



# Designated Cannabis Consumption Areas - Ogden

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## Project overview

Cannabis will be legal in Canada on October 17, 2018.

In Calgary, public consumption rules for cannabis will be similar to those for public consumption of alcohol. Under the Cannabis Consumption Bylaw, it will be illegal to consume cannabis in any form (smoking, vaping, or edibles) in public places, except for designated cannabis consumption areas. Cannabis may be consumed on private property.

Because landlord and tenant agreements, condo bylaws, and hotel rules can prohibit cannabis consumption in or on their properties, some citizens and visitors to Calgary may not have a legal place to consume cannabis. To that end, the Cannabis Consumption Bylaw allows Council to approve designated areas where cannabis may be smoked, vaped, or otherwise consumed in specific public places. These designated cannabis consumption areas are to help alleviate lack of access to a permissible place to consume cannabis once it is legal.

Ward Councillors or residents can begin the process to have designated cannabis consumption areas in their community. Interest was expressed in piloting some designated spaces in Ward 9, in the following locations:

1. **Bridgeland:** Murdoch Park, on the southern end of 7A St. N.E.
2. **Inglewood I:** Green space at 11 Ave. S.E., between 11 and 12 St
3. **Inglewood II:** Green space adjacent to Wildlands parking lot on Ninth Ave. S.E. past 22 St.
4. **Ogden:** Green space located north of shopping plaza at Glenmore Tr. and Ogden Rd S.E.

(This report focuses on feedback received for: *Ogden: Green space located north of shopping plaza at Glenmore Tr. and Ogden Rd S.E.*)

Potential areas are carefully considered through criteria addressing the location's accessibility, safety, and proximity to sensitive land uses such as schools, playgrounds, and residences. Each area will be confined to a defined radius and equipped with waste receptacles and tamper-proof ashtrays. Once the spaces are up and running, the City of Calgary may suspend locations should there be safety or nuisance concerns.



## Engagement overview

Feedback on the proposed Designated Cannabis Consumption Areas was collected by two means:

- **In-person:** Sounding boards were set up at each of the proposed locations and included an overview of the project and proposed area, feedback forms and a submission box for completed feedback forms.
- **Online:** There was a main landing page on The City's Engage Portal for the project, as well as individual pages for each of the communities where the areas were proposed, which included the same questions as the in-person feedback forms.

Both online in-person engagement opportunities were open from August 27 to September 7, 2018. Sounding boards were located at all proposed areas during this time except for Inglewood, where the sounding board was located at the 11 Avenue S.E. location from August 27 to September 2, and at the Wildlands parking lot location from September 3 to 7, 2018.

## What We Asked

Stakeholders were asked the following questions regarding each of the proposed Designated Cannabis Consumption Areas:

1. How would this consumption area be of benefit to you?
2. Are there any issues we should consider with this proposed location?
3. Do you have any other questions or comments regarding the proposed location?

On the Engage Portal pages, we also asked for the first three digits of the respondents' postal codes, to better understand which of the responses came from community residents, and which came from residents

## What We Heard

The issue most often expressed by respondents was the potential of increased crime resulting from designated cannabis consumption areas. Respondents were concerned that public safety near designated areas may be at risk and said that security monitoring would be important to maintain a feeling of safety for community residents. Residual detritus would be dangerous if left unmonitored.

Another concern voiced by many respondents was that designated cannabis consumption areas may negatively impact family-oriented communities, particularly those where children would likely be nearby. For all four proposed areas, respondents said that proximity to public infrastructure such as schools, playgrounds, churches and pathways were problematic, particularly in Bridgeland. Many respondents thought that the proposed Wildlands area in Inglewood was too close to the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary and community residences. Concerns of isolated location and pre-existing illegal encampments were also high on the list.

Other issues expressed were exposure to second hand smoke, allergies, and asthma.

Respondents were generally not comfortable with the concentration of all four proposed designated cannabis areas in Ward 9 and wanted to know why those areas were selected. Some wanted more information on site selection criteria and felt inadequately consulted.

Some respondents suggested that cannabis should have the same public consumption regulations as tobacco, while others believe that rules for public consumption of cannabis should be the same as liquor. Respondents indicated cannabis should be consumed at home or in establishments like bars or lounges (\*note: The City of Calgary does not have the ability to provide cannabis bars or lounges as such establishments would contravene the provincial Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act. If cannabis cafes or lounges are allowed in the future, this would be a provincial decision).

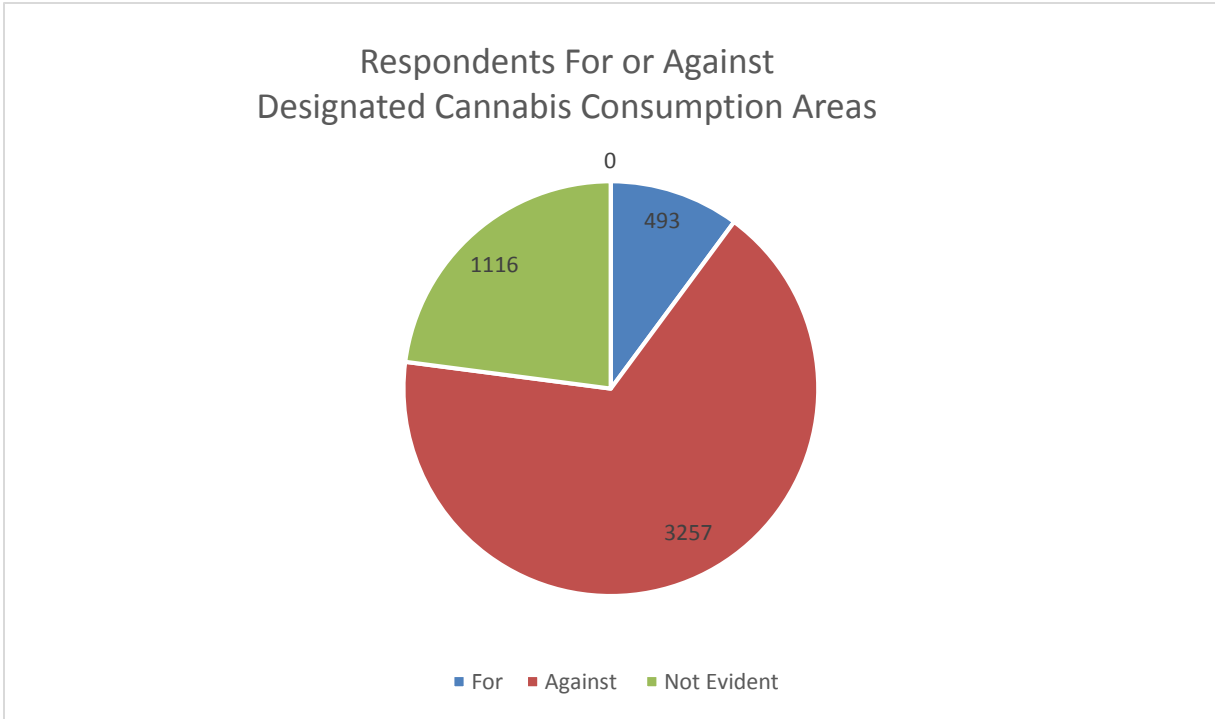
Other issues expressed by respondents included increased potential for fires and concern whether the areas would be properly maintained. Many also indicated that the areas could increase the potential of cannabis-impaired driving for those who may have to drive to get to the area. They also commented that any designated cannabis consumption areas should be privately funded and not supported by taxpayer dollars.

We also received feedback from respondents who are in favour of the designated areas. Some respondents live in condos or rental units and would appreciate a nearby location at which they could consume cannabis. Respondents in favour said that a convenient designated area close to home would allow them to walk there and not have to drive.



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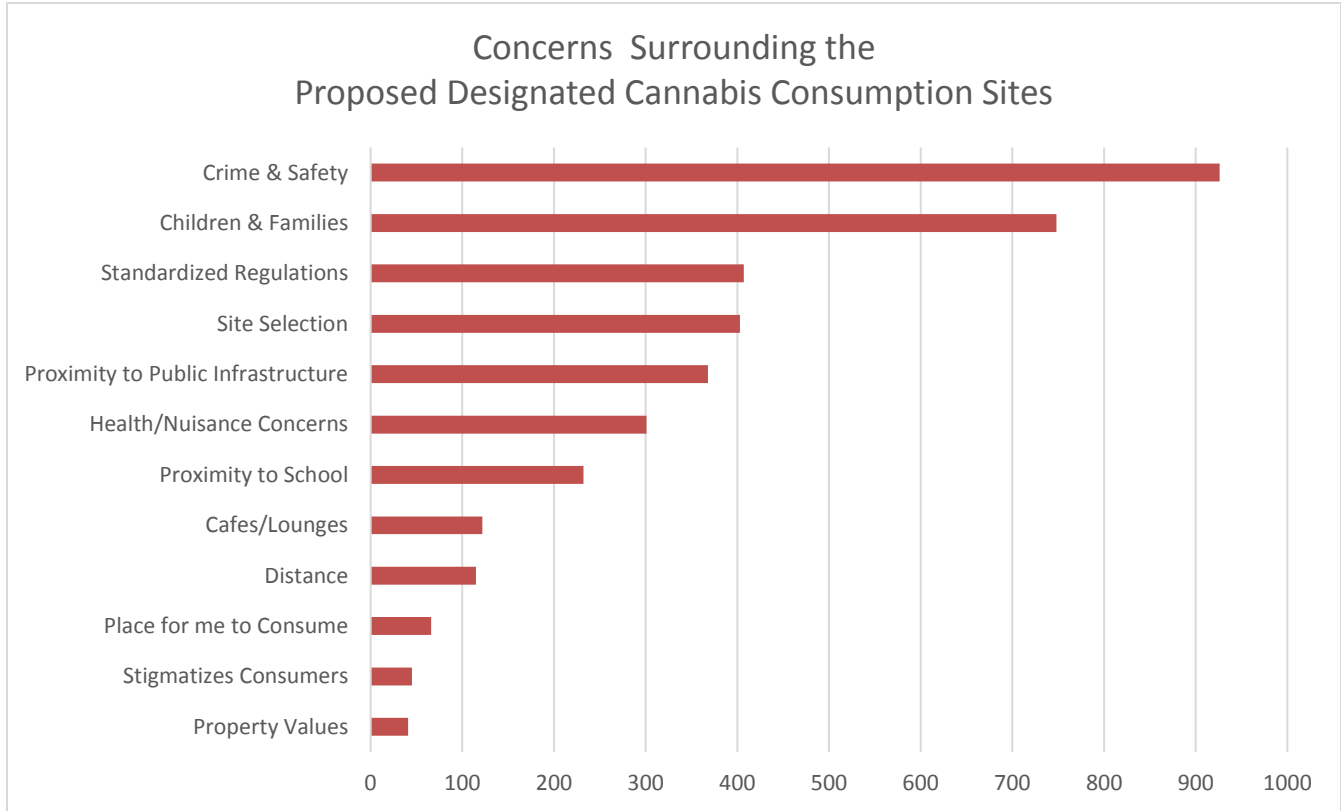
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For a detailed summary of the input that was provided, please see the [Summary of Input](#) section.

