

68 Street N.E. Roundabout

Feedback from Engagement Process

As a part of Council Priorities within “a well-run-city “and our promise to stakeholders made in the engage! Framework, the report back process informs stakeholders about what we heard from them and how that information will be used in the decision making process.

Project overview: The City of Calgary would like to implement an operational improvement at the intersection of 68 Street N.E. and Monterey Square in order to provide safe access into the communities south of 16 Avenue N.E. The roundabout will create a legal u-turn to replace U-turn activity that is already taking place through the shopping centre.

The intent is also to increase safety by reducing the number of people making an illegal and dangerous left turn at 68 Street S.E. after exiting Stoney Trail onto 16 Avenue heading west.

There is an opportunity to present this possible solution to the public for feedback and to listen to additional suggestions.

Engagement overview: Engagement occurred via three formats.

The City held a public open house on May 13, 2015 to give citizens an opportunity to see the proposed plans for the roundabout. The public was also able to view a video demonstrating the flow of traffic in a roundabout of the type under consideration. There was an opportunity to complete a feedback form at that time. There were 220 people who attend the session. Of those in attendance 157 completed the feedback form. The public was notified about the Open House via Bold Signs and electronic signs in neighbourhood and a mail drop to homes and businesses adjacent to proposed roundabout.

Public input was also available online in two formats. From May 1-June 4, 2015 citizens could post their thoughts to the Disqus online forum. We received 201 posts and they are attached in verbatim format. (pg. 37)

From May 14-June 4, 2015 a survey was available for input, which asked the same questions as those at the open house. Ninety-eight citizens participated in this online format.

Sixteen emails were received from the Councillor’s office.

Decision being made: Should we proceed with building a roundabout on 68 Street N.E. at Monterrey Shopping Centre?

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What we asked stakeholders:

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Feedback Summary

The following are the key themes that were identified in the feedback received from all sources:

- Creating a proper overpass lane to accommodate traffic from Stoney Trail to 68th Street.
- Cost of this project.
- Traffic circles are unsafe.
- Proper signage at McKnight and Memorial to make drivers aware that there is no access to 68 Street from 16th Avenue NE
- Calgarian's are not used to traffic circles and would need to be educated.
- Roundabout does not address the real issue.

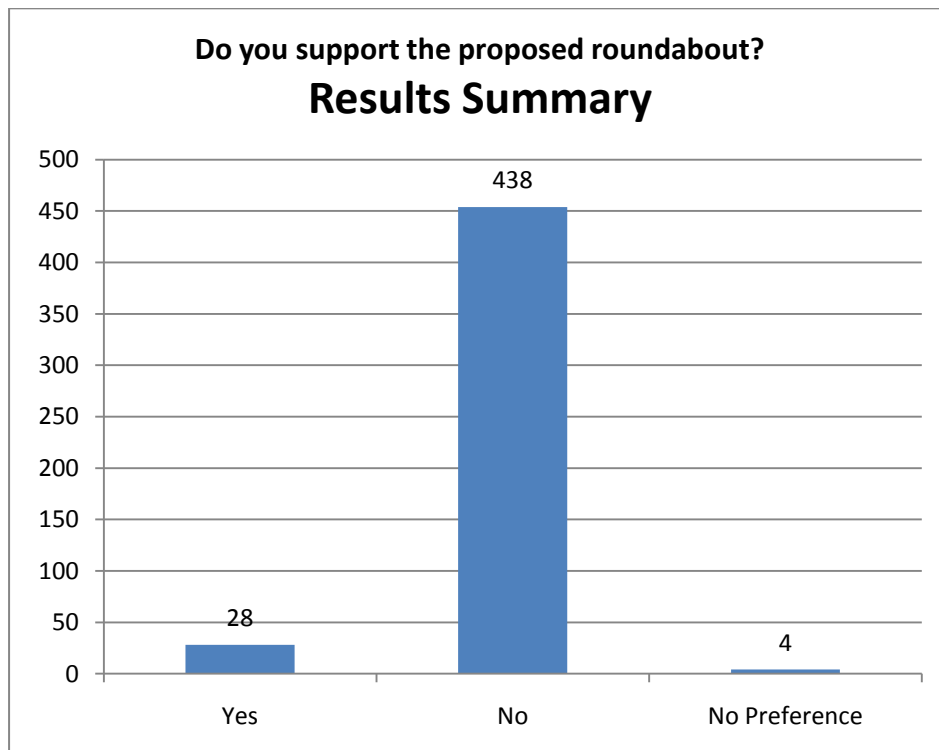
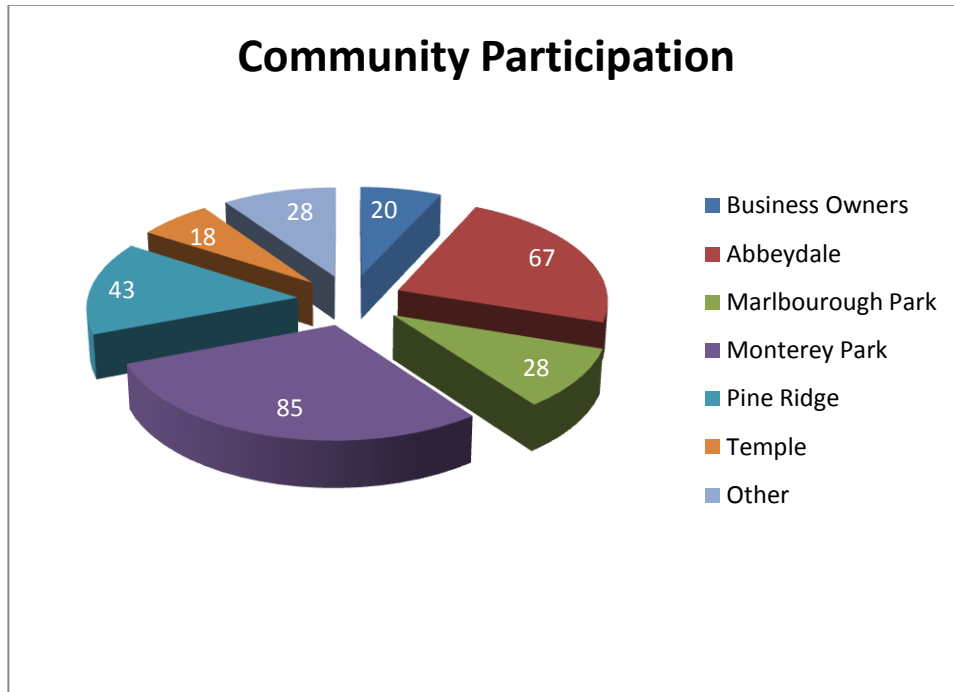
Decision

