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# **Councillor Report**

The City of Calgary is pleased to announce shared e-Scooters are back in Calgary!

#### Changes made to the program to increase public safety include:

- A highly visible and unique identification number on each device and decals with raised lettering to make it easier to report improperly parked devices.
- Limiting the number of e-Scooters to 1500 devices to help reduce parking and sidewalk clutter issues.
- You will be able to ride a shared e-Scooter on quiet roadways with lower volume of traffic such as 13 Avenue S.W.

#### You can ride shared e-Scooters in:

- Bicycle lanes and pathways (recommended choice)
- Quiet roads with lower volume of traffic
- Temporary adaptive lanes
- Ouiet sidewalks

#### Alberta Health Services Guidelines

- Shared e-Scooters are NOT cleaned after every use. Please wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before and after using a shared-e-scooter. Use hand sanitizer when soap and water is not available.
- Wipe down the shared scooter with a pre-moistened disinfectant wipe before and after use of a shared e-scooter. Please bring your own wipes.
- Avoid touching your face when using a shared e-scooter.
- Physical distancing must be maintained when riding. When riding alone or with other people you are still required to maintain at least 2 metres (the length of a bicycle) between yourself and anyone else. Only one rider at a time is permitted (no 'doubling').
- While riding a scooter, be safe, slow down, and leave space when passing other people; always give each other 2 metres of space.
- Make sure you become familiar with how to scoot safely in Calgary – visit Calgary.ca for more information.

Ward Sutherland, Councillor, Ward 1

## **DID YOU KNOW** Canada was officially called **Dominion Day until** October 27, 1982.

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### RRROCA VIEW

# Do You Have Your RRROCA Membership?

In addition to the benefits listed below, 100% of

membership fees go directly into program and resources funding, and future facilities development. The greater our membership base, the more funds



we will have for projects, programs, and initiatives! We need your help with funds to continue dealing with municipal and provincial issues that affect your daily life.

Please visit our membership page at rrroca.org to sign up for a membership, or email membership@rrroca.org if you have any questions.

#### **Benefits of RRROCA Membership**

Here are all the current benefits of RRROCA membership, please visit our webpage regularly for updates.

- · Access to Babysitter Registry
- Register for Community events and programs, including Spring Sports Program for children, Parade of Garage Sales, winning one of ten \$100 to hold block parties on Neighbour Day, etc.
- · Borrow materials for holding Block party for free
- Purchase discount tickets or enter draws for free tickets to the shows at Shane Homes YMCA
- Receive free pancake breakfast at annual Stampede Breakfast event
- Receive discounts at Cloverdale Paint, Servus Credit Union, Stealth Alarms and iLoveKickboxing.
- Provide recreational insurance at Sports Program offered by RRROCA
- Accepted by Calgary West Soccer for their program registration

We are always working on expanding our membership perks. If you are a business owner who wants to give incentives to our members, please contact Monique Chiasson at *membership@rrroca.org*.

RRROCA Membership Registration						
One Membership per household; valid January 1 to December 31 annually.						
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Your personal information will be used for Association purposes only and will never be given to third parties.						
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# Important Phone Numbers

If you require emergency supports to meet basic needs, income support is available 24-7.

• Income Support Contact Centre: 1-866-644-5135

For anyone facing family violence, bullying or abuse, the following resources are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in more than 170 languages:

- Family Violence Info Line: 310-1818
- Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-387-KIDS (5437)
- Bullying Helpline: 1-888-456-2323

Help is also available 24-7 for anyone dealing with mental health challenges.

• Mental Health Helpline: 1-877-303-2642

You can also contact the Alberta Supports Contact Centre at 1-877-644-9992 (toll free) for information regarding AISH, Child Care Subsidy, Disability Supports, Financial Supports, Health Benefits, Career Information, Seniors Benefits, Public Guardian/Trustee.



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# RRROCA

# **Volunteer Corner**

#### **Volunteer from Home**

Volunteers are always important to RRROCA as we work to make Royal Oak

& Rocky Ridge an even better community. Thankfully, most of the work required can be done from your home. So if you are interested in living in a great community, and can spare a few hours in a month, please consider volunteering for RRROCA!

