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Talking About Dementia with Dr. David Hogan

Gain a better understanding of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Dr. David Hogan will lead an informative presentation and answer some questions from the audience. As a local expert on dementia, Dr. Hogan is the Medical Director of the Cognitive Assessment Clinic and holds the Brenda Strafford Foundation Chair in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Calgary. The Alzheimer Society of Calgary will also share information on the programs and services available to help you.

This is a fantastic opportunity for people looking to learn some excellent, introductory information about Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, or who may be searching for additional support, resources, hope and inspiration. There is no cost to attend but registration is required.

Saturday, January 28th **10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
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OFF LEASH DOGS and Responsible Pet Ownership

Did you know that dogs are not allowed off leash in any area except official Off-Leash Dog Parks designated by The City of Calgary? The Kincora Community Association receives many complaints year round from fellow residents about dogs being off leash in the Kincora playfields at the corner of Kincora Drive and Kincora Glen Green and in our ravines.

The City of Calgary Bylaw Services does not permit dogs to be off leash in any City playfield and owners can be fined. Dogs off leash are not only a potential physical hazard to others using the playfields and ravines at the same time but also result in dog feces being left unknowingly and never picked up by their owners. The remaining dog feces results in serious health and safety risks:

- Dog feces attracts wild animals such as coyotes, that like to eat dog excrement. There are two coyote dens nearby and coyotes have been spotted in Kincora.
- Common diseases and parasites that can be transmitted to people and pets through feces include: Giardia, roundworm, ringworm, tapeworm, salmonella, and E. coli.
- When people (especially children) touch soil, dog toys or anything that has been in contact with dog feces and then touch their mouths, they can become infected.
- If a human ingests roundworm larvae, it can cause damage to the brain, lungs, kidneys, liver, heart or eyes.
- Parasitic infections can make humans extremely sick and for pregnant women, can pose serious risks to their unborn children.
- Although it takes about one year for dog waste to disintegrate, parasites can remain in the soil for many years.
- Flies will consume and lay eggs in feces. These same flies can then come into your home and spread diseases as they make contact with your food.
- Un-scooped poop is carried by overland water flow or is washed into ground water and/or storm drains, ending up in our streams and rivers.
- Dog poop is the leading contributor to storm water contamination.
- Pet fecal matter is classified as a dangerous environmental pollutant. It's in the same category as toxic chemicals and oil.

Dog owners who consistently pick up after their dogs know this is an important part of being a responsible pet owner. Please be a responsible pet owner.

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Do You Get Community Emails?
We currently communicate with you through our website, www.kincora.org. Once you create an account on our site, we have the ability for us to send an email to those that have opted-in to receive emails from us. You **must opt in** to receive any emails about the community. You do not have to purchase a community association membership to get emails. Registering for an account is free!

Here's how to do that:
1. Visit www.kincora.org
2. Login to your account using the login & password that was provided to you via email if we created your account for you. (It is likely login=last name, password=membership number). Or this is a login & password you created yourself after you registered on the website.
3. Go to Members >>> Profile >>> Email Options
4. Check off "I want to receive special emails sent to all members from the webmaster."

Emails are only sent when we communicate something that we believe would be of interest to you – typically this is an average of two per month. You can also control if/when you are notified of other website activities, like when news or calendar items have been added.

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The book truck will be returning on Sunday, January 8 after some holiday maintenance.

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Helping Your Children with Social and Emotional Skills

As parents, we strive to help our children learn new things in the early years of their lives. These things include learning to walk, dress themselves, use the potty, and many, many more things. Teaching your child social-emotional skills are just as important. These skills are: recognizing and understanding their thoughts and feelings; making healthy decisions and learning right from wrong; being a friend and making friends (teaching conflict resolution and cooperation); self regulation (calming themselves down in an appropriate manner); being empathetic to others.

Here are some tips on how to foster social emotional development in a baby:
1. Responding to the baby when they cry. They need to know that they can depend on you in times of need.
2. Hold and hug your child.
3. Learn their cues for tiredness, hunger, happy, upset, etc.
4. Being gentle and comforting in times of being upset. Rock the baby, sing a soft song, cuddle, or walk with them.

The Calgary NW ECD Coalitions consist of three coalitions who have joined forces with parents, community members, organizations and professionals, who are all working together to better the lives of young children and their families. We work hard to support five important developmental areas for children – Social Competence, Emotional Maturity, Language & Thinking Skills, Physical Health & Well-being, and Communication Skills & General Knowledge. We are always looking for interested parties to join our coalitions.

