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**Snow Bans Restricted Parking: Online Map Shows Calgary’s Snow Route Parking Bans**

December marks a potential for snowfall in the city and this means snow bans can come into effect. Before heading out, know which streets have parking restrictions by using The City of Calgary’s online map that shows banned parking locations. The Snow Route Parking Bans map shows where parking is temporarily restricted on designated snow routes across the city. Parking bans may last up to 72 hours following a parking ban being issued by The City. This map is located at <https://maps.calgary.ca/SnowRouteParkingBans/>.

To view more City of Calgary maps, please visit the Map Gallery at <https://mapgallery.calgary.ca/> .

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**Help protect your household water pipes from freezing this winter**

Every winter some Calgarians experience frozen water pipes which can result in water outages. Houses close to the river or in older communities tend to be at higher risk for this happening. Other major factors that impact risk are the depth of your water service pipes, river water temperature and frost depth.

**You can take steps to reduce your risk for frozen household pipes**

1. Look for cold drafts in unheated areas where water supply lines are located. This includes basements, crawl spaces, attics, garages and under kitchen and bathroom cabinets.
2. Repair broken windows, check doors and insulate areas that allow cold exterior air to enter.
3. Insulate your hot and cold water pipes that are located in cold areas.
4. Open interior doors and cabinets in cold areas to allow heat from the house to warm unprotected pipes.
5. Keep the heat set to at least 15°C.
6. Make sure the water line to outside faucets, garden hoses, pools or decorative water features is turned off, disconnected and drained.
7. If your hot water tank is in a maintenance room outside of your home, make sure the area is adequately heated.
8. Regularly run water in your pipes through everyday use. You can also run a continuous pencil-width stream of water, but you will be responsible for any increase in water charges unless you received an official notice from The City of Calgary instructing you to do so.

Find out more at [calgary.ca/frozenpipes](https://www.calgary.ca/water/drinking-water/frozen-water-lines.html?redirect=/frozenpipes).

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**Elections Calgary Looking for Immigrants’ Opinions on Voting**

Elections Calgary is seeking to better understand barriers and gaps faced by immigrant citizens when it comes to voting in municipal (City of Calgary) elections.

When The City understands reasons why immigrant citizens choose to vote or not vote in municipal elections, it can address ways to better serve voters for future elections.

From December 1 - 15, 2022, immigrant Calgarians are invited to visit an online survey to share their knowledge and interest in voting in municipal elections. The online survey is anonymous, will be available in multiple languages, and will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. The link is at :

 [https://api.legerweb.com/TheCityOfCalgaryVotingSurvey](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/api.legerweb.com/TheCityOfCalgaryVotingSurvey__;!!JYTOG454!YE0UU3zexjY2neW_kCZprL8mXe5aCnXAcbr-YxwFDS6DKUd-0TzxWINuB2ugpZlZBY9fyg-iSXQ_LnJNueWyxx0Ap9aRqw$) , or scan the QR Code.

This data will add to the City’s understanding of barriers to election participation among newcomers.

**Survey Eligibility:** If you have immigrated to Canada and call Calgary home, you are eligible to participate in this survey.

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**Green Line new light rail vehicles**
The Green Line LRT Program – the largest infrastructure project in Calgary's history – is on its way. Early works construction has started for a megaproject which will connect communities from the southeast to downtown.

The Green Line introduces new low floor light rail vehicles (LRVs) to Calgary, which are designed to enhance vehicle and pedestrian safety and improve accessibility for riders.

This LRV technology has been the standard in Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand for decades. It is becoming the choice for many new LRT systems across North America and marks an exciting evolution for Calgary’s growing transit network. CAF (Construcciones y Auxiliar de Ferrocarriles) was awarded the contract to supply the new low floor LRVs. For more information visit: [www.calgary.ca/greenline](http://www.calgary.ca/greenline)

Below is an example of a low floor LRV and platform next to Calgary Transit’s high floor LRVs and platforms used for the Red and Blue LRT lines.