



9 Avenue S.E. Bridge Replacement

What We Heard Report
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Project Overview

The 9 Avenue S.E. Bridge over the Elbow River connects downtown Calgary and the East Village to the communities of Inglewood and Ramsay. The bridge was built in 1909 to accommodate a street car system. Today, the bridge is used by vehicles and pedestrians and supports a high volume of traffic.

The bridge needs to be replaced because it has outlasted its original lifespan, has a reduced load carrying capacity and does not meet current design and engineering standards. Its deteriorated physical condition has led to increasing costs to repair and maintain it.

Engagement Overview

Two public in-person engagement sessions were held:

- Thursday, March 9, 2017 at the Alexandra Society Centre Main Gym
 - 85 residents/public attended
 - 70 comments
- Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Festival Hall
 - 65 residents/public attended
 - 72 comments

An online engagement opportunity on The City of Calgary engage portal:

- Thursday, March 9 – Sunday, March 26, 2017
 - 1280 site visits*
 - 260 comments

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What We Asked

For this engagement opportunity, The City of Calgary asked residents and public to share their thoughts on each of the three bridge types (Shallow Frame, Arch and Truss) based on the visual graphic and general information provided for each type (benefits and challenges).

What We Heard

Residents and public that provided input indicated a higher liking for the Arch and Truss bridge types over the Shallow Frame bridge type.



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The Truss bridge type was identified to represent a more historical and heritage significance with the current bridge. However, there were mixed views expressed as to whether it should have a similar look the current bridge or a more modern design.

The Arch bridge type was generally liked for a variety of reasons with some mixed views expressed as to whether this type aligns with the heritage, history and character of the neighborhood. There was some references to an Arch bridge type having a more modern feel and providing a presence at this entrance to Inglewood.

The Shallow Frame bridge type had mixed views for acceptance, with many residents/public indicating that it does not fit with the character of the community. Many felt that the significance of this bridge location deserves something with more impact and excitement. However, many comments referenced a positive aspect of having lower costs associated with build and maintenance.

- ▶ For a detailed summary of the input that was provided, please see the [Summary of Input](#) section.
- ▶ For a verbatim listing of all the input that was provided, please see the [Verbatim Responses](#) section.

Next steps

- ▶ The Project Team will review and consider the input and select a bridge type. No further public input will be solicited.
- ▶ The Project Team will inform public on the selected bridge design and details.



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Summary of Input

Shallow Frame Bridge

Theme	Example Comments
Lowest level of positive feedback of the bridge types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Too similar to 12 Street Bridge" "Least offensive" "Rather dull" "Least attractive design" "Very bland"
Cost Effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Most cost effective, but a bit boring" "Most economical and least invasive" "Keeps costs low"
Community Character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Innovation is lacking here" "Focus on surroundings" "Not enough presence"

Arch Bridge

Theme	Example Comments
High level of positive feedback of bridge types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "I like the gateway effect" "I like this as a compromise between the other two options" "Design does not fit with this area" "It keeps the feel of the Truss with a more contemporary look" "Looks much more artistic"
Community Character	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "I think an artistic design like this fits weel with Inglewood/Ramsay's artistic character" "Signifies the entry/exit of the community, is visually appealing and falls in with area character" "Totally lacking character"
Cost Effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "It might cost more to maintain but I like the modern look" "Long term maintenance costs is a disadvantage" "The arch seems the best compromise of visual appeal, function and cost"



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Truss Bridge

Theme	Explanation and/or Example Comments
High level of positive feedback of bridge types	<p>"I like the Truss, it fits with the area and history"</p> <p>"Great for heritage however outdated design"</p> <p>"I like this as it reflects the heritage"</p> <p>"Truss may look out of date in the future"</p> <p>"Maintaines historic character"</p>
Heritage and Historical	<p>"Like the character and historical reference"</p> <p>"Love truss and more historical look. Can we keep the Inglewood sign"</p> <p>"Like truss – reflects look and feel of heritage"</p> <p>"I love the idea of a heritage style bridge to match the historic character of the area, but this design is ugly"</p>
Cost Effectiveness	<p>"Construction my cost more"</p> <p>"I would rather increased maintenance for something that looked better"</p>

