



## Key Statistics

### Plaza History

Olympic Plaza was built in 1988 for the Olympic Winter Games as the site of the medal presentation ceremonies

### 2021-2023

Commence master plan, engagement and detailed design

### 2024-25

Award construction for initial Build phases

### \$21M

Current budget request to move from Plan thru Build in an accelerated fashion

## Olympic Plaza Re-imagined

Re-imagining our Olympic legacy by renovating the living room for City Hall and Arts Commons.

### Project Vision

As a legacy to the 1988 Winter Olympics, the heart of the Civic District Public Realm Strategy (2016), the living room to City Hall and Arts Commons, and the gateway to Stephen Avenue, this space has the opportunity to evolve with the changing needs of a growing City. The location of the Plaza makes it ideal to be the civic destination that welcomes all Calgarians into the downtown. Building partnerships is key to the re-envisioning of this plaza that will build from the strength of our past, with our eyes focused on a diverse and inclusive place for all Calgarians.

### Project Approach

This project will look at its role as an attraction, destination and safe place for all Calgarians that visit, live and work in downtown. This also includes its relationship with a re-imagined Stephen Avenue which is currently prototyping and piloting, and the exciting redesign of the Arts Commons. The current state of our downtown requires a coordinated approach to support our vulnerable population, health and addiction problem, and declining economy and this project is located at the centre of potential to make change.

### Implementation Strategy

This project encompasses the physical boundary of 7 Avenue to the north, Arts Commons to the South, Macleod Trail to the East, and 1 Street S.E. to the West and will consider the connection to the adjacent City Hall and Municipal Building to the east.

### Key Considerations

- Focus on creating a place for all Calgarians to connect and feel welcome
- Emphasize public safety and comfort through improved sitelines, better connections to adjacent streets and diverse programming
- A combination of space for impromptu situations and programmed events, at multiple scales
- Create outdoor programming opportunities for adjacent facilities like City Hall, Arts Commons, Calgary Telus Convention Centre and others

