



# Historic East Calgary - ARP

Stakeholder Relations Summary

September 30, 2020

## Project Overview

As many are aware, the new draft of the Historic East Calgary Communities Local Area Plan (currently known as an Area Redevelopment Plan) is nearing its completion. It is the long-term vision of the Ramsay and Inglewood communities, and surrounding areas. Once approved, the policies in the new Historic East Calgary Communities Local Area Plan (LAP) will enable and support future planning and growth in the area, so these communities can continue to thrive in the coming years and decades.

In preparation for completing the document, the project team met with several targeted citizens and stakeholders, virtually in June. We conducted this online engagement forum with this group, to complement these discussions, with the intent to allow the project team to further refine the draft plan.

This report is a summary of those discussions.

## Engagement Overview

The City of Calgary and held two virtual invite-only sessions with targeted stakeholders, which comprised of the Inglewood and Ramsay Community Associations, the Inglewood Business Improvement Area and industry representatives on June 23, 2020.

Upon sharing the draft plan, the discussion focused on what these parties thought about the plan overall and identified areas which could be refined.

In addition to these virtual meetings, we extended an invite to provide feedback on areas of the plan where we were seeking specific input. These topics were about reviewing Appendix A criteria specifically and soliciting input on the plan name.

From June 30 to August 21, 2020, The City of Calgary hosted an online survey on its engagement portal, at [engage.calgary.ca](https://engage.calgary.ca) to solicit feedback from these community and industry representatives. In addition to personal invitations to connect with the project team, and several reminders to provide feedback prior to the online feedback forum closing, the input received online was quite minimal. Therefore, this report is primarily focused on the areas of discussion we heard through the virtual meetings held on June 23, 2020.

Feedback that was submitted after engagement closed on August 21 is also reflected in this report, allowing the project team to take into consideration, which will further refine and update the draft plan. The intent is to share the draft LAP with the Ramsay and Inglewood communities in 2021.

## What We Heard

Below is a summary of the key areas that were captured by the discussions and supporting comments.



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High-Level Topics of Discussion	Supporting Comments
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Site-specific refinements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will truck stop receive comprehensive approach as well?</li> <li>• Brewery (identified as both mid-scale and high scale in the draft – clarification requested).</li> <li>• Brewery site. Community is not anti-developers. Best practices, developer and city to be there to discuss benefits to the community.</li> <li>• Appreciate what you have written on the brewery site.</li> <li>• In our view, this is our last chance to protect this two-block radius along 9 Avenue</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plan-specific refinements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Want modifications regarding row housing and blanket R-CG application.</li> <li>• More info on CPC’s comments around scale.</li> <li>• Objected to blanked application R-CG rules – rowhouse and town houses. Modification of those, 11 meters reoriented, dwellings in previous draft was not incorporated.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Local Area Plan Name</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dislike the historic reference to the name of the plan (as most people know) and the only other name I would support is the “Central East Calgary Communities Local Area Plan”. This name is neutral and is more representative of the physical area of the plan and does not predispose the plan to be specific characteristics such as rivers/green space. This is the only name which can broadly encompass the concept of growth for the area and can directly reflect the characteristics of transit orientation which the other names lack entirely.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Heritage and Character</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appreciation of approach to Brewery site (great potential to build without destroying the heritage and character of site).</li> <li>• Residents understand the ‘character’ of the community, character communities (particularly heritage communities should be exempt from certain policies (not defined)).</li> <li>• Do not ‘lose’ Ramsay in the conversation.</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have Calgary’s heritage area. It is one-of-a-kind, irreplaceable. When Calgary totes itself as a world class city, this should include heritage. Community character in particular a heritage community should be exempt from certain policies.</li> <li>• if we can look at 9 Avenue SE as a collective of heritage buildings. This is the last chance to preserve Inglewood as heritage village.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vision Statement</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraged by the Vision Statement (current conditions, significance of freight and rail).</li> <li>• Vision does not read clearly.</li> </ul>

### Next Steps

Next steps for the Historic East Calgary project team will be to refine the draft LAP based on the feedback collected June-August 2020. These updates will also take into consideration the work underway by the Guidebook for Great Communities (Guidebook).

Once the Guidebook work is complete, the team will further refine areas within the LAP, based on changes to the Guidebook and the Urban Form Categories, and the North Hill Communities Local Area Plan template.

The new LAP schedule and status update is slated to be communicated by the end of November. This is also when the new draft of the LAP will be ready for review by both community and industry representatives for comment, which will be followed by a public review.

Once public feedback has concluded, the draft LAP will go to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning and Urban Development followed by Council, in 2021.