Combined Identified for all Bridge Types

Theme	Explanation and/or Example Comments
Lighting	<p>"make sure there is pedestrian connectively that is well lit"</p> <p>"lighting is important for safety"</p> <p>"need to address lighting"</p> <p>"It would be nice to add LED lighting on the bridge. Something like the St. Patrick's walk way bridge."</p>
Gateway	<p>"need an architectural gateway to Inglewood"</p> <p>"out community is deserving of an entrance that reflects our first-community status"</p> <p>"Inglewood needs a reflection of character in any gateway bridge"</p>



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Verbatim Comments

Shallow Frame Bridge

March 9 Public Engagement Opportunity Input
Too modern
Boring no style to it
I agree (Boring no style to it)
No. Cheap looking. Utilitarian.
Prefer this option because it is: modern, cleaner looking, better sight lines, easier to maintain
Less imposing to ped/cyclists
Yuk!
Add stone pillars or native river rock
I agree (Add stone pillars or native river rock)
This style would be ok if there were better features / embellishment for eg. bridge on Main St. Banff Ave. Features such as: rock, sandstone, etc. make it look or fit w/ surroundings
Please no
Looks too cheap. Looks too much like 12 street bridge
Not enough presence - not the gateway the current bridge provides.
Both economically & architecturally forward-thinking very elegant minimalist
Favourite - focus on the surroundings not bridge is preferred
Agreed (Favourite - focus on the surroundings not bridge is preferred)
Looks like Blackfoot overpass but smaller boring
Doesn't have much impact boring
Please no! (Not this one)
This <u>FLAT</u> design is very boring. Does not create 'entrance' to Inglewood. Very utilitarian. Does not suit Deane House or Heritage Spot.
March 11 Public Engagement Opportunity Input
2 votes! Nice job!
Boring to me
These are all very poor images to base a decision
I do not like this. There is nothing special or respectful of Ing. !
I like the low profile of the bridge. Open views to the city.
Agree. (I like the low profile of the bridge. Open views to the city.)
Needs enhancement Could use the constraints into opportunities.
Does not speak to Old Bridge in any way
Dull & boring
Parkour utilize underside of bridge sports@ica.calgary
I do not like this design.
How is this going to be lit?
Doesn't announce entry to Inglewood
Need east/west persp.
Need scale models.



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Industrial, functional, dull
Uninspiring. Does not represent the character of the neighbourhood.
Does not give any picture of implications of 4 lanes
Like this add columns at both ends to provide lighting and "gateway"
Red colour matches with Fort Calgary RCMP
Pleasing to eyes
Seamless transit between Inglewood and Downtown. <u>Good!</u>
Un-obscured views
No personality
March 9 to March 26 Online Public Engagement Opportunity
Looks very utilitarian, NOT what we want as the entry to our communities!
beautiful but rather dull and too much like the pedestrian bridge. Inglewood deserves an attractive bridge!
This design ties in fairly well with the pedestrian bridge to the north. If this is the chosen design, it would be great to consider that.
Least offensive, but that isn't saying much. There is always a way to be innovative within financial constraints. Innovation is lacking here
This is the bland skim milk version. We want whipped cream. If we don't have the money yet to do it right, then postpone or start again.
I prefer the Shallow Frame bridge design out of the three options due to the lower costs and best accent/view of the river.
It doesn't make for a good entry or gateway into the Community. Too plain.
Input has not been requested regarding number of lanes. It doesn't make sense to have 4 lanes on the bridge only to squeeze down to 3 lanes
My preference in terms of finances and function - would like to ensure separation from pedestrian/vehicle traffic (And lighting for those)
No mention of cycletrack; it makes sense to continue the 9th ave bike-lane over the bridge.
Best overall. Could include an art feature (lighting) below to increase safety at night, add gateway presence.
This bridge has little presence. We think Inglewood is special, so let's have a special bridge. What about the fact we don't want 4 lanes?
Generally, the community has SERIOUS reservations about 4 lanes. The city has to make a convincing argument as to why it's a good idea!!
I think the lwr mtce cost , lack of height restr and river view outweigh a "gateway" when a different gw feature can be added later.
Least attractive design. However it is the least intrusive, offering better views of the river area. Best option for maintenance.
Can you run the connection of the bridge through the local cllr's domicile? It might keep him quiet momentarily.
A bridge style with no identity nor uniqueness. Pass.
least favourite option - feel like gateway design is more important than long term cost. Need to address lighting and wayfinding.
I personally value design and history over the logistical pros of this one, it's quite drab. river views can be seen from the pathways....
I like this one! Looks great and leaves the neighbourhood to beautify the area, not the bridge.
nnnnnnoooooo.