The City of Calgary has made the decision not to proceed with the proposal to build a roundabout at 68 Street and Monterey Park N.E. The feedback received during public consultation was overwhelmingly opposed to the project. The City considered the lack of public support during their decision making process on whether to proceed with the project.

The Transportation Department will explore other options to improve safety in this area. They will continue to identify the interchange project at Trans Canada Highway and 68 Street N.E. in the Transportation Infrastructure Investment Plan (TIIP) process as a candidate project. (The most recent 2015-2024 TIIP update did not include this project in the 10-year funded or un-funded program.)

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The verbatim feedback below was received at the Open House and online via a Fluid Survey posted from May 14, 2015-June 4, 2014

Q3. What do you like about the proposed roundabout on 68 Street NE?

- I understand the problem caused by Stoney Trail interchange and it for some reason isn't fixable. I think this is a good option B. I really like roundabouts.
- I like that it is in fact a roundabout, over options like traffic signals, and other options. I like that there appear to be nice pedestrian crossings.
- I think that if it worked properly and people understood how to do a roundabout it would work.
- It would curb drivers pulling into the shopping centre and making u-turns in front of people actually accessing the shopping centre.
- The fact that the city is actually looking to improve and make the N.E roads safer.
- It is good to see the City is actively looking for a solution but may have mis-calculated the volumes of traffic looking to come off Stoney and go South on 68 St. Drivers look for the simplest and most direct route to their destination. When obstacles are in their way shortcuts will be taken with little regard for the risk. Was consideration given to posting signs on Stoney prior to 17 Ave SE and again prior to the 16 Ave NE exit?
- I don't agree with it
- Nothing (Repeated 93 times)
- Nothing, it is a very idiotic idea!!
- There is nothing that I like about the proposed roundabout on 68 St. N.E. For one thing this looks like a band-aid fix for the mistakes that were made on making of Stoney Trail road.
- Nothing = more accidents
- I think this is a terrible idea. People in our area of the city don't know how to drive with the lights that are already there. Why do we want to add something that most people can't understand. A roundabout will cause more collisions then there is now. There are not that many accidents in these areas unless you include the YEILD from East bound 16th to Northbound 52nd. I am against a round about as it will only serve to further slow traffic in our area of town.
- Nothing, BAD IDEA fix 16 & 68.
- Nothing, there's no thought in this idea. What are you people doing go back and find a way to reopen 16 ave south on 68 th. Wasted money our money
- There is not much to like about a badly planned and conceived idea. Listen the community who uses this area regularly.
- Nothing. Many concerns and lack faith in Calgary traffic planners. Examples: Double diamond interchanges (protests ignored, now most dangerous intersections in the city), Termination/Detours of northbound Center street and 68th St NE, Deerfoot exits, Stony at 16th (just completed and no south bound turn lane), etc. etc, etc.
- Nothing. Access to 68 st south should be posted as NO ACCESS when traveling north at 17ave exit and when traveling south at McKnight exit
- Nothing. Currently I exit Stoney at McKnight when needing to go south of 16th on 68st. With the proposed traffic circle I would go to 17th ave to avoid it. Unfortunately that doesn't help me for my regular trips up and down 68th that have nothing to do with Stony Trail which will be harder to avoid.
- There is not anything I like about the idea of the round about.

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- I do not like the proposed roundabout solution.
- Traffic keeps moving – no stopping
- Please don't make this happen. A round-a-bout will confuse people, and cause more traffic jams. While a round-a-bout is a great idea, there are many drivers who are uncomfortable or unfamiliar with it, and more who don't use it correctly. You are going to build something that spends millions of dollars in the hopes of decreasing accidents when it will only make matters worse. I'm sure accidents happen, but you would think if it is such a problem that those who live around here would have taken notice, and for most of us we haven't. I drive this road very frequently as my mother lives in Marlborough Park, and this will cause too many issues, especially with the drivers that are new to our country and I feel that it will cause more issues than solve. I think making the left turn lane off of 16th would be a more appropriate solution to this. I found it really odd that they would not have planned for this during the design phase. Could we not just take out the blockade enough so that there was a safe distance to change lanes and pull into the turn lane?? This is a poor idea, and I really hope it doesn't go through.
- No, there isn't anything I like about it. ☹️ You are trying to fix a broken arm with a bandaid. It's just going to get worse.
- I do not like anything about the roundabout.
- It does nothing to prevent the turning onto 68th still.
- Absolutely NOTHING. I think this will be dangerous to both drivers/vehicles and pedestrians – you cannot teach most drivers to use a traffic circle (and I for one don't like using them as I find them confusing and stressful). If this plan goes through, I will no longer use the Monterey Square shopping centre (as I can see by reading the posts on this that a lot of people have the same opinion) and this will greatly affect all businesses in that mall. I have lived in Abbeydale for almost 30 years and the way the City planning screwed up Stony Trail turn off North on 68th was a HUGE pain and major laugh. We use the "illegal" u turn into the mall down to McDonalds and back out to get to Abbeydale – much easier and safer and no congestion to do so. City of Calgary – listen to the people who live and work in this area and respect us and our decisions. The Nussli Family – Abbeydale NE
- to access 68 Street South from Stony Trail no longer have to go into shopping centre to turn around
- Nothing- taking one problem and changing it into another problem – result- the same problem. You just moved a bad situation.
- Mutton headed will cause chaos.
- Nothing. This does not make sense.
- I am not for the roundabout at all. NO.
- I DO NOT LIKE THE PROPOSED ROUNDABOUT. NOTHING.
- It's stupid and waste of money.
- Not much.
- Nothing. Not called for. If people are making illegal u-turns, raise the price of the ticket to \$500.00.
- Bad idea, people already don't know how to drive. Traffic circles are a disaster waiting to happen. This will make it worse.
- Not a good idea but need something.
- I don't like anything about it.
- If you had designed the lanes (turning lanes) properly this would not be necessary.
- There is nothing I like about this.
- Nothing Poor planning on Stony Trail in the first place!
- I do not like this idea.
- Concept is good but not practical

