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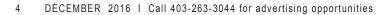
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### Learn About the Future Use of Learning Space at Area I & II Schools

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date	January 17, 2017
time	5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
location	Senator Patrick Burns School
	2155 Chilcotin Road N.W.

To learn more about what we've heard so far, visit **cbe.ab.ca/dialogue** 

## Green Line LRT

The City of Calgary continues to plan the massive Green Line LRT. It is Calgary's biggest infrastructure project, ever, and one of the largest Light Rail projects anywhere in North America. Fully built, the Green Line will provide 41 kilometers of train service from Panorama Hills in the north to downtown, through the south east to the South Calgary Hospital in Seton. In comparison, Calgary's current LRT lines run a total of 54 kilometers.

Green Line trains will differ from existing C-Trains because they are a low floor design, removing the need for elevated platforms at station stops. This allows planners to plan on a train running at-grade down the middle of Harvest Hills Boulevard and Centre Street with easier passenger access. Instead of 36th St NE or Crowchild Trail today, the line will feel much more like 7th Avenue, but without long ramps nor high platforms.

This more accessible system presents an opportunity for redevelopment, and the city expects the Green Line to help reshape communities north of downtown. In particular, the areas surrounding stations at 9th, 16th, 28th, 40th, 68th and (soon) 96th Avenues have been the subject of extensive design exercises known as "Charrettes". The city sees each of this stations as locations for Transit Oriented Development, with higher density and a mix of commercial and public services within walking distance.

The Green Line will leave only 2 lanes for vehicles from McKnight Boulevard to 16th Avenue. While the train is expected to replace considerable car and bus traffic on Centre Street, the ultimate traffic impacts on Edmonton Trail and 4th Street are unknown.

Cost-wise, the city is working towards a more refined estimate from its preliminary \$4.5 to \$5 Billion. The city is the only level of government who has formerly committed funding, although the federal government has publicly offered support. Meanwhile the province appears supportive, but has made no public commitments. Even if funding were confirmed today, the line would not likely be operating before 2024. The Green Line will have a tremendous impact on Calgary, and North Central Calgary in particular. Staying engaged and informed will be key for all of us who live, work, ride, or drive in the north.

Greg Miller facilitates Green Line North Communities, connecting city planners with communities. He lives in Highland Park



### IN & AROUND CALGARY Pet Safety—Keep Your Pets Indoors This Winter

Humans are not the only ones who need to keep warm during the winter months. Your pets do too. Although they might be covered in fur, your pet can still fall ill during the colder months or even get frostbite when temperatures drop below freezing. But have no fear, here are a few tips on how to keep your pet warm this winter.

Keep your pet indoors. This is the number one way to keep your pets safe and warm in the winter. For dogs, take shorter walks when the weather is severely cold. A good rule of thumb is to go out with them and when you're ready to come in, chances are your dog is too. If your dog must stay outside, make sure she has proper shelter and a source of fresh water at all times, and make sure her water cannot freeze.

It's important to remember that cold cars can pose a significant risk to your pet's health. Leaving your cat or dog in the car is just as dangerous in winter as in the summer. Limit car travel to only that which is necessary, and don't leave your pet unattended in the vehicle.

If you lose your pet during the winter months, do not delay. Call 3-1-1 to see if Animal Services has picked up your pet. If not, file a lost pet report with Animal Services.

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Beddington Real Estate Update Last 12 Months Beddington MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
October 2016	\$339,500.00	\$329,500.00
September 2016	\$336,250.00	\$339,000.00
August 2016	\$397,900.00	\$387,500.00
July 2016	\$346,950.00	\$332,750.00
June 2016	\$399,900.00	\$380,000.00
May 2016	\$399,888.00	\$390,000.00
April 2016	\$375,000.00	\$364,000.00
March 2016	\$315,000.00	\$310,000.00
February 2016	\$419,900.00	\$409,750.00
January 2016	\$394,450.00	\$380,000.00
December 2015	\$399,900.00	\$383,000.00
November 2015	\$389,450.00	\$370,600.00

### Last 12 Months Beddington MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
October 2016	16	8
September 2016	15	12
August 2016	10	6
July 2016	18	10
June 2016	12	17
May 2016	15	15
April 2016	21	9
March 2016	7	7
February 2016	10	6
January 2016	8	6
December 2015	6	5
November 2015	10	12

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **beddington.great-news.ca** 



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Cameron	13	403-455-0142	Yes
Kasandra	27	403-483-1788	Yes
May	55	587-968-0782	Yes
NIkkita	24	403-826-8917	Yes
Rebecca	14	587-223-6730	Yes
Sabrina	17	403-512-3171	Yes
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Zara	24	587-703-9212	Yes
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## Beddington's Little Free Library

Submitted by Stephanie Sokolowski, Boeddington Resident

Have you ever wished there could be a little library right on your street corner so you could borrow a book at any time? Look no further! Beddington's first Little Free Library is on located on Bearberry Crescent NW for all to enjoy.