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Easy pass!
We have these style ridges throughout Calgary. It ignores heritage, has no unique identity, and is really just another dull bridge. No thank
Shallow frame or arch, history is great but, truss bridges are just plain ugly.
love it
If there is a way to incorporate a shallow frame that at least mitigates the impact of high water flow, it would be the ideal.
I support more modern architecture in the city. This bridge looks great. It's clean, simple, and will age well aesthetically in my opinion
Boring and cheap looking. Which are some of the supposed listed benefits. See Bonnybrook Bridge for similar design/feel.
shallow frame is the way to go! Cost efficient and inconspicuous.
I vote we build a trampoline bridge.
Actually no, obstacle course bridge.
WAIT WAIT WAIT NO.....Really tall bridge for bungee jumping.
Too boring. Inglewood is a unique community and it deserves a unique, visually interesting bridge.
a form follows function bridge which allows for benefits, but u r replacing a gateway bridge with historic ties to calgarys beginnings.
Not bad but uninteresting
Highlights the surrounding nature. Clear winner.
I'm good with this design. Lower costs and no vehicle restrictions helps for deliveries into Inglewood and lower property tax.
The shallow frame looks like an absence of design - pure function. Not in keeping with Inglewood/Ramsay's history and aesthetic.
How will they route the locals, commuters, as well as the transit buses through from East Calgary to downtown during construction?
I don't know that vehicle height restriction should be an issue entering Inglewood. We already have height restrictions due to CP rail.
Our community is deserving of an entrance that reflects our first-community status. This bridge feels like it belongs on McLeod Trail.
Me no like. Pew!
If this is the fastest and cheapest construction option. I want my tax dollars going to the fastest and cheapest construction option.
This is my favourite of the 3 designs. I like the clear views of the river and the lower construction and maintenance costs.
Looks like the most cost effective. It is a bit boring though.
Visually too similar to the style of bridge found on freeways / overpasses. Visual cues communicate to drivers to go fast. Bad streetscaping
Looks boring. The new bridge should be more architecturally interesting. Also, the smaller amount of high water flow is concerning.
Utilitarian.
Prefer other options with better ability for pathway to cross roadway when river is high.
Please give the good people of Calgary something a little more creative and pleasing than these three options.
It has a temporary feel to it.



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As the most important gateway into Inglewood/Ramsay, this bridge is deeply underwhelming. We can - and should - do much better.
Why 4 lanes? There are only ever 3 max on 9th Avenue that are for driving. Unless City is planning on making them all for moving cars?
Not a huge fan of this one, it's pretty dull. Need something more welcoming and less industrial for visitors to Inglewood/Ramsay
XXXX said it best "pew!" This design stinks worse than the Lillydale factory. Zero bags of popcorn and no sodas!
Kind of boring, but good if it meant that the bridge could be made extra wide with full, landscaped bike and pedestrian access on each side
Stinks worse than the Lillydale factory!
looks to be the cheapest
I like the fact that a variety of vehicles including buses and trucks can use this bridge, and that it requires less maintenance.
hope pedestrian walk on the bridge is safe and accessible for all to use.
Cost effective but not really attractive
You have a city with 10% unemployment - this is a no brainer. Why do we pay taxes when you need public input on cost?
Solid, low-maintenance idea. Could put way-finding aids on the railings (?) of the bridge, angled upward for pedestrians to read.
It has lighter load on its base.
Busy thoroughfare less chance of traffic tie-ups, signage, lighting all doable on overhead posts. Possible less long term cost.
If your planning to put bike lanes in then not this one. This one is better for bigger vehicle and the cost and maintenance is lower.
Seems like the most sustainable design.
Not bad as it's low profile but adding sufficient lighting and street signs would be difficult.
Most bridges for spans this size are this design for a reason. Functional, lower cost, lower life cycle cost. Don't waste money.
Please don't take the vocal minority as representing the whole community. Keep costs low and ensure enough lanes for the future (4+).
Comments about this being unfriendly to pedestrians makes me think walking the rest of 9th Ave without a barrier is going to kill me.
The bigger question is construction duration and road closures - what has the least impact.
Don't want another zoo bridge project, the bridge stayed open during construction - but the road on the other side was closed = no bridge.
I like it. Should be 4 lanes so that 2 can be transit-only. Very important transit corridor!
As this would possibly cost less for long-term maintenance, I think that this would be the best way to go.
Looks like the road will need to rise significantly with this design.
The \$ for each should've been included in the analysis. I like the look of the arch bridge, but feel the shallow frame is more cost effective
These designs don't require bike lanes as there's a new pedestrian and bike bridge about 200 metres north of ninth avenue
This one for sure, with enough lanes and walking paths. path design fits the rest of the area's paths and walkways



