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## ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



Come and Celebrate  
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Time: 3pm to 5pm

Where: Patio and Greenspace - South Entrance to Repsol Sport Centre (by traffic circle)

What: Food / Drink / Games / Prizes / Music / Special Guests

*Meet your neighbours and celebrate our amazing resilient neighbourhood!*

### What is Neighbour Day?

Do you remember the devastating flood of June 21, 2013?

Mayor Nenshi has proclaimed every third Saturday of June, Neighbour Day in recognition of that time. It is a time for Calgarians to celebrate our neighbourliness and strong community spirit by organizing community events such as front yard barbecues, garden parties, picnics, clean-ups or afternoon teas in a local park.

Erlton Community definitely deserves this celebration of resilience.

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# ArtTalks presents: The Re-Building of Elbow Park School

What were you doing on June 21, 2013? Were you checking your phone for weather forecasts? Were you wondering if you should rush home? Were you scrambling to empty your basement? Were you frantically trying to figure out what to do about the biggest natural disaster to hit Calgary in decades?

On the fourth anniversary of the 2013 flood, Elbow Park School is open again. At 7 p.m. on Wednesday June 21, 2017 speakers from Gibbs Gage Architects and Stuart Olson Construction will tell the story of the design and reconstruction of the school. If you are curious about that free-standing wall or if you just want to re-connect with neighbours and meet new friends, please join us.

The event is hosted by ArtTalks (a community volunteer fund-raising society) and admission is by donation. All proceeds go directly to support the education and mentorship of urban indigenous youth through the Rotary Tom Jackson Stay in School Program.

Only 300 spots are available (maximum gym capacity). Please let us know you're coming by making a minimum donation of \$50 per person on-line in advance: [www.arttalks.ca](http://www.arttalks.ca) Charitable tax receipts will be provided.

The school will be open at 6 p.m. for self-guided tours and refreshments.

## RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES

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The many creative and inquisitive minds that arrived at my grade one door have filled my heart with wonderful and enduring memories. And to you parents, I will always be grateful for your trust and ongoing encouragement that supported me in the classroom.

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FOR ARTS' SAKE

# Why Art Matters

By Tasha Komery

Many of us enjoy the experience of seeing a live show, be it music, dance, or theatre. We leave these experiences feeling more inspired, more creative, and more at peace with the world around us.

But in the grand scheme of things, does art really matter? Does it really have a powerful impact on our lives, on our health, on our community, and on our society?

We have solid research on the impact of the arts on the economy. In the *Arts Impact Alberta 2014* study, the Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA) found that "the total output of the sector is roughly \$347 million". Additionally, the not-for-profit arts organizations that Alberta Foundation for the Arts funded provided approximately 700 full-time and 2,700 part-time positions with the majority (85%) of Albertans reporting that they attend at least one arts event per year.

It seems the arts do improve our society. But what about us, personally? A recent study from The University of Western Australia has found that "participating in the arts for just two hours a week can improve mental health and wellbeing". Participants surveyed were asked how they felt after the experience, and the respondents used descriptors like "optimistic", "useful", "relaxed", and "good about myself". One of the study's co-authors concluded: "arts engagement increases people's happiness, confidence, and self-esteem, while reducing stress and social isolation".

Fortunately for us, Calgary is a great city to get out and experience art, whether it is in a gallery, on a stage, at a festival or even taking an art class. For a good overview of the breadth of arts and culture in Calgary, visit [lifeincalgary.ca/todo/arts-culture](http://lifeincalgary.ca/todo/arts-culture)

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## DOLLARS & SENSE

### The real way to build an emergency fund

Suzanne Smith-Demers – Consultant

It's an unsettling fact: most Canadians don't have money put away for an unexpected event. According to a 2015 survey by Pollara, 44% of Canadians have less than \$5,000 set aside for unexpected expenses, and a quarter of working Canadians are living paycheque to paycheque with no emergency cash at all.

Here's how to build an emergency fund:

**How much?** Ideally, your fund should equal three to six months of your take-home salary but at the very least, it should cover basic needs, like buying food and paying the household bills.