For a verbatim listing of all the input that was provided, please see the [Verbatim Comments](#) section.

## Next Steps

As a result of the significant percentage of respondents that expressed opposition, the initiating Councillor, Ward 9 Councillor Carra, withdrew the proposal on Sept. 12, 2018. The four proposed designated cannabis consumption areas did not proceed to a Public Hearing of Council where they would have been approved or rejected. Calgary will not have designated cannabis consumption areas upon legalization on Oct. 17, 2018.



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## Summary of Input – Ogden

The following section includes the top 6 key themes from the feedback collected both in-person and online.

### Question 1: How would this consumption area be of benefit to you?

253 Comments\

Theme	Detail
Distance (20)	Respondents felt that although the site would be convenient for those that can walk to it, for others that have to drive or take transit, it was too far.
Crime & Safety (15)	Top concerns included Impaired driving (6) followed by Safety (3), Monitoring (3), and Crime (3).
Children & Families (9)	A park where children can see it is not acceptable. People who live next to the park with children or grandchildren threaten to move. It would make their backyards unusable.
Health / Nuisance (smoke and smell) (8)	A decrease in air quality. Health concerns include asthma, and nausea
Standardized Regulations (8)	Respondents wanted the same regulations that apply to public consumption of liquor (6) and tobacco (2).
Cafes & Lounges (6)	Public consumption should be in a bar.
Site Selection (6)	The top concern was the Ward 9 Concentration.

### Question 2: Are there any issues we should consider with this proposed location?

260 Comments

Theme	Detail
Crime & Safety (97)	Top concerns included Impaired driving (38) followed by Safety (28), and Crime (18).
Children & Families (37)	Location is near a sledding hill. Ogden is becoming a family neighbourhood. Play site for children and sports.
Site Selection (29)	Respondents cited that the top concerns were non-compliance with Site Selection Criteria (22) followed by Ward 9 Concentration (7). People wanted more information than they had been given.
Standardized Regulations (8)	Respondents wanted the same regulations that apply to public consumption of liquor (4) and tobacco (4).
Distance (8)	Concerns around amenities for those who travel to the site. Access for those who don't live in the neighbourhood. It's in the middle of nowhere.
Property Values (6)	Concerns that property values will be negatively affected.



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## Question 3: Do you have any other questions or comments regarding the proposed location?

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Theme	Detail
Crime & Safety (48)	Top concerns included Safety (19), followed by Monitoring (8), and Crime (10). Impaired Driving was also cited (8)
Site Selection (32)	Respondents cited that the top concerns were non-compliance with Site Selection Criteria (23) followed by Ward 9 Concentration (6), and Inadequate Consultation (3).
Children & Families (10)	Don't target our youth. Keep it places where youth cannot access – such as bars.
Health / Nuisance (smoke and smell) (9)	It will stink up the area. Second hand smoke.
Distance (6)	Too far for people to drive to.
Property Values (3)	Concerns that property values will be negatively affected.



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## Verbatim Comments

Verbatim comments presented here include all of the suggestions, comments, and messages that were collected on-line and in-person for Ogden (Green space located north of shopping plaza at Glenmore Tr. and Ogden Rd S.E.).

Offensive words and personally identifying information have been removed and replaced with either [offensive language removed], [removed], or [personal information removed]; otherwise comments here are completely un-edited.

### 1. How would this consumption area be of benefit to you?

It would not.
It would not.
probably won't be here anyhow so no benefit
It's too far from me. What if I don't have a vehicle and my landlord doesn't allow smoking?
I don't think it would.
Me and the 8,309 residents of Ogden could walk to this location, but what about people who live in a community that doesn't have a designated site? Are they going to drive? Take transit? Have a designated driver? Better to provide areas in all communities
it may help keep smokers out of the parks my kids play in
No
I think it's beneficial to have some outdoor areas for people to consume cannabis. I think having more dedicated parks where it is legal to consume would give people more options, and decrease the chances of people illegally consuming in other parks.
It is the closest to me.
I can smoke my marijuana after I stop at the dispensary I guess.
It would not
I don't see any benefit to me; only possibly to guests of the hotel, during summertime.
It wouldn't as I do not use cannabis.
It would not to me or the community. Zero investment by the City in Ogden, but a cannabis park is now a suddenly a priority. Unless this becomes a Calgary-wide program it should not proceed, not just ward 9.
this location is close to my house
It won't. We don't do drugs. And if we did NEED them for medicine - I wouldn't be going to a derelict park with junkies to use it!! We're too scared to go to Olympic Plaza most days. You don't even deal with that place - and it's illegal!



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Nothing you fools. Not everyone lives in those areas.
It would not.
It would be of no benefit. It would decrease air quality.
It is a great open space away from bothering anyone.
No benefit. Already so much marijuana use in neighborhood. We constantly smell it. Doubt that people would travel that distance to consume marijuana.
Far from my place
It would not. Public consumption should only be in a business such as a bar type location. The park where children can see it is unacceptable. Put it in Mount Royal if it is so acceptable. NIMBY Ogden community has worked to improve the community and now ?
No, too far away.
it wouldnt, these consumption areas make zero sense, there are 1.5 million people in this city and your proposal is a measly 4 spaces far away from the majority of residents?
it wouldnt benefit me. i live right there. i do my best to keep my grandchildren away from certain things. I would move if this happens in literally my back yard
It wouldn't.
It wouldn't be a benefit to me for I don't participate in smoking cannabis.
it would not
This is not beneficial to me
ita closeish to my house
No
Not at all.
I think its a very reasonable space! I dont plan on using this drug in the future but this location is a great use of space!
No all it would do is ad more homeless and crime to this struggling community
It would not, I am able to consume in my own home.
No, not for myself as I don't ever plan on using. i would benefit if my neighbors used it as I can't even go out into my own yard as the smell around me is horrendous and it severely affects my asthma! I doubt very much that my neighbors will use thearea
It wouldn't benefit ANYONE. This is the biggest waste of money the city could have come up with.
None
NO ,bad idea .. public pot smoking area is a place for drug deales to hung out = needles.. and drugs leads to alcohol leading to fighting and crime . plus lots of garbage who going to monitor this to stop childeren form hanging around this spot bad idea.
It would not be a benefit to me. In fact I don't think anyone will stand in the middle of a field on a busy road (Ogden) just to consume cannabis.
Yes it is in a convenient location
this wouldnt benefit me in anyway as i dont go to this area of the city at all.
I live in Ogden



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more policing in neighborhood
It would not
this would neither benefit nor detract from me
Not at all
It wouldn't
no benefit what so ever
It won't.
It wont
No benefit at all - rather the opposite
This idea is NOT a benefit to anyone
It wouldn't.
There is no benefit to utilizing public spaces for drug use
It would not as it is very far out of the way. Walking is an unresoanable expectation. Additionally, driving there from riverbend etc... would prevent myself from returning home in a safe manner. Please reconsider location.
It won't. I will consume at home.
It would be of no benefit to me
There would be absolutely no benefit to me
None - I don't smoke marijuana
It would 0
None. Will people travel to consumption sites instead of quickly sneaking a hit? Stigma remains. Where in the world does this approach already work? NO WHERE. Allow coffee shops. Promote low odour vaping. This is a culture issue. You're wasting money.
Yes
Zero benefit to me.
Yes
It wouldnt for me personally but ot would for my wife
It wouldn't
Not at all. In fact, I think it would do more harm than good.
No
It would not in any way.
Nice area to relax and enjoy the sun. Stores near by and hotel near. Would be good for tourism.
Not at all. It is too far away for me to walk to so I would have to drive. I thought the government didn't want impaired drivers on the roads.
It wouldn't. It is 45 mins away via transit and not near a location that I ever go to for any reason.
NOT AT ALL!!!! WHY in Ogden?
It would keep the stench away from my neighbourhood.



