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SUNDAY, MARCH 20
EASTER EGG HUNT

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Sunday March 20, 2016 11:00 am-1:00 pm

- Petting Zoo
- Crafts

Held at the Kingsland Hall 505-78 Ave SW

Event Sponsored by: The National Bank Kingsland Branch







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Community Centre Hours

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1-3pm Available by phone and email daily The input of members of our community is always appreciated.

For any suggestions, ideas, or concerns, or if you would like to be a volunteer, please contact any executive, director, or staff member at the hall:

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PIANO LESSONS

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GROUPS AND PROGRAMS

Kingsland Community Preschool

3 Yr Olds: Tues/Thurs, 8:45-10:45am or 12:45-2:45pm. \$130/month Sept-June

4 Yr Olds: Mon/ Wed/ Fri, 8:45-11:15am or 12:45-3:15pm. \$180/month Sept-June

Spots still available for afternoon classes, may have one available in 4 year old morning class.

See www.kingslandcommunitypreschool.com or phone 403-258-1308 for more information.

Kingsland Community Preschool views their children as imaginative, strong and capable of directing their own learning according to their individual needs and interests. Children are given opportunities to explore ideas and to express themselves creatively using a variety of objects and materials.

Bridge

Mondays, 12:45- 3:00ish (doors open at noon). September (Monday after Labour Day) to end of May. \$2/person to play. Coffee and cookies served. Please contact Theresa at 403-255-0663 or Betty at 403-

255-6481 for more information.

Moms & Tots

Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am. Babies-5 years. Drop-In. Runs all year, except Xmas to New Years.

\$1/child. Snacks provided.

A parented, unstructured play and discovery opportunity. Bikes, toys, books, puzzles, and crafts available. Call the community hall at 403-255-1400 for more info.

Friday Night Argentine Tango Practice

First Friday of every month "Friday night Argentine Tango workshop with dance practice" Lesson review from Tango level 1 7-8:30, dancing until midnight in many dance styles.

Sponsored by the University of Calgary Ballroom Club.



St. Brigid's Catholic Faith **Community**

Mass: Second Sunday of each month, 10-11 am (upstairs) Education and Discussion: Third Wednesday of each month, 7:30-9:30 pm (downstairs)

St. Brigid's is grounded in the Catholic sacramental tradition, but also ecumenically open and welcoming of all who are interested in caring community and creative worship.

For more information see www.saintbrigids.com or contact the priest Monica Kilburn-Smith at celebrant@saintbrigids.org

Judy Schev Highland Dance

Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 5-8 pm (exact time depends on class). Can join anytime.

Highland Dance lessons for all abilities and ages.

Contact Lorna at 403-827-7473 for more information. Website coming soon!

Dream Quilt, Piecemakers Guild of Calgary

Last Wednesday of every month from 9am-3pm (no meeting in July, August, December)

This group is currently full; however, you can join the guild and go to meetings at St. Peters Anglican Church on Elbow Drive. Contact Jacquie at 403-271-8559 for more info.





- Sit on our board as a parent representative of Chinook Park School. Requires attendance to monthly board meetings (last Thursday of every month at 7pm). The goal of this position is to keep our community engaged and informed of what is happening at the school.
- Join our Playground Committee and help plan for future playground builds.
- Deliver event posters to community businesses (Starbucks, Market on MacLeod, Coop, Save on Foods, Southwood Library). Takes about one hour every month, dependent on events. Any age!
- Join the Social Committee and help organize and/or run events.
- Help with ice maintenance for our rinks.
- Volunteer at the Easter Egg Hunt (Sun, March 20). Can help with set-up, hiding eggs, handing out prizes, jobs for all ages!
- Do at home prep for crafts we do at events (cutting etc, supplies provided).
- Hand out Parade of Sales maps, can do on own schedule and will take one to two hours max (Mav).

Please contact Meghan at kcamuhle@gmail.com or 587-894-6917 for more information or to sign up for a position.

Please donate your old ice skates!

We are getting ready for our first annual Skate Swap happening next year during our Winter Festival.

Please contact Meghan at kcamuhle@gmail.com to arrange drop off.

Kingsland Community Hall Rentals

Are you planning an Event?

The Kingsland Community Hall is an ideal location for any occasion such as

- Wedding Receptions
- Family Reunions
- Barbeques
- Kids' Birthday Parties
- Business Meetings
- AGM's
- Corporate Parties
- Bridal Showers
- Baby Showers
- Political Forums
- Anniversary Parties

Do you need a great local facility?

It's located just off of Macleod Trail SW, 505 78 Ave SW.

Want to know more about our hall?