If you are passionate about children and their future, and would like more information about the Calgary NW ECD Coalitions, or if you have any questions, please email us at: ncecmap@weconnectyou.ca.

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		Home:
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Volunteers are integral to the success of our community. Your involvement can range from assisting at events and with specific programs, or it may be through board membership or administrative support. As a volunteer, you have the opportunity to be directly involved in your community and to make a difference!

Are you interested in Volunteer Opportunities? (leave blank if no) ☐

What are your interests? .....

Applicant's Signature: .....

The Kincora Community Association is committed to protecting the privacy of our members' personal information will use this personal information in a responsible and professional manner. No distribution to external sources will occur.

Mail your completed form with a $20 cheque payable to the Kincora Community Association (**NO CASH**) to:

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P.O. Box 47146 Creekside
Calgary, AB T3P 0B2

You will receive confirmation by email (**kca.member@gmail.com**) and a profile will be created for you on our website, if you do not already have one. Alternatively, you can register and pay online at **www.kincora.org**.

In order to receive community emails, you must "OPT-IN" to this feature through your website profile.

Paid by: CASH or CHQ DATE: mth / dy / yr **NEW or RENEWAL Membership No.**

Symons Valley TIMN Fall/ Winter Recreation Programming

As part of the "This is my neighbourhood" program, The City has been talking with residents in your neighbourhood to identify ways to help your community become an even better place to live, work and play. These discussions led to partnering with The City on a number of your requested improvement projects. One of those projects was increased recreation programming in the Symons Valley communities. Over the next few months keep your eyes open to your community newsletter, social media, websites, and for bold signs in the community advertising these recreation program opportunities for all ages. For more information about the "This is my neighbourhood" program visit www.calgary.ca/TIMN.

Kincora Outdoor Rink

The outdoor rink was a great success last year, and we will need some help to make it a success again this year. The Kincora Community Association is looking for volunteers to form a rink committee, and manage the day-to-day operations of the rink this winter. This committee will oversee the building of the rink in November, cleaning it during the season, and taking it down in April of 2017. The committee will have the full support of the Kincora Community Association and the Kincora Resident's Association. Please contact Annie Dudder at kca.pres@gmail.com if you can help. Without your help, the rink will not be put up again this year.

Kincora Home Owners Association has a NEW website: WWW.KINCORARESIDENTS.ORG

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Who Am I?

Tracks in the snow, but where can I be?
I'm watching from behind a tree!
Silently I hunt for prey,
Hungry on this wintry day.

I've fur that's short and tawny-red,
While on my chest it's white instead.
My tail helps to balance me,
When creeping, leaping stealthily.

My head is small with whiskers white,
My nose is pink, my eyes are light.
But don't forget when tracking me,
I might be watching silently!

Turn Page Upside-down for Answer

I'm a Cougar!

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YOUR COMMUNITY/CITY EVENTS AT A GLANCE...

Feb. 8 This Is That Live at Jack Singer Concert Hall
Hot on the heels of a new season of radio and a string of viral videos Pat Kelly and Peter Oldring are hitting the road with a new version of their popular live show - This Is That LIVE! If you have ever been curious how just two guys provide all the voices for this completely improvised radio comedy, well this is the show for you. Tickets and info www.artscommons.ca

Feb. 11, 25 D&D Meet-up at The Sentry Box, Upper Mezzanine, 10 am – 5:30 pm
Whether you're a seasoned player or just curious about this type of role playing game, this D&D meet-up could be for you. Join this group who are dedicated players and welcome everyone, and with multiple ongoing campaigns new dungeon masters are encouraged to step up as well. More info http://dnd.meetup.com/157/about/

Feb. 14 – 25 Skylight at Theatre Calgary
On a crisp London evening, two former lovers from vastly different worlds find themselves locked in a dangerous battle of opposing ideologies and mutual desire. At times deeply personal, at times shockingly confrontational, this is one of the greatest intimate plays ever written. Watch, up close, as the embers of a broken relationship spark, ignite, and illuminate exciting possibilities. Tickets and info www.theatrecalgary.com