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It would not be of any benefit.
No it wouldn't.
I do not use cannabis.
Adding health problems
No benefit
NO BENEFIT AT ALL NUISANCE ONLY
It won't
It would hopefully deter people from using park spaces where my children play.
This consumption area would not be a benefit to me. It would negatively impact my life. It has the potential to increase crime.
Public consumption should be illegal, just like alcohol.
None don't use.
no benefit
I do not agree in public
I do not agree with public consumption. They should follow at minimum the alcohol laws where public consumption at any park is not allowed. It should be go and buy at a facility such as a bar not bring your own where you please.
Not at all. Ogden has had so much negativity to overcome over the years - leave us alone. Why should the south east always have to pay - what about the rich communities in the other quadrants of the City. Let us be fair to the Ogden citizens.
It would not !
It won't.
need something further south. considering the population in the new SE communities with the rapid expansion (i.e. Auburn Bay, Cranston, Mahogany, Walden, Legacy, etc..) Ogden does not make sense.
Close to my consumption
It wouldn't. It's a field. I live in Ogden and there is no way I'd go to that place, and you expect someone to jump on a bus and travel across down. It's ridiculous.
Does not benefit me. Would not use it.
Does not provide any benefit and I am against it.
Love the safe space.
This would not benefit me
It would be the closest place for me to the far south to meet and mingle with people
It wouldn't.
It's the farthest community from my home that the city of Calgary is considering. And I would like to have cannabis as far away from my little ones as possible! This is the safest community option for my family
There are no positives
To far of walk from home and back



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Not, couldn't be any further away from where I live. I'm positive even though there might be some consumption there it won't make a dent in the consumption throughout my neighbourhood that exists currently, with consumers lighting up on their own property
I'd use it
Could increase foot traffic for nearby business and revitalize the surrounding area.
It won't. What a stupid idea.
I do not see any benefit.
No benefit
None, all of the proposed areas are too far away, and will force people to drive intoxicated.
Public consumption sites of marihuana have ZERO benefits to Calgaryans in any subdivision within the city.
None whatsoever as cannabis should be treated like alcohol and used only in designated licensed establishments. Not in public parks or outdoors unless it is a licensed event and not interrupting the public who choose not to be around open use of cannabis.
would not
It would not benefit me.
It would not
No, Has they anticipated the fact that more emergency services may be required at these 'public consumption' sites?
No
No benefit. Put in an area behind a bottle depot, no lights or benches either.
This is no benefit
It would not be.
There are no benefits to legalized consumption of cannabis. Politicians want to appear "with it" & gain popularity with pot/drug addicts.
I wouldn't use it, but it would be nice for people to have a specific place to smoke outdoors. I do not enjoy walking through the smell of cannabis smoke, and this place would keep it out of most people's breathing space.
It would NOT. This is a horrible Idea .
No benefit what so ever. It is non sensical that the City of Calgary is considering any public consumption sites. The same rules need to be applied for Canabas usage as Liquour usage. Why is this even an item being discussed by the City and Council.
Not in any way.
I am the land steward for this site in Recreation. please contact me as there are future development plans for this site.
it would be of no benefit
would not
it wouldn't be a benefit, there should be no public consumption similar to the rules of alcohol use
It wouldn't I think it's a ridiculous idea for ALL sites!
NO benefit



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It would be of NO benefit
This area would provide NO benefit to me or my community.
Disbenefit. No public consumption, ever! Shuld be the same as liquor laws. Public consumption of liquor would have less impact as walking past someone consuming liquor does not expose me or my children to the alcohol the way cannabis smoke does.
I would use it regularly
It would NOT be a benefit to me.
Maybe it would give me a reason to go to Ogden, aside from buying weed
No benefit for me as I am not interested in cannabis
Absolutely no benefit - leave this area as it is - a quiet greenspace for the nearby residents to enjoy - this idea is absolutley ludicrous
It won't
Its close to my house so could go there to enjoy time with other consumers.
It would not be. I am completely 100% in favour of decriminalizing marijuana use in Canada. But This is a dumb idea
No real benefit. Just that I agree with the sentiment that if we don't provide legal spaces for this activity to happen then it will happen elsewhere.
Yes
It would be great! I think there should be many of these spots all over Calgary.
No benefits at all
Only having 4 sites for the entire city does not benefit anyone other than those nearby. These sites are in seedy neighbourhoods and I will definitely not use them. Having to drive to get to a site is ridiculous.
It wouldn't!!
it wouldn't. I need a consumption point but all of the proposed are too far. Am I expected to drive to and from intoxicated? because I highly disagree with driving under the influence
It wouldn't
It would not benefit the community or individuals in the community. This is close to a sensitive low income area that needs city help not an option to spend money on drugs. Great Neighbourhoods listen to the needs of communities this is not wanted
I don't think providing a consumption area for this substance makes any sense. Period.
No matter what, there is no benefit to anyone smoking pot.
No benefit actually its negative.
This is the closest to my residence, but not close to any places that I visit. I'm not sure this location will serve me.
It would not benefit me; I believe it would be a detriment; concerns about safety
It wouldn't help condo renters....Especially ones taking transit, way too far to go, sketchy addresses. All the locations suck, high potential for robberies, and long response time by police.
Its close to my home, within biking distance
No benefit at all



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None whatsoever
Provides a space for people to engage, similar to a bar or restaurant.
It wouldn't benefit me at all but it's a good trial space for public cannabis consumption.
It wouldn't. Too open and exposed to the elements for just a bench and an ashtray, as well having to take a bus there. Maybe I could use an uber.
It is of no benefit to me or any public
No benefit to the majority of people in this area or other areas
Not benefits at all.
Not
NOt a benefit to the community
It would not
No benefit. This would become a more unsafe area than it already is.
This consumption site would be of no benefit to me. It could have adverse benefits such as unsavoury people. I do not believe fine upstanding citizens would go there.
Accessible to pathways/transit avoiding driving under the influence.
It would be of zero benefit. It will likely only decrease the already depressed Ogden property value, and encourage crime and public intoxication. Very poor idea. I am for decriminalizing it but encouraging public consumption has zero benefit as far as I
No benefit.
remove smoking from parks close to my residence
I would not visit this site as I have a private residence
it is far away from my house.
No benefit and would not support this idea.
No. Just what we need. A place for our teens to hang out and try to buy or get pot. We all now know smoking is harmful. Cannabis is more harmful and mind altering as well. Let's not turn this city into a place where drug use is common and public.
It would not, I am opposed to this site
It wouldn't
It will not, this is a terrible idea, for any parks, anywhere! Do not do this, this legalization has doubled my chances of getting injured or killed by an impaired driver! and I have been in 3 car crashes that have involved impaired drivers!
Handy
It would reduce crime and also keep other drug use off the streets. It would be good as it would keep the smell of cannabis in a safe area for users. A cannabis lounge should be no different than a bar.
No benefit.
all the proposed sites area joke
No benefit to me personally.
Not at all. It's a stupid idea.





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This would only benefit those within walking distance to utilize this and the other designated cannabis smoking areas
Won't have to smoke in my house 100% of the time
This consumption site is of no benefit to this society. This is an ad/hoc recreation area for children.
It won't. Consumption laws for marijuana should be parallel to current cigarette laws. Marijuana is not alcohol and should be treated differently.
has no effect on me but for all the renters we have in this neighbourhood it would be a benefit.
It would be of no benefit whatsoever
It wouldn't.
It wouldn't, I'm not travelling to Ogden to consume weed.
It wouldn't. It would be a detriment. I disagree with public space being used for marijuana use.
No benefit to me, what about the children that normally play in this area. Will there be large fences surrounding the park to keep underage users out, will there be more frequent checks for legal blood level prior to users leaving the site
It wouldn't. I dont think items fair to the public to have only 3 consumption areas. I live no where near any of these. Then I'm expected to wait 4 hours before going home ?!
It would not. What a terrible idea to have "consumption" spots. Why not send the drug addicts to where they should be in the safe consumption spots already set up for drug users. Why concentrate drug users in a bad area of town already with a terrible reputation. Bad idea.
No benefit whatsoever
This area would not benefit me in any way. The smell make me nauseous not to mention the health effects of second hand smoke. I feel this would bring more problems than good to the area. The area has been used as a sledding hill for years by families, not so much if changed to this.
It would benefit no one
This would allow a safe and open area to consume as opposed to being regulated to my residence.
it wouldn't
No, this consumption area is not of benefit to me.
No there should be no public consumption allowed. Just like alcohol this should not be allowed publicly. I do not want my kids to see public consumption of pot or alcohol. Neither is acceptable publicly.
NO BENEFIT at all to me
This consumption area would not be beneficial to me. I live in the deep south and take transit. This consumption area is very out of the way, and does not benefit myself as I am not willing to travel a hour just to use cannabis. Alcohol has bars, why don't we have lounges for cannabis?
Would not as I believe it should be "your home for smoking". Medical cannabis is available in other firms than smoking. In fact there will be many alternative methods to