- Recently updated
- Wheelchair accessible
- Upper hall holds up to 100 people
- Speakers mounted on walls (amp required)
- Wi-Fi included
- 115 Chairs and 25 rectangular tables (tables are 2.5ft x 5 ft)
- Kitchenette with fridge, Microwave and coffee pots
- · Lower hall that can hold up to 25 people ideal for board meetings
- Outdoor boarded hockey rink

Rental rates:

Saturday all day rental Members: \$300.00+GST Non Members: \$375.00+GST

Fridays and Sundays are \$30 per hour with a minimum of five hours plus GST

Outdoor hockey rink can be reserved for \$20 per hour plus GST

Come check out the Kingsland Community Center, we would love to give you a tour of our hall please call or email to book a time.

Phone: 403-255-1400

Email: admin@kingslandcommunity.ca

Book your event early!

SOCIAL

Do you enjoy the events in Kingsland? Would you like to see them continue?

We need help to keep them going!

The Social Committee needs extra volunteers to take over **organizing** the following:

- Winter Festival
- Parade of Sales
- Volunteer Appreciation Night

Specifically, we need someone to volunteer to "be in charge" of each of these events—making bookings in advance, shopping for supplies, leading the volunteer team on the day of the event.

Please contact kcamuhle@gmail.com for further information. You will be guided and supported through the process, and can expect to spend 10-15 hours on the one event you pick.

The Social Committee

wants your feedback!

What do you like/don't like at the events? Do you have ideas for new events? Do any of the events dates/times need to change?

Any and all feedback is welcomed at kcamuhle@ gmail.com.

Casino



Our next casino is Sunday April 10 and Monday April 11, 2016. If you can volunteer for this event, please send me an email and I will contact you to arrange paper work to be filled out. We need to fill six shifts over the two days. Day shifts start at 11:00 am and go to 7pm. Night shifts start at 6:30 pm and go to 3 am. Count room shifts start at 10pm and go to 3am. Day shifts require one general manager, one banker, two cashiers, and two chip runners. Night shifts require one general manager, one banker, two cashiers, and two chip runners. Count room requires one supervisor and six staff. In total, that is 38 shifts need to be manned.

My email is preskingsland@gmail.com.

Thanks,

Ken Reimer

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Kingsland Community Association Board Meetings

are held in the downstairs Meeting Room at 7:00 PM

All Community Members are Welcome! Next meeting March 24, 2016



PLANNING REPORT

Update On Planning Matters In Kingsland. February 2016

LOC2015 - 2948 - Burned out Daycare on 68th Avenue S.W.,

The application for a land use re-designation from RC2 to MCG went to Public Hearing of Council and was approved. We had worked with the applicant and were in approval of the application. This building will now be redeveloped into 4 separate units and will have sufficient off street parking for each unit.

LOC2015 – 0095 - 11 Properties on 69th Avenue up for Land use Re-designation:

This application went before CPC today for approval to change the land use from RC2 to MCG. We sent a letter of guarded approval and will be watching the Development Permit application carefully to ensure we get the best project possible. The Planning committee has worked long and hard with this developer and the City of Calgary to make sure that we get the very best option for these properties.

Initially the applicant wanted M-C2f2.5 which would have given him the option to house 120 units in the project. After discussion with the City, the abovementioned application has been amended from M-C2 f2.5 a lower Zoning and has, at Calgary Planning Committee last week, been granted a zoning of MCG which is a similar zoning to the surrounding building. The City believes this zoning is more appropriate for the area, and guarantees a smoother transition from the higher



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densities and heights along Macleod Trail and the R-C1/R-C2 districts to the west.

Some changes has been introduced to the concept plan in order to address community/residents concerns with set backs on the back lane aspect of the building and a reduction in the number of units to 90. Be aware that further discussion on the development plans will take place at development permit stage.

The Kingsland Community Association will be circulated at development permit stage and will have the opportunity to comment on the plans and relaxation (if proposed).

Traffic Study on 69th and 68th Avenue continues, watch for further developments in the newsletter.

ROAD CLOSURE AND LAND USE AMENDMENT, KING-SLAND (WARD 11), GLENMORE TRAIL SW AND ELBOW DRIVE SW, BYLAWS 1C2016 AND 11D2016, CPC2016-011

Application by the City of Calgary for a Lane Closure and Land Use Re-designation in Kingsland.

ADOPT the proposed re-designation of 0.21 hectares \pm (0.52 acres \pm) located at 926 – 67 Avenue SW, 943 Glenmore Trail SW and the closed road (Plan 4910AK, Block 1, Lots 1 to 8 and 26 to 28; Plan 1512928, Area A) from Commercial – Corridor 3 f1.0h10 (C-COR3 f1.0h10) District, Commercial – Neighbourhood 2 (C-N2) District and Undesignated Road Right-of-Way to Multi-Residential – High Density Medium Rise (M-H2f2.5h22) District, in accordance with Administration's recommendation:

This application was approved at CPC and allows for the back lane north of 67th Avenue at Phil's Pancake house be closed at Elbow Drive. It further allows for a 6 storey building to be built on the corner of Elbow Drive and Glenmore Trail, West of Phil's Pancake house. The building will house one ground level commercial floor and five residential floors.

The Affordable Housing complex at 67th and 6th Street overlooking Glenmore Trail is under construction and the Intercare Home for Brain Injured Youth is almost complete on 7th Street and 69th Avenue S.W.

