



southeast 17 corridor

newsletter

fall 2009

City studying transportation and land use for corridor.

Transportation planning study

In June 2007, The City of Calgary launched a planning study for the 17th Avenue S.E. Corridor to determine the potential of this business corridor. In 2009, The City also commissioned a transportation planning study that includes 9 Avenue S.E., east of the Elbow River to 17 Avenue S.E., west of the Ring Road.

The purpose of the **transportation planning** portion of this study is to determine the feasibility of locating a Bus Rapid Transit route on both 17th Avenue S.E. and 9th Avenue S.E. in Inglewood. The study will address the needs of cyclists/pedestrians, automobiles, truck traffic, access and parking.

Linking transportation needs with land use and urban design plans is a critical part of the project. The City of Calgary will be hosting open houses in September to seek input from residents and business/commercial property owners on the proposed transportation plans.



Plan to attend:

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009
4 to 8 p.m.
Forest Lawn Community Hall
4020 26th Ave. S.E.

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2009
4 to 7 p.m.
Alexandra Centre Society
922 9th Ave. S.E.

Attendees can view and comment on the draft transportation options for transit, cycling/walking, vehicular and truck traffic, access, rights-of-way and parking. City staff will attend to discuss transportation and land use options for the project, answer questions and receive your comments. If you cannot attend one of the open houses but would like to provide comments, visit calgary.ca/southeast17transportationstudy, or call/email Alf Guebert at 403-270-9200/alf.guebert@aecom.com by Sept. 30, 2009.

The study will take input from this open house into consideration. The City will share how this input will be used at information sessions planned for November. These results will be used to help develop the land use study currently underway.



Can't attend an open house?

If you can't attend an open house, you can email comments to: Alfred A. Guebert, project manager (AECOM) at alf.guebert@aecom.com or call 403-270-9200. Comments will be received up until Sept. 30, 2009.

Visit calgary.ca/southeast17transportationstudy.





The land use study

The proposed study area includes properties within a five-minute walk (approximately 600 metres) on both sides of 17th Avenue S.E., and stretches from Deerfoot Trail in the west, to Stoney Trail (the new ring road) in the east.

The study will establish a vision and sustainable development framework for land use, urban design and mobility matters along the corridor and provide strategies for implementing the vision.

- ▶ A representative from Land Use Planning & Policy will be on site for the Sept. 15 Transportation open house.
- ▶ Information sessions seeking public feedback on various land uses will be held on Nov. 17 and 21.

For more information on the Southeast 17 Corridor land use study, please visit: calgary.ca/southeast17corridor.

Main outcomes

The City of Calgary is setting the stage to encourage new development that:

- ▶ Respects and enhances the existing community and its best-loved features.
- ▶ Accommodates occurring change.
- ▶ Fulfills Council's citywide strategic vision.

Promoting active transportation

The goal for Calgary is to design and operate a city in which walking, cycling and transit use are meaningful transportation choices for efficient and healthy social and economic urban interaction. This goal can be achieved by providing well-designed, direct, convenient, safe and comfortable pedestrian and bicycle routes and facilities.

The transportation planning study will address the need for improved pedestrian and cyclist connectivity along 17th Avenue S.E. and the 9th Avenue S.E. corridor up to downtown.