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<p>smoking. No one should have to choose between polluted fresh air or hibernation in your home.</p>
<p>It won't! As a member of the community I find it disgusting that we need to have a consumption site in our community. What's next a consumption site for alcohol. All this does in provide a location for under age kids to potentially buy it illegally.</p>
<p>Not at all!!</p>
<p>Absolutely not and no benefit to anyone</p>
<p>Just like thousands of other ,I won't change and will continue to use cannabis everywhere! Of course as always ,safely and not around children or in non tobacco areas.</p>
<p>It would provide people in general with a south area they can smoke. Which is pathetic. One zone for the entire south? Are you mental?</p>
<p>I'll continue to use my MEDICINE anywhere I Damn well please. Thank you.</p>
<p>It is no benifit</p>
<p>No benefit ...I can see the benefit of medical use but I do not agree with recreational use. I detest the smell and do not want to have to deal with it even more than I have had to while it was illegal. My neighbors have been smoking illegally for years and I hate it not looking forward to more</p>
<p>Not at all. I don't have an issue with designating legal consumption sites but the selection of those sites must make some logical sense. Just because a site meets a certain criteria does not make it a suitable site. It must be appropriate for its intended purpose.</p>
<p>It will not benefit me.</p>
<p>It would not. Leave public green spaces for family's</p>
<p>Only consumption area in the south which is close to home.</p>
<p>I don't consume cannabis but I support the end of prohibition and the rights of all Calgarians and visitors to consume a legal substance if they chose to even if they do not own a home in Calgary.</p>
<p>This is one of the most ridiculous ideas of the City of Calgary. How could they in their right mind allow only one councillor propose a site, and in this case 4 sites in his Ward. How did the councillor choose the 4 out of his 17 communities - simply unacceptable.</p>
<p>I see no benefits for me.</p>
<p>This would be of no benefit to me. I am opposed to providing public areas for these activities. It would be a detriment because I would not take young children there in the winter to toboggan if it were to be designated a consumption area.</p>
<p>It would not. It is unreasonable to limit legal cannabis in public spaces. If people are not allowed to use it in a rental or condo, how can you expect citizens to travel to one of four parks? You want people driving stoned? Treat it the same as tobacco or alcohol. Only rich home owners are allowe</p>
<p>This is a preposterous decision. Like telling folks they can drink 5 miles east of the city in a field, then expecting then to drive home. No one will use these.</p>
<p>It would not.</p>
<p>It would give me a safe place to consume cannabis if my condo building banned it</p>
<p>Good proximity to Hotel and SE inner city.</p>



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No benefit. Do not smoke or plan to smoke in the future.
Not at all. It would be detrimental....as a property owner nearby, I HATE the thought of mass consumption of an odourous substance that gives me a headache when I smell I whiff of it. Let pot smokers go far away from human occupancy.
it wouldn't be of benefit to anybody
of no benefit to me or my family. Do not want it in my neighbourhood.
not at all, stupid idea
This consumption area would be beneficial [sic] to me, because it would make the surrounding areas softer, & more family friendly
This consumption site will alleviate my lack of access to a permissible place to consume cannabis once it is legal.

## 2. Are there any issues we should consider with this proposed location?

If the red dot is the exact area where this is proposed it could not be in a worse place for children. This is at the top of a heavily used snowy area with a child friendly hill for sledding and tobogganing. Should never be considered for this location.
Yes. This is an open park like area used by families & children to walk dogs, play and use snow sleds.
We already have a problem with drinks and druggies in Ogden. Now they will.all gather here to do more then smoke pot
nope
Is there any seating space?
Ogden is an up and coming family neighborhood where we are trying to keep public intoxication off our streets and out of the community. There is a bit of a problem with it here. My dear would be that it creates a gathering place for this type of behaviour
You may wish to consider providing portapotties, particularly if people are coming from other communities and can't get home quickly.
its a steep hill... you may want to move it into the flat area
This is not a tourist attraction area or a walkable spot in the community, citizens will drive to this location for consumption. How will you guide them to make a right choice and not drive home?
Is there even a bench? This park looks a little bare. I don't see much draw for people to go to this location. Having an area to sit or something to do (even a basketball hoop) would create more appeal.
It is very out of the way and people will likely continue to consume discretely in (illegal) public places over traveling to this location. It's small, and there's nothing to attract people, this isn't worth the trouble. Is it very transit accessible?



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You guys should put like a cafe or something that would entice people to purposely go there. A green space isn't exactly where people want to go. Like come on.
Only 4 locations for the size of our city is not realistic. Also, how will people outside of the community get to and from this location?
The proposed location is in the middle of a steep hill that is commonly used by children for tobogganing.
Steep hill, children playing, future lacrosse facility (I think). Some gopher holes (trip hazards). Too many people congregating could be bad.
Calling this site a 'green space' is an insult to the residents of Ogden. Zero infrastructure at this site. Is an empty field that the City has ignored until present. Location makes zero sense. All it will do is take away needed community green space.
Ya. Kids from school can walk there. And it's weird. Who NEEDS to get high? In a public park. Can't drink there so can't smoke up there. It's going to be a [offensive language removed]show and disasterous mess. People will camp out! All hours.
Not everyone can drive or take transit. Come one and use your heads.
There are people like me who have severe allergies to smoke and would be unable to visit any park where public consumption of cannabis is allowed.
Taxpayers should not have to pay for cleanup and those that do litter should be subjected to stiff fines.
The area has been used for families to play, toboggan in the winter.
The grass would have to be cut and waste bins installed.
Would rather see the land used for something that benefits families in our community. Lacrosse centre, Rec centre, etc.
This site has a history of homeless alcohol abuse please do not add cannabis. How will police monitor public intoxication. They have failed to do so in the padt dispite the public asking for more supervision. The homes and businesses will suffer losses.
Yes, it's a fairly abandoned space with no buildings fronting on to it. Probably not an ideal location if you want to curb youth abuse of marijuana.
Yes, do away with these locations entirely and let us consume anywhere smoking is allowed yes---children, pets, traffic.
Ogden already has issues with crime, do we really want to make it a focal point of intoxication? Plus the smell would be awful.
We have enough crime and peddlers in the area. This probably will bring in more of those which we do not need we are family community. I don't understand why we need to have a place where people can go to smoke cannabis in public.
Diving under the influence
It is 500 meters from my home. I have small children and I also host international students. In most other countries marijuana is illegal so it will make my guest very uncomfortable. My yard/home will smell of marijuana. 8024 25 St Se is where I live
I am concerned that each of the locations are close to the proposed green line. As a resident of Ogden who is not in favour of the cannabis legalization, I am concerned for community safety.



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I don't feel there should be an area where people can consume cannabis - cannabis should be treated the same as alcohol. It should only be consumed in enclosed controlled areas.
no parking near by ie you wouldnt build a bar without a parking lot. tons of industrial traffic. not a safe place for individuals after dark. isolated from other services
Driving after consuming
The buisnesses around the location as well as the cash connection sight right across the street...
Many issues we are very crime ridden and haveing a very hard time controlling this and vandalism there are way to many homeless people and hard up people please do not ad this to a community that's beautiful and already needs enough work.
Are people going to drive to a field to stand and smoke Cannabis? Where would people park? Is there not a concern that people will consume and then drive?
I am the General manager of the Glenmore Inn, located just south of the area I THINK you are proposing. The red dot on the map is the side of a hill. As the primary business in this area and a major stakeholder with regards to this decision, more info.
Will it have proper ventilation? Proper signage. Ways to keep minors out? What safety measures are being taken to the rest of us?
It's access, are people from all over south Calgary supposed to drive here in order to legally smoke, then what? They can't drive, the park is near NOTHING and is only near one of the least busy and most grungy malls. I'd rather try my luck on the street
That nobody is going to go to one of four parks in the city, they are just going to light up on the curb
children, smell, garbage, eye sore, crime, first thing you see entering neighborhood, dry feild leading to fire.
It's the middle of nowhere.
Lighting and seating area.
no
It's sketchy at night, maybe put up lights and stuff
more homeless drug addicts in the neighborhood
This is the location of a very popular tobogganing site with many children on winter weekends
store owners may be upset at park users taking up parking spaces
Proximity to railroad yard and tracks
Access to it, for one thing. What about the heavy equipment and construction trailers currently on site?
why is it ok to smoke to get high in a public space but not ok to drink in a public place
Safety. People getting high and driving.
additional locations
Will my tax dollars be used to maintain the park and pick up the [offensive language removed] that the weed smokers leave?
It is extremely hypocritical and irresponsible to permit Cannabis use in any of these proposed locations. Do you have any idea what these locations will look, smell and function like? Ridiculous!!!



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Families with children and pets use the parks. They should not be inflicted with drug use in public places.
It makes the site unusable to families and those who don't use this drug
It is located near vagrant filled neighborhoods, there is a safety concern regarding location. It is very inaccessible by foot/transit. Places an unreasonable burden on those looking to consume cannabis in a lawful manner.
Smoking cannabis smells. And people gathering to party and the smell of cannabis should not be a burden to the adjacent residents
You are choosing a site in the Ogden community which already has sufficient challenges and is predominately lower income. The community has worked hard at improving the area and does not need further challenges.
An open invitation to loitering.
Daycare Centre in plaza directly next to proposed location
The city should not be designating public land for this purpose
Yes, it needs to be everywhere. No one wants the stigma. What happens when it is minus 30C? Look outside our borders for what works. Amsterdam coffeeshops. Low odour vaping and tech.
Trash. Having garbage cash must be a must
It's a silly location. Is it good or bad that it's in view of a busy road?
No
lots of seating
This is a waste of time which would be better spent on more important issue such as affordable housing and repair of infrastructure.
The amount of houses in the area with kids.
No
None really. Except that living near any of these proposed sites would have me fearing for perhaps not my life, but most certainly my safety. I also would not walk a child of mine near these sites.
Low income housing near by. Might collect wrong crowd if not monitored.
If this green space is suitable then why are there not more green spaces suitable? How about the dog park on the east side of the Lake Bonavista Driven loop?
Accessibility to calgarians. Who is this spot serving? Why this spot? It seems these 4 zones have not been thought with Calgarians in mind.
Sure, what stops anyone else from drug use in that area as well? I think our EMS and CPS are already working hard enough in this area.
Prevailing wind, will the stinking smoke drift back to the shopping mall?
This is a family neighborhood.
Justify why special places to consume cannabis even need to be provided.
Access to minors.
Any green space used by children and animals should not be considered!! You just have to acknowledge the irresponsible disposal of cigarette butts to see that cannabis paraphernalia will be carelessly left strewn about!! Not safe for kids and pets!!!!!!