Feb. 24, 25 Winefest at Stampede Park BMO Centre
2016 Winefest Calgary was a delicious success! Attendees were afforded the opportunity to sample hundreds of red, white, port, sparkling, fruit and dessert wines from 15 different countries! To complement the delicious sips a selection of palate pleasing hors d'oeuvres will be served, along with a variety of tantalizing bites available from local businesses! Tickets and info www.celebratewinefest.com

Feb. 25 Coldest Night of the Year Walk Fundraiser at various Canadian cities
Walk with us on the Coldest Night of the Year, a super-fun, family-friendly fundraiser that raises money for the hungry, homeless, and hurting across Canada. Coldest Night of the Year 2017 officially launches on December 1, 2016, but you can register now! You'll see more and more features magically appear on the site as we get closer to launch. More info and registration www.canada.cnoy.org

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FEB. 9 – 12 CALGARY BOAT AND SPORTSMEN'S SHOW AT STAMPEDE PARK BMO CENTRE

The Calgary Boat and Outdoors Show is Southern Alberta's Biggest and Best Boat and Outdoors Show! More info www.calgaryboatandsportshow.ca

FEB. 25 – 26 2017 ISU WORLD SPRINT SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS AT OLYMPIC OVAL

The Organizing Committee Calgary will be hosting the 2017 ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships at the Olympic Oval from Feb. 25-26. More info www.speedskating.ca

UNTIL APRIL 30 SHOWCASE: TOM COCHRANE AT NATIONAL MUSIC CENTRE

See important artifacts in Cochrane's acclaimed career, including the 1963 Gretsch guitar, used by Cochrane in the music video for 1988 single "Big League". More info www.studiobell.ca

EMS: Sledding Safety

Alberta Health Services EMS would like to remind parents and children of some basic sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Sledding injuries can result from collisions with stationary objects, such as trees and rocks, or with other people on the hill. Unprotected falls can result in injury if you lose control at high speeds. Everyone is at risk – especially children. Have a fun and safe trip on the toboggan hill by following these simple reminders:

Equipment

- Always ensure your toboggan or sledding device is in good repair. Inspect it for any damage, or missing parts before each use;
- Be certain the operator is fully capable of staying in control of the sled at all times;
- Children should wear a properly fitted helmet designed for other high impact sports such as hockey, cycling, or climbing.

Plan ahead

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes;
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones;
- Take breaks to warm up out of the cold;
- Attempt to cover exposed skin from the elements;
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the finger tips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face such as the forehead and cheeks may be affected by the cold;
- If a cold-related emergency has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual from of the environment;
- Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it or by placing the affected part in warm water (~41°C max.) until re-warmed.

Hazards

- Avoid hills that are too steep, or too icy – you can lose control very quickly;
- Choose hills free of all obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, or fences;
- Beware of loose clothing (i.e. scarves), or clothing containing drawstrings which can present a choking hazard if they become caught or snagged.

Symons Valley United Church

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Justin	13	403-456-0712	Yes
Justin	13	403-970-2073	Yes
Taylor	16	403-874-9691	Yes
Aurora	18	587-999-3843	Yes
Brittany	20	403-399-8966	Yes
Samantha	27	587-577-1463	No

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The Boreal Chickadee

by JG Turner

The Boreal Chickadee is a typical member of the chickadee family: noisy, active and highly social. Although considered 'large' by chickadee standards, the Boreal Chickadee is a very small bird (weighing in at .2 - .4 oz or 7-12 g, 4.7-5.5" or 12-14 cm long). It has a dull brown cap, rufous (rich brown) sides and flanks and whitish cheeks, wears a black bib and has a tiny dark bill and short dark tail. All members of the Boreal Chickadee family share the same brown toned colouring. The Boreal Chickadee has the same flight pattern as its other chickadee relatives: it makes short flights from place to place on rapidly beating wings, alternating a few quick shallow strokes then pulling its wings to its sides to glide briefly before beating them again.

Fun Facts:

- This little bird is a year round resident in boreal forests in its range, which goes all the way up to the Arctic Circle, all across Canada.
- In Alberta, the Boreal Chickadee can be seen in the mountains, foothills, northern parklands and boreal forests. It is the most common chickadee found in the extreme northeast and northwest of the province. The Black-capped Chickadee is more commonly found in Calgary.
- Its habitat is coniferous forests, but it can also be found in mixed woods forests, where it can be seen foraging for seeds, insects and their pupae and larvae, in the foliage of coniferous and deciduous trees, even hanging upside down to access a food source!
- Pairs remain together and they nest in holes in trees or stubs, such as in a natural cavity or old woodpecker holes.
- The Boreal Chickadee has several survival strategies for living in a cold climate:
  - it hides food in the fall;
  - it has denser feathers than most other birds and puts on heavier plumage in the fall, creating a comfortable 'parka' for itself; and
  - in cold weather, it can lower its body temp at night from 42C to 29C (108F to 85F) which conserves stores of insulating fat.

