



Calgary

Office of the Councillors

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To: Minister Dreeshan

cc: Minister Shandro, MLA Fir, MLA Gotfried

Re: Deerfoot Trail Upgrades

Considering the announcement of dedicated funding in the Provincial budget for construction on Deerfoot Trail at intersections and boundaries supporting residents from Wards 9 (Carra), 11 (Penner), 12 (Spencer), and 14 (Demong), we would like to create opportunities to support a successful project outcome. An open and collaborative approach to communication, detour planning, and site access will ensure both the Province and the City of Calgary can achieve their outcomes.

While Deerfoot Trail is a provincial roadway, it exists within Calgary limits and residents often look first to the City, including both administrative driven communications and councillors' offices for information about construction.

Intersections of Interest:

- Glenmore Trail & Deerfoot Trail
- Southland Drive & Deerfoot Trail
- Anderson Road /Bow Bottom Trail and Deerfoot Trail

Further, as Green Line construction progresses in the same time frame near some of the same potential detour routes, we need to be collectively mindful of the compounding impacts to adjacent neighbourhoods and residents as well as the commercial and industrial activities near or adjacent to Barlow Trail and 24th St SE.

Below are the two opportunities for a successful project:

1. The offices of the respective councillors above would greatly appreciate being involved in the communications plan to affected residents.

The Ask: To be connected to the communication leads at Alberta Transportation or the project manager to get advanced information about construction details to create accurate and timely messaging.

2. A known project risk of major construction is the provocation of detouring. In the case of the above intersections, affected roads of high concern are – Glenmore Trail, Blackfoot Trail, 18th Street SE and Acadia Dr SE. Secondary roads would be Barlow Trail, Ogden Road, and Bonaventure Dr SE and Fairmount Dr SE.

The Ask: For plans to be jointly designed by Alberta Transportation/project manager to support the City in mitigating stressors to community roads adjacent to Deerfoot Trail.

We look forward to open and productive conversations about the goals and outcomes of this project supporting the movement of Calgarians and goods along this important transportation corridor.

Our offices are open to meeting regularly as the project progresses to ensure concerns are being mitigated and future planning ensures the best positive outcome. We are confident that, alongside the administrative teams of Alberta Transportation and City of Calgary Mobility and Infrastructure Services, we can all deliver on the needs of Calgarians.

Sincerely,




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