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Not doing it, impaired is impaired and not in public
Yes. Don't do it. Smoke at home.
Police have enough to do and should not have to monitor any drug parks. Alcohol is not aloud so why should drugs. Hospitals have smoking areas that cannot be monitored why would you consider drug parks.
DON'T CONSIDER THIS AREA OR ANY OTHER
My concern is the total lack of spaces. How are the spaces going to be managed? What is the plan to keep people safe in the winter? How will alcohol consumption be curtailed?
Make it comfortable enough someone would want to go there to consume. No issues with the actual location.
How can the aroma from smoking or vaping Cannabis be prevented from escaping the location. Second-hand smoke has been shown to be harmful to health.
There is no supervision, there is no one responsible for safe consumption, this is a dangerous idea.
If children still do sledding on that hill in winter. As we did as children.
that is a favourite toboggan hill as the north face holds the snow longer than any other ice....
Yes, any public place can expose under age children. Let's think about promoting an effective society and not one that puts children in harms way.
Yes, why Ogden. It had to deal with the Bike Gang in the past and over the years contamination issues as well as having overall lower income families. Why put temptation close to the ends of people with limited income.
People driving there, consuming products as they will, then driving home. Exposure from the toxins is also an issue with proposed cannabis cafes etc... remember second hand smoke?
Transportation. While on some bus routes LRT won't be available for years, leading to consumers having to travel via their own vehicles. There are also a number of homeless people that can be seen on a regular basis in this area.
Not necessarily any issues other then location. Why Ogden? is the purpose of Ogden to serve the population in the deep south? if so, simply look at the population per community and make it somewhere that serves us. say 130th ave, Cranston, fish creek.
Nil
Yes, it's a field and it's in the sketchiest part of the community.
There is enough druggies wandering Ogden already. We have enough social problems in this low income area do we really need to add to the problem. Why not in a nicer area??
Ogden already has a bad reputation for being a dangerous and sketchy neighborhood. We're hoping this will change and I think a designated smoking site will only steer this in the opposite direction. We want to clean the rep of this great community.
This green space is located by a residential area where there are children. It is also located by a daycare.
It may cause a lot of people the need to travel. All the locations are very centrally located.
Its too small, having a social area to smoke can only benefit the community.
How would people get here? Drive? That's like promoting getting high and driving. Cash cow waiting to happen. How on earth would the poor residents living by feel as well?
Crime and increased drug trafficking in the area.





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Traveling to this site from across the city
Make sure children do not have access to the designated cannabis area in the community.
I dont support any location.
Weather , shelter and ground conditions
It's an empty piece of land in the poorest section of Ogden, steep hill on one side. This is a ridiculous location
Maybe needs some benches and garbage cans
Large parking lot near the area might encourage people to drive to the area to consume cannabis and then drive off under the influence.
Consuming and then driving.
Yes, distance to residents and families with kids.
Do not think Calgary's climate makes this a sensible plan. You have to allow pot friendly bars and restaurants, surely! Can we not be civilized about this?
How about some areas in the NW such as Bowness?
The majority of individuals using these proposed sites would travel by vehicle and would be impaired when they left the sites. There are many other issues with these proposed sites, including the requirement for extra police enforcement at these sites.
Smoking in public around children and those with chronic diseases will negatively effect the neighbourhood. You can't drink alcohol outside, why can you get high? Also people likely to drive to and from this location, risking impaired drivers
People and their activities should not be put into a comprising position in having to deal with cannabis use.
this is a low income area and you are giving children the opportunity to consume cannabis as you have no one to police the area without it costing the people.
is that that the only drug that will be used
I think you are creating a situation where people using drugs will congregate with not oversight. At least in a bar you have staff who can watch to see if patrons become unruly and call the police or kick them out. This option doesn't exist in a park.
No, great location
Cannabis should not be be allowed to be consumed in public areas
This area is near a busy road in Calgary, people consuming cannabis could potentially drive under the influence and pose a threat to motorists in the city of Calgary.
This entire idea is ridiculous. No public spaces just like we don't have public alcohol parks.
No lights, no benches, no trash containers, no washrooms.
Please stop this! Why do we want to promote public drug use for children to see.
Cannabis smoke spreads a long way from point of use and is extremely potent and an irritant to many. Any outdoor use is inappropriate.
Public consumption of cannabis should be illegal and the law should be enforced. Any exposure to smoking, whether cigarettes, pot or anything else (smoke from fire pits, wildfires, etc.) is detrimental to human health. Why promote them?



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<p>Could it concentrate the unhealthy pastimes of drinking and smoking? It's already a hangout for people who've visited the bottle depot+spent proceeds on liquor. These people are nice, but have nothing to do but drink. A bad influence on young smokers?</p>
<p>Impaired driven after it is consumed on these sites. Might as well have a park where you could Drink in Public then drive home Very BAD idea</p>
<p>resources needed, impossible to police, you continually implement without thinking of the enforcement</p>
<p>Consumption should be restricted to the user's private property, not on public property.</p>
<p>Jennifer Duggan, Recreation, Superintendent Sport &amp; Partnership 403 875 4944</p>
<p>naming 3 locations for the entire city renders them focal points. this should be no different than alcohol and that it should only be consumed or allowed to be consumed subject to the same alcohol rules and laws.</p>
<p>will this gather the homeless population already in our area? Does that mean they get to have a beer there too? Dumb idea keep the pot legislation the same as alcohol not in public places.</p>
<p>There are several houses and businesses nearby. Children use this hill for tobogganing and riding bikes down</p>
<p>Yes, it's high crime and most probably smoke weed on this area anyways. Why do this!?</p>
<p>would promote under the influence driving</p>
<p>Many children play at this green space</p>
<p>public cannabis consumption is a terrible idea, we do not allow public alcohol consumption, why would we allow this??</p>
<p>Yes, many. This is a high traffic road. I worry about the hazard of people crossing or mental health and being under an influence and people throwing themselves in front of cars as a suicide attempt.</p>
<p>Stoned people walking across and along the roads as there is no one there to ensure they don't over-indulge. That is real effective thinking in considering public safety! Kids live in that neighbourhood and will be exposed to intoxicated people roaming!</p>
<p>I think this location is perfect</p>
<p>People will drive to this location, get stoned &amp; then drive while under the influence. This is dangerous &amp; against the law. Under age people will get access through unscrupulous cannabis smokers.</p>
<p>Yeah, it's in Ogden</p>
<p>yes - This space is across from a Calgary Housing Complex with a large population of children. This space is used by these children as play space (tobogan, field sports etc. Through TIMN and Green Line Engagement sessions this space was identified as key</p>
<p>Traffic, crime, homeless camps, garbage, medical emergencies (OD's), destruction to nearby properties, human waste, needles, bottles, fires, panhandling, intimidation of nearby residents</p>
<p>There should be multiple locations as well as cafes</p>
<p>I assume the grass would have to be mowed more often. It doesn't look overly pedestrian friendly in terms of long grass and level ground. Don't get me wrong, I'm still supportive of this as a good location compared to the alternatives.</p>





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There's a hotel right beside the area. Consumption areas should NOT be in public spaces at all! This will only invite more negative behaviour and stigma to the area. Property values will decrease.
Its in a community that doesn't feel safe. There are risks of getting jumped or mugged in these areas. Designating a specific area can decrease property value for surrounding areas as well.
YES! There is a daycare centre located in the same plaza as the Glenmore Inn. This location is too close to where the kids spend their days and play. Children should not have to be exposed to this while playing outside or coming into or out of daycare!
it wouldn't. I need a consumption point but all of the proposed are too far. Am I expected to drive to and from intoxicated? because I highly disagree with driving under the influence
Ogden is full of gangs and theres gonna be idiots bear macing each other and things like that on the daily if drug users end up hanging out there
How would increased traffic be dealt with, city transport (as smokers should not be driving), parking lots (for designated drivers), and bathrooms. Where would people who currently use the area for non marijuana use be able to go to account for lost space
Community had issues in the past with this site used as a dumping ground, camp with old furniture, drug use hangout. The City Police/paid security/MOCA worked with the Glenmore Square and GI over an 18 month period to cleanup the issues lets not start.
I assume people could be driving to this area. So then you have the issue of driving under the influence problem
Yes, the children in these areas. Large groups of drugged up people is sure to be a safety problem and a health issue.
Impact to rentals and homeowners in the area. I feel it will be negative. Especially for families.
There is very little infrastructure so I hope that the City will put some in place
There are already alot of vagrants around this area and it is not well patrolled. I dont believe putting in a consumption area at this location would benifit any of the neighboring businesses.
Proximity to roadway; impairment; safety issues
All the locations are potential slum areas. If you want the renters to be accommodated without having to drive across town, then they should be placed in high density rental areas. eg. Bankview, Mission, Capitol Hill, Killarney, around the Beltline, etcet
None that I can see
If you search around there are so many families with small children meaning not good to be close to drugged people.
Should be zero public consumption locations
Potential for it to become a breeding ground for illegal activities, such as other drug use and dealing.
There is no landscaping at all for windbreak, aesthetics and ambience.
if you could only drink a glass of wine in this area would you want to spend time consuming it here. There is nothing nice about this site.
Pot smoking and consumption although legal should not be encouraged let alone promoted. Treat it like alcohol and smoking.
Too close to property, is not needed