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Truss bridge ONLY. Maintains character & history of Inglewood which is what the neighbourhood is known for. Anything less would be an insult
It would be nice to add LED lighting on the bridge. Something like the St. Patrick's walk way bridge.
This is probably a functional bridge, but it does not provide an architectural gateway to Inglewood. It is somewhat boring to look at.
I think we should have a bridge design that is very similar to the existing bridge.
Very bland. Not in character with Atlantic Avenue. Do not like this design.
Unsure of anything that restricts water flow. Not very visually appealing.
A little boring. This kinda bridge style is found through out the city and nothing special about it.
While the economics are great that is where the benefit end. No need for 4+ lanes. 9th Ave is a destination not a traffic corridor. 140 char?
Atlantic avenue is not a thorough fare no need for 4 lanes. Also needs a larger opening for high water flow.
If bridge NEEDS replacing (older ones still in use!) should fit w/ historic neighbourhood OR something iconic 4 nxt 100yrs Not shallow frame
Adaptive re-use for current bridge? Park space? Patio for cafe or Deane? http://www.zdnet.com/article/want-an-old-bridge-many-cities-say-yes
All three designs leave a lot to be desired. Please allocate more money to the structure so that Calgary and Inglewood can be proud.
I think this sounds like the most economical choice and least invasive.
don't make the 9th Ave bridge 4 lanes there is no benefit in doing this other than making 9th ave a cut through for people in the suburbs.

Arch Bridge

March 9 Public Engagement Opportunity Input
Like the Arch
Seen too many times
Like this one
Like the new look
Much better but needs development
Does not fit in with the community
Some sort of reference as to what neighbourhood you are entering?
Keep Inglewood entry sign
Need scale models
Need east + west angles
Out of space
Too modern
Love the arch
Does not give any implications of expansion to 4 lanes
Modern design will be laughed at in 8 - 10 yrs
Like this design
Need to maintain Heritage look Arch or truss
Interesting design, but not #1



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Like it
Endeavour not to have cables appearing through centre of span - <u>BIRDS</u>
Poor design no appeal boring
Sleek!
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Second choice but I like there is visual interest above
We need to know how any of these bridges will impact the surrounding area - being wider & higher they will have an impact. We could really use 3D renderings!
More options! Please
This design better than others. Could be more interesting. Consider: this is Gate / Entrance to Inglewood. Does not reflect important Heritage spot in our city.
I like the gateway effect.
Love
Sleek & elegant but lacking in character. Inglewood needs a reflection of character in any gateway bridge.
Its pretty
Doesn't work don't like the look aesthetically.
I like a "gateway" symbol without mimicking history (without being historic)
I agree (I like a "gateway" symbol without mimicking history (without being historic)).
Trying too hard to be special - but has no character.
Blends nicely w/ rest of the area & ped bridge to the north
Like it
Looks modern and inviting (softer shape) like the shape
EB - NB turn (signal pre-emption?) L 8th St & 9th Avenue
Accessibility No to the bridge shape B Truss C Like the plaza aspect Enjoy + love nature + wide landing cement wheelchair/stroller etc
Echoes old design without imitating. Very forward thinking, elegant
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Like this option best BUT must maintain/improve the connection between Inglewood/Ramsay for pedestrians. BOTH sides of the river this time!
is there still a pathway that runs below this bridge? The rendering for this option does not include the below the bridge pathway.
This is my first choice. Would it not be desirable to continue the bike/pedestrian path under the new bridge on both banks of the Elbow.
most appealing and yet unique
I think an artistic design like this fits well with Inglewood/Ramsay's artistic character. It's like a modern version of the current bridge
I like the design of the truss bridge combined with the above ground and way finding of the arch bridge construction.
Best of those on offer. Can we see models. Who decided on 4 lanes? Not something the community wants.
The arch needs to be better integrated with the horizontal plane. Far too disconnected.
Nice. It would be my second choice to the Truss bridge. It provides something visually interesting above the road.