If you have any questions or would like to sit on the Planning Committee please call Ann Clarke at 403-253-8063.





Kingsland Community Association Presents

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday March 20, 11:00 am-1:00 pm

Kingsland Hall (505-78 Ave SW)

Easter Egg Hunt, Petting Zoo- provided by Butterfield Acres, Crafts

Event Sponsored by the National Bank- Kingsland Branch

Parade of Sales

Saturday May 28, 9:00 am–2:00 pm Garage Sales–Kingsland Residents

Spring Festival

Sunday June 28, 9:00 am–2:00 pm Games, Bouncy Castle, Photo Booth

Parade of Sales

Registration for our third Parade of Sales is open! Saturday, May 28 from 9-2 pm Register with Meghan at kcamuhle@gmail.com or 587-894-6917

Register by May 15, 2016

You are responsible for your own signage minus a map that will be given out at the hall marking all properties with sales.

Volunteer Appreciation Night

Volunteer Appreciation Night is happening in April or May. If you do not receive an invitation (via email or post) by middle of April, but volunteered for our community in the last year, please contact Meghan at kcamuhle@gmail.com or 587-894-6917. We apologize if we missed you, it's a job in itself to keep track of everyone!

Kingsland Community Traffic Calming

Open House

At the request of the Kingsland Community Association (KCA), The City of Calgary is doing a community traffic study to address concerns with shortcutting and speeding on 68 Avenue S.W. and 69 Avenue S.W. between Elbow Drive and Fourth Street. Working with the KCA and neighbouring school, we have created a preliminary design, using various traffic calming devices, to reduce shortcutting and speeding. We are hosting an open house on April 21st to gather your feedback on the preliminary design.

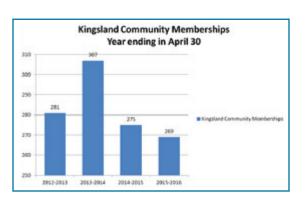
Please join us!

April 21, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. St. Augustine Elementary Junior High School 7112 Seventh St. S.W.

For more information please visit: Calgary.ca/ KingslandCalming or call 311.

Local Business

Are you a business in the Kingsland Community that would like your business to be listed in our monthly community newsletter? If so please email admin@kingslandcommunity.ca with your name and number so we can help support our local businesses.



PRESIDENT'S **MESSAGE**

As we head into February it is possible to see the end of winter. It may just be a tiny speck of light at the end of a dark tunnel, but it is there. However the KCA is doing its best to make the last months of winter as bearable and even fun as possible. On February 20 we will be holding a Winter Festival from 12-3 PM. It will have skating, curling, wagon rides, as well as live performances. It will be fun for the entire family, so come on down and play the winter blues away! Also, don't forget that if you want to do more than just play you can volunteer and help make this event a success.

See you there!

Chris Kemp-Jackson President



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Kingsland Community Preschool News

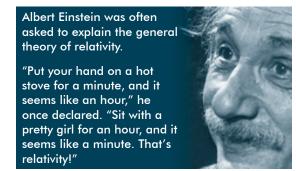
January was a whirlwind of activities. With ice, snow, snowmen, magnets and tornados all taking centre stage. We had so many questions about magnets. What do they stick to? What don't they stick to? We came up with many theories and had to test out all of our ideas.

We brought huge containers of snow into the classroom to play with. We added coloured water and even built melting snowmen. We enjoyed building all kinds of snowmen but our favourite was making snowmen with pickle noses.

We have started doing research on penguins. There are so many kinds of penguins and each one is so interesting. We also met a new friend, Iceberg. He's been with the school for sometime now and we have been taking turns bringing Iceberg home. He gets to go on adventures with us and our families.

In February, love is in the air as we celebrate Valentine's Day, Family day and friendship. We love giving Valentines to our friends and making cards for our families.

Preschool registration was held on February 1st. We still have a few spaces open for September 2016. Please give the preschool a call at 403-258-1308 or visit our website at www.kingslandcommunitypreschool.com.



contact Kingsland Please information

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KINGSLAND MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 28, 2016-DRAFT

These Minutes are subject to changes prior to approval at next Board meeting.

Present: Chris Kemp-Jackson, Ken Reimer, Sue Barnfield, Meghan Muhle, Cris Dombroski, Suzanne Bourbonnais, Ann Clarke

Guest: Teigan Kopec - Executive Assistant – Councillor Pincott Agenda item 2: Meeting called to order 7.05p.m.

Sue made a motion to approve the Agenda item 3: Minutes of 7th January 2016 as amended.

Seconded by Suzanne, Carried.

Agenda item 4: President's Report: Chris

Chris will meet with Presidents of surrounding communities to discuss mutual interest subject, meeting to be held on Wednesday 3rd February 2016 at 8.00pm at Good Earth Café. Report to Board in February.