Verbatim Responses

- Focus on improvements, safety.
- Not a good , actually a terrible idea. Like nothing.
- Really nothing
- Nothing- It's just way to spend millions to put in a RA at shopping centre entrance. It is not anyway to make 68 South accessible the way it was prior to having that exit blocked to go south on 68 st.
- Not much it is another ill conceived issue
- Very little.
- Not like it
- Your nuts.
- I hope it increases traffic flow
- Not having to go through the parking lot.
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- Used properly traffic will flow better.
- Its a waste of money and horrible planning.
- allowing you to exit from stoney trail and be able to turn onto south bound 68th ST, instead of me haveing to exit at McKnight or 17th Ave.
- nothing, it is a very bad idea. When the ring road was being designed we strongly objected to the fact that there would be no left turn lane onto 68th – telling us to simply use 17th or McKnight is ridiculous – our house backs onto 16th avenue, so we are only one block off of 16th. Please don't ever think that having to go out of our way because of the poor design of this intersection is ever going to be accepted.
- I think this is a crazy idea
- This is a brutal design. It makes it hard for me to work, my income will be diminished greatly as kind folks won't help a guy out on his luck.
- Nothing – it seems like a bad idea. Businesses in Monterey Square will lose customers.
- absolutely nothing
- waste of time and money
- Don't like the proposed roundabout on 68 street bad idea.
- Do not like the proposal
- I don't like the proposal
- Nothing it will just create a traffic nightmare and back traffic up in the shopping center and for the traffic heading south on 68th
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- It will be easier than going through the shopping center.
- Most stupid thing engineers think of it will not help traffic it will kill people.
- Waste of money, won't work properly.
- Not one thing.
- Nothing – This is a huge waste of money.
- Not much.
- I do not like anything about the proposed roundabout @ 68 st NE
- I don't think it's a good idea.
- I don't like anything about the roundabout.
- I am not in favor of this proposed roundabout. I think it is a waste of tax payers money. The city planners need to go back to the drawing board. There has got to be a better solution even if it is just a temporary solution until a overpass goes in.

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- Nothing!!!! This is the worst idea ever
- I do not like it.
- Absolutely ridiculous. Based on current traffic, when exiting the shopping plaza the left turn lane onto 16 Avenue is backed up to the current light. With free flowing traffic around the circle I believe this will end up with the circle being filled and no one will be moving anywhere. I would hate to see this in the winter. I have been in this area since 1992 and have NEVER seen an accident at this particular location. Over a year ago I called to complain about the influx of traffic onto 16 Avenue via Stoney Trail. I received ONE phone call 4 months after I complained and there has been NOTHING since. The problem on 16 Ave. has only gotten worse. Spend our money putting in the third lane both east and west bound all the way to 19 Street and perhaps u-turns will stop as people will be able to travel to 52 Str. Without sitting in a stand still line of traffic. For those making the illegal u-turns, etc. put in a couple cameras (a whole lot cheaper) and nail them instead of the rest of the city for a couple million dollars.
- Nothing. A round about is not necessary. The Left Turn lane on W.B. 16th ave to 68th ST south was butchered when Stoney Trail went in.
- Nothing, it should not be done, as most people who have voiced their opinion on this subject it would be a very big waste of tax payers money.
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- I like that we're trying to find a solution to drivers needing to travel South from Stoney onto 68th.
- ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! IT'S REDICULOUS!
- I like NOTHING about it. But it fits in well with someone's ideas of "traffic calming". Along with lane closures, other roundabouts and bike paths, it slows down vehicle traffic throughout the city. It seems a few city Councillors and planners have thought this a good idea, and have been doing it for a few years. I STRONGLY disagree.
- Sorry – I don't like anything about it. I try to be more balanced in my evaluations but I cannot think of a benefit. I suppose the only possible benefit is that it would save the folks coming off Stoney Trail and wanting to head south on 68 street at good 200 metres of driving through a parking lot. Perhaps a saving of one to two minutes of their time. Of course they could come off Stoney Trail at 17th avenue instead and go north from there.
- Do not like.
- Nothing – I think it is a terrible idea!
- Nothing at all, terrible idea.
- Nothing It will cause confusion and slower times than at present to exit 16th ave either East or West
- Nothing, it's a bad idea.
- I think it's horrible, and will cause lots of accidents.
- Nothing –NE is a highly ethnic community with poor driver I.Q.
- Nothing – there is a better, safer cheaper solution (see below).
- Not suitable.
- Available to us from Catalina Blvd.
- Nothing – Should just go ahead and build a proper interchange @ 16th & 68th. Too bad wasn't done early.
- Don't agree with it.
- None. The roundabout is a very tight configuration. Pedestrians will cause back up and possible more accidents. Concerned about safety of pedestrians.
- There is nothing to like. It appears ill conceived and poorly thought out.
- I don't like it at all. I drive a city bus and any traffic circle I've driven through has been a problem.