What is a Little Free Library? Well, it is a library that is little and free for all to use! The idea is to take a book or leave a book for a neighbor to pick up and enjoy. We installed our Little Free Library in June 2015 and it has seen hundreds of books flow in and out since then. Our Little Free Library's stock ebbs and flows with use, but typically there are lots of books for people of all ages and reading levels to enjoy!

The address of the Little Free Library is 128 Bearberry Crescent NW. Grab a book or drop off a book anytime and see what's new!

### IN & AROUND CALGARY Crowchild Trail Study Mark your calendar for upcoming events!

Thanks Calgary for helping us review the draft recommendations for the study area. We used your input to refine and finalize the draft recommendations.

We invite you to join us at one of the open houses in November and December to view the final recommendations and provide your feedback on the engagement process. We'll be asking for your feedback on the engagement process. These events are part of **Phase 6: Reporting and Completion** of the study process.

**Open House #1: Tuesday, November 29, 2016** (No RSVP required)

## **Before and After School** Program Update

November was a great transition month for the programs, getting all of the children into the winter routine of dressing and getting used to the shorter days in preparation for the winter season! We also celebrated National Child's Day on November 20, and our Program Council focused on brainstorming and surveying the children for ways to improve our 3 programs.

Coming up in December we are looking forward to all that the holiday seasons will bring! We love going outside as much as the weather will allow us to go tobogganing, building snow forts and snowmen and maybe even some snowball fights! We are also hosting our annual Winter Mixer for our BASP families. It's a fun family filled night with amazing home baked goodies, family activities and raffles.

As a reminder our last day before Christmas is December  $23^{\rm rd}$  and we will re open January  $2^{\rm nd}$ 

From us to you, have a wonderful holiday season and a safe new year!

Time: 5 to 8 p.m. Location: Red and White Club, McMahon Stadium – 1833 Crowchild Tr. N.W.

#### **Open House #2: Saturday, December 3, 2016** (No RSVP required)

Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location: Sunalta School, Main Gym – 536 Sonora Ave. S.W.

We anticipate presenting the final recommendations to Council in early 2017.

If you're unable to attend one of the open houses, there will be an opportunity to provide your input online. For a complete list of engagement opportunities, go to **calgary.ca/crowchild** 

Source: The City of Calgary

## **Help Those in Need This Holiday Season** with The Calgary Food Bank

Every year Calgary's 150 community associations, the Federation of Calgary Communities, and other community partners across the city join Mayor Naheed Nenshi in the Mayor's Annual Christmas Food Drive, in support of the Calgary Food Bank.

Last year, over 40 community associations participated in the event and with their residents helped raise more than \$16,000 in food and funds!

We invite YOU to help us raise even more this year by donating non-perishable food items at your local community association throughout the month of December!

Items on this year's "Holiday Wish List" include canned fish, vegetables and fish, soup, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, fruit juice, baby food and formula, and diapers.

In addition to your local community association donations can also be made at any of the Calgary Food Bank partners including Safeway, Co-op, Superstore, Sobeys, Costco, and many more. Visit www.calgaryfoodbank.com for more information on items to donate and drop-off locations.

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## News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

This summer some residents had concerns about pet rabbits released into the wild. Would this problem be part of the City's jurisdiction, as it was in Canmore? The General Manager of Community Services reported to City Council that most of the rabbits in communities are jack rabbits, which are feral (wild) animals.

The City does have authority over pet rabbits, under the Community Standards Bylaw, for example. Feral animals are up to the province's Animal and Wildlife Services. The Community Services Department at the City will work with Council to provide information on how to direct residents and ensure that their concerns are properly addressed.

At a council committee on Community & Protective Services, a motion was passed to propose bylaw changes in order to use livestock grazing as a land management and weed control tool on City lands in 2017.

Natural areas provide multiple ecosystem services, which are of value to city residents. For example, there is computer software to measure the urban forest in at least 3 environmental services: cleansing the air; storing carbon; and reducing storm water in the City.

So far, it was found that the average benefit per tree in Edmonton's urban forest was US \$74.73 (\$97.96 Canadian). The cost for caring for each tree is US \$18.38 (\$24.09 Canadian), resulting in a net benefit of US \$56.35 (\$73.87 Canadian).