Agenda item 5: Treasurer's Report: Suzanne 1.Account Balances - As at January 28, 2016

January 26, 2015 Jan 4/16 December Casino Account Balance \$36,373.67 \$41,754.33 \$41,754.33 General Account Balance \$62,392.74 \$64,056.62 \$60,986.12 \$98,766,41 \$105,810.95 \$102,740.45

Investment Balances - As at January 4, 2016 \$134,957.20 Investments Total as at Jan 4/16 \$233,723.61

2. GICs

The letter to the bank to reinvest the February 2, 2016 maturing GIC's has been composed.

Next GIC maturing date is in April 2016

3. Budget

The budget is still in draft form and Suzanne will review with Birte and Sue when we can get together.

4. Expense Report

The new expense report form was sent today to Ann, Ken, Chris, Meghan and Jennifer. This form has the details required for accounting and will allow for consistency, which will make it easier for review and cheque writing. For example, Full Name and Address are required to be on the top of the form. Also, the reporters should write the line item number on the corresponding receipt.

Agenda item 6: Teigan Councillor Pincott's Ex.Assistant

Teigan sent an email regarding BRT meetings. Teigan suggested that if we wish to have a private meeting with the Transportation team she can arrange this.

Conclusion: Chris will speak with KCE Community President and ask if we can join them in their meeting regarding this subject. If this is not possible we will ask for a private meeting with Transportation.

Teigan left a brochure fact sheet for our information. Attached to this copy of the Minutes.

Agenda item 7: Hall Director Report: Ann

Hall Manager's Compensation: Received an email from Jen which she copied to all Directors, accepting our offer of monthly compensation as Flat Rate per month for 12 months beginning February 1st 2016.

I have added this to her Contract and sent a copy to the office.

Conclusion: Suzanne requested copies of all Contractor's Contracts for her records.

Preschool – Front door issue:

Received email from Director of Pre-school on January 18th 2016, accepting our proposal to have them access the schoolroom from our South door. They will be given two additional keys, which they will purchase \$10.00 each, which will allow them to "dog down" (remain unlocked) the panic bar in order to have to door open until parents have dropped off their children before class (15 minutes) and then re-open the door 15 minutes prior to the end of school to allow parents to pick up their children. At all other times during the day the door will remain locked.

The school will use the downstairs meeting room to dress their children in their winter clothes but only for a short amount of time. The school will be responsible for purchasing mats to keep water off the floor and will keep the room clear of school equipment etc., in order that we can rent the room in the evenings and weekends.

We will undertake to keep the steps from the parking lot to the south door clear of snow unless that snow is falling during the

This arrangement is on a trial basis until June before which time a meeting will be arranged between the school and the Community Association to discuss costs of both this arrangement and utilities as set out in the Pre-school Contract.

This arrangement will begin on February 1st 2016 and the preschool will notify their parent body. However, they have registration beginning at 5pm on the 1st February and have requested that new parents registering their children be allowed to use the front door for that evening.

If everyone is in agreement I will make sure they have the key for the front door in order to "dog down" the panic bar to have the door remain open during their registration.

Preschool Sign on Front of building:

This is a template for the sign, suggested by Bold Signs. I have sent this to Laura who is on the Pre-school Board and she is circulating it to other Board members for their approval. If they approve the sign will be changed as soon as weather permits. The cost of the change to both signs will be borne by the Preschool at \$250.00.

Loomis Park Redevelopment:

We need a cheque for \$2,243.00 to be written from the General Account and sent to Parks Foundation, Calgary. This money is the left over money from the Spur project and it was voted to contribute this money to the Loomis Park redevelopment at the 26th November Meeting.

Replacement tables:

We have received a complaint from one of our renters about unsafe tables. Wayde and Joe checked the tables today and found 4 or 5 with broken corners, 10 that looked pretty beaten up but would be OK if there was a tablecloth on them. We have 25 tables and no spares at the moment. Probably half could do with changing out almost immediately.

Cost of tables: From Choice Office Furniture which is where we bought them in the past the tables will cost \$135 each, this is an increase from the \$129.00 we paid two years ago. They will take 4 to 6 weeks to come and are built by a Canadian Company. The new ones are lighter than the old tables by about 10 pounds and Wayde feels the welds on the legs are superior to the old style. The number of the design is FTM30/60 Chocolate Walnut, these will match the tables we already have. Contact: John, Choice Office Furniture 3 – 5905 – 11th Street S.E., 403 730

KBM Carpets is the company who come in the clean our carpets and rugs every two months. They will clean our chairs for \$3.00 per chair, we have 100 chairs. We have an attachment on the carpet cleaner downstairs but I do not think it will do the job, the chairs are quite dirty and have stains on them. KBM cannot guarantee all the stains will be removed but we must get the chairs cleaned as soon as possible. - KBM have appointments open on 2nd, 3rd and 4th February.

Conclusion: After discussion it was decided to purchase new tables and chairs. We will try and sell our existing chairs. Ann will get prices for 25 tables and 100 chairs and bring the cost back to the next meeting.