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- I like how a solution is proposed for this problem. Unfortunately, traffic circles work only in residential/ lower traffic areas.
- To me unsafe.
- Not very good.
- No it does not work at all.
- A traffic circle or roundabout is a terrible idea.
- Don't like
- Do not like it at all.
- I think it is one of the worst suggestions I have heard. The traffic at this time with lights at rush hour causes a lot of backup . The roundabout will cause more problems and very dangerous for drivers to move over and to make a complete 360 degree turn to go South on 68th.
- Nothing. Waste of time.
- Not much
- Not much
- Putting a bandage on something that needs fixing.
- Good proposal to prevent accidents
- I don't like it.
- Ridiculous
- No I do not like it
- Is not a good idea not enough room to make a circle to accommodate large trucks going into mall
- NO
- Nothing; I think traffic will back up severely on 68th St. Pedestrians crossing 68th Street will only add to the backup as traffic will not be able to flow through.
- Nothing Poor planning – your idea will make things worse!! The lights work fine to enter shopping area. Leave it alone.
- Nothing to like about this proposal.
- No waiting when coming out of McDonalds.
- I believe it will help that intersection.
- More efficient way of moving traffic.
- Great! Traffic flows better. People can look each other in the eye. Once you are used to this you would want more of them in the city.
- I guess it lets traffic make a U-turn coming off Stoney Trail and 16th ave.
- My wife and I are not very pleased with the proposal due to the fact that during rush hours it will create a congestion of traffic and will slow down the flow for people living in this area, all because when the Stoney Trail was designed, they forgot about traffic going south on 68th. Street. We would also like to bring to your attention that in our opinion you will be also hurting all the small businesses even more than the larger ones in Monterey Square. We will most definitely endeavour to detour ourselves from ever visiting/shopping at Monterey Square. All this because you are trying to make up for previous mistakes on the backs of the residents of Monterey Park and area.
- Keeps traffic moving on southbound 68 St.
- BAD IDEA I THINK
- If the traffic can be timed then it could be a superior idea to a terrible intersection. I think pedestrians will like it also.
- Absolutely nothing. The people trying to make the turn south onto 68 street that are using Stoney Trail should: 1. Either turn off at McKnight Blvd and head south along 68th Street or 2. Turn off at the 17th Ave SE and then turn north off of 17 Ave. This is a Provincial Highway for moving goods and

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services from the south to the north and vice versa, NOT a internal road system for the City of Calgary to use and abuse like the rest of 16th Avenue.

- Very little! I am dead set against compromising pedestrian safety for effective vehicular management.
- I am not in favore of this round about.
- Roundabouts in the right place can be a good thing – e.g. 68 St NE at 64 Ave N.E. (...but this proposed one isn't the right place)
- Bad Idea
- Nothing!!! This is a ridiculous fix for a problem that should have been addressed 30 years ago. Build the clover leaf at 16th Ave and 68th Street.
- Nothing – Will increase accidents
- I do not like anything about this proposal.
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- Not a good idea.
- The jury is still out on roundabouts. They seem to work better in low traffic volumes. Edmonton got rid of quite a few, now bringing in high volume solutions. Don't see it working at this intersection.
- Nothing.
- Absolutely nothing! (Traffic is now unable to cross 16 to the turn lane to go South and signage should indicate this on Stoney Trail well before 16 ave many times.
- Nothing waste of money.
- I don't like it. Traffic is fine as it is. As far as 16 Ave. Whoever built Stoney Trail should have foreseen a problem.
- *Dislike* This is going to cause more of a problem than there already is. If our government planners had thought things out better w would not need a roundabout. To put it in this site is wrong.
- I like that there was an open house.
- Open house is welcome, good way to inform the community. The idea is dangerous to pedestrians and motorists.
- I do not agree on any part of the project, there must be another solution to it.
- Nothing. It will not solve any traffic problems.
- Absolutely nothing!
- That the city is considering other options for traffic off of 16th/Stoney.
- It only cost 3 million
- Nothing!! This is a dumb fucking idea and if Calgary builds this the terrorists will win.
- There is nothing to like! Do not agree with the advantages the city claims.
- I think it is a great idea
- Basically nothing. I have lived in this area for 30 years and I can honestly say that I have no faith that people in general will be able to navigate this traffic circle without causing more collisions and fender-bender's.

Q5. What concerns do you have about the proposed roundabout on 68 Street NE?

- There are too many drivers not used to roundabouts, are afraid of them, or are not aware of the rules. Education of the rules of the road are not working, as we can see everyday. The flashing pedestrian lights entering and exiting Monterey Square will only cause traffic backups and numerous rear-end collisions, as drivers are looking into the roundabout, and not aware that the traffic has suddenly stopped ahead of them.

