

Memorandum of Understanding

on communication and
cooperation between

the **Blackfoot Confederacy**
and **The City of Calgary**



WHEREAS the parties:

- Acknowledge that The City of Calgary is a municipality pursuant to the *Alberta Municipal Government Act*.
- Acknowledge that for the purposes of this agreement, the Blackfoot Confederacy, also known as Siksikaitsitapi, is comprised of the Siksika Nation, Piikani Nation and the Blood Tribe (Kainai), which are Indian Bands according to the *Indian Act*.
- Acknowledge the Blackfoot Confederacy's culture and its history as it relates to their land, heritage and peoples.
- Support the municipal Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, consistent with the Canadian Constitution and Alberta Law.
- Wish to learn about one another and identify opportunities for collaboration.
- Wish to establish a productive working relationship, based on areas of mutual benefit and cooperation.
- Affirm the necessity of mutual respect and collaborative relationships to promote environmental sustainability, and advance the region economically, socially, and culturally.
- Recognize that this agreement is a voluntary engagement between the parties and it is not consultation pursuant to section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.
- Intend that this agreement is relationally held and is not legally binding on the parties.
- This agreement may be dissolved at any time by agreement of the Parties. Where there is no agreement regarding the dissolution of this agreement, either party, upon provision of two weeks written notice to the other party, may cause the agreement to be dissolved.

Parties are guided by core values, including:

- Trust** – Both parties have good and sincere intentions in approaching this work.
- Respect** – Both parties seek to understand and recognize the unique strengths, knowledge, and capacity each party contributes to the relationship.
- Reciprocity** – Both parties support and action work that is helpful to one another.
- Honesty** – Both parties listen and are straightforward in communicating their intent and interests.

Now therefore the Parties agree to:

- Invest in building working relationships between two parties.
- Establish a Technical Committee that is guided by a Terms of Reference that can be updated as needed upon the Technical Committee's written consent.
- Establish regular, transparent and constructive communication on matters of mutual benefit by convening the Technical Committee and its working tables.
- Appoint and resource their own staff required for the Technical Committee and its corresponding working tables.

Signed this 9th day of May, 2025.

FOR CHIEF TRAVIS

Chief Travis Plaited Hair
Kainai Nation

Chief Ouray Crowfoot
Siksika Nation

Chief Troy Knowlton
Piikani Nation

Mayor Jyoti Gondek
The City of Calgary