MOTION: Sue made the motion to purchase 100 new chairs and 25 tables, prices to be brought to next meeting, Seconded by Chris, Carried.

Jen will continue to send out a letter following each rental to make sure equipment is OK.

Make sure that some cleaning supplies are in the kitchen should they be required by the renters to clean the tables.

Rental Income for January: \$3,594.00

Agenda item 7: Planning Report - Ann LOC2015 - 2948 - Burned out Daycare on 68th Avenue S.W.,

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Traffic Study on 69th and 68th Avenue.

We met with the City representative, the following are the notes from the meeting on January 8th 2016.

NOTES FROM TRAFFIC STUDY MEETING: 8th January 2016

Present Chris D., Brandy M, Sue B., Ann C.

Absent: Edith K.

Guest: Stephen Oliver - Transportation Planner - City of Calgary Stephen has taken over this Traffic Study from Jonathan. Jonathan is still with the City so Stephen has background.

Sue brought up issue of road markings on 4A Street at 68th Avenue. They were put down and within 4 days had been worn off. Stephen will follow up and find out what happened.

The City has been looking into what they can do to reduce the volume and speed of the traffic on 68th and 69th Avenue.

68th Avenue S.W., Solution put forward is to install speed bumps on 68th Avenue at 6th Street, two and possibly 4. If 4 another location will be decided upon.

68th Avenue S.W., 4 Way stop signs have been installed at intersection with 4A Street.

69th Avenue S.W., Solution put forward is to build a sidewalk extension (bump) into the road at 7th Street. Also install a Speed Monitor east of the school "How fast are you going" Sequence of Events:

The Speed Monitor and the speed bumps could be installed during the 2016 construction year but Sidewalk extension would not be in place until 2017 construction year.

Survey letter to affected residents, announcing Public meeting

We will include text in newsletter and webpage that this is coming up and to look out for notice of Public Meeting, date, time and place.

Stephen will speak with St. Augustine's school and see if the Public meeting can be held in their school.

End of Report.

Agenda item 9: Lifecycle Report - Ken

Ken met with City Structural Engineer about the windows mentioned in his last report. These windows were not constructed as per drawings approved by the City. He tried to contact the Architect who produced the drawings but was unable to do so. He is now going to contact a City Building Consultant and set up a meeting. They will contact Ken.

Following on from Ken's last report we were notified that unless we installed a hood fan over the kitchen stove renters would not be allowed to use the stove. After discussion about possible purchase of 2 commercial microwave ovens the following motion was made:

MOTION: Suzanne made a motion to purchase 2 Commercial Microwave Ovens to a maximum cost of \$2,500.00 including electrician. Seconded Chris - Carried Agenda item 10: - Casino - Ken

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Volunteers Needed:

Kingsland residents, at the moment we have sufficient

volunteers to fill all positions on the executive of the community board.

However, two of the executive, namely the president and the treasurer are new to the job and have pointed out how long it is taking for them to feel comfortable in the job.

We thought that it might be a good idea to have a second person already on the board and learning the jobs so that transition will be easier when it occurs.

To that end I am asking anyone who might be interested in taking over the position of president and the treasurer to let us know your names now so that you might learn the job in an easier environment than our two new members are doing.

At the moment Ken is our vice president but has no intention of taking over the presidency again and has taken to position only because there was no-one else.

Please think carefully, we need help, we are trying to make sure that the community continues with as little disruption as possible.

Please call Jen at the office 403-255-1400 or myself 403-253-8063 and put your name forward.

Thank you,

Ann Clarke, Acting Secretary, Kingsland Community Board





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KINGSLAND MEETING MINUTES

Ken has about half the volunteers needed for the Casino to be held April 10th and 11th. He will begin calling potential volunteers shortly and will have the paperwork ready for the AGLC by the end of February.

Agenda item 11: Social - Meghan

We're a having a Social Committee meeting next week, Feb 3. Have 1-2 new members, which makes it a total of 6-7 people

2. Winter Festival is coming up on Sat, Feb 20 from 12-3. There will be wagon/sleigh rides, Skate Shack, skate swap, crafts, music and dance performances (Anacrusis Music and Dance with France), and the fire pit going.

Ken are you willing to create curling rink again?

3. Stage West outing for Seniors was cancelled as no one reg-

We will be brainstorming different events for this target audi-

4. Does anyone have any suggestions for Volunteer Appreciation Night?

We will be brainstorming ideas, or stay with the old..undecided. If you have any input though, I will take it to the meeting next week for our discussion.

5. Receipts for submission to Suzanne

Meghan and Suzanne has discussion regarding Expenses and receipts. Meghan will pass information and Expense template onto function organizers.

A receipt book will be kept in the store room with the equipment for social events

Meghan will look into setting a date for the Volunteer night and let us know.

Agenda item 12: Trico Report - Cris

Trico report included as a printed format with these Minutes. Full information can be seen in the newsletter and on the Web. The pool is being refurbished and Trico is trying to keep its membership up by offering incentives.