The Boreal Chickadee often flocks with other bird species in the winter and will visit backyard feeders, where they can be seen squabbling amongst themselves over access to the feeder. They are attracted by suet, raw sunflower seeds and shelled peanuts.

If you find an injured or orphaned Boreal Chickadee or other wild bird or animal, please contact the Calgary Wildlife Rehabilitation Society at 403-239-2488 for tips, instructions and advice, or look at the website at www.calgarywilodlife.org for more information.

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS

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News from the **Friends of Nose Hill**

by Anne Burke

For the Nose Hill Trail and Pathway plan (2004) there was a commitment of $4.5 million from the Enmax Legacy Parks Program of the total $6.6 million. From 2007-2012, this was for ongoing trail repairs, renewing degraded land, restoring damaged habitat, adding interpretive and orientation signs. Trail work was expected to continue for several more years. The paved pathways were intended to manage use and help protect the prairie grasslands (plants and wildlife).

There was a recent urgent item of business for City Council from a Community Services Committee report which was received for information. An update on City Parks Projects contains more information about capital funding for Nose Hill Park.

Council created the ENMAX Legacy Parks Program in 2003. The purpose was to develop new regional parks and improve existing ones, local community parks, and open spaces. A steering committee is responsible for managing the funds, including an investment plan for infrastructure, in some cases. City Council invested over $135 million through this program. In addition, Council approved $75 million for more projects to 2017.

Due to the economy, part of the 2016 ENMAX dividend is no longer available. So, there are shortfalls in funding for future priority projects. Some projects are already in progress and others are on hold, although design work was already done.

There is no shortfall for Nose Hill, because the Legacy-funded portion is complete and the construction in north and south zones is underway and ongoing. The total amount was $4.4 million from phases 1 and 2; the non-Legacy budget was $1 million and total project budget is $5.5 million. The total actual cost to date is $4.6 million, in addition to about $54 thousand for existing purchase orders not yet invoiced. The remaining allocations are $800 thousand.

An action plan for Calgary will enhance the urban forest and landscape, protect the environment by encouraging public awareness, and ensure that we have access to nature. In general, parks support biodiversity: a variety in the number and types of plants and animals in a particular area, such as Nose Hill, or in the world. Our parks network and open spaces offer recreational opportunities and help to offset carbon in urban spaces.

Peak Earnings At Last! The Pluses and Pitfalls

by Suzanne Smith-Demers – Consultant

You've worked hard and now you're right in your earnings sweet spot: these are your peak earnings years. Not only has your income increased, your finances are steadily improving. Now is the time to secure your long-term financial future by making the most of your peak earnings years. Here are some tips for doing just that:

Pay off unwanted debt Apply some of your extra money to paying down your debts, be strategic and focus on the highest interest costs first.

Identify your priorities Rushing forward to realize some dreams? Beware of spending too much now at the expense of your future. Take the time to identify your priorities and budget realistically to achieve them.

Prepare your kids It's tougher these days for young people to become financially independent. Many parents are finding themselves helping their kids, not just with post-secondary, but for several years beyond. Investing a few dollars each month into a registered education savings plan (RESP) is a good start, having your kids contribute some of their own pocket money can help teach them too.

Support your parents As a member of the sandwich generation you could find yourself not only supporting your kids but aging parents as well. Include that possibility in your budgeting decisions and look for ways to plan for certain expenses in advance.

Plan to retire How would it feel to know that you are financially prepared to retire at a day of your choice? On that day, you get to decide whether to step back or keep working. Developing an effective retirement paycheque means striking a balance between various registered and non-registered programs. Having a plan in place that gives you this flexibility means putting the retirement decision in your hands.