In addition to making an impact, you will certainly learn new skills, gain valuable volunteer experience and meet more neighbours. Please email volunteer@rrroca.org if you are interested in the following positions or have any questions about volunteering with RRROCA.

#### **Vice President**

Assist in developing and maintaining positive relations among the Board, committees, staff and community to enhance RRROCA'S mission. Act as leader in the absence of the President/Chairperson. Assist President whenever possible, works closely as a consultant and advisor.

Time commitment: 10 hours/month

#### Volunteer Chair

Keep community members informed of volunteer opportunities through emails, website and monthly newsletter. Recruit board and committee members as needed. And other related work as required.

Time commitment: 12-15 hours/month

#### **Events Lead**

With direction from the Events Chair, an Event Lead helps to execute specific events, from the planning stage to the wrap up. **Time commitment**: 3 - 7 hrs/month

#### **Administration Assistant:**

With direction from the Secretary, assist with mails and messages and other required by board members.

Time commitment: 2-5 hours/month

#### **Sponsorship Lead**

With direction from the Sponsorship Chair, the Sponsorship Lead helps to develop and maintain relations with sponsors for RRROCA events and programs.

Time commitment: 0 – 3 hours/month

#### **Communications Lead**

Implements and maintains internal communications tools within RRROCA, and also assists with external

# communications as directed by the Communications Chair and/or President. **Time commitment:** 5 hours/month

#### Social Media Lead

Administrate the creation and publishing of relevant, original, high-quality content. Be an advocate for RRROCA in social media spaces, engaging in dialogue and answering questions where appropriate

Time commitment: 8-10 hours/month.

#### **Did You Know?**

Volunteering for RRROCA as a Board or a Committee member will:

- 1. gain valuable volunteering experience and essential work skills;
- 2. know the first-hand community news;
- 3. get the RRROCA membership (\$30) or one sport registration for free (\$50 or \$65) every year;
- 4. the most important: help us to build a thriving community!

Want to receive emails about any volunteer opportunities for the community association?

Please email *volunteerlead@rrroca.org* to sign up.

# Happy Birthday Canada!

Canada's national holiday is celebrated on July 1.

On July 1, 1867, Canada became a self-governing dominion of Great Britain and a federation of four provinces: Nova Scotia; New Brunswick; Ontario; and Quebec. The anniversary of this date was called Dominion Day until 1982. Since 1983, July 1 has been officially known as Canada Day.

www.timeanddate.com



# **Enhancements to** the City of Calgary's **Development Map**

#### **Development Map**

Exciting news! Recent enhancements were made to improve the Development Map to make it easier to see and participate in the approval process on proposed applications across the city.

#### **Background**

The Development Map is an online and interactive tool that can be used to access planning related information in an easier and more accessible format. By using the Development Map, citizens and community associations can be informed about, and have their say on proposed developments that matter to them.

As of June 1, citizens can access application plans and renderings on the Development Map, with this feature being continuously updated. By providing plans/ renderings online, citizens have the opportunity to become more informed about a proposed development, allowing them to provide their input earlier in the process. This improves collaboration with industry and citizens on planning matters by enabling transparent communication. Before you give feedback on a planning application, use developmentmap.calgary.ca to learn more about what is being proposed, understand the details and know when and what you can comment on.

#### **Public Input**

Public input on development and land-use applications is an essential part of The City's approval process. You can now provide your input on developments that matter to you by simply visiting the Development Map at a time and location that's convenient. The City is listening and working hard to innovate the planning process by creating tools that enable you to participate in an easy and meaningful way.

You can share your thoughts on a proposed application directly with a file manager overseeing the application. For a comment to be considered, it must be:

- Submitted in writing through the Development Map or by sending a letter to the file manager listed in the contact us tab.
- Submitted when the commenting period is open.

Note: The type of feedback The City of Calgary is hoping to get from citizens depends on the application, the stage it is currently at, and what is being proposed. Make sure to review How to Respond to a Development Application

so that you are able to provide your relevant comments at the right point in the process.

