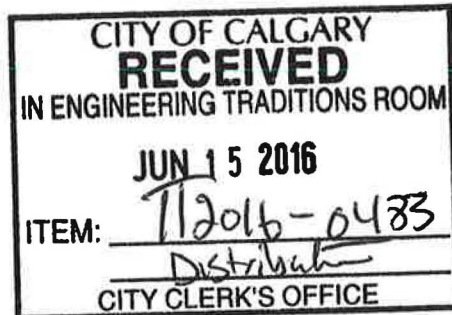


Green Line Team
City of Calgary

(via email)

Dear Sirs:



May 10, 2016

On behalf of the Eau Claire Community Association and the approximately 1700 residents of Eau Claire, I am writing to express our support for the recent recommendation by the Green Line Team in favour of the so-called "Option D" for routing the new Green Line across the Bow River and through Downtown. This of course is the option to use an entirely underground route from north of 16th Avenue North south under the Bow River and through Downtown, and coming back to the surface only south of the CPR tracks.

Our Community Association supports this recommendation for several reasons, including its minimal potential impact on Prince's Island Park, on some residences in Eau Claire very near the proposed route, and on current pedestrian and vehicle traffic in or next to Eau Claire.

As the Green Line team continues its more detailed planning, we would also encourage close co-ordination with the plans for the redevelopment of the Eau Claire Market. Our preference would be to see an Eau Claire station aligned underground with 2nd Street located as north as reasonable and with direct, underground, out-of-the-weather access to a new Eau Claire Market. That could help enhance the appeal of the Market and Plaza as retail and recreational destinations for the community and for the whole city, contributing to the vitality we seek for our community.

We look forward to continuing to work consultatively with the Green Line Team as this important project proceeds.

Sincerely,

James A. Hughes

President,
Eau Claire Community Association

c.c. Ward 7 Councillor Farrell's office