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Alergic persons like me cannot stand the odor from cannabis, we suffer headaches, even migranes.
Yes the people who don't want it.
Generally opposed to this type of use of space
Why should people be allowed to smoke pot in public and become intoxicated, but they cannot consume alcohol on public land.
This area is used by children now. There are many questionable characters in the neighbourhood and the proposal would attract many more.
This is completely unreasonable and frankly laughable to expect every cannabis user in a city like calgary to congregate in only THREE areas. i am willing to bet you be unable to enforce this whatsoever.
This proposed location is essentially an open field that has foot traffic all ready through it. Mostly to get to the strip mall. This proposed location would become uncomfortable for many for walking by there.
No. As regards to open space and accessibility as well as distance from residential it's an ideal location.
Can see. My [removed] won't be getting my vote again if this is approved. Terrible idea. Please cancel this. Marijuana does not need the safe consumption site like opioids do. No benefit for people's health.
We don't allow alcohol or smoking cigarettes consumption parks. So why allow cannabis. Major liability issues for the city as how does one get back home. Please have common sense and allow nothing. Keep a park a park for everyone to enjoy.
people using this park would have to commute, possibly by motorized vehicle
there should not be any consumption sites
Yes, this is already a high risk area with existing security/safety concerns, crime, gangs. Many residents close by already have their own private homes that they can smoke in. Not sure why its needed here.
none
Who would go to this place and comsume in an open field? there are restaurants that I would imagine they do not want to smell cannabis neither would their customers.
Yes, why do we need designated spots. Alcohol isn't allowed to be consumed in the street. Neither should cannabis and smoking/vaping are restricted locations. Do the same. Why do we feel we need to offer something special for cannabis?
Nearby low income housing and an empty legion. We are actively trying to clean up our neighborhood, not make it trashier
People would drive here.
To close to major roadways, where anyone who uses could drive onto a road, while stoned and kill someone because they are stoned. This is a terrible idea, for any park, anywhere! Bad, bad, bad idea! Not at all impressed that we are even thinking of this!
No
Just proper ventilation
Please see comments below.
all the proposed sites area joke



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<p>This mall in general is DODGY with a "massage parlour" next to the MP's office, next to day care. I visit the other businesses, but avoid. Is still close to family housing, visible across the park. Children also use the hill for sledding in the winter.</p>
<p>It's on a hill. Its near a day care. Only access would be by taxi or bus for people far away so costly.</p>
<p>With regards to my answer above, any person(s) outside a walkable distance will need transportation. Depending on bus routes and service times this might be very hard to plan. I think this will cause people to drive to these destinations and then drive.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>There families who use this area.</p>
<p>yes, it's a nasty field. lets fill it with vagrant pot smokers, it worked well in east hastings.</p>
<p>because it is far from everything, the potential for using and driving may increase.</p>
<p>Yes. It is being proposed in an area that already has some issues with disorderly behavior. It is far too close to residential areas, and since many will have to drive to the location, traffic and parking and noise could become issues. All proposed sites seem to be clustered in one area</p>
<p>If you don't let people drink or smoke in public, then why would you let people smoke pot in public. Cannabis should be consumed in private areas only. No need to promote something not healthy for the lungs to younger generations.</p>
<p>Too close to a Major Hotel. Majority of residences are for low income (Calgary Housing) and S.E. Calgary community Resource Center is one block away. The area was designated for Youth Lacrosse a few years ago. My last concern is for area Parking - not enough Parking now for area Residences.</p>
<p>Bus routes, washrooms Or do you want us [offensive language removed] in the open?</p>
<p>Forcing a PUBLIC space to be designated preferentially for certain citizens who decide to engage in smoking marijuana. I see this as similar to having certain parks designated for heterosexuals [bad data transfer] in certain areas.</p>
<p>See above, since it will now have the same ramifications of drinking in public, should it not be a contained building with a filtration system to handle the legal number of users allowed in the area?</p>
<p>Yes. Make it consumable everywhere. Make it like alcohol. Because I would much rather enjoy it on my back porch than drive 25 minutes and have to wait around for 4hours afterwards.. it's not fair. It should be treated at though it was alcohol.</p>
<p>Like it or not for how terrible this location is, there are children that live around this area. You are dooming them to a life a crime and drugs even more by putting pot smoking millennials in a field of [removed]. Making them feel like they are trash by the train tracks which they are not.</p>
<p>This area will become a gang / drug selling / hangout area for criminal activity. Police do not have enough funding from the city to monitor it.</p>
<p>Personally do not want this in area in my opinion asking for trouble similar to problems Colarado is having. A lot of young families in the area do not need children exposed to it. HATE this proposal for any area, what about the rights of people who disagree with smoking weed.</p>



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How do people get there without driving to such a location??
No - great location.
close to C-train
We don't allow alcohol to be used outdoors all over. cannabis should be treated like alcohol. Used in designated indoor establishments & your own home.
The rail way tracks are very close by.
No there should be no public consumption allowed. Just like alcohol this should not be allowed publicly. I do not want my kids to see public consumption of pot or alcohol. Neither is acceptable publicly.
AFTER they are completely intoxicated, how do you propose they leave the area? By City Bus? By walking through the neighborhood? By driving vehicles? EACH of these suggestions means Transit and Transit drivers and passengers will be affected, neighbourhood families will be too, as will Police.
I am not a resident of Ogden but this is the closest consumption area to my place of residence. I Feel more areas need to be opened up outside of the four, alternatively allowing cannabis consumption publicly would solve this issue.
Children use this area especially in winter for sledding. That in itself should suffice.
Yes. The area has attempted to clean its reputation up for years and this is a major set back. It will be a spot for homeless people to gather as individuals in the community who already choose to take part in consumption will continue to do so in their homes.
Crime, Impaired driving!
Will this be bear the new c train? If it's bear the spot I wouldn't be thrilled having my kids wait for train next to this area.
How will people get there without a dui? What will we do there?
It's going to be a stupid trap that police will watch around to give out easy fines for FALSE tests of too much THC levels consumed!
That you only have three places, and it appears you are trying to shove cannabis users into old neglected areas. Pathetic!
Yes this community will eventually have a train line and the last thing yhis community needs is ppl from the downtown area polluting a community that has been working hard already to clean this area up my parents and sister still live here and they dont wsnt this!
bathrooms
We don't allow people to congregate and drink in large unsupervised groups on public property I can't image this is a good idea for pot smokers ...they may not get as aggressive as people using alcohol but what are the chances they will not drive away after smoking up and becoming impaired
Yes - the precise location appears to be on the south side of an open unmaintained field. This is not a park but rather an undeveloped field. Access would be difficult having walk across an unmowed field or down an escarpment particularly in winter weather conditions.
Why are they in one ward, I am concerned that if there is significant push back it might be reduced to one and then the choice might only be Ogden given the social/economical make up of this community. These sites are not required. I don't want it in this community.
It's a stupid idea



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Access to Kids, Parking
No access for minors
Firstly, area has been identified for future sport area as per the draft ARP with a lacrosse site as a possibility. Second, why would people want to travel to such a present isolate site to smoke up and as not easy to access how easy will it be for the police to patrol. Police \$ more stretched.
This will increase traffic and drive business away from the nearby restaurants.
Yes. It is a toboggan hill in the winter. It is designated as a lacrosse site to be developed. There is a bus stop in this area and children are present. Providing this public area encourages the use of cannabis. I have seen people here walking their dogs. It is a natural space.
Yes - it should be open and legal everywhere in the city not just squashed in just a couple of locations. Do you actually think people will go there in the middle of the winter in the middle of the night? Do you want people driving stoned? Does ANYONE actually think this was a good idea?
Consider that people have been smoking cannabis for years without designated spots and I bet you can't name one time you have been affected by it , excluding perhaps a concert or festival setting.
Not accessible unless by car so this accentuates the impaired driving issue since it is located adjacent to Glenmore Trail.
None, looks underused
I live in houses beside the park I feel this might cause issues with my children that live and play nearby.
Parking is always tight in the neighbourhood and being that there is no parking regulations/passes in our community that may cause issue with incoming people who come.
Borders on industrial area, dirty dusty.
Difficult to get to if you are walking or using public transit. Potential fire hazard especially during drought conditions. People driving under the influence.
The affect the the smell drifting to nearby houses, causing headaches and illness form the stench.
Decreasing property values.
no designated pot smoking areas are necessary; just let people smoke pot where they smoke cigarettes. Make this into an off-leash area instead!
More trash, more work for city. Tax dollars to pay for clean up.
Parking, party all night, trouble
1) Is it dog friendly? 2) Will it be safe to smoke pot without fear of the police?
Shelter



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### 3. Do you have any other questions or comments regarding the proposed location?

