Business Improvement Area
Inglewood Community Association

Intelligent Futures
Killarney-Glengarry Community Association
Landstar Development Corporation
Marda Loop Business Improvement Area
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Minto Group
Montgomery Business Improvement Area
Montgomery Community Association
Mount Pleasant Community Association
Navagrah Landscape Architecture
O2 Planning + Design
People Places Design Inc.
QuantumPlace Developments Ltd.
Renfrew Community Association
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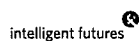
Richmond Knob Hill
Community Association



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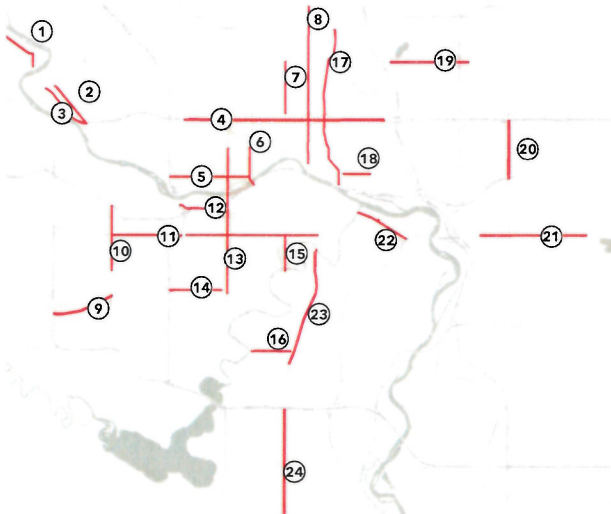
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Main Streets Funding At-a-Glance

30%



Active¹ Main Street projects with secured City funding

¹ Defined as a level of progress related to City-led rezoning, Local Plan Amendments, and/or Streetscape Master Planning.

12.5%



Total² City funding for Main Street projects

² Defined as secured Implementation funding related to all 24 Main Streets

	Main Street	Ward	Councillors	City-Led Rezoning	Local Plan Amendments	Streetscape Master Planning	Implementation Funding
1	Bowness RD NW (Bowness)	1	Ward Sutherland	Active	Active	Inactive	Unfunded
2	Bowness RD NW (Montgomery)	7	Druh Farrell	Complete	Complete	Active	Unfunded
3	16 AV NW (Montgomery)	7	Druh Farrell	Complete	Complete	Inactive	Unfunded
4	16 AV NW	7,9	Druh Farrell, Gian-Carlo Carra	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
5	Kensington RD NW	7	Druh Farrell	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
6	10 ST NW	7	Druh Farrell	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
7	4 ST NW	7	Druh Farrell	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
8	Centre ST North	4,7	Sean Chu, Druh Farrell	Inactive	Inactive	Active	Unfunded
9	Richmond RD SW	6,8	Jeff Davison, Evan Woolley	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
10	37 ST SW	6,8	Jeff Davison, Evan Woolley	Complete	Complete	Active	Funded
11	17 AV SW (Crowchild TR to 37 ST SW)	8	Evan Woolley	Complete	Complete	Active	Funded
12	10 AV SW	8	Evan Woolley	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
13	14 ST SW	8	Evan Woolley	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
14	33/34 AV SW	8	Evan Woolley	Active	Active	Active	Unfunded
15	4 ST SW	8,11	Evan Woolley, Jeromy Farkas	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
16	50 AV SW	11	Jeromy Farkas	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
17	Edmonton TR NE	7,9	Druh Farrell, Gian-Carlo Carra	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
18	1 AV NE	9	Gian-Carlo Carra	Complete	Complete	Active	Unfunded
19	32 AV NE	10	Ray Jones	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
20	36 ST NE	10	Ray Jones	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
21	17 AV SE	9	Gian-Carlo Carra	Active	Active	Complete	Alternative City Funding
22	9 AV SE	9	Gian-Carlo Carra	Inactive	Active	Active	Unfunded
23	MacLeod TR S (North)	9,11	Gian-Carlo Carra, Jeromy Farkas	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded
24	MacLeod TR SE	9,11	Gian-Carlo Carra, Jeromy Farkas	Inactive	Inactive	Inactive	Unfunded