Stay informed about the developments that matter to you by visiting

- 1) http://calgary.ca/development
- 2) https://www.calgary.ca/citycouncil/ward-1/articles/ development-map.html

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## **Get Active This Summer**

Cummer is here and the Skids are home from school. There are lots of ways to stay active with your children at home. Remember to follow all COVID-19 public health guidelines. And remember that sometimes all it takes is one good idea to get you to



be active. Here are a few suggestions.

- Plant a garden and let everyone have their own special section.
- Go for a walk or to a park in your neighbourhood and play Frisbee.
- Plan a family road trip and bring a soccer ball or baseball to use on the way or when you get there.
- Walk at night and look for stars.
- Run through the sprinkler or play catch.
- Go on a weekly active outing or walk to a nearby park.
- Go for a bike ride—make sure to wear helmets.
- Play catch, hacky-sack or hopscotch in your yard.
- Go hiking or camping.
- Make an obstacle course and keep a chart with everyone's times.
- During commercial breaks while you're watching TV:
  - •Run on the spot, do push-ups and sit-ups, or stretch.
  - Play catch inside with a foam ball.
  - See who can do the most jumping jacks.
- Do household chores—give everyone a task and listen to music while you work.
- Go to an open field and fly a kite.
- Plan a walk every day after supper and keep track of everyone's steps on a chart.
- Exercise with fitness videos, apps, or TV shows like yoga or aerobics.
- Watch a show as a family and for every hour you watch, be active for an hour.
- Wash your vehicles or clean up the yard.

Alberta Health Services

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Office Hours

9:00am-9:00pm unless otherwise stated

#### ROCKY RIDGE RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

#### GENERAL MEETING

Full details including Agenda, and Proxy are available on our website www.rrrha.ca, as well as further instructions about registration.

#### **PROGRAMS**

We are looking forward to offering our Yoga and Pilates classes again this September. The Fall schedule for classes at the Ranch will be posted online by mid-August, and registration will be available at that time.



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1135215 Alberta Society
Operating as
Rocky Ridge Ranch Homeowners Association
10709 Rocky Ridge Boulevard NW,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Meeting of the Members of 1135215 Alberta Society (the "Society") will be held at the Ranch center located at 10709 Rocky Ridge Boulevard NW, Calgary, Alberta, on July 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Virtual attendance through zoom will also be available for members who are unable to attend in person, or who would prefer to do so online.

The Board of Directors has received a request from members to call a General Meeting for the purpose of:

- 1. Discussing the Freedom Mobile Cell Tower issue
- 2. The recent, and ongoing, behaviour of the RRRHA Board of Directors towards its members
- 3. The execution of the Cell Tower lease: and
- 4. Call for a vote to rescind the aforementioned Cell Tower lease

At the meeting the members will be asked to vote on the following Agenda item:

MOTION: To vote in favour of, or against, negotiating termination of the existing Cell Tower Lease with Freedom Mobile.\*

All Members in good standing are entitled to attend (in person or virtually) and vote at the meeting. Those unable to attend (in person or virtually) can vote by proxy. The Board of Directors requests all members who will not be attending the meeting in person or virtually to read, date and sign the accompanying proxy and deliver it to the Society. If a member does not deliver, in person or by mail, or by email, a proxy to the Society at the Ranch at 10709 Rocky Ridge Boulevard NW, Calgary, by 5:00 p.m. (Calgary time) on Monday, July 5, 2021, then the member will not be entitled to vote at the meeting by proxy.

In the event that quorum is not met, the date and time for the rescheduled meeting will be Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 7:30pm.

DATED at Calgary, Alberta, on the 16th day of June, 2021. *RRRHA Board of Directors* 

# The Giving Wall:

## A Pay-It-Forward Food Initiative Helping Businesses And Customers

Our economy and pandemic are making times challenging for everyone but a new pay-it-forward food innovation is aiming to help Calgarians support those who need a boost.

At participating restaurants, cafes and coffee shops, The Giving Wall enables Calgarians to buy a meal or gift card for someone who may not be able to pay for one. Local food writer Julie Van Rosendaal, who is a member of The City of Calgary's Business Sector Task Force, is spearheading the program which is supported by The City.