Agenda item 13: Playground Report - Ann

There was no official playground report but Ann notified the Board that a cheque for \$2,500.00 was paid into the Loomis Park Account at Parks Foundation, Calgary. This amount is a portion of the Community contribution of \$20,000.00 approved at a previous Board Meeting.

Ann also stated that a cheque in the order of \$2,243.00 is being paid into this account from the left over Spur money. This closes the issue of Spur.

Non-Agenda item: Community Volunteer Award - Cris

Cris talked about format set up for this program. .

Three previous drafts are attached to these Minutes, along with Cris's format. 3 Drafts and format have been sent to all Board members.

After much discussion it was decided that everyone would look over this again and send their comments to Cris who will bring it back to the next meeting.

Non-Agenda item - Written submission from Maggie Dycke -

Kingsland Community Association Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator Board Report Prepared on: January 26, 2016 Contact Information: Maggie Dycke, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator, Community & Neighbourhood Services T 403-476-7269 | C 403-804-8599 | F 403-476-7271 | Email: Maggie. Dycke@calgary.ca Mailing Address: The City of Calgary | Mail code: #100 P.O. Box 2100, Station M, Calgary, AB Canada T2P

NPC Reguests (ex., Board motions, LOC requirements, etc.) Business planning Status of KCA business plan for next 1-3 years Close to completion, following items required: Lifecycle items; Budget; Environmental scan/SWOT analysis Will be submitted as "living document" so KCA may update as required. Lights in back alleyway/pathway around pond; Ann indicates that KCA is currently covering the cost of powering these lights; Maggie is following up on this file with Parks department NPC Supported Items (ex., Programming, Resources, Best Practices, etc.) Art sphere pole The Roads department is currently looking to see if they have an extra signal post in their inventory. Roads is currently checking inventory. Awaiting response. Dates to Remember (ex., Workshops, Grant deadlines, etc.) The City of Calgary is recruiting Census Takers Applications are received in person at The City of Calgary, Election and Information Services office at 1103 55th Avenue NE until the end of February, Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Application forms are available online atcalgary.ca/census and can be downloaded and brought in person. In addition to the application form a skills assessment is completed in person at the time of application.

In order to apply to be a Census Taker you must be:

18 years of age or over; available to conduct Census collection beginning late April; able to walk in seasonable weather conditions; able to complete online training at home, and available for an in-person session in March; able to operate a tablet computer (training is provided).

Applicants can find more information and download the application form by visitingcalgary.ca/census or calling 403-4764100 (option 3). FCC presents: CKE Capital Campaign Case Study Wednesday, February 17 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Bridgeland Riverside Community Association (917 Centre Ave NE) Join us for an in depth look at the work of Chinook Park/Kelvin Grove/ Eagle Ridge Community Association have been doing to think outside the box, generate funds through creative initiatives, and rally community support for a capital campaign outside the usual grant opportunities to make a significant difference in their facility!

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First of all, I would like to thank you for being excellent stewards of our Glenmore constituency and society as a whole. The more I am getting to know you, the more amazed I am and very proud to have the opportunity to be your MLA as well as represent you in the AB Legislature.

I aspire to be your best advocate and represent you in all ways possible. Therefore, I invite your continuous feedback regarding government services/ministries through our constituency office.

Recently, the following concerns have been brought to my attention and I would like to address them as follows:

BRT: This project is municipal and not a provincial project as it is under the jurisdiction of the City of Calgary. The Alberta Government introduced The Green Transit Incentives Program (GreenTRIP) and committed \$2 Billion by 2020/21 towards the program. The purpose of the program is to allow municipalities all over the province to provide sustainable public transit alternatives. As posted in Calgary Herald, "Transportation Minister Brian Mason said the province would use \$187 million from the GreenTRIP fund to boost public transit in Calgary, Airdrie, Canmore and Banff." Calgary received \$162 Million to perform LRT electrical upgrades and invest in bus rapid transit and transitway projects. The province allocated \$47 million to two bus rapid lines, one in the north and one in the south and another \$92 million earmarked for transitways in the southwest and along 17th Avenue southeast. The City then decided how these funds can be utilized to specific BRT projects, and the BRT project on 14th street, SW is one of the specific projects. Therefore, the province has no involvement in this particular project and all the communication in regards to this project has to occur between the residents and the city. For more details on how these funds were

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- Evening Prayer & Stations of the Cross: alternating traditional & contemporary; every Friday at 7:00 PM
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- Mass of the LORD'S SUPPER: HOLY THURSDAY, March 24th; 7:00 PM
- GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: 3:00 PM
- HOLY SATURDAY/EASTER VIGIL: 7:00 PM Blessing of the New Light; Blessing of the Waters; Baptism of adults & school-aged children; followed by an Easter Vigil party in the parish hall
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My team and I are being asked where the City is in the process of creating a SW Transitway. While we have worked to clarified some of the misinformation in the community before, we hope the questions and answers below will help address further questions and outline the upcoming project path.