**How?** Build it steadily, progressively and as aggressively as your finances will allow:

- Determining how much you need in your emergency fund and how long it will take you to reach your goal using monthly contributions.
- Authorize automatic monthly payments from your chequing and/or paycheque account to your emergency fund account.
- Trim unnecessary monthly bills and put that money into your emergency fund.
- When you get a bonus or an unexpected tax refund, put some into your emergency fund and perhaps into an RRSP, and, yes, set aside a few dollars for fun.

**How not to?** Even if you have a line of credit, you still need an emergency fund. Drawing on a line of credit increases your debt and whatever you buy with it will cost even more because of the interest you'll pay. Don't be tempted to use that emergency fund for a vacation or another impulse purchase, it's for true emergencies only!

**How to make it grow?** Turn your emergency fund into an investment in a money market mutual fund or a high interest savings account.

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Riverbanks, by nature, are fragile environments. In the winter and springtime riverbanks are subjected to the grinding forces of ice as water ebbs and flows and ice levels change. Depending on the mountain snowpack, temperatures and precipitation the Elbow River can turn into a raging muddy-coloured torrent in late spring/early summer. The energized water can collapse banks and in severe cases rip down trees and, well, we know what happened in 2013.

Steep earthen banks, banks on the outside curve of a river bend and shallow-rooted (i.e. Kentucky bluegrass) vegetated banks are most susceptible to the erosive forces of water.

If concerned about your real estate floating down the river assess the health of your stream bank.

*Streambank Riparian Health Checklist (adapted from Cows & Fish – Alberta Riparian Management Society - <http://cowsandfish.org>)*

1. Is 85% of your riverbank covered with vegetation of any kind?
2. Is 50% or more of the plants on the riverbank taller than knee height?
3. Are willow, dogwood and/or silverberry (wolf willow) growing along the stream edge?
4. Is there a diversity of ages among trees and shrubs on the riverbank?
5. Is Kentucky bluegrass less than 15% of the bank vegetation?

6. Are weeds (thistles, scentless chamomile, knapweed and dandelions) less than 15% of the bank vegetation?
7. Are there exposed and eroding soils or slumping banks due to recreational activities?
8. Are there no retaining walls, riprap or bank stabilizing features (i.e. man made structures)?
9. Are there wildlife sightings or fish present in the water?
10. Are plants vigorous and healthy, producing plant litter and potential foraging opportunities?

If you answered yes to 7 or more questions it is likely that your riverbank is healthy. The tangled mass of plant roots is holding on to the soil. Above ground the vegetation is slowing the water dissipating its erosive energy. In addition, the vegetation is trapping and filtering contaminants from runoff, water quality is improved, important habitat for birds, insects, animals and fish is provided and resiliency of the riverbank to recover from floods, droughts and/or human-caused disturbance is increased.

If you answered yes to less than 5 of the questions it is likely that your streambank is in poor health and your real estate (i.e. land) might be at risk. So plant your riverbank and reap the many benefits from one single action. Your bank will thank you in so many ways.

*Robin McLeod*

*Formed in 2004, S2G+ Preservation Society collaborates to enhance the environment and natural history of the lower Elbow River, its valley and contiguous bench lands from the Glenmore Dam to Fort Calgary. To join our stewardship network, email us at [S2Gplusinfo@gmail.com](mailto:S2Gplusinfo@gmail.com). Follow us on [facebook.com/S2Gplus](https://facebook.com/S2Gplus)*



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- Make sure your bike is in good working order (especially the brakes).
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## RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES

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	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$0	\$0
April 2017	\$394,900	\$394,900
March 2017	\$380,000	\$354,500
February 2017	\$372,450	\$362,000
January 2017	\$0	\$0
December 2016	\$469,000	\$447,500
November 2016	\$0	\$0
October 2016	\$0	\$0
September 2016	\$375,000	\$372,500
August 2016	\$375,000	\$370,000
July 2016	\$384,944	\$377,000
June 2016	\$384,900	\$380,750

Last 12 Months Erlton

MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	2	0
April 2017	9	3
March 2017	1	3
February 2017	2	4
January 2017	3	0
December 2016	3	1
November 2016	3	0
October 2016	2	0
September 2016	4	3
August 2016	3	3
July 2016	6	4
June 2016	3	4