"It really allows Calgarians to support their communities in any amount they can afford in a convenient way and direct that cash through the restaurant," said Van Rosendaal. "This sort of does double duty: it supports our local restaurants and allows people to come in and grab a meal. I'm particularly worried about kids who are separated from their food supports at school right now and that's almost 200,000 kids throughout the city. A lot of them are mobile, can move around and hop on their bikes and walk into a restaurant or coffee shop and access a meal if they need one."

Particularly when schools are closed and breakfast and lunch programs are not as available, access to food support can be difficult for many Calgarians. Restaurants can be part of the solution in a way that generates cash flow and helps keep them in business as well.

While the initiative is in its early stages, the response from Calgary businesses has been enthusiastic, said Van Rosendaal. "It looks different in each restaurant but everyone is doing it in a way that makes sense for them. They are all so willing to help and it's great to see how communities are helping feed each other. The fact that the funds are going through the restaurants and helping them stay afloat which helps people stay employed and further prevents food insecurities."

Van Rosendaal brought the concept to The City's Business Sector Task Force, a group focused on supporting businesses through the pandemic. "It's been so fantastic being part of the Business Sector Task Force with The City and meeting weekly or biweekly with business owners from around the city and discussing all the challenges we've been facing. Small businesses keep Calgary going, keep people employed, make Calgary so interesting.

It's been really great to be able to interact and address problems and sort them out over the course of this pandemic." Participating business La Boulangerie is proud to support The Giving Wall initiative. Co-owner Shosh Cohen says her customers feel like family and it's a way to give back together.

"We had to change everything and the community was with us the whole time, supported us through everything and this is our chance to pay it back," she said. "I hope to see more good things happening, just like a domino effect. We will give some and then some others will give to others. It can only cause good things."

The pandemic has been tough to navigate and that's why Cohen says this food gift concept is a good idea. "I think it's helping everyone on all kinds of levels, money wise, mental wise. Even just to come here, it's their happy place, that's what I'm trying to create here. When people come here, there are no bad days. The pandemic doesn't go through this door."

#### The Giving Wall

The Giving Wall is a pay-it-forward program with restaurants, cafes and coffee shops, enabling Calgarians to buy a meal, coffee or slice of pizza for someone who may not be able to pay for one.

#### Here's how it works

Anyone ordering food for pickup or takeout can prepay for an extra menu item (whatever makes sense for the restaurant - a slice of pizza, a pad Thai, a smoothie, a sandwich, etc.) or purchases a gift card in any denomination, and the gift card or receipt is tacked on the wall for anyone coming in to take and use. Restaurants can include the option to add a gift card for online orders, and if they don't have a physical wall, could keep a prepaid tab for anyone coming in, or ordering online or by phone. There will soon be a map of participating venues.

#### Why are we doing this?

This is a way for Calgarians to support local restaurants in whatever way they can afford, while helping ensure their neighbours and particularly young Calgarians are fed. This is one way we help each other get through the rest of this pandemic and beyond.

The City of Calgary has partnered with local food writer Julie Van Rosendaal to launch the Giving Wall, a pay-it-forward program with restaurants, cafes and coffee shops.

To participate, restaurant owners can visit calgary.ca/givingwall to download signage and learn more about how it works.

# Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw Update passed by Calgary City Council

The update to the Responsible Pet Ownership (RPO) Bylaw passed during the Regular Meeting of City Council on June 2 and will go into effect on January 1, 2022.

Last revised over 12 years ago, the bylaw update recognizes that pet ownership in Calgary has evolved and includes an urban hen program and the expansion of licensing that will oversee regulation of beekeeping.

The bylaw update was guided by input from comprehensive public engagement; including feedback provided by Calgarians, industry stakeholders, Councillors' offices, City of Calgary staff, internal animal statistics, best practice information, a municipal scan of 33 communities and extensive industry research.

The updated bylaw continues to create a safe environment for pets and Calgarians. The Chief Bylaw Officer will have the authority to designate animals as vicious, in advance of Provincial Court proceedings, which will decrease the time the animal is held by Animal Services and can go home with safety parameters in place.

An expanded nuisance designation will allow the Chief Bylaw Officer to prescribe conditions for how a nuisance animal is kept to better mitigate community concerns and rehabilitate the animal.

