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Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council

Meeting Date: 2018 December 17

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: STANDING UP FOR CANADA'S RESPONSIBLE ENERGY INDUSTRY

Sponsoring Councillor(s): Councillor Farkas

WHEREAS Canada has among the strictest environmental policies, laws and regulatory systems governing energy production in the world;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a world leader in production and use of energy from renewable sources;

AND WHEREAS Canada's oil and gas industry is the single largest private sector investor in the country;

AND WHEREAS energy companies in Canada are investing billions of dollars into clean technologies to reduce environmental impact along with investing in renewable technologies;

AND WHEREAS as a global energy producer, the economic opportunities are significant and driven by research and innovation in production technology and process improvements;

AND WHEREAS Calgary is the epicenter of the energy industry in Canada with head offices of most major companies in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors located in the city;

AND WHEREAS while Calgary does not presently participate in energy matters, precedent is set for City Council to monitor and participate as necessary in Gas, Power, and Telecommunications regulatory proceedings to protect the interests of The City of Calgary in its role of municipal government;

AND WHEREAS in 2014 there were over \$100 billion in new oil sands projects that were planned for construction then were cancelled, mainly due to lack of market access;

AND WHEREAS Canada is losing \$80 million per day due to Alberta's lack of energy market access and subsequent sale of energy products at a steep discount;

AND WHEREAS it is acknowledged by the Federal and Alberta governments that lack of market access for oil and gas is a crisis;

AND WHEREAS municipalities throughout Canada are escalating their anti-Alberta, anti-oil and gas rhetoric, and anti-oil policy advocacy;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act provides that councilors have the duty to consider the welfare and interests of the municipality as a whole and to bring to council's attention anything that would promote the welfare or interests of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS past City of Calgary expenditure has promoted drastic anti-pipeline advocacy efforts such as the *Leap Manifesto*;

AND WHEREAS it is in the interest of The City of Calgary's economic development objectives to participate positively in national energy discussions, or to at least do no harm;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in line with the Provincial and Federal Governments, Calgary City Council declares the steep differential for Canadian crude to be a local, regional, and national crisis;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council declares formal City of Calgary support for construction of new pipelines, and expansion of existing infrastructure, to transport Alberta oil and gas to market;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council prohibits Municipal expenditures on anti-pipeline advocacy such as the *Leap Manifesto*;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to develop a strategy for The City of Calgary to advocate for improved market access for Canada's responsible energy industry, including an analysis and review of:

1. Other Canadian municipalities' efforts to influence the construction of pipelines; and
2. The City of Calgary's advocacy options, either in collaboration with or in response to, the actions of others, including but not limited to:
 - i. legal options;
 - ii. policy options;
 - iii. political options;
 - iv. education or communications options, such as using City facilities or fleet;
 - v. official proclamations by Mayor and Council;
 - vi. options possible through City Charter provisions;
 - vii. market options in compliance with common law and trade agreements; and
 - viii. options available through membership in, or withdrawal from, associations such as the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to consult regarding collaboration of efforts related to improved market access for Canada's responsible energy industry, with:

1. members of Council;
2. other governments; and
3. organizations such as Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, Canada Action, Calgary Chamber of Commerce, Canadian Federation of Independent Business, Calgary Economic Development, and other parties which may be identified.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to broadly scan legislative activity relevant to energy market access at other orders of government (such as Bill C-69), opportunities for administrative or political participation (such as committee hearings), and provide general updates as required;

AND LASTLY BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs Administration to report back at least quarterly to the Priorities and Finance Committee, appreciating that legal options and strategy may need to be discussed in whole, or in part in, closed sessions pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection and Privacy Act.