No.
If we are to treat this much like alcohol then no public place should be included. We would never allow a group of people to come to this place to consume alcohol. Rediculous.
We are trying to clean up this area not reverse. This is a step back
weird spot. who will be here generally?
Regular visits by law enforcement. Choose sites that are in higher income areas.
How do any of the proposed locations serve visitors to the City who visit our downtown?
What will stop people from having too much or sharing with minors? How will this site be monitored for public security and safety?
Just as noted above.
4 Designated fenced in areas of max 10x10m feels like a joke, that wouldn't compel anyone to abide by the new bylaws. Maybe it quiets the not-in-my-backyard crew. Some park benches, trees, and a parking loop for food trucks would go a long way.
I love that it's being legalized but when it comes to alcohol there's bars to consume. But smokers get a green space.... what the hell.
Did anyone even visit the site or just Maps it? There's an old adage that says the map isn't the ground. City of Calgary may wish to take that to heart.
Is there a lacrosse facility planned here? Is it near places where cannabis smoking will be prohibited indoors? Besides the Glenmore Inn.
What were the criteria used to select sites. Will there be any public meetings. Why is the councilor allowed to select sites with zero public consultation. How much will this cost? Ogden sees the local library close, yet a cannabis park is a priority?
Great location, great idea
How will the city monitor and enforce Public Intoxication?
We don't want to inhale your toxic crap spewing out. Keep that crap boxed in. You can't smoke where you want....don't care.
How about stop messing with the people who can't make to those spots. Let us smoke in public parks. If you don't you will lose a lot of peoples vote next election.
No
It seems the city is choosing to put Cannabis Consumption sites in neighbourhoods already facing challenges.
These are the areas the city should be using. Great location here.
Don't want it. Please find a use for the land that benefits our community as a whole. Want something that promotes a healthy lifestyle and freedom from addictions.
Will the police be monitoring to make sure it is only pot that is being used?
How does designating this (or other) sites impact use (both present and future) in the park. Eg. will prevent a playground or sportsfield from being added to the park. This is not addressed in the proposal and is being ignored. Want to see this answered.





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Scrap it entirely and let us consume wherever smoking is allowed or allow for cannabis cafes
If i cant drink in public or smoke a cigarette iin a public place, they can smoke pot there eithen
I'm generally against the concept of designated outdoor cannabis areas near homes of people who don't want to have to deal with it.
I don't think it is fair we don't get a decision in our neighborhood in regards to this green space being used. We just have to live what the city decides, we pay our taxes?
very shortsighted, will the city also propose open drinking sites
Please don't do this to is
This area will be become an eyesore to the area and city.
location should be have shelters and be more accesible for those in the ne
Will citizens be allowed to consume another legally available recreational substance (alcohol) at this site.
More police.don't ad to the problems here
This area is used by children in the winter for sledding down the hill. This is also a "have not" area. I would have serious concerns that illegal activities will begin here. Just legalize cannabis cafes and stop this insanity.
As we own the adjacent parking lot, I WILL NOT PERMIT any persons parking in my lot for the purpose of cannibas smoking. I need to know exactly the spot you are proposing. The red dot is on the side of a hill.
If there is such a location, will it be closely monitored by police? If there is such a location can I call the cops when my neighbor lights up in his backyard or shed and the smoke fills my back yard and I am unable to open my house windows ever??
Cigarettes smell WAY worse, why not make every cigarette smoker drive to Ogden in order to legally smoke. This is ridiculous that you are actually proposing this as a site.
Did you guys drive by this location? It's a big hill
why should my home value drop because pot heads hunging around making neighbor unsafe for children.
It really is a silly concept. Renters will just go to their backyard to consume. It's a waste of money and resources on coming up with sites such as these.
Looking forward to the installation.
with more homeless drug addicts in the neighborhood, will create more criminal activity
I think this site will work well - other than the lack of parking available
Do not understand the purpose of designated sites. What is the point? Laws should be enacted to protect renters as well as landlords.
This idea is beyond ludicrous. You expect people to get in their cars in January and drive to an empty field to have a smoke? Get real, people.
this area will cause people to drive to the area to smoke up and then when finished, will drive away high after smoking pot--the stench will be disgusting in the area particularly at the glenmore inn
The city should be reducing the amount of stores where these are available and the advertising on city corners targeting our youth
There should be NO cannabis smoking allowed in public spaces.



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How can the City of Calgary possibly say yes it is ok to use Cannabis here, and no, you cannot use alcohol here! People should not be permitted to use Cannabis in public spaces and places. Please don't do this!
Parks belong to the people - not just a few who want to use drugs in public. If drinking isn't allowed, why should cannabis be?
Unlike alcohol consumption, smoke is not something that stays in a particular place. How can you designate any public space and not adversely affect non drug users
What kind of safety measures are there, what is to happen in the winter time, will there be spots to sit or will it be an open field?
Smoking cannabis smells. And people gathering to party and the smell of cannabis should not be a burden to the adjacent residents
I disagree with having public consumption sites in any residential area and cannot see any benefit to the community or city
I do not see any part of this survey that would let me state that I am completely & utterly against public consumption sites.
I am against this proposal 100%. I sure wouldn't want to live nearby. We don't need these locations.
will there be time limits
Let people smoke where they do now, wherever that may be. Who wants a crowd of smokers gathering in one spot.
If we as a society are going to open up public areas for consumption of cannabis, it is only appropriate we make the areas open for alcohol and smoking tobacco. These are adult only products that can be limited by landlords and hotels too.
Glad it's not in my neighbourhood.
I've lived in Ogden for 35 years. I'm in support of this site location. My only concern is the crowd it might attract being close to so many low income housing units (crack heads). If monitored and used properly I fully support the idea.
How can the City of Calgary think that people will only consume at 4 public places. There are not enough police to enforce this silly bylaw.
This is not an appropriate response to legalization of cannabis. I urge the city of Calgary to rethink the 4 zones and consider making smoking and consuming cannabis to be legal at minimum where smoking cigarettes is allowed. Don't be Hippocrates.
Do children not use this area in the winter to sleigh? Whoever proposed this site is way off their rockers. Why not in Eagle Ridge, Bayview? Does Ogden not pay enough in taxes and is considered too poor a district and to heck with us?
Should be conditional, changed easily if objections are raised.
Having pot parks will increase drug trafficking. If we have pot parks why not start drinking alcohol in public?
Where do you plan to locate the public beer consumption parks?
Why would you consider creating cannabis consumption sites? We don't have public areas that are alcohol consumption sites. This is just a bad idea
It is discrimination to not allow legal access to low income people to consume a legal substance so public consumption areas are necessary.
Health and crime with the general public





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All locations: smoke at home.
Why do drug users have more rights than non-drug users.
In my opinion. There shouldn't be proposed locations. You can't drink in a city park you shouldn't be able to smoke cannabis.
THIS IS IRRESPONSIBLE. THE AWFUL SMELL OF SMOKED MARIJUANA WILL NOT BE CONTAINED IN A PARK AND WILL DRIFT TO ALL AREAS AROUND. YOU HAVE NO CONTROL ON WIND DO YOU? IS THE PERSON RUNNING THIS PROPOSAL ALREADY UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF MARIJUANA?
how will safety be monitored in the areas? How will 3 spaces for an entire city be managed? It doesn't make sense. Will there be a festival style set-up? What is the expected attendance and times? How accessible is the space & transient appeal?
How will the risk of fire be dealt with? What does the plan include in terms of setup beyond a bench and a garbage? Will the ground of the area be gravel or concrete
We don't need public spaces for cannabis.
Why are we supporting increasing air pollution through public consumption of Cannabis?
Why is this allowed but alcohol is not?
To close to general public and shopping areas.
Councillor [personal information removed] we expect you to represent us at the City level. How could you end up with the 4 proposed sites in your ward. Simply ridiculous. Be FAIR and spread the sites in 4 equal quadrants of the City.
I don't think we should do this. People should consume these products at home, not driving to a park. Putting people at risk.
This area, and the area across from it, had been reviewed as a possible soccer field location. This would be a much better use of this area.
why Ogden? industrial area, and beside a bottle depot. area is already seedy enough. make it somewhere further south.
Nil
These proposals are absolutely ridiculous. Do you really think that a person is going to get on a bus, ride across town stand in a field and get high. You people are clearly already higher than any of us. Ridiculous. Absolutely ridiculous.
How will these people get there? Driving and then driving home? Ogden road has a lot of cut threw traffic now they will be under the influence???
I am strongly opposed. Especially with that area being largely renter dominant, I don't want to drive by teenagers smoking in various forms with my kids everyday. It's a very high traffic road as well.
This is not something that would benefit the people of this community
How was this site chosen. It seems like a some what random area to me.
Smoking weed has been done in basements and the corner of parks for years. This doesn't provide positive change for the community. Make a large area, a park maybe, where people can smoke and be social.
How will you prevent underage youth from getting into these open locations?
Why not other areas closer to downtown and not an area that is try to turn around ?



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Why so little spaces ? There are more than 3 communities that have cannabis consumers
I think it's all absurd, really. But there is nothing I can do about this decision. I'm one person. But, let's try and protect our children from being exposed! I can see this how situation going south quickly for children with parents smoking, with access
Please don't waste ant more time or money on this project
Shelters ?
I'm sure it's the smell that puts people off the most, how about open up public consumption to vaping and edibles only. Modern form of consumption along with modernized legalization laws
More sites would be a good idea
Just in general it seems like there should be more locations to encourage people walking to these spots instead of driving.
Legal liability is something he citizens of Calgary are not interested in. Second hand smoke and exposing youth under 25 to it? No thanks!!
The city requires a more detailed organized program to deal with the effects of cannabis approval.
How about other areas in the City, not just SE and NE
this seems like the best of the options being proposed
I propose that the city designates [personal information removed] back yard as a consumption site since he is the only one who desires these sites. So much for his "Great Neighbourhoods" platform!
Why only the three neighbourhoods there are over 1 million people in this city.
Reasonable location
Please leave it inside Bars, like alcohol
This idea should be squashed for all public areas as what is done for alcohol.
if drinking is allowed in bars and home then maybe consider cannabis to be allowed on the exterior of the bars as then we know there are no children to be influenced and then it would be a choice for adults to go in or not.
If these locations have been designed for tourists and people living in apartments I suggest you put them downtown where tourists and many apartment dwellers woudl actually be. This seems like an out of the way spot near a lower income neighbourhood.
Cannabis should not be allowed to be consumed in public areas
If the city of calgary permits the use of public consumption sites, are the considering the risks that this may bring more explicit drug use into these communities posing a threat to residences.
This entire idea is ridiculous. No public spaces just like we don't have public alcohol parks.
Why can't marajuana be consumed in areas that are the same as alcohol and cigarettes?
Please stop this!
Public consumption of cannabis in any neighbourhood will cause problems to addicts as well as the residents of the neighbourhood.