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Last 12 Months Elboya

MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$1,049,900	\$985,000
April 2017	\$1,772,000	\$1,625,000
March 2017	\$779,900	\$757,000
February 2017	\$1,387,500	\$1,355,000
January 2017	\$0	\$0
December 2016	\$850,000	\$800,000
November 2016	\$1,599,900	\$1,415,000
October 2016	\$0	\$0
September 2016	\$687,500	\$664,500
August 2016	\$859,500	\$835,000
July 2016	\$0	\$0
June 2016	\$2,150,000	\$2,255,000

Last 12 Months Elboya

MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	5	2
April 2017	4	2
March 2017	2	1
February 2017	3	2
January 2017	3	0
December 2016	0	1
November 2016	3	3
October 2016	2	0
September 2016	2	2
August 2016	3	2
July 2016	2	0
June 2016	5	1

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May 2017	\$609,900
April 2017	\$749,900
March 2017	\$679,000
February 2017	\$787,450
January 2017	\$729,000
December 2016	\$554,900
November 2016	\$629,900
October 2016	\$694,900
September 2016	\$550,000
August 2016	\$634,500
July 2016	\$619,900
June 2016	\$0

#### Last 12 Months Windsor Park MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	6
April 2017	5
March 2017	5
February 2017	8
January 2017	6
December 2016	0
November 2016	4
October 2016	4
September 2016	4
August 2016	3
July 2016	4
June 2016	2

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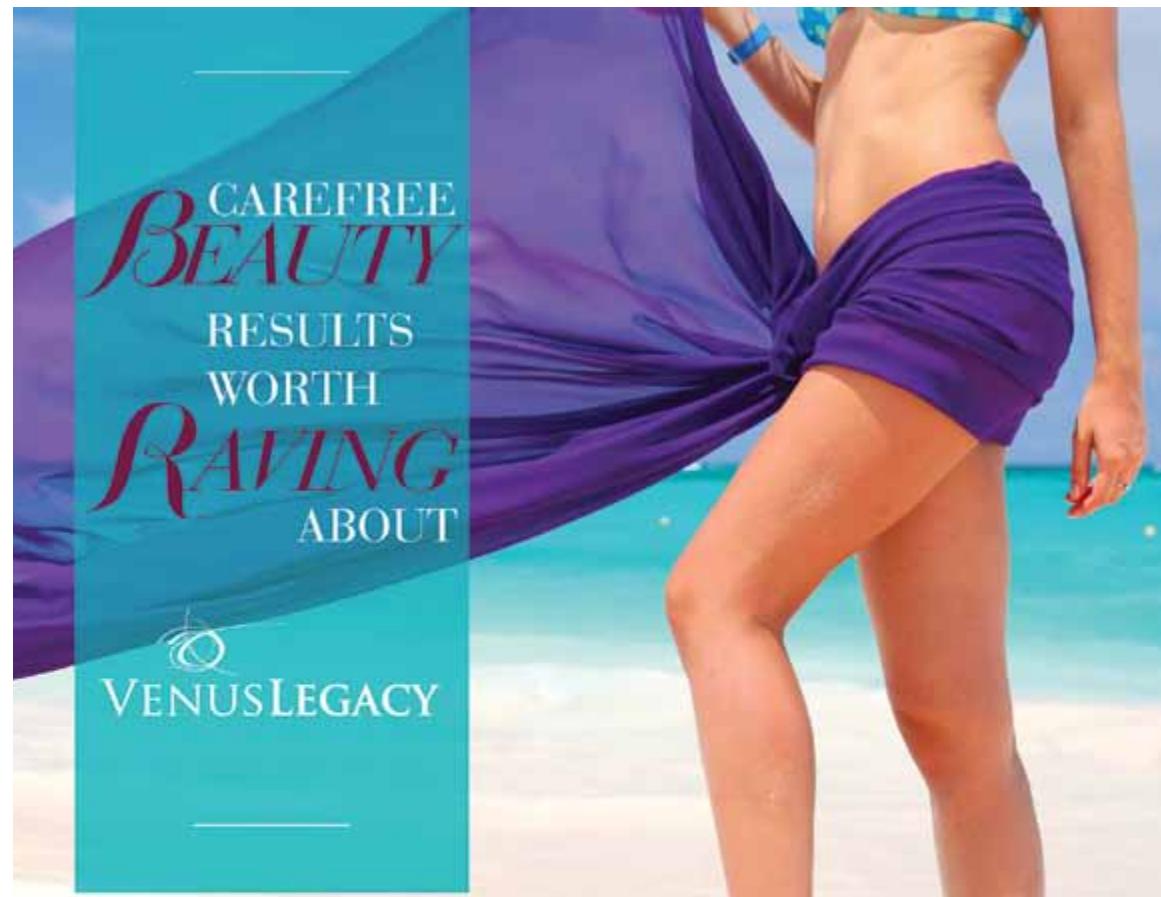
	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$1,399,000	\$1,315,000
April 2017	\$1,795,000	\$1,690,000
March 2017	\$1,947,000	\$1,925,500
February 2017	\$0	\$0
January 2017	\$0	\$0
December 2016	\$0	\$0
November 2016	\$0	\$0
October 2016	\$1,924,500	\$1,874,500
September 2016	\$939,000	\$900,000
August 2016	\$0	\$0
July 2016	\$0	\$0
June 2016	\$2,200,000	\$2,060,000