Will the SW Transitway be cancelled?

The SW Transitway will be proceeding. Council voted unanimously for the idea in 2011, and now the transportation project team at The City is working on the detailed design phase while addressing questions they have heard. As this project has been approved by City Council all final decisions will be made by the Project Team and their colleagues.

Why not wait for the Ring Road?

While the Ring Road is expected to alleviate some of the traffic issues on 14th street, Glenmore, and Crowchild, it does not address the needs of all. The Ring Road is a provincial highway that is intended to bypass communities and as such does not work for transit. The SW Transitway is very specifically about improving transit for SW communities and increasing transportation options to move people through the city. The two projects, while complementary to one another, address different needs and serve different users.

I keep seeing TOD. What is a TOD?

TOD stands for Transit Oriented Development. It is an urban planning term that means the placement of buildings, walkways, and houses within a community take into consideration the ability of residents and visitors to access transit. This typically means greater density development in the area immediately beside these stations. The goal with TOD is to remove the *need* to use a private vehicle to connect to transit.

Will the City be doing TOD at the SW Transitway bus stations?

No. The City's TOD policy refers only to the development of City owned land surrounding LRT stations, or at BRT stations where an LRT is planned to be in the future. The SW Transitway is NOT planned as a precursor to an LRT line. The City will not be applying its TOD policy to these stations, nor does the City own large tracts of land in the area.

KINGSLAND COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES CONT'D

Registration free for members or \$50+GST for non-members. Register at calgarycommunities.com/events Did You Know...? (ex., City-wide Events & External Opportunities,

How NPC can assist your community association/social recreation group: Engagement Needs, Engagement Plans, "Telling the Story", Raise Awareness, Connect with Residents, Reporting and Evaluation Actions Organizational Development Board Governance Practices, Strategic/Business Plan Development, Bylaw Review, Risk Management Practices, Operational Policy and Procedures, Committee Structure, Human Resources, Marketing, Promotions and Communication, Programming Connecting City Resources Land Needs, Programming Needs, City Information Financial Management Financial Best Practices, Annual Financial Statements and Reviews, Grant and Funding Resources License of Occupation(LOC/Lease Initiating LOC/Lease, Land Stewardship, Administration of LOC/Lease, Third Party Agreements, Letter of Understanding, Exiting LOC/Lease Facility Maintenance & Capital Construction Capital Construction Projects, Policy and Process, Lifecycle Management of Facilities and Amenities Connecting City Resources Navigation and Alignment of City Services, Leverage City Resources to Support Communities, Connections to Other City Business Units and Departments

End of Report.

Motion by Sue to adjourn - Seconded by Cris. Carried. Agenda item 14:

Next meeting: February 25th 2016 at 7.00p.m. Minutes typed by Ann Clarke - Secretary.

Brian brought a Notice of Motion to Council last year, regarding Glenmore Landing. What was that all about?

Glenmore Landing sits on privately owned land. While the landowner, Rio-Can, has not submitted any redevelopment applications to the City as of February 1, 2016, they have made it clear that they intend to do so in the future. Brian's Notice of Motion directed the City to work with the landowner as much as possible to avoid excessive construction disruption to the community and enable smart planning decisions to be made by both parties. The Notice of Motion can be found on the Ward 11 website.

If you would like more information, please see www. calgary.ca/swtransitway, and remember to sign up to receive updates from your Ward 11 office at www.calgary. ca/ward11.





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allocated, please refer to the Calgary Herald article: www.calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/provinceannounces-187-million-in-greentrip-funding-forcalgary-outlying-communities.

Gender Neutrality in Schools: The purpose of the new mandate as introduced by the Government of Alberta is to ensure that no child feels unsafe in school because of issues related to gender identity, expression or if they identify as transgender. The Government of Alberta is supporting the school boards to design strategies to create a safe environment for students so that no child's safety is jeopardized. The parents will be involved throughout this process and will be continuously engaged with the school boards to discuss the strategies. Especially, the parents with children below the age of 16 will be continuously informed and involved with the school boards for the best available options for their children; the ultimate goal is to ensure that the needs of all children in our schools are met. Please contact your respective school board directly for further details on parental engagement on this policy.

The Legislative Assembly Spring Session: The starting date of the legislative assembly session has been changed and will begin from March 8, ending in mid-June.

Community Events: Also, I would like to mention that due to frequent changes in my schedules for trips to Edmonton, at times I am unable to attend the community events even if I have confirmed to attend them. In such cases, I ensure that at least one of my assistants Janice and/or Jonathan attends the event on my behalf to present my thoughts to you. I highly appreciate your understanding when these situations occur.

Once again, thank you very much! Please keep in touch as I always look forward to hearing from you.



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St. Gerard School

What fun our students had in February celebrating a week-long Carnival! A special thanks to the teachers and support staff of St. Gerard School for providing students with an opportunity to eat taffy on snow, dress like a Coureur de Bois, participate in carnival games and engage in traditional French Canadian music.