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Was this space going to be used for a kids lacrosse club? Maybe not ideal bedfellows, and a real shame if this kind of "healthy" sports project gets left by the wayside as a result of further degeneration of the area.
The City should not be wasting Tax Payers Money on this Give your heads a shake.
if you are treating it the same as alcohol and tobacco then do that, no special benches, there are valid reasons you cannot smoke tobacco or consume marijuana in shared places such as condos and hotels
Ogden is a lower income area already challenged in many ways. Mount Royal would not be considered and Calgarian's living across the City deserve the same levels of respect, care and services.
Legalization of cannabis consumption is a bad idea to start with.
confining it to only 3 locations, and I find the choice of the three to be concerning, is unfair to those communities. either public places be designated in ALL communities or none and comply with the rules and laws that apply to liquor.
Just to reiterate same as alcohol not in public places. This proposed place is frequented by many pedestrians including youths as a walk through area. There is a well worn path and has been that way for many years.
Again, why do this in ANY area? We don't provide parks for people to drink alcohol in, it's the same idea....dumb!
should be treated the same as public consumption of alcohol
It is a joke to think that only cannabis will be the only type of drug consumed at these "consumption sites:. How will you have the manpower to police these sites?
Cannabis legalization is terrible and this is just worsening the issues that will unfold.
Bridgeland and Inglewood and further along in their re-vamp. Ogden is just starting and still have a bad reputation. I would hold off on Ogden for something like this for a few more years.
Liquor laws have licensed bars and restaurants to consume and to ensure people do not overindulge. Implement licensed smoking lounges where people can go and not expose anyone that doesn't want to be exposed to the effects of a narcotic drug.
Alcohol is not allowed to be consumed in public, outdoors, except for some festivals/Stampede. People should smoke cannabis in their own backyards/property. VERY much against this idea!!
Add a 7-Eleven nearby for munchies
Why was this location choosen. It appears previous enegement was not listen to as this space would not have been choosen
Why is [personal information removed] allowed to once again force his wishes upon the HUGE majority of Calgarians who are non pot smokers ?
There should be more
There are a dozen parks in this area and many more across the city that need playground, picnic and other family facilities installed or improved before this idea is implemented
I'd just want to ensure it doesn't turn into a night time hub where it's uninviting for casual cannabis users. You know, the Hollywoodified inner city slum with burn barrels and other congregating for less than honourable purposes. I have faith it won't
Will the area be fenced off? Will you need ID to provr youre over age?





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We do not have public alcohol consumption sites so why start with cannabis? I think this idea of public cannabis consumptions sites is ludicrous.
Will it be monitored and/or maintained? Will there be lighting for safety?
Cancel this.
This is a private property issue and not a public property issue. Please do not pander to a minority.
Why was this location chosen as an option?
Why are the proposed sites only in ward 9? For years we have been trying to shake off a negative imagine that this is not a positive step in the right direction even if it will become legal. I do not support this proposal.
This goes for all these proposed locations and any other public site offering- why? Do we offer alcohol consumption parks? Geez get real. It's legal, smoke it at home!
Big area and next to a hotel. Tourists can use here.
This is a terrible idea, driving to a park to get stoned, then drive back home? Seriously which idiot thought of this imbacilic idea? This is a terrible idea, for any park, anywhere. I will sue the city if I get hurt from a person coming from this park!
Maybe consider a safe injection site with the cannabis lounge as it would provide that extra harm reduction factor and public safety.
While I hold a neutral opinion about the legalization of marijuana, I am VEHEMENTLY opposed to the idea of a "pot park" anywhere in the city. Public consumption bylaws for marijuana should restrict its use to where tobacco AND alcohol are allowed.
all the proposed sites area joke
It will get used. Rather remote though. A second location may be required. Closer to Boardwalk apartments but then families live there & there are playgrounds. What about near Ogden Road & Milican Road, by the CN Raul bridge?
Let people smoke as same as cigarettes locations to smoke idiots.
I hope council will reconider where people can smoke marajuana and move towards and utilize the by law of where you can smoke cigarettes and make it the same as with smoking marijuana.
Who was the idiot who proposed this area?
Stupid laws are stupid laws.
I support these sites, as I support the legalization of cannabis.
Since there are sites proposed in only one ward, most will have to drive there. The fact that people will have to drive home after consuming cannabis, it is very concerning that these people will be on our roads and in many cases, driving past homes and schools.
I think this is a [offensive language removed] stupid idea. Bare field in the middle of nowhere. The field is full of gopher holes & uneven ground. Terrible for people with mobility issues. So you [offensive language removed] want us to drive there, get high & then wait there for a few hours before we drive home. WTF are you [offensive language removed] smokin?
Whose half-baked idea is this? Will you also provide outdoor parks for the consumption of alcohol? Open some weed bars, it's the obvious solution, this has got to be one of the silliest ideas I've ever heard of.



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No, keep marijuana use in the confines of that individuals home. I don't want their decisions forced on me. This is similar to asking for designated public parks to be for drinking. Silly.
If pot smokers can consume in open areas, will these same areas be allowing consumption of beer, without having to get a permit? Equal and just consideration for others must be weighed, I don't smoke or drink beer, so can I now drink my scotch in these areas without being prosecuted
There should be zero consumption sites in this city. Let them smoke their crap in their own home and that's it. The rest of the city doesn't want to smell that crap, it will make me avoid that area even more than I do already. Hey lets throw some money at it too to revitalize the area! Bad idea!!!
Completely against it.
Who is going to be responsible for keeping area clean? Thought this was designate for LRT. Who is going to monitor for illegal activity? Our police are already overworked. What about my rights as someone who hates the smell or gets nausea at the smell?
This will not stop people from smoking it in Public. As they already do
Great move by the City.
nasty locations. why not pick the land for the park-like atmosphere (sarcasm)
No there should be no public consumption allowed. Just like alcohol this should not be allowed publicly. I do not want my kids to see public consumption of pot or alcohol. Neither is acceptable publicly.
Why are you making ANY proposals for ANY public location to be used for people to become PUBLICLY intoxicated? What is the benefit to the City of Calgary for this proposal? NOTHING positive has been indicated yet!!
Why is cannabis being regarded as an illegal substance still regardless of the fact that is becoming legal?
Everyone is entitled to smoke free environment. Smoke knows no boundaries. Smoke â€œinâ€• your home. If you are not home and not taking public transit, odds are you are driving.
I hope they really reconsider make any consumption sites the idea is a terrible and not beneficial to the community. Will home owners be given tax breaks as it drives the property values down.
The city needs to get thier heads out the proverbial A** on this file!!
It's a waste of tax money
We will ALWAYS continue to use where we please and will continue to purchase where affordable and NOT the bunk government garbage! Theres also a playground just north of the so called smoking area in Ogden that will easily have smoke blowing to it when wind is blowing from south, but the industrial
You need more
Put it in one if your new communitys not all the old communities u always propose these things in older communities like they have nothing else to compeate with give this area something good - why disnt we get the lacrosse centre or the something more child friendly
Who is going to regulate behavior? Who is going to make sure people don't drive away from these sites completely impaired? The proposed one for Ogden is very, very close to





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residential. Who is going to keep our people safe? People in this neighborhood are bad enough for running stop signs ahead
Yes - the site is designated for the development of an indoor recreation facility [lacrosse] which is currently in the planning stages. Will a cannabis consumption designation block the development of the lacrosse facility. Also the escarpment is used as a toboggan hill.
No location is necessary, this is a waste of council's time
Bad idea overall why do people need a designated space to smoke pot in public. they should use in their own homes. You can not walk around with alcohol in public so why pot. How are you going to keep children and teens out of the area? Garbage left around
personal information removed]promotes Great Communities and community consultation - how did he get away with giving away Ogden space without community consultation. Simply unacceptable. Need to retract his offer of giving up our community as guinea pigs. No need as cannabis lounges are soon to appear.
There should be no public consumption areas for cannabis.
Be patient. Cannabis bars will happen if it proves to be lucrative. Let the entrepreneurs provide solutions to this supposed problem. It should not be the city's responsibility.
This process is completely flawed. There are no citizens who are going to think it is a good idea to send all of the citizens to four parks to smoke a legal substance. Please advocate with the provincial government to change the rules. This is not enforceable. Treat it like alcohol or tobacco.
Rethink this idiocy.
Why is this an option. The proposed area(s) should be centrally located or near the river for easy consumption.
None, I support this location
How are you going to regulate the use to people?
Is anybody welcome to enter the park?
"Green space" appears to be a shipping container storage lot.
I do not think a public cannabis consumption site is good idea anywhere in the city. There are liabilities that I am not sure the city should or wants to take on.
As per above, the thought of condoning public consumption of a legal, but noxious substance is abhorrent! I get headaches from the slightest whiff of pot. I'm very concerned about it becoming legal and if might mean I have to sell my house if neighbours smoke...never mind encouraging mass smoking!
Why have these designated areas? Stupid idea! I doubt people will use them. Just let pot smokers smoke wherever cigarette smokers are allowed to light up.
This is a poor working class neighbourhood. People are going to smoke pot, and can't afford to feed their kids. Have to use food bank. We have to get rid of [personal information removed]. He's a [language removed].
Why not have drinking so we can have one big party?



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