Pet ownership will be limited to six dogs and six cats per household and the number of dogs a person can bring to an off leash area will be limited to six per individual. The bylaw also includes increases to fines for aggressive pet behaviours.

# Highlights of changes coming into effect January 1, 2022

#### **Urban hen program**

The City of Calgary is developing an urban hen program that will ensure proper housing, care conditions and opportunities to address community-based concerns that are raised. The program will be aligned with national care guidelines and structured similarly to other municipalities across Canada that have successfully implemented urban

hen programs. The livestock licence program is expected to launch mid-2022. Initial permits in 2022-2023 will be capped at 100 households. Urban hen owners who do not abide by the conditions could have their licence revoked.

#### **Urban beekeeping and licensing**

Bee keeping is a successful and growing hobby in Calgary. Through regulation and licensing, The City of Calgary can help address any potential issues and create solutions for the benefit of the bees, keepers and neighbours. The City of Calgary will review what has been working and expert perspectives to determine the licensing program by the end of the year.

#### **Expanded authority of Chief Bylaw Officer**

Following a severe injury to a person, severe injury/ death to another animal, or other significant safety risks, accused dogs currently wait months in The City of Calgary's Animal Services shelter until the Provincial Court can hear the owner's case. The expanded authority for the Chief Bylaw Officer to designate animals vicious will allow the dog to return home once designated, with safety conditions put in place.

#### **Expanded nuisance designation**

Currently, an animal can be declared a nuisance when it has repeatedly threatened or committed aggressive behaviour, has been found running at large more than once, repeatedly causes noise that disturbs any person, or the owner has demonstrated an inability to control the dog in an off-leash area. The updated bylaw includes an expanded nuisance condition to help curb further concerning aggressive or nuisance behaviour. This would be determined on a case-by-case basis, where specific controls can be put in place to ensure community safety measures are available in a timely manner.

#### Pet ownership limitations to curb issues

Challenges addressing smell and noise complaints in households with large numbers of cats and/or dogs help inform a new limitation to ownership of six cats and six dogs per household. The City of Calgary will provide excess animal permits to transition households that already have large numbers of cats and dogs into the new bylaw regulations, as well as accommodate breeders, animal foster households, etc.

#### Number of off-leash dogs

Individuals will be limited to care for and control no more than six off-leash dogs in an off-leash area at once, for reasonable monitoring. There is no limit to the number of dogs that can be walked on-leash. City Council has directed Administration to consult with the dog walking industry on this item and report back to Council by the end of 2021

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with any amendments following.

#### Threatening situation in extreme temperatures

The bylaw will be updated to remove references to specific temperatures in cases where confinement of an animal places it in a life or health threatening condition. This enables community peace officers or first responders to act when needed on behalf of the welfare of an animal in a confined space in extreme temperatures.

### What isn't changing

#### **Pet licensing**

The updated bylaw maintains the current fees for licensing cats and dogs. These fees allow for Animal Services to reunite pets with their owners, care for adoptable pets, manage health and education programs, and run the no-cost spay & neuter program for those who qualify through the Fair Entry Program.

#### **Enforcement of the bylaw**

Community Peace Officers investigate through a lens of compassion and empathy while seeking to address the root cause of a problem. Each case is evaluated on an individual basis and officers consider the purpose and context of the situation. They apply objective standards during the application of enforcement to determine if there is an offence.

#### Barking, biting or chasing behaviours

No changes were proposed to section 23 in the current RPO Bylaw stating that an owner of an animal must ensure that the animal does not bark, howl, or otherwise make or cause a noise that disturbs other people. Similarly, there were no proposed changes to section 25(1) of the current bylaw prohibiting an owner from allowing their animal to bite, bark at, or chase stock animals, bicycles, automobiles or other vehicles.

Complaints will continue to be investigated using objective criteria to determine if enforcement action is warranted.

The bylaw review was directed by Calgary City Council as part of the One Calgary Service Plans and Budgets 2019 – 2022. The update of the Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw will help ensure The City of Calgary reaches as many pet owners as possible and creates effective compliance and education of the trends impacting Calgarians and businesses.