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

No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	3
April 2017	3
March 2017	3
February 2017	3
January 2017	0
December 2016	2
November 2016	2
October 2016	3
September 2016	2
August 2016	4
July 2016	0
June 2016	0

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	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$2,222,500	\$2,155,000
April 2017	\$0	\$0
March 2017	\$2,299,000	\$1,950,000
February 2017	\$0	\$0
January 2017	\$0	\$0
December 2016	\$0	\$0
November 2016	\$0	\$0
October 2016	\$939,000	\$900,000
September 2016	\$1,950,000	\$1,562,500
August 2016	\$1,999,000	\$2,060,000
July 2016	\$0	\$0
June 2016	\$0	\$0

## Last 12 Months ROXBORO MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$0	\$0
April 2017	\$0	\$0
March 2017	\$1,300,000	\$1,287,500
February 2017	\$0	\$0
January 2017	\$1,050,000	\$1,000,000
December 2016	\$0	\$0
November 2016	\$678,000	\$650,000
October 2016	\$0	\$0
September 2016	\$0	\$0
August 2016	\$1,049,000	\$975,000
July 2016	\$0	\$0
June 2016	\$0	\$0

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#### Windows and screens

- Prevent access to windows by moving furniture such as cribs, beds, stools, and change tables out from under them;
- Keep drapery cords out of childrens' reach. Wrap excess cord around cleats, or tie-downs to avoid a choking hazard;
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#### Balconies

- Do not underestimate a child's ability to climb. Furniture and other items stored on balconies and decks can be used to climb resulting in falls over the railing;
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## Last 12 Months Elbow Park

### MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$1,272,450	\$1,270,000
April 2017	\$1,199,000	\$1,115,000
March 2017	\$2,172,500	\$2,075,000
February 2017	\$1,734,500	\$1,567,000
January 2017	\$1,324,500	\$1,152,500
December 2016	\$1,695,000	\$1,500,000
November 2016	\$1,609,950	\$1,482,500
October 2016	\$1,147,000	\$1,142,000
September 2016	\$1,274,450	\$1,192,570
August 2016	\$1,099,000	\$1,040,000
July 2016	\$2,899,000	\$2,550,000
June 2016	\$1,095,000	\$1,050,000

## Last 12 Months Elbow Park

### MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	8	6
April 2017	19	5
March 2017	4	4
February 2017	6	2
January 2017	8	4
December 2016	2	3
November 2016	6	6
October 2016	6	2
September 2016	8	6
August 2016	7	3
July 2016	3	1
June 2016	6	7

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Last 12 Months Parkhill-Stanley Park

MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$1,029,000	\$950,000
April 2017	\$0	\$0
March 2017	\$749,000	\$735,000
February 2017	\$1,469,000	\$1,355,000
January 2017	\$1,099,850	\$1,039,500
December 2016	\$718,000	\$728,000
November 2016	\$1,499,450	\$1,471,000
October 2016	\$799,800	\$765,000
September 2016	\$799,000	\$748,000
August 2016	\$1,197,000	\$1,085,000
July 2016	\$1,788,000	\$1,625,000
June 2016	\$982,000	\$937,500