Cities and local governments play a crucial role in the pursuit of a greener existence through efficiently integrating urban development and biodiversity management at the local level. With rapid human development and expansion, biodiversity is being lost, but there are some new urban biodiversity guidelines.

In the fall of 2016, the Mayor signed the Durban Commitment. Calgary is the 3rd Canadian city, after Edmonton and Montreal, to formally join an international program directed by Local Action for Biodiversity, for local governments from across the world to improve biodiversity planning and management. It is estimated that 90% of the world's population will live in urban areas by 2100.

- By 2025, Calgary will:
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#### Year-end update – December 2016

It's hard to believe that we will soon be saying goodbye to 2016 and ushering in a new year. It has been a busy and productive year, as your Member of Parliament, and I have been working hard on your behalf. There are a few important issues I would like to update you on:

1) The Alberta jobs crisis continues to be a primary focus for me. As you may know, my colleagues and I launched the Alberta Jobs Taskforce this fall. I have been consulting with community members and employers to get their feedback regarding policy solutions and budget requests that we will be presenting to the government. If you, or anyone you know, would like to be involved in



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the Taskforce's work please contact me at michelle.rempel@parl.gc.ca or visit www.AlbertaJobsTaskforce.ca.

2) Earlier this year I presented a motion in Parliament calling on the government to respond to the Yazidi genocide. After months of inaction and enormous pressure, the government finally agreed to support my motion to save Yazidis. I am proud to report that this motion passed unanimously in the House. This is a testament to sexual slavery survivors like Nadia Murad, who was present in Ottawa to witness the vote. I encourage you to visit my website to watch this historic vote and a tribute to Nadia.

3) Over 1300 of you provided your input on the issue of electoral reform during my consultations over the course of the year. 91.91% of respondents to the survey indicated that a referendum should be held prior to any changes being made to Canada's electoral system. 79.13% of respondents did not think we need to replace our current system of voting. I have conveyed the feedback received via a letter to the chair of the Special Committee on Electoral Reform. You can also find a copy on my website: www.MichelleRempel.ca. I will continue to keep you informed about this important issue as the committee reports back to Parliament.

I understand that this Christmas season will be challenging for many due to unemployment. There are many important organizations that will be stretched further than most years and I encourage you to take some time to volunteer or donate financially to these organizations. For those that are struggling with the mental and physical challenges associated with unemployment, and the added stress the holidays can present, please reach out to an organization like the Distress Centre. They have 24 hour support and can be reached at their crisis line at 403.266.HELP(4357). I will be hosting a Christmas Open House on December 10th at the Berkshire Citadel (222 Sandarac Drive N.W.) from 2:00 PM -5:00 PM. I will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Calgary Food Bank and chatting with constituents. Please feel free to stop by, drop off you donation, and say hello. And while an RSVP is not required to attend, you may do so at www.MichelleRempel.ca or by calling 403-216-7777. I hope you all have a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a joyous holiday season.

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Calgary Police – Non Emergency	403.266.1234
Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter	403.234.7233
Child Abuse Hotline	1.800.387.5437
Kids Help Line	1.800.668.6868
Child Safe Canada	403.202.5900
Distress/Crisis Line	403.266.4357
ENMAX – Power Trouble	403-514-6100
Poison Centre - Alberta	1-800-332-1414
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Foothills Hospital	403.944.1110
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#### **Happy Holidays**

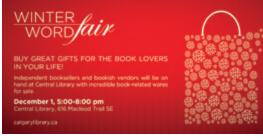
Calgary Public Library will be closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Year's Day. The Library is open until 4:30 pm on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

#### **Free Presents!**

Need a last-minute stocking stuffer? Give everyone on your list FREE books, movies, magazines, eBooks, programs that teach and entertain, and so much more when you give the gift of a FREE Library Card!

#### The 2017 Reading Guide

The Library is excited to announce that the 2017 Reading Guide will be in community libraries this January! The Reading Guide has an amazing selection of books chosen by Librarians to keep everyone in your family reading all year long.





### MLA CALGARY-MACKAY-NOSE HILL KAREN MCPHERSON

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Merry Christmas and happy holidays, Calgary Mackay Nose Hill!

It has been a busy fall season in the House and I am proud to be bringing your voice in the legislature. Earlier this fall I was proud to join many of my colleagues at the State of the Province Address in Calgary to hear Premier Notely speak to our government's challenges and commitments. The Premier addressed many new initiatives that the government will be setting in motion in the New Year.