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- 1. Slow down traffic 2. In winter snow will make it difficult to see road 3. In Calgary, traffic circles are not well adapted to 4. Traffic will be backed up going North due to slow down 5. "from North turning left will block North bound traffic
- This is a high congestion area especially at rush hour. It would be next to impossible to get out of the mall area and if pedestrians attempted to cross 68 St., they would greatly hamper the flow of traffic. Not to mention that Calgary drivers don't know how to navigate traffic circles. The distance from 16 ave. is not large enough to accommodate a large enough traffic circle to improve traffic flow. The Mall businesses will suffer. I used to be a business owner in the mall, I am very glad that it has been sold as this proposal would greatly affect the bottom line. This would be a huge injustice to the community.
- traffic congestion will get worse on northbound and southbound 68th, exiting the shopping centre will be a horrific experience, waiting, waiting, and then a mad dash in front of approaching cars to turn left
- The engineers who come up with the plan for a No Turn access off of Stoney Trail onto 16th Ave. Should have implemented a access turn off onto 68st. South at the time of doing all this planning. That was a big mistake on there part. If a private sector had done this they would have been Fired!!! A city engineer does this & gets a promotion. There is something wrong with this picture. If you think that there is accidents now, you just wait & see there will be multiple more as most people do not know how to use A Roundabout.
- 68th Street North bound already gets very backed up during rush hour and it would get much worse if there was a round-about. Personally I would make a point of shopping elsewhere just to avoid having to navigate the round-about. Save the money spent on the round-about and put it towards the future overpass that needs to happen at 16th Ave and 68th Street.
- Mostly the angry people (For your folks working today, well done. You deserve a day off/or at least a good amount of chocolate/coffee). Educating people on how to use a roundabout.
- People do not know how to yield. Most people do not know the difference between yield and merge. Increased pedestrian accidents.
- Traffic tie ups from drivers not understanding how to drive it. Increase pedestrian accidents.
- The concern i have is it will not function as planned. The driver's in this and most other cities in north america donot know how to operate a traffic circle. If the main concern is about illegal u-turns at this intersection, my proposal is another exit ramp from south bound Stoney Trail to southbound 68th. st. This could be done just after the west bound exit to 16th. ave.
- Worse traffic tie-ups on 68th St S - More accidents because people are chicken sh** and are hesitant to go - Increased pedestrian accidents
- that intersection is already very busy during rush hour. this intersection may be a high accident intersection now but with two lanes merging into the roundabout and the general public in this city unable to fathom how a roundabout is supposed to work I can see that there will be more accidents rather than less. Why not have southbound traffic on stoney trail directed to 17th ave where they can come north to get to the communitis affected by the shutdown of the left turn for southbound stoney traffic?
- most drivers do not use a roundabout properly and this would just make 68th street a nightmare
- Stop wasting my tax dollars and put in the overpass that we were promises 30 years ago. This should have been an integrated design when Stoney Trail was being proposed. With a little creative engineering we could have solved this issue. We just need a couple of simple exits up to an overpass so that traffic flows properly. I do not support a traffic circle. So Stop Wasting My Money.
- I do not like that it is a multi-lane roundabout without being a Dutch style turbo roundabout. I also do not like that it fails to have an annular cycle path with priority over car traffic around the

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roundabout, like Dutch roundabouts have. I have concerns that the option of reducing the number of lanes on the approach to one in each direction, with bus bays, has not been taken as well. One lane roundabouts work even better than two lane roundabouts.

- Everything. traffic on 68st too heavy and fast for this. Ped's have a hard time now trying to get across 68st as it is.
- Drivers don't know how to yield! More waiting to enter roundabout than at traffic signal. More accidents will occur. More tie-ups on 68th St.
- Waste of \$ - intersection only busy at rush hour- people don't know how to drive circles.
- may not do what it is supposed to do!
- People can't drive with lights. People don't know how to properly use a roundabout. Will slow traffic down.
- Killing pedestrians & more accidents.
- wont work
- It is not acceptable to move the problem rather than to address it head on. The 68th and 16th project was very poorly planned and I hope the engineer responsible is not in charge of any future projects. There should be a public apology for wasting our tax dollars. I would like to see the actual stats of why that intersection is unsafe - IE if you took down the barrier and let people turn south legally would there really be accidents? Surely there are other ways to help like lowering the speed limit for a small portion of the road to allow people to get safely across to turn south. It seems like there is more than enough room so just take down the barrier! Put up extra safety signs, etc. Don't waste our tax payers dollars again!!
- there is only one way to leave the shopping centre, and it would be dangerous and take forever to be able to cross over the high traffic to go south.
- Traffic jams, no matter what your facts say they don't drive this route and know nothing of the area. Pedestrians that use these lights everyday what happens to them? Again no thought behind this
- This is a busy intersection. The lights provide a safe, effective means for traffic to flow. A traffic circle will not provide the same safety and during especially busy times - such as rush hour - will become a dangerous, nightmarish mess. I drive this road daily and I've never once been fearful of this intersection - and to be honest in the 17 years I've been driving - I've seen only 2 accidents here. Results of someone who couldn't wait for the light on 68th the be red before they turned right into 68th N. I will be certain to avoid this road if a circle is constructed. This is a gross overreaction to a small problem. And quite frankly, if Stoney Trail and 16th Ave is the issue, then that is what should be examined and rectified.
- I think this is a terrible idea. Roundabouts are common in many countries and one time were plentiful in Edmonton. To the unfamiliar they are a disaster in the making. Ask anyone who has ever driven in Europe from Canada and they will say they are dangerous and frightening. I believe they cause chaos and slow the traffic flow. Build the long needed and promised overpass and improve signage on Stoney Trail. Ticket and fine heavily the law breakers! USE THE TAX PAYERS MONEY WISELY ! please
- A traffic circle on 68th Street NE traffic circle is a terrible idea. It's a variation of the double diamond intersections which are the most dangerous intersections in Calgary. 68th is a mess already, this will add to it's design problems. Traffic circles are used to slow traffic on Calgary's residential streets. The intersection at #1 Trans-Canada highway & 68th St is inadequate in several directions, which backs up traffic to the intersection in question. How well does a traffic circle handle gridlock? What happens to the circle when an overpass at the Trans-Canada Highway is built? Do taxpayers get to pay again to take it out? Why make access to existing shopping worse? Poor road planning wasn't their fault. Is this really as bad a problem as is being portrayed? I don't know how often this occurs,

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but I've never seen the alleged U-turn problem occur since Stony opened. I've seen vehicles turn into Co-Op, circle the Petro-Can station and proceed south. Why not add some signage, pay the owner's of that route compensation for the city's bad planning and save the cost of an unneeded/unwanted stunted traffic-circle? As a bonus, it may bring some additional business traffic.