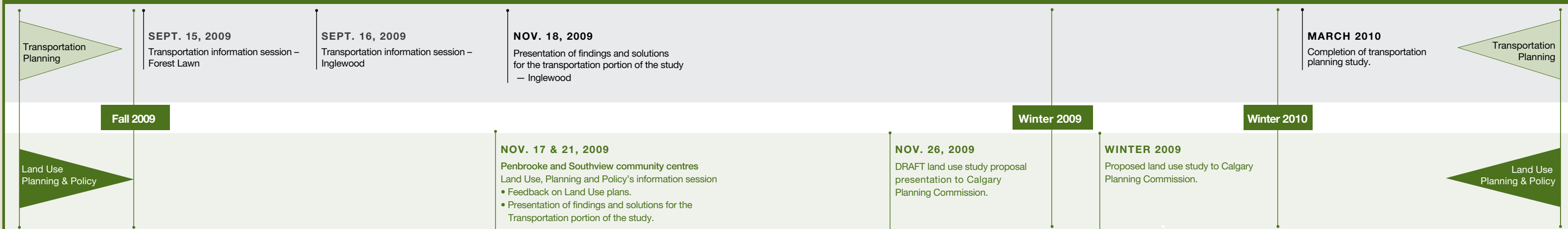
Traffic improvements

The study will review rights-of-way and land requirements to accommodate vehicular traffic, truck traffic, land use changes, business access, parking requirements, lanes, and access control. The existing traffic conditions will be reviewed and recommendations for pedestrian and vehicular safety will be made.



*Previous land use events can be viewed at calgary.ca/southeast17corridor.

Southeast 17 Corridor and Transportation Project milestones.



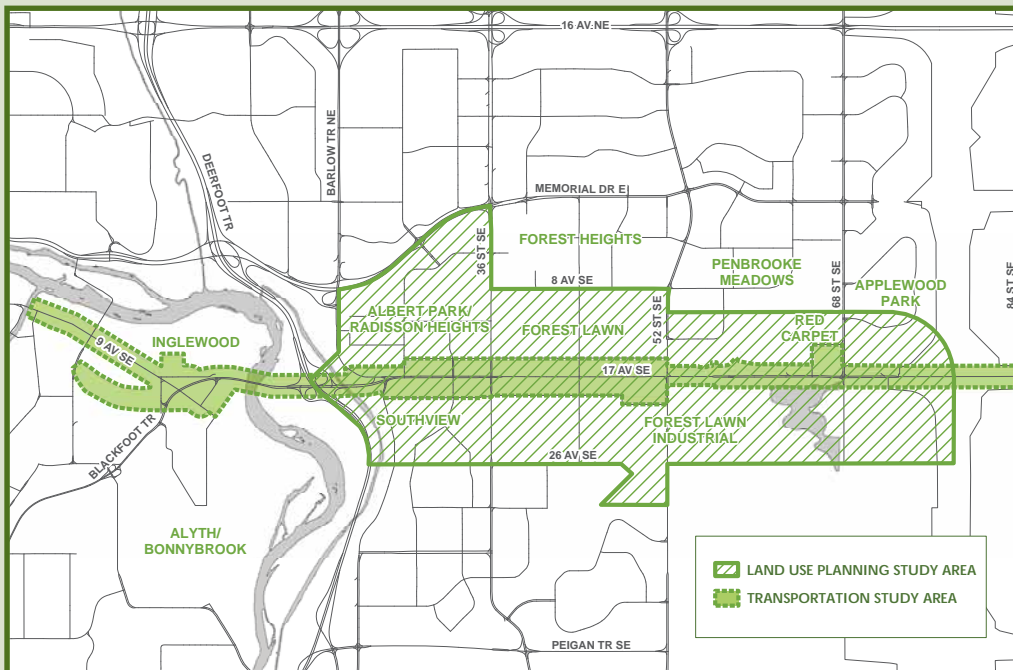


southeast 17 corridor



The City of Calgary

Transportation and Land Use Planning study areas



What is Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)?

BRT is a distinctive, frequent and limited-stop bus service that operates on the same frequency as the LRT (CTrain). BRT operates on regular roads with transit priority at traffic signals and other enhancements such as improved passenger waiting areas and larger shelters.

Visit calgary.ca/southeast17transportationstudy.

Stay informed. Stay involved.

Transportation study:

- ▶ Email ideas to: alf.guebert@aecom.com
- ▶ Visit us online at: calgary.ca/southeast17transportationstudy.
- ▶ Call Alf Guebert at: 403-270-9200.

Land Use study:

- ▶ Email ideas to: mengqiao.cui@calgary.ca
- ▶ Visit us online at: calgary.ca/southeast17corridor.
- ▶ Call Mengqiao at: 403-268-1735 or Wesley at 403-268-1273.

2009-1644