In advance of the bylaw coming into effect on January 1, 2022, The City of Calgary will develop programs and licensing in support of the updated bylaw. More

information will be made available on Calgary.ca/pets, including program and licensing information.

https://pub-calgary.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=164389 https://engage.calgary.ca/petbylaw

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# A Healthier Yard and Watering Wisely Go Hand-in-hand

During the summer, water use in Calgary communities can increase by 20 to 30 per cent. This is due in large part to our watering of gardens and grass. Increased demand for water places a strain on our rivers – the source of our drinking water



– and water treatment plants. Being mindful of the water we use outdoors can reduce the impact of hot and dry weather on our yards and gardens.

Adopt these simple tips to ensure you're using water wisely:

- Watch your weather forecast and skip watering when it has rained or is forecast to rain.
- Avoid watering in the heat of the day (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.). The best time to water is early in the morning.
- Use the right watering tool for the job. A soaker hose, drip irrigation and a watering can, direct water where it is needed most to the plant roots.
- Capture free rainwater in a rain barrel and use it on your trees, shrubs and flowers.
- Keep your lawn at least 3 inches high. Taller grass shades the soil, requiring less water and staying healthier.
- Add bark, wood chips or stones to reduce water evaporation from your soil.

Visit calgary.ca/waterguide for information on how to create a water efficient yard including Watering 101 for plants, shrubs and trees, lawn care and irrigation systems.

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## In Our Community

# Volleyball Court conversion to Basketball Court

Location – Rocky Ridge -10427 Rocky Vista Drive NW (ROC672)

The City of Calgary Parks as part of the Tennis Court Lifecycle program intends to convert the existing Beach Volleyball court into a Basketball Court.

Currently the Tennis court has 2 Pickleball courts and 2 Basketball play areas on the one Tennis Court. The Tennis Court will be resurfaced, the 2 existing Pickleball courts will remain, but the 2 Basketball hoops/courts will be relocated and replace the Beach Volleyball court.

The work will take place this 2021 summer season, exact

dates are not yet known, and the Courts will be closed for approximately 6-8 weeks, weather dependent.

If you require additional information about this project, please call 311. Thank you!

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# **Community Avid Readers**

Let me start by saying how much I loved all the entries for the Avid Reader's program. The kids ranged in age from 5 up to 17. I love that we have such a great bunch of readers in our community.

We have two winners to announce! Lexi, age 11 who was reading Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. Fantastic choice Lexi!

Our second winner is – Chloe, age 9 and her favourite book for the month was Beezus and Romona. Another great book to read Chloe!

Each winner is receiving a \$10 gift card to Chapters. We will start the Avid Reader program again after the summer but want you to keep up that summer reading. Here are some other great books our community kids were reading and you can check out for summer. Happy reading and enjoy the summer!

Krista DeCarle, RRROCA Schools Liaison

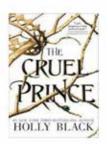












### **DID YOU KNOW??**

The name Canada derives from the Iroquoian word "Kanata" which means "village."



# Alcohol in Parks Pilot Starting June 1

 ${f B}$  ook a picnic table designated for alcohol consumption at no cost. The City's summer Alcohol in Parks pilot runs from June 1st - September 7th.

With the pandemic reducing indoor recreational opportunities, The City of Calgary hopes to encourage those who may be feeling isolated to get outside and connect safely with family and friends. From June 1 to Sept. 7, 2021, Calgarians will be able to drink responsibly at 30 clearly marked, designated tables between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. All COVID-19 provincial health measures must be followed, including outdoor gathering limits and physical distancing requirements.

Not all bookable picnic tables in City parks will be designated for alcohol consumption. Users will only be able to drink alcohol at the 30 tables clearly labelled with the appropriate signage. Alcohol cannot be carried around the park. Public intoxication remains prohibited and users are reminded not to drive after consuming alcohol. Designated tables will be removed from the pilot, or the program will be discontinued early, if issues persist. Citizens may call 311 with any concerns.