Last 12 Months Parkhill-Stanley Park

MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	5	3
April 2017	2	0
March 2017	6	1
February 2017	3	1
January 2017	4	2
December 2016	2	1
November 2016	4	2
October 2016	2	1
September 2016	3	1
August 2016	3	1
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June 2016	3	2

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Last 12 Months Bel Aire-Mayfair  
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
May 2017	\$1,499,900	\$1,500,000
April 2017	\$0	\$0
March 2017	\$1,225,000	\$1,212,500
February 2017	\$0	\$0
January 2017	\$0	\$0
December 2016	\$1,575,000	\$1,525,000
November 2016	\$1,425,000	\$1,315,000
October 2016	\$4,500,000	\$4,200,000
September 2016	\$1,825,000	\$1,772,500
August 2016	\$2,375,000	\$1,850,000
July 2016	\$2,350,000	\$2,070,000
June 2016	\$3,498,000	\$3,000,000

Last 12 Months Bel Aire-Mayfair

MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
May 2017	3	1
April 2017	0	0
March 2017	0	1
February 2017	0	0
January 2017	2	0
December 2016	0	1
November 2016	0	1
October 2016	2	1
September 2016	1	2
August 2016	1	1
July 2016	1	1
June 2016	4	1

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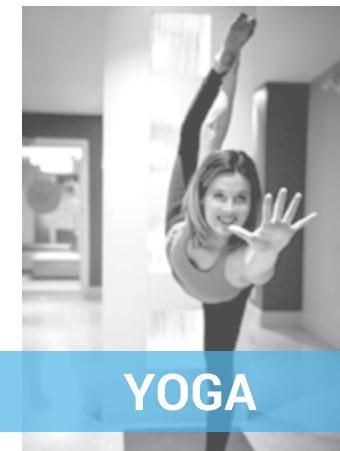
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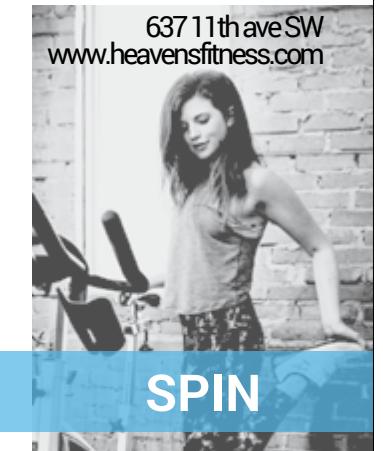
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### Justice for Albertans

When Judges are in the news condemning policies and demanding action it's typically a bad sign ("Top Alberta judges condemn trial delays, demanding Parliament acts to fill vacancies on the bench," Kaufmann, Calgary Herald, Sept. 28, 2016).

In 2016 one judge in particular – Court of Queen's Bench Chief Justice Neil Wittmann – was blunt in his assessment. Of the previous federal government's treatment of Alberta's justice system he said this:

*"The previous federal government wouldn't even authorize the appointment of the number of judges that the Alberta government had, by statute, said they require. In my opinion that is constitutionally impermissible."* ("Alberta judge shortage at 'breaking point,'" Grant, CBC News, Oct. 26, 2016)

In some cases a trial would have a wait time of one or two years before it was even seen by a judge. It's this undermining of a legal system by starving it of resources that underserves Albertans and Calgarians, and has ensuing costs to commerce, jobs, and justice for Canadians.

That's why in 2017 our government is creating 28 new federally-appointed judicial positions, to help address demographic pressures in regions like Alberta and ensure that Canadians have timely access to justice in Canada – through an investment of \$55.1 million over five years and \$15.1 million per year thereafter, as well as legislative amendments.

This is in addition to the good work that provincial Justice Minister Kathleen Ganley is doing with a recently announced boost in funding, adding new judges to provincial courts, and hiring 50 new Crown prosecutors (and thirty support staff).