Reader's recommend

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The more books you recommend, the more personalized this list becomes.
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ADULT FICTION

The Wrong Side of Goodbye, Michael Connelly
His Bloody Project, Graeme Macrae Burnet
The Whistler, John Grisham
The Sleeping Beauty Killer, Mary Higgins Clark
A Great Reckoning, Louise Penny
The Witches of New York by Ami McKay
Hag-Seed by Margaret Atwood
The Obsession, Nora Roberts

NON FICTION

A Life in Parts, Bryan Cranston
Hungry Heart: Adventures in Life, Love, and Writing, Jennifer Weiner
The Tumor, John Grisham
Lab Girl, Hope Jahren
Disrupted: My Misadventure in the Start-Up Bubble, Dan Lyons
The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up: The Japanese Art of Decluttering and Organizing, Marie Kondo

CHILDREN'S & YOUNG ADULT

Double Down (Diary of a Wimpy Kid, #11), Jeff Kinney
The Bronze Key (Magisterium, #3), Holly Black
Hotel Bruce, Ryan T. Higgins
The Secret Horses of Briar Hill, Megan Shepherd
Impyrium, Henry H. Neff
Harry Potter and the Cursed Child – Parts One and Two, J.K. Rowling
Divergent, Veronica Roth

Kincora Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Kincora MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
November 2016	$582,400.00	$566,250.00
October 2016	$487,400.00	$478,000.00
September 2016	$529,900.00	$517,000.00
August 2016	$502,450.00	$493,500.00
July 2016	$550,000.00	$550,000.00
June 2016	$549,900.00	$535,000.00
May 2016	$544,950.00	$528,500.00
April 2016	$504,900.00	$487,250.00
March 2016	$509,900.00	$499,900.00
February 2016	$587,500.00	$572,750.00
January 2016	$539,888.00	$530,000.00
December 2015	$609,000.00	$592,500.00

Last 12 Months Kincora MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
November 2016	7	6
October 2016	8	6
September 2016	14	9
August 2016	7	6
July 2016	9	9
June 2016	12	9
May 2016	6	12
April 2016	14	4
March 2016	6	7
February 2016	7	4
January 2016	4	3
December 2015	0	1

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

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As this is the first newsletter for the New Year, and since I've been on the job as your MLA in Calgary-Foothills for a full year now, I thought I'd summarize the kinds of things that my staff and I have been working on for you:

- Improvements to the Shaganappi Trail and Stoney Trail interchange including painting of an extra southbound lane to improve commuter traffic flow, and also encouraging significant progress toward allowing direct access to northbound Shaganappi Trail and Stoney Trail for Hidden Valley motorists
- Helping individuals with their dealings with Alberta government departments like Human Services, Alberta Health, and the Solicitor General
- Advocating in the Legislature on issues important to families in the riding, such as supporting infrastructure spending on the new Cancer Centre at Foothills Hospital and the Green Line LRT, plus fighting against the carbon tax and policies that hurt the economy and jobs
- Helping individuals to navigate through the different levels of government, including federal, provincial, municipal and the school boards
- Organizing a Veterans' Food drive in November each year – thanks to our volunteers and the generous people of Hidden Valley we raised about $5000 worth of food donations for veterans and their families
- Attending countless events including: Community Association board meetings & AGMs; community & cultural celebrations; and of course Stampede breakfasts & BBQs
- Staying in touch by inviting you to our town halls & open houses, knocking on your doors, and sending out newsletters, surveys & emails

Perhaps due to my background as a professional engineer and as a manager of major projects, I take pride in working collaboratively, yet fearlessly fighting when necessary, to help solve the problems that affect the people and communities of our riding.

You can always count on me to look after the interests of the residents of this riding, no matter who you may have voted for. After all, you are my bosses.

I'd like to remind you of our office hours. We are open 9:30AM to 5:30PM Monday-Friday, except on statutory holidays. Contact us by phone, email or in person. It is best if you call ahead for an appointment, but feel free to stop by and say hello to my staff if you are in the area.

May 2017 bring you renewed prosperity. Happy New Year!

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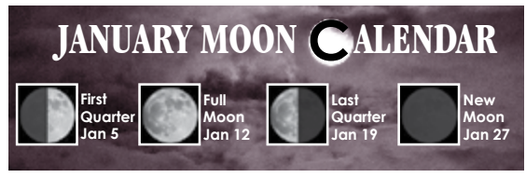

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✦ Free announcements: lost/found, household items for sale, wanted, garage sale, student/senior services, etc.
- ✦ Forty word limit

LOVE TO SING? Want to experience the benefits of singing in a welcoming vocal community? Vocal Latitudes may be the choir for you. A non-audition World Music community choir, Vocal Latitudes meets Tuesday evenings from September to May in a convenient central location. For more information, see www.vocalatitudes.org.