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You are only allowing input on visual presentation of each option. Assumes residents will not be impacted by more than visuals.
I feel this is the best combination of design and accessibility. It might cost more to maintain but like the modern look and lighting
I like this as a compromise between the other two options.
This is the best of the three by far. Signifies the entry/exit of the community, is visually appealing and falls in with area character
This is my second choice behind truss. Regardless pls make it two lanes
No mention of cycletrack; it makes sense to continue the 9th ave bike-lane over the bridge.
A little too sleek for our idiosyncratic neighbourhood. We need to see all designs from different viewpoints, and we don't want 4 lanes!
I prefer the arch bridge, especially because it's described as needing to raise the surrounding grades the least, but it also looks friendly
This is the most attractive of the 3 options. Long term maintenance costs is a disadvantage.
It looks fine. So long as it's 4 lanes so that traffic can flow and make sure you separate pedestrians and possibly cyclists.
Design is out-of-place at this setting.
This one is my favourite - think it is best in terms of replacing the existing bridge with a gateway option but addresses grade change.
Design or Look does not fit with this area.
I like this design, it is aesthetically pleasing. The vehicle height restriction is a positive for me.
I can see the appeal of not replacing what's there with the same. Biking/walking along the path it's nice to have a visual arch landmark
This is a good compromise between the other two designs.
Better than the flat bridge. Arches look super ugly though. Super uninspired.
I like it for the design.
Design does not fit in with historic 9 Avenue. Looks like a generic design pulled off a CAD program.
Me likes the Arch design boys. Curves like the Peace bridge... kinda.
Stick with the arch!
I like the arch bridge. It provides a "gateway" to Inglewood and fits in well with the aesthetic of the nearby St. Patrick's Island bridge.
This lacks any real substance... you can't just make an arch and call it a gateway... if we are making a statement why not allow real design
Totally lacking in character
Trying to be something special... but it's just a couple of arches. Unimaginative.
Interesting look, the height restriction is a plus. I'd like either this or the truss as both provide a sense of arrival and have presence.
Top choice initially, pays homage to our community/the former bridge, without trying to replicate.
Me Kinda Like
Aesthetically Arch is best option. Keeps the feel of the Truss but has a much more contemporary look. Less Challenges than the Truss.
Interesting design, bit discordant with heritage character.
The arch seems to best compromise of visual appeal, function, and cost.



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I think this would look really nice with the other new bridges in the area (9 Ave ped bridge, St. Patrick's island bridge, new 12 st. bridge)
The arch bridge pays homage to the truss bridge. Height restriction is a plus.
Preferred option. Better lighting options and gateway preferred.
Appears to be better for allowing pathway to cross roadway (if going EW).
I care more about the impact *any* design will have on traffic volume + speed through Inglewood. We need our Main Street, not a freeway.
This is my favourite. Very contemporary.
ARCH BRIDGE MASTER RACE
Whoever designed this is my arch-nemesis. This design is more of a snooze fest than Shades of Sleep. 2 bags of popcorn and no sodas.
A good re-imagining of old bridge but with good ped+bike & lighting. Reuse Inglewood old sign. Riverwalk underpass each side.
I feel that of the three options, this bridge feels like the most welcoming entrance to the neighbourhood.
I like the twists on the arch.
Arch!
pro: clear separation between pathway & vehicle lanes. allows for lights/ signage & wayfinding. con: cost more to build and maintain.
I like the design of the arch bridge the best. Calgary is notorious for having boring looking infrastructure. hope pedestrian sidewalk is accessible and safe for the disabled to use.
Looks much more artistic than the other two.
Like the path and road separation. Attractive but disappointed that cost and maintenance are highest on this one.
I like this one the best. A bit more character to it than the others, appears more welcoming and modern. Historical signage can be used.
This is by far the best looking design
Arch Bridge, Hands down!
Love it, like skipping stones to St. Patrick's Island but restricting weight might not make it versatile enough for neighbourhood.
This is the better looking of the three. Only concern is whether fire and EMS vehicles would be able to pass under it. Also the \$ is an issue
Arch bridge is best bridge! Let's make Calgary a modern city!
This is by far the best option! It has an essence of the old bridge but a modern feel that will match the neighbourhood for the next 100 yrs
If it can be done for the cost of the other options great - but don't go wasting public money to have a unique (to Calgary) bridge.
Need to make sure there is at least 4+ lanes. I live in Inglewood and dislike the backward thinkers who want to live on an island.
Why isn't anyone talking about where the traffic will flow during construction - please present that information.
Where is says construction of the arches may increase schedule - does that mean lead time for fabrication? Or duration time for installation
I like this design as it is reminiscent of the existing truss bridge but less blocky and intrusive.