All Canadians – no matter their means – should have the right to a fair trial and access to a modern, efficient justice system. We are committed to ensuring that our justice system is fair, relevant and accessible to all Canadians by helping economically disadvantaged people in obtaining legal assistance and representation.

In Budget 2016, we committed to an additional \$88 million over five years for legal aid funding partnerships with the provinces and territories, and today we have announced an additional \$30 million per year in ongoing funding. These new funds will make more legal aid available for those who need it and will support new ways of delivering services. Performance measurement will also be added to make sure legal aid funding is doing what it needs to do.

Our 2015 platform was built for Alberta – by immediately working to ease EI rules for those hit by the commodity downturn, investing in carbon pricing to create a consensus to approve (and to soon build) four pipelines to foreign markets, and by working with international partners to open up new markets. I take my role as the cabinet minister from Calgary seriously, in supporting veterans as Minister of Veterans' Affairs, and work every day to make sure that we can continue to build this city.

As always, you can contact my office by email at [kent.hehr@parl.gc.ca](mailto:kent.hehr@parl.gc.ca) or by phone at 403-244-1880. My office is located at 950 6 Ave SW and my door is always open to you. You can follow my work in Parliament online and sign up for my e-newsletter at [www.KentHehrMP.ca](http://www.KentHehrMP.ca).

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### Neighbour Day

One of my biggest goals when running for office was to build, nurture and grow diverse and activated neighbourhoods. While all of our communities might look different, the thing that makes Calgary so great are the people who live here. Passionate and engaged Calgarians are found in every corner of our city and it's been awesome to meet so many of them in my role as your City Councillor so far.

Our inner city and established communities are not only diverse in age, gender, income and ethnicity but also in what they value in a city. These different perspectives are a big part of the constant dialogue surrounding how we make our neighbourhoods better. Personally, I think the best way to increase and improve our city is to get to know each other.

Neighbour Day is held every year on the third Saturday of June and is an opportunity for neighbours to come together. The idea is to meet your neighbours, make new friends, have fun and maybe work together on a project that benefits the entire community. Whether you're having a front yard barbecue, a garden party, a street clean-up or setting up some games in a local park, I encourage you to be a part of the neighbourhood you want.

For every other day of the year, The City of Calgary offers a wide variety of community-based programs and special events for children, youth, families, adults and seniors across Calgary. There's a range of opportunities to take advantage of to help build strong and inclusive neighbourhoods where citizens are empowered, connected and involved.

Make Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> the day you get to know your neighbours! Visit [calgary.ca/neighbourday](http://calgary.ca/neighbourday) for ideas to help you celebrate or contact my office at 403-268-2431 or [ward08@calgary.ca](mailto:ward08@calgary.ca) for more information.

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Last year, I invited the residents of Erlton to join me for a Community Objectives Workshop (COW) to discuss the challenges, opportunities, strengths, and overall vision for the community. I was humbled by the number of residents, social institutions, and businesses that came out to spend a gorgeous Saturday with me and their neighbours.

At the conclusion of this workshop, I promised two deliverables:

1. The 'Raw Data Report' from the workshops; and
2. The Ward 9 Annual Strategic Report.

After meeting with hundreds of Ward 9 neighbours, I am very pleased to tell you that the Ward 9 Annual Strategic Report is complete. You can find an online version of the report (as well as the Raw Data Report) here - <http://www.gccarra.ca/cow-strategic-report/>

If you would like a hard copy, please let us know at [ward09@calgary.ca](mailto:ward09@calgary.ca) and we will be happy to mail one out.

Here are some of the highlights, findings and what my office has done, is doing, and will do for the community. While not exhaustive, I hope it gives you a preview of the report and what it says for the future of our neighbourhood.

#### Highlights:

Erlton residents are clear in their desire to maintain a

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tight - and close-knit feel to their community. While accepting and encouraging of change, Erltonians want to ensure that they can direct the change they want to see in their neighbourhood with respect to development.