CALGARY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Celebrate Family Day at the Library!

Drop in for activities, storytimes, and more this Family Day. Everyone's welcome to join in the celebration happening at these community libraries:

Country Hills | Crowfoot | Fish Creek | Saddletowne | Shawnessy | Signal Hill

February 20, Noon- 5:00 pm | No registration required.

#Read150

Canada 150—read 150 books in 2017! Pick up your free *Great Reads 2017* reading guide from any community library in Calgary. It's chock full of incredible reading recommendations for every member of your family. Visit **calgarylibrary.ca** to find out how you can be entered to win great prizes just for reading!

Bill's Book Café with Evan Woolley

All Calgarians are welcome to join *Bill's Book Café*! Library CEO Bill Ptacek and City Councillor Evan Woolley host a lively discussion of *The Sisters Brothers* by Patrick deWitt.

Alexander Calhoun Library
Friday, February 24 | 7:00 pm

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Happy New Year! I know for many residents of Ward 2, the past year has been very difficult. I am pleased to report that prior to the New Year, City Council unanimously approved Adjustments to the 2017 Budget which includes relief in taxes and fees to support Calgary home owners and businesses. This includes:

- Property tax freeze for 2017;
- Elimination of the Green Cart program fees for 2017; and
- A sliding scale for Calgary Transit's Low Income Monthly Pass based on income which will be implemented in the second quarter of 2017.

City Council also set aside $15 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve to assist Calgary businesses facing challenges due to the economic downturn. Administration will report back to Council early in the New Year with options for Council to consider around utilizing the funds.

Over 11,000 Calgarians provided feedback on the proposed changes to the Community Standards Bylaw, of which City Council has approved. The bylaw regulates neighbourhood nuisances, safety and liveability issues. The approved amendments address citizen concerns related to outdoor concert bass sound levels, wood-burning fire pits, upkeep of properties and delivery of unwanted items.

Council has also given approval of amendments to the Livery Transport Bylaw. These amendments will provide Calgarians with more transportation choices while maintaining public safety.

I'm very glad to see that 144th Avenue NW was opened to traffic between 14th Street NW and Centre Street. Although this is not the final alignment, I am really pleased to see that this section is open as it provides another exit out of Evanston.

Joe's Tip
Stay informed about parking bans this winter by subscribing to email alerts at Calgary.ca/snow, following @ yyctransport on Twitter, calling 311 and watching local news or listening to the radio.

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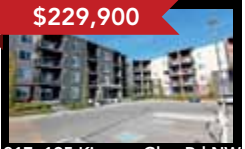
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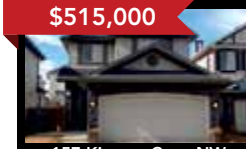
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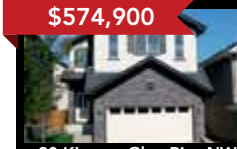
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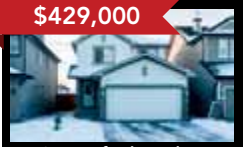
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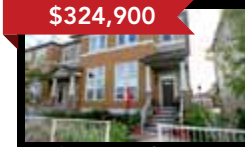
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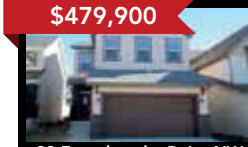
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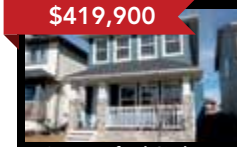
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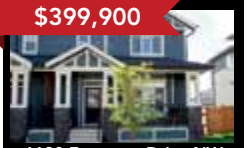
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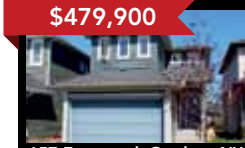
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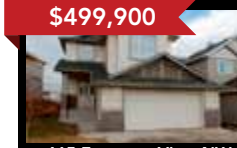
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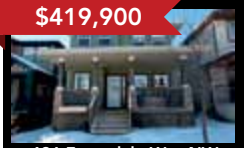
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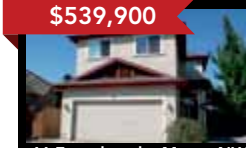
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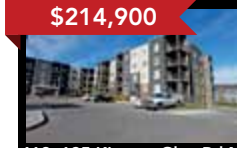
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