- The increased traffic congestion, and the fact that some people just do not know how to navigate a traffic circle. Trying to make a left turn from 68th into the mall looks impossible. If the traffic circle were to be put into place I can guarantee that I will no longer be shopping in that mall, which is unfortunate for business owners.
- This still does not help travelers driving west bound on 16 ave trying to turn north on 68 st. This is a major intersection on the Trans Canada high way that should not be closed again.
- Traffic circles are difficult to navigate and impede the flow of traffic. Everyone has to slow down to be able to navigate through them safely. As well, your video simulation made it look very difficult to get out of the mall. If you, as the city, insist on putting in a traffic circle the best thing you can do is have it controlled by lights (each entrance has a light so three sets here) so that rather than trying to find an open spot to go you have a designated time to go (I have seen this in other countries that mistakenly thought a traffic circle was a good idea - even there it was a hassle but better than no controls). A better idea would be to make a "left" turn lane on north bound 68st at that intersection controlled with a turning light. When they have their turn light on they can do a U-turn. The only issue I see with this scenario is that you may not be able to make the u-turn lane long enough for the amount of traffic wishing to use it. That said, it's far better than a traffic circle.
- Most people do not know how to use a round about. It's an accident waiting to happen. It will do nothing to fix the problem.
- CONFUSION, ACCIDENTS I HATE THEM AND AVOID THEM.
- More accidents as people tend to get confused on roundabouts. Have seen it first hand in Edmonton. Also, miss direction, driver's must go north to go south.??
- Cost - The 16th and 68th street interchange should've been done properly
- This is something that typically would work, however, this is just too close to "high" volume roads and it will cause more congestion and it will cause more accidents, definitely in the beginning. Talking to a number of people in my office about this situation, about 60% of them have never used one and said they wouldn't know what to do if they came across one....
- I have lived in Temple for about 10 years now. I use that intersection A LOT. If you go ahead with this roundabout there is going to be MORE accidents especially with the pedestrian crossing across 68 Street, AND 'added' congestion with less control over traffic (ie. lights currently there) as 68 Street going North backs up all the way to 16 Avenue, which I might point out is 'another' short intersection. Currently vehicles can't all turn onto 68 Street to go North from 16 Avenue going East and causes long line-ups. People are going to get MORE impatient and this problem is only going to get BIGGER. On The City of Calgary's Engage page you say, just because there is "activity that is ALREADY taking place through the shopping centre" does NOT give it justification to put a roundabout there." AND the 'benefits', you say, would be to "Increase safety by reducing the number of people making an illegal and dangerous left turn at 68 Street N.E. after exiting Stony Trail onto 16 Avenue heading west." Dangerous, yes, at times; but illegal, no. I did not see a sign that makes it illegal to make a left hand turn there, or know of a traffic rule that says you can't. Let's just say what it really is, the use of the left hand turn and the distance to the 16 Avenue intersection was over-looked / under-estimated when you built Stony Trail. Okay. I got it. Let's fix the REAL issue then. PLEASE see my suggestions in the Comments section.
- People have no clue how a roundabout works! If this was implemented, it would need to be manned so that people doing it wrong are taught how to do it right! Plus the level of traffic in that area is

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way too much for a roundabout. I also think that people will have difficulty getting out of the shopping plaza. I shop there daily and see how it now gets backed up. I think this will make it worse.

- Many drivers in the N.E. already disobey red lights, and other traffic signals. (Stop signs, left turn advance green lights, no U turn signs, etc.) I speak from the experience of daily driving for the last 35 years (being a resident of Pineridge and Temple.) A new type of intersection will cause confusion and more accidents. What happens in winter when the lines on the road are not visible? Who is likely to provide education to daily drivers of this new intersection?
- This proposal is typical for residents of this area who receive 2nd class solutions to our problems, eg above ground LRT along 36 St. We do not have a problem at 68th and the shopping centre now, but this ill-advised proposal will certainly create one. The traffic already backs up there in the afternoon rush hour with the east bound turn lanes from 16th Av to North bound 68 St. Make it a roundabout and I can only guess at the traffic jam it will cause. Leave well enough alone. Fix the area that is the problem.
- Many Calgarians do not know how to use roundabouts. I think that the roundabout will require many large signs explaining the right of way of the cars currently on the roundabout, explain that cars entering must yield. I like the plan to improve traffic flow to make it safer and more efficient but I think there will be a long learning curve before everyone who uses the roundabout daily understands the rules of the roundabout
- There will be a good amount of vehicles affected, now N and S bound traffic will be rather severally impacted for those that cut through the shopping center. It will be interesting to observe the drivers as roundabouts are not very common in Calgary. The regulars will get used to it and those that unexpectedly come up to it will probably make it interesting and possibly panic. Will already impatient drivers be mindful and courteous or drive as is commonly seen to take advantage and get a position up on another vehicle and hope to get to the front of the line. Will the City increase the amount of Green light time for N and S bound traffic as this will affect the success, there are times now when the traffic is backed up to get over or onto 16 Ave.
- 1. That traffic turning from Southbound 68th to eastbound 16th will back up & block the traffic circle during Am & PM rush hour 2. That people not knowing how to navigate a traffic circle will create more accidents including vehicle vs. pedestrian 3. That we are spend 2-3 million to benefit a few lazy people south of 16th 4. Many other points that I will post online
- Further congestion as people get used to using it, not everyone knows how to drive one
- i dont like traffic circles, who ever designed the turn off from stoney trail to 68 street should have thought of having a turning lane to go south on 68 street, to begin with
- What I just said - so typing again: I think this will be dangerous to both drivers/vehicles and pedestrians - you cannot teach most drivers to use a traffic circle (and I for one don't like using them as I find them confusing and stressful). If this plan goes through, I will no longer use the Monterey Square shopping centre (as I can see by reading the posts on this that a lot of people have the same opinion) and this will greatly affect all businesses in that mall. City of Calgary - listen to the people who live and work in this area and respect us and our decisions. The Nussli Family - Abbeydale NE
- Drivers don't know how to merge let alone use a traffic circle. You will always have a bottleneck since it is a very busy intersection now and the only way to get out of the shopping center. The shopping center will lose business from people who don't have time to sit around and wait for a bunch of idiots who don't know how to work a traffic circle.
- It will create more confusion, and roundabouts are used if there is not that much traffic in the area. Well 68th street is a busy street so during rush hour it will be impossible to maneuver in and out of the shopping center. A bridge should be build at 68th st and 16 ave to fix the problem. This is a very

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bad idea and i 100% do not support it. Also the business in the shopping center will be loosing me as their customer seeing how if the roundabout does happen i will be no longer shopping there.