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Do 2 lanes reserved just for transit mean 2 lanes on 9th thru Inglewood will also be just for transit? Hope not.
NICEST BRIDGE PLEASE BUILD
VERY NICE
This is a great modern addition to calgary. It aesthetically ties in with the peace bridge and the george c king bridge. DO IT!!!!
Four lanes without the bus lanes as it presently only serves as an Inglewood freeway for those who just shortcut through
This style of bridge is somewhat similar to the truss design, but it is much less interesting to look at.
I think we should have a bridge design that is very similar to the existing bridge.
It is a good design that will allow for signage to maintain the fact that people are entering historical Inglewood. Do not like four lanes.
Nicest looking. How much more is it to maintain and build? As long as it is not drastic would prefer this. Like the height restrictions.
My personal favorite keeps the gateway feel but adds a modern flair. Should look good in pictures of the river
Best option. Aesthetically pleasing entrance feature. Allow for riverwalk pathway underneath on both sides. Great for alternative transport
This paves the way for the evolving design of the city with keeping height restrictions and Inglewood flare still in mind
Nice modern feel.

Truss Bridge

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#1 Lots of character
Keep the historical integrity in the visual design of the bridge "tressed look"
Like the historical aspects / features
We need to do a better job of saving historical (indecipherable)
This is the best of the 3. Historic yet is appreciated.
Please keep bridge 3 lanes
Possible to add some sort of "welcome to Inglewood" messaging?
Like the reference in terms of design to current bridge - possible to be a lighter frame? Less chunky?
Like the historical look
Please don't take away <u>all</u> of our heritage references - this one could work!
Need east / west angles
Like that it is clean cut
Need scale models
4 Lanes :(Car traffic is already a hazard to cyclist / peds. Crazy fast already!!
Like because it is similar to existing reflects the history
4 Lanes!! Too wide
Reinterpretation of history in a modern way. Try this idea with a lighter frame / modern
Like the character & historical reference
Looks too much like a replica. What to see something contemporary that speaks to the old bridge