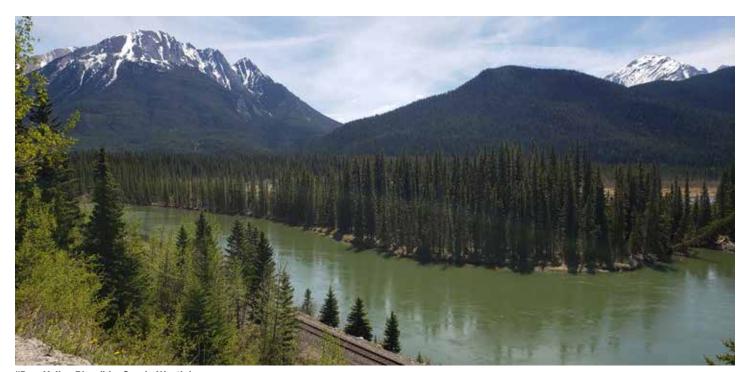


Tables can be used on a first-come, first-served basis or can be reserved with a free permit that gives priority use. The pilot will start with 30 tables and could be expanded in the coming weeks based on initial citizen feedback. To book a picnic table, or for more information, visit Calgary. ca/alcoholinparks.

City administration will review the overall use of the temporary alcohol in parks program and report results back to Council November 2021.

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# **Photographers Corner**

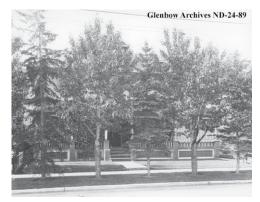


"Bow Valley Pkwy" by Carole Westlake

# A Walk Down Calgary's Historic Boulevards

Caragana shrubs, Elm trees, Green Ash, and Lilac,

Honeysuckle, and Dogwood. If these trees and shrubs are familiar friends on your daily walk, you are likely traveling through one of Calgary's historic boulevards, deliberately planted to



Tree-lined boulevard Calgary c. 1930-37

bring beautifying elements into the daily lives of working Calgarians. Spread across eleven inner-city communities, these historic boulevards were primarily planted at the direction of William Reader, Calgary's Superintendent of Parks and Cemeteries from 1913 to 1942. Reader was inspired by a growing trend of the City Beautiful Movement, an urban planning tradition that believed cities and people, particularly working people, would be their best if the natural world was brought into the urban landscape. Reader took particular interest in planting and maintaining tree-lined boulevards on what was once bald prairie, to foster civic pride.

Visit these communities to see if you can spot the historic trees and shrubs:

Garden Crescent SW in **Elbow Park** was planted in 1911 and was the first historically designated streetscape in Calgary. The tall trees in the meridian, Poplars, Willows and Spruce, are complemented by Caragana, Japanese Lilac, Black Cherry and Crabapple.

Three landscaped boulevards on Riverdale Avenue in **Elbow Park** and **Elboya** run from 5A Street SW to Elbow

Drive SW, and from 9 Street SW to 10 Street SW. Planted in 1929, they feature stately Elms interspersed with Honeysuckles that survived the post 1947 development boom.

Two historic landscaped boulevards on 5A Street SW in **Cliff-Bungalow** were planted with Green Ash trees in 1915.

The Lilac meridians of **Hillhurst** along 11 St NW, 6 Ave NW, and Bowness Road NW were installed between 1919 and 1932, drawing the park atmosphere of the adjacent Riley Park into the surrounding neighbourhood.

The landscaped boulevards of **Ramsey** run along 9 St SE between 17 Avenue SE to Adelaide Street SE. Planted in 1929, the boulevards feature Green Ash, Lilac, and Honeysuckle.

9th Ave SE in **Inglewood** is planted with Poplar trees. This species of tree was specifically chosen for planting in Calgary as it was one of the few shade trees able to survive the climate, and is known to diffuse street noise. With a life-span of 150 years, these trees will live for another half-century.

Eight landscaped streets in **Rosedale** feature 1932 plantings of regularly spaced Green Ash, Elm, Honeysuckle, Caragana, Cotoneaster, and Lilac lining both sides of portions of 4A St NW, 5 St NW, 6A St N, 7 St NW. This network of park-like avenues truly fulfilled the vision of the City Beautiful Movement.

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Garden Crescent c. 1910



Garden Crescent, June 2021