Important Dates for March:

March 7-11: Artist in Residence Gail Bartel (grades K-6)

March 17: Parent Teacher Interviews 5-8pm

March 18: Parent Teacher Interviews 9am-3pm

March 24: Holy Thursday. 12pm dismissal

March 25 - April 3: Spring Break

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COMMUNITY business of the month

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A perfectly sophisticated pairing between restaurateur brothers Chris and Jon Molyneux and Calgary's own Concorde Entertainment Group, Double Zero is a welcome departure from what is expected in a pizzeria. Executive Chef Robert Jewell (star of Gusto TV cooking show "A is for Apple") uses the highest-quality ingredients, resulting in a unique selection of Neapolitan pizzas that are truly second to none! While the recipes are firmly rooted in Italy, a great deal of ingredients are sourced locally from the finest Alberta farmers and producers to fill out their menu of entrées and salads. Double Zero is also proud to offer gluten-free versions of every pizza on the menu, and is happy to accommodate for food sensitivities wherever possible.

Along with an impressive food menu, Double Zero also boasts an impressive wine and beer list. Filled with toprated vintages, their wine is carefully selected to compliment all the flavours of the food. The selections are constantly evolving and there is a unique bottle to fit every taste and budget. Wine lovers should be sure to check out their Late Night Wine List – 15 special bottles not listed on the regular menu, all quality wines listed at radical value, available after 9pm. Beers are available by the bottle or draught, and the choices are Canadian craft-beer focused – there is something for everyone.

Access the restaurant easily by walking straight in from Chinook Centre's NE corner to the Lounge on the main floor. This is a casual space to gather with your friends and family to enjoy both great food and drink. With a communal table that seats up to 24 quests for family style dining and a gorgeous open space. Catch the game on one of the six big screens, or stop in for one of the best Happy Hours in the city. From 3pm -6pm, Monday to Friday, enjoy all pints, bottles, house wines and prosecco as well as a variety of bar snacks for only \$5.

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Join thousands of Calgarians and sign the petition that asks City Council to reconsider the SW Transitway & Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). Go to our website www.readytoengage.ca to find out more on where to sign the petition and get involved.



Will the SW Transitway be cancelled?

We are asking City Council to reconsider this costly project. The SW Transitway & BRT has never been properly debated at City Council, was passed on a deficient preliminary engineering report, has not had adequate consultation with affected landowners, was misrepresented at Council and has been inactive for the past 5 years. Most residents alongside the route had never even heard of the project until ready to engage! brought it to their attention.

Does the City care what I think?

Actions speak louder than words. The City seems intent on ramming this project through regardless of the legitimate concerns about safety, construction chaos and budget overruns that the public has. The City has no intention of meaningfully consulting with impacted individuals or changing its plans regardless of concerns expressed. The Mayor and ward Councillors have repeatedly said City Council is "done" and the project will be proceeding. We disagree.

Will parks be removed? What about parking?

The City has stated that all construction will be contained within road right-of-ways and City owned land. Road right-of-ways include meridians, shoulders, and berms/green space along streets. The City of Calgary owns the majority of the parks and recreational fields and dog parks that are found throughout the city. Green spaces and parks the public now enjoy will be removed and replaced with asphalt, concrete, and bus platforms along the route. Increased traffic and parking in communities will come with BRT commuters. Parking lots could eventually be built along the route to accommodate commuters.

Why not wait for the SW Ring Road?

The SW Ring Road will be available at approximately the same time as the proposed SW Transitway & BRT and will provide extensive relief to traffic congestion along 14th Street making this project a waste of taxpayer dollars. Existing public transit service along this route already exceeds demand. Many buses running on 14 Street SW, 24 Street SW, 90 Avenue SW and on Southland Drive SW are currently running far below their passenger capacity. The City has stated that the BRT will serve students going to Mount Royal University shortening their length of travel. Adding a direct bus route to Mount Royal University would be a much more cost effective use of taxpayer money versus a full blown SW BRT.

Will the City be doing Transit Oriented Development (TOD) at the SW Transitway bus stations?

When asked whether transit oriented developments are likely around all BRT stations, Mac Logan, General Manager of Transportation at The City of Calgary stated, "Intensification around every bus stop? Yes, eventually." (CBC Eyeopener, Jan 8, 2016). Private Landowners are being encouraged by the City to use Transit Oriented Development principles. This means there will eventually be densification around each BRT transit stop. A motion put forward by Councillor Pincott directing the City staff to work with the owners of Glenmore Landing to facilitate the sale of city land for development was passed by City Council. This purchase will allow for a high density development on the site replacing 5.4 acres of City-owned green space which we all enjoy today.

We are ready to engage! - concerned citizens who have joined together to give SW Calgarians and other stakeholders a voice on the City's SW Transitway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. We are in support of well-planned, efficient and cost-effective public transit improvements for all Calgarians.

Information published by ready to engage! is sourced from City publications and the City website