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Please improve overall design - the bridge should be beautiful
Like historic reference
Maintains historic character
Old dated, nothing to do with modern life
Look great connecting history and modern life
Does not give any implications of expansion to 4 lanes
This is the one. Keeps the character of the hood right at entry.
Design should be more substantial...we are losing history so we should make this have value to replace history.
March 11 Public Engagement Opportunity Input
Not crazy about any of them. Unhappy that bridge will be 4 lanes. Why just then 3? C is best of worst.
Would like more options. Why 4 lanes instead of 3?
Please this one fit to neighbourhood
Like historical aspect of this bridge design
Like truss but not with large circles presented here like a more traditional bridge design
Real truss bridge not a faux truss
Prefer this bridge to all others. Love truss & more historical look. Can we keep the Inglewood sign.
Continuity - hooray! I like chunky modern take on old bridge. Throws a bone to residents who love neighbourhood as it is.
Yes!
Truss bridge but not this one.
Keep Inglewood sign
Don't like - This look is dated. More maint. Restricts vehicle height.
Best choice 1/2 old 1/2 modern
#1
Like gritty historic feel.
I like the truss - reminiscent of Inglewood's history
The history of Inglewood is a big part of the charm. This is a nice nod to that.
Like this design - it fits better w/ "historic gritty feel" of Inglewood (compared to the Arch)
Like idea of new bridge that shows old history
YES Historic nod graphic presence + fits nature please add plaza for accessibility (see B)
Night time + lighting? Make this a creative reference to past. Exaggerated gusset plates (colour) function for lighting? Not too bright!
Change from road salts to beet sugar; less maintenance for Bridge
like the historic look
X faux historical turns out to have zero character
Like sidewalks on both sides
Like the historic features of this
Best recognizes the Inglewood historic context
Like Truss - reflects look & feel of heritage neighbourhood
Love
Although nice, nostalgic to the point of regression.
Without a doubt. Truss!
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Almost a like-for-like replacement BUT make sure there is pedestrian connectivity on BOTH sides of river at an underpass level (WELL LIT!)
I love the idea of a heritage style bridge to match the historic character of the area, but this design is ugly.
No need for 4 lanes unless one is permanently for bike/ped. Look at other de-icing compounds. Push this design way more to suit hood.
I feel they should keep the look they currently have and have had for 100 years while restricting vehicle size so this is my choice.
I support the design of a truss bridge as it "reflects heritage [and the] look and feel of [the] existing bridge".
This important gateway into Inglewood deserves something that pays homage to our heritage and a Truss bridge does that.
MacDonald Bridge was updated to add pedestrian walks on both sides. Why not an option for 9 Ave? Engineers stated low cost & max benefits
Best choice. Reflects the character of our Main Street.
I prefer the options that are less costly and require less maintenance in the long term. As much as I love this style of bridge... Goodbye!
Truss bridge gets my vote. Reflecting the heritage of Calgary's oldest neighbourhood via a truss seems appropriate.
The community wants only two lanes. Pls do not rely on enforcement to slow down traffic. It doesn't work on the bus lanes now so why try
No mention of cycletrack; it makes sense to continue the 9th ave bike-lane over the bridge.
This design has potential to be both a nod to heritage and funky too. We would like to see MORE renderings! We still don't want 4 lanes!
Truss Bridge. Inglewood has the most beautiful heritage structures in Calgary. A vehicle height limit controls traffic in the neighbourhood.
I like that it resembles the existing bridge and maintains the look and feel of the neighborhood. Long maintenance costs is a disadvantage.
Old timey bridge for a community that likes being in the past. 4 lanes and separate pedestrian access and maybe include bikes.
It's crucial to reference the historical style in this critical visual sense at this entry to the area. Pick this!
This is second choice - like gateway design and heritage feel but has grade changes which is an additional cost and concern.
I vote for the Arch bridge. It evokes the heritage truss bridge in a modern way and I see its vehicle height restriction as a benefit.
Best choice with a look that matches the existing bridge.
I like the heritage feel of this one. Especially the building materials.
The truss bridge best represents the historic character of the neighbourhood and proves Calgary's dedication to protecting our heritage!
Truss bridge is the answer. It allows us to use the original signage and has great historical context. Winner.
In a city known for bulldozing anything the least bit outdated, it's nice when the new can echo what we've given up. Truss bridge!
I like this design as it pays homage to the original bridge. These communities are all about their history.
This is definitely my favourite bridge. I like that it matches the current look of the bridge.
Respectful of the heritage & history of area. Does not need to be a replica of the present bridge. Incorporate modern elements & features?



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Still no bike/ped access under the bridge on east side of river on any of the designs. Why?
A TRUSS style bridge as it reflects the heritage and feel of the existing bridge. Few remain. History and heritage are important values.
Truss bridge. Clearly the old bridge is past it's time, but we should keep the gateway look. Large trucks shouldn't be going this way.
This bridge will look dated the day the ribbon is cut. The arch bridge provides similar visual impact with a more modern look.
Lack of design and claiming to replace history is a fail on many levels. This bridge deserves to be a statement.
Like the Truss bridge mostly because it reflects the heritage of the original.
Truss Bridge would maintain the distinct entrance to a historic part of Calgary, and be a placemaker separating Inglewood from East Village.
Classic look updated. this is the one to choose.
I think that the Truss is the best option as it reflects the history of the area the best and provides an authentic gateway feel.
I like the way the truss bridge looks, add to the heritage look of the community.
Truss or Arch to prevent big trucks from driving on it.
Faux-historical does NOT equal 'character'. Faux-historical as design should be a punishable offence.
Arch bridge is modern, yet tips it's hat to the heritage of the current design. Truss bridge will look out of date quickly.
The new truss bridge is a completely literal reference to the original and so is less imaginative. My second choice.
Me Like
Of the 3 bridges, it's the one that represents Inglewood the best. Don't necessarily like the black trusses though. Maybe steel?
This style of project rarely ends up looking good. Concerns this will look like a cheap, tacky version of the old bridge.
Would be an interesting opportunity to incorporate elements from the original bridge, such as the 'Inglewood' sign at the entrance.
At first I didn't like it but the more I look at it, the more it grows on me.
A replica of existing bridge is kind of insulting. Also, truss meant for narrower structure - not the MEGA-bridge the City is pushing for.
If it was steel instead of black, & included a "welcome to Inglewood/Ramsay" signage like existing bridge this one would be my favourite.
Height restriction is a must! Reflects the history and heritage of Inglewood. More opportunities for proper lighting on this design.
It fits the community
My 4 year old daughter said this one was her favourite.
Trusst me, this is the best choice! 5 bags of popcorn and 5 bags of soda!
Good to match the old look, but you'll probably mess up the look and it will be tacky. Good for vehicle restrictions. Emphasize ped+bike
This is my pick - the City has chosen to tear down two iconic bridges that are represented in all of the branding of Inglewood.
I love the way the truss bridge reflects the look of the existing bridge. The fact that it restricts vehicle height is just a bonus!