Below are some of the major themes identified at the Community Objectives Workshop:

- Flood Mitigation & Resiliency
- Improved Parks & Public Spaces
- Planning & Development
- Traffic Safety & Traffic Calming
- Pedestrian Safety & Improving the Pedestrian Realm

#### Short Term:

- Supporting and advancing flood protection and resiliency
- Implementing traffic calming measures west of Macleod Trail S in addition to a larger comprehensive plan

#### Medium Term:

- Engaging with the Stampede for a vision of Erlton-Stampede LRT and delivering Transit Oriented Development (TOD)
- Delivering a +15 access from Anthem development to Erlton-Stampede LRT station

#### Long Term:

- Delivering future development of the Repsol Centre facility grounds
- Establishing a next generation local area plan

#### Contact Me:

Erlton will not be in Ward 9 after the next election on October 16, 2017. The Ward 9 Annual Strategic Report is a record of the work that has been accomplished, and gives the next councillor a running head start to tackle Erlton's outstanding issues. I thank you for spending the time creating it with me and look forward to the future of this great neighbourhood!

To sign up for updates on key community and Ward 9 issues, please sign up to [www.calgary.ca/ward9connect](http://www.calgary.ca/ward9connect).

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By the time you read this, it will be almost exactly four years since the most devastating flood in Canadian history. And it's our fourth year without upstream flood protection. But there is reason for optimism, the Springbank project has the strong support of the municipal, provincial and federal governments, and the Glenmore Dam gates will be raised in time for Spring 2020.

That said, even though the Springbank project is proceeding according to plan, this critical project won't be operational until spring 2021.

Frustrating as it is, it's important to respect the regulatory process and ensure it is conducted as openly and comprehensively as possible. This minimizes the likelihood of successful court challenges and is the best way to ensure homes and businesses are protected from future flooding.

I believe the root cause of the opposition expressed by the Tsuut'ina nation is the government's lack of proper engagement and consultation. It appears they're making the same mistake governments before them have made; holding technical consultations but not leader-to-leader meetings. It's clear that both are important.

I wrote to Premier Notley to ask her to get personally involved, and I have been pressing the government to ensure their engagement with Tsuut'ina is genuine, fact-based and thorough. As the process moves from the Environmental Impact Assessment to the regulatory reviews, we will finally get the opportunity to understand what impact, if any, the Springbank project will have on their land.

I will continue to press the government to do whatever is needed to see the Springbank project stays on track. Taking an optimistic view, Tsuut'ina opposition could be the catalyst needed for the province to give this project the attention it deserves, and if they do it could ultimately be the key to seeing the project completed and our communities protected.

Here's to a dry spring.

#### Mental Wellness Resources

As we approach flood season, many of us will see our stress levels go up. In difficult times, it's important to know help is out there. **211 Alberta** can connect you or a loved one to resources available in our community, by simply dialing 211. It is a 'one-stop-shop' for convenient and stigma-free access to everything from advice on child-care available to information for seniors to mental health supports and suicide prevention. It's a multilingual service providing 24-hour information and referral system for thousands of services available throughout Calgary.

#### Neighbour Day

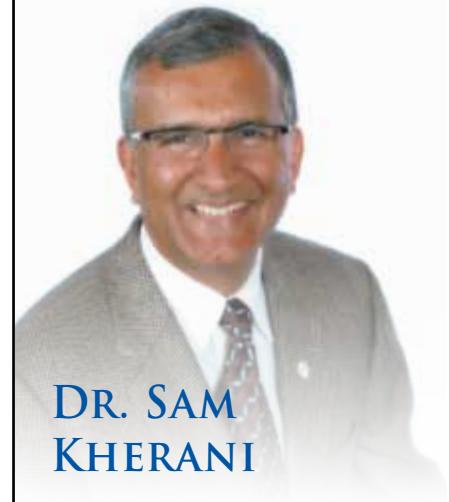
This year marks Calgary's fourth annual Neighbour Day. The event was created to recognize and remember how Calgary's communities came together to help their neighbours after the 2013 flood. Held this year on June 17<sup>th</sup>, Neighbour Day is a time for Calgarians to celebrate our strong community spirit by organizing community events such as garden parties, picnics or neighbourhood clean-ups. Contact your local community association for information on events in your neighbourhood. Each year I try to attend as many events as possible in Calgary-Elbow. If your community is having an event, please let me office know by calling 403-252-0346 or by email at [calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca](mailto:calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca).



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