The Carbon Levy Rebate will start to roll out to families in January of 2017. These rebates are automatically available to you, if you have submitted your 2015 income tax return. If you want more information about what the carbon levy visit alberta.ca/climate-carbon-pricing.aspx.

For small business owners and investors, the Alberta Investor Tax Credit and the Capital Investment Tax Credit are two new tax credits which will be available starting in January of 2017 to support small- and medium-sized businesses. The tax credits will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis to eligible applicants.

I have heard from constituents across the riding last month and attended some wonderful events - I really enjoy all of the opportunities to connect with you. I was lucky enough to be invited to do a presentation on the Alberta Government to the grade 6 classes at Simons Valley School and I had a great time introducing them in the Legislature when they visited in November.

I was pleased to host the Minister of Education, David Eggen for some door knocking in Beddington Heights and a tour of John. G. Diefenbaker High School. Minister Eggen's visit to Calgary Mackay Nose Hill came shortly before the launch of an online survey seeking input on the new provincial Curriculum Development. To have your say, please visit education.alberta.ca

As always, I welcome your input. Starting January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 my office will be open 9am until 4:30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (we will be closed for lunch from 12:00pm-1:00pm). Thursday's our hours will be 12:00pm until 7:00pm. Please feel free to contact me by email at calgary.mackay.nosehill@assembly.ab.ca, by phone at 403-215-7710 or drop by the office at #106, 8220 Centre Street NE, beside First Calgary Credit Union.



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#### City launches online street light outage application

The City of Calgary has launched an online application that will allow citizens to easily report street light outages in their community.

The application allows people to locate the street light on a map and report it instantly to The City of Calgary. This process avoids duplicate reports, reduces the number 311 calls, and provides more detailed and more accurate updates to citizens about each light service request.

The City of Calgary is committed to providing a higher level of service and better customer service to its citizens.

Under the service agreement with Enmax, it can take up to 30 days to repair street light outages. In the event of damages or something more complex like underground wire faults, repairs could take much longer. Citizens are asked to call 311 to report damaged street lights.

Please visit calgary.ca/streetlights to report an outage near you.

**Be prepared for snowfall to keep everyone moving safely** When snow is forecasted in Calgary, crews are available 24/7 to respond and keep our roads safe. That means apply anti-icing solution to our roads before the snow falls, and plowing and sanding after the snow starts falling. Crews focus on high-volume roads first in order to keep the highest number of Calgarians moving safely.

You can help us keep the roads and sidewalks safe this winter, too. Here's a few ways to keep everyone moving safely:

- Slow down and drive or cycle defensively during winter driving conditions.
- Keep a safe distance help our crews do their jobs by staying three car lengths behind sanders and plows.
- No sudden moves (braking, lane changes, etc.)

• Provide enough distance between you and the vehicle in front of you.

- Ensure you have appropriate tires and footwear.
- Keep your sidewalk clear of snow and ice within 24 hours after the snow has stopped falling.

For information on winter driving, safe shovelling, and more, visit calgary.ca/snow.

#### Fall/Winter Programs

The City of Calgary offers a wide variety of fun and FREE drop-in programs and activities for children, youth and families.

From after school programs, to health and wellness classes, to leadership opportunities, we have something for everyone.

Find out what's happening in your area, visit calgary.ca/ CommunityPrograms.

## Calgary 🎡

### **Green Line LRT** 2016 Year in Review

2016 has been a big year for the Green Line LRT project. We've had great conversations with thousands of Calgarians, continued to refine alignment options, and have even begun some preliminary infrastructure improvements in the southeast.

#### A few of the highlights from this year include:

- On October 4, 2016, City Council approved a fully tunneled LRT route in Calgary's downtown core.
- The Beltline alignment options have recently undergone an extensive evaluation. The results of the evaluation, which includes stakeholder and public input, indicate that 12 Avenue S is the preferred corridor. The Green Line project team will carry two options forward for further evaluation: 12 Avenue S Surface and 12 Avenue S Surface + Tunnel.
- The Green Line team met with and spoke to Calgarians along the corridor from north to south and everywhere in between. We've sought input from the public that informed the project team's recommendations to Council, and we conducted transit oriented development workshops in several communities on the north segment of the line.

#### What's Next

There are some major project milestones coming up in the first half of 2017, including the Beltline alignment recommendation to City Council (March 2017), and the final, full alignment recommendation to City Council (June 2017). As we explore and refine the details of the project, we will back in the community seeking input and sharing our progress.

### Get Involved

Follow the Green Line story and stay up-to-date on the latest news and opport unities to get involved at Calgary.ca/Green Line and #Green Line YYC.

Thanks for your collaboration, Calgary, and we'll see you in 2017.

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