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pros: looks historic, combines signage/lighting/ & way-finding. cons: increase maintenance cost. restricts vehicles by height.
con: construction may cost more.
hope there is a safe place for pedestrians to walk with and without mobility aids (walker/ wheelchair).
Truss bridge all the way. Keeping the heritage look is critical.
Not my favourite. Very dark. Would be much better if it was a lighter colour.
Not enough info provided on the 3 proposals. What is involved in making 9 Ave higher and community impact. Costs? Disappointing options.
I like this approach the most - it reflects the heritage of the existing bridge
Maintaining heritage in Calgary is important, and adds to the interest of city landmarks, and character of Inglewood.
Whatever cost the least to build and maintain. this is NOT a showpiece
This is a hideous industrial steel monstrosity
Been and done that, you're removing the zoo bridge (100+ years good run), now this one needing to be replaced, need change and simplify
This looks like an old train bridge. I understand keeping the 'heritage' of the old one but I couldn't look at this for the next 100 yrs!
There is a reason everyone stopped building truss bridges everywhere - better, lower cost designs. Why have height restrictions?
Don't build something that will restrict traffic flow. Just because there is a very vocal minority doesn't mean they speak for the community
So is the longer schedule on the fabrication end? Or on the installation end? Need to minimize road closures.
My preference is the Arch bridge, however I would prefer to keep the area around it as natural as possible (as in the other two images). I
It would be a really great idea to ensure there is more room for bicycles on the new bridge - an extra bike lane maybe. Lots of cyclists!
Hey Mr - I don't mind traffic flow down 9th, but I do think speed of traffic is an issue currently. What will more lanes do to help?
I like the pathways on both sides of the bridge! Will they connect to regional river pathway on the south side?
The nicest use of space appears to be the Arch bridge, but I would much rather pay less and use the shallow bridge with separated bike lanes
This community sees far more pedestrian/cycling traffic than most due to its closeness to downtown, the bridge needs space dedicated to these
This one looks like a recycled railway bridge...yuck
This style of bridge seems to be able to maintain the existing historical look of the current bridge.
More expensive to build and maintain than the shallow frame bridge, but it will be well worth it when we look back 100 years from now.
This style of bridge will provide a nice architectural gateway into Inglewood.
I think we should have a bridge design that is very similar to the existing bridge.
Wayfinding and lighting are important safety concerns and make the city more egalitarian to women and vulnerable citizens.
Also like this design in that it can reflect the character of historical Inglewood. Have signage similar to existing one. No to 4 lanes.



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I like both that have gateway look. Would rather increased maintenance for something that looked better and had better lighting.
Truss bridge does reflect the heritage and current atmosphere of Inglewood, Ramsay, and other surrounding neighbourhoods very beautifully.
I like truss bridges but this one just seems a little boring. Reminds me more of a rail bridge than a gateway to Inglewood
Great for heritage but this design is extremely outdated in terms of design (faux), efficiency and cost. Time to move on. Arch bridge!
As the bridge may pay homage we are an evolving society and need something newer
Like the truss bridge best, fits area and historic area. Flat bridge is awful!
The Truss Bridge design is the best option to keep the historical look for the area, especially since it is near Fort Calgary.