- People accessing Abbeydale can now sit in a "roundabout" waiting for an opening. BRILLIANT SOLUTION - Just admit your planners at the city screwed up over at 16th and 68th years ago and this is not the solution. How about an overpass at 16th and 68th like normal communities. Sorry I feel like we are totally being discriminated against because we live in the NE aka "the Hood".
- Roundabouts have proved worthless/stupid throughout the world.
- This will tie up traffic. Is dangerous to pedestrians. These businesses will loose patrons because I will go somewhere I can enter and exit easily.
- 1. Pedestrian safety 2. Drivers are inconsiderate trying to get into the roundabout and get in the lane you want will be a nightmare.
- It is going to create more accidents. Pedestrian safety. Any I trying to exit from the Monterey Shopping Centre to try to attempt to get on the roundabout to come back down 68th st to Abbeydale is going to be just about impossible. All businesses in Monterey strip mall will suffer business wise.
- Lights work fine, just need to be set better.
- Get into the roundabout after leaving co-op.
- I really think this roundabout will tie up traffic. In the presentation a grey car is heading west and needs to make a left turn onto the roundabout to head South on 68th. The driver is cautious but takes a long time to finally enter the roundabout. Imagine if 4 people are behind the grey car beeping!! The scenario does not reflect rush hour traffic going South on 68th.
- Traffic back-up. Roundabouts are tricky. Why are we spending the tax money on something that's not required.
- Traffic, drivers who don't know how to merge on roundabouts.
- Safety Congestion of traffic Into and out of the shopping centre sucks but is working fine
- Older people will avoid it as it is too confusing for them. Not very many people know how to use them. I can see a lot of accidents. Worry about the pedestrians. We have a lot of people new to the city in the NE who have traffic driving on straight roads - this will not work for them. This includes people from the farms who shop at the edge of the city.
- Guaranteed more accidents as no one is knowing how to use roundabout. Very poor planning. These meeting are just a formality to let the minions speak. Looks like it's already a done deal.
- Turning South out of Monterey will be impossible.
- Traffic, pedestrians, accidents, flow.
- People will still want to cross over to turn left on 68 St.
- Will not change driving habits of those who choose to make illegal left hand turns from 16 Ave to 68 St. Why would it?
- More accident, traffic backed up people don't know how to use roundabout open the 16th turning lane! What was the number of accidents before the close off of that lane your reason was speed @ 90 now it's 70 save your money - open the lane.
- Construction delays. This should be brought to a public vote so all people affected know. Not hold an "info" session so all unaware residents and daily users are blindsided by a ill advised plan to add a bandaid.
- It's going to make more congestion and accidents.
- Lack of knowledge of drivers Don't want to have to have to drive through it daily
- Does not address any concerns that would alleviate. Left turns on 16 Ave and safety of drivers or pedestrians walking across the proposed roundabout.

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- More accidents because if you live here you know that half the people will not know how to use the circle.
- This is not a good solution - to correct people making illegal turns - they should have to pay - also - many seniors res. are in the area and will have difficulty navigating this circle - many pedestrians crossing will tie up traffic - very bad idea
- heavy traffic flow @ peak times
- People making illegal turns are still not going to go a block up into a roundabout. - Increased risk of collisions at roundabouts - How many collisions at intersection prior to 2010 - Imped traffic flow on 68 - busy.
- Too much fast traffic.
- I will never get out of the Monterey Sq Co-op to go South and get home.
- No one knows how to use the properly - so they become a real headache to travel on. Coming off the highway it will be an enormous danger.
- Is this really needed? I would like to see an actual on site survey or account of number of people who come off of Stoney, turn right onto 68th, and go into the Co-op parking lot! Models cannot tell the real story. - I am worried about people yielding to each other.
- Pedestrian safety Traffic backlog at AM and PM rush hour It may cause traffic problems getting out of the Co-op parking lot
- Will the high volume of traffic on 68 (esp turning left from 16th) be accommodated by this traffic circle? - I believe that there will be a need for education regarding how to properly use this circle - Will people from shopping centre be able to exit and go South in a timely manner?
- I am 100% certain that you are creating greater havoc. The initial mistake of not access 68th off 16th is your real problem not much for thought. There.
- It's just going to make more drivers cut through residential areas.
- Accidents, turning from the mall onto South 68th will be impossible, getting into mall from Southbound 68th is extremely dangerous.
- Not enough space too much traffic at that location.
- Funneling high traffic volume into the neighborhood will cause too many traffic accidents and too much volume at the Co-op shopping centre. People will avoid Co-op due to traffic jams.
- Accidents Rush hour
- Fix the real problem =.
- Traffic from 4-6:30 p.m. north bound
- Idiots that don't know how to use traffic circles. Most immigrants don't even yield or merge properly, how do you expect them to use a traffic circle!
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- Traffic backing up, the majority of drivers do not know how to use a roundabout and it has been UNSUCCESSFUL in the past.
- 68th St already has a tendency of getting busy at rush hour..... Is the traffic circle not just going to make the north bound and southbound 68th ST traffic bottleneck? Also alot of people do not know how to properly drive the traffic circle. As I have experienced this on a regular basis as my parent live in McKenzie Towne and the traffic circle, especially at rush hour, is a nightmare.
- Traffic Congestion
- There is already a great amount of congestion on 68th around the mall, so how is a round about going to solve that. Also putting up better signage on Stony Trail to say that we should be going to 17th and then having to drive back through two communities to get back to where we should have been allowed to turn is and always will be totally unacceptable

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- Traffic congestion
- This will cause further traffic issues and is a waste of taxpayers money.
- My workplace safety, I stand on that corner and risk my life. Nobody takes people using crosswalks seriously unless a traffic light tells them to stop their car and let people walk. I hope this circle doesn't kill anybody, this area has a lot of dumb kids with fast cars and daddy's pocketbook.
- Traffic on 16 Avenue will be backed up. Perhaps it is time to build the overpass on 16 Ave & 68 St. Businesses in Monterey Square will lose customers. I for one, will definitely shop elsewhere.
- This is another case of the city throwing money away for a problem that could be solved using just a bit of common sense. Signage on Stoney Trail indicating that traffic wishing access to 68th Street, south of 16th avenue, should exit at the 17th Avenue exit would be cheaper and less intrusive to the community. The biggest problem with the Stoney Trail and the 16th/68th interchange was the use of 10 year old plans that did not take into account the increased traffic due to the many new NE communities.
- the problem I have is coming from Airdrie to abbeydale via stoney of which I go to 17 ave or go to monterey shopping ctr. and drive through mall. what ever happened to clover leaves, like on 16th ave and barlow trail ne. nothing stops, and no bottle necks plus cheaper I would think to build
- Creating a unsafe environment to drive in.
- 68 Street north and south are already extremely congested and a roundabout will make it even more difficult to get through this area. Vehicles east bound on 16 Ave that are turning north on 68 Street clog up the road all the way from the lights at Monterey Square to their turning signal on 16 Ave. Vehicles west bound on 16 Ave that are turning north on 68 Street clog up the road as well. Then the lights turn green for north and south bound traffic on 68 Street and vehicles can't even get through the intersection. A roundabout at Monterey Square will make it an even more dangerous intersection. There is a double turning lane to get out of Monterey Square at the present time and to take that out and put in a traffic circle well, I'm sure not going to frequent businesses at Monterey Square any more. With a traffic circle there, I don't even want to try and walk along 68 Street and put myself in danger trying to cross the streets with the angry/confused motorists that a traffic circle will facilitate.
- I think it is more confusing and not necessary. I have only seen one accident in this area. The maps you provided on your proposal are to small to read or follow.
- This will cause tie ups due to proximity to Hwy 1, too much traffic flow north bound coming east from Hwy 1, off ramp from Stoney Trail will back up trying to get to left lane for U-turn, pedestrian crossing brings north and south bound to a halt also preventing egress from Monterey Square. While I believe roundabouts definitely have their place, this is the wrong place.
- MY CONCERN IS CONGESTION, YOU CAN'T PUT THIS TYPE OF INTERSECTION WITHIN A BLOCK OF HWY 1. TWO LANES FROM HWY 1 TURN NORTH ONTO 68 ST. AND ARE GOING TO CAUSE BACK UPS WITH CARS STRANDED IN THE HWY 1+ 68 ST INTERSECTION. SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC COMING OFF THE STONEY TRAIL OFF RAMP WILL HAVE TO CROSS ALL LANES OF TRAFFIC IN ORDER TO MAKE THE U TURN. PUT ONE PEDESTRIAN INTO THE MIX AND ALL TRAFFIC NORTH/SOUTH BOUND COMES TO A HALT. P L E A S E DO NOT DO THIS!!!!
- It will create several other safety concerns. The traffic circle wont be as efficient as the city hopes, especially during rush hours. All it takes is 1 inexperienced driver to get confused or nervous about entering the circle and you'll have traffic backed up and blocking the highway.
- Backed up traffic on 68th northbound, backed up traffic on 16th Ave Eastbound in left turn lane. Roundabout is in a confined area that is very busy. Don't compound a problem by creating a new problem - getting in and out of my local shopping area - fix the original problem of not being able to

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turn left from 16th onto 68th. Whoever didn't see the issue arise when Stoney was built had their heads in the sand.

- Has the city done a traffic study for that intersection and thought about the pedestrians at that intersection
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- Access to south bound 68 st from mall will be impossible during afternoon rush and difficult most other times due to large volume of traffic. People will just exit from the next intersection north and it will become a bigger problem than you are trying to solve.
- I am afraid that the drivers will not understand how to drive through the roundabout because no one shoulder checks in this city. During rush hour I think the traffic would be much lower because of the uncertainty.
- Will not make traffic flow faster during rush hour. May not work too bad during day, O.K. For evening and night having a x-walk on north side is just asking for trouble as traffic will back up in roundabout and cause accidents.
- RAPID LIGHTS for pedestrians someone will be KILLED.
- Waste of money, further excuse not to develop interchange at 16th and 68th.
- This will kill our business totally.
- Driver error, increase traffic in an already busy street. Possible pedestrian accidents, cars will still cut through the mall coming from Stoney Tr - 16 ave onto 68th Northbound.
- More accidents @ shpg centre. Simply moving accidents however they're likely to be lower speed impacts.
- Wasting good money.
- Will slow down traffic more, especially during rush hours. No consideration of larger vehicles. Dangerous for pedestrians.
- Did you take semi truck traffic into account? New drivers? Inexperienced drivers? This is not a fix for the screw up on Stoney Trail and 16th Ave. What makes you think people are actually going to slow down or yield to other cars or pedestrians.
- It's just a bandaid. It's not going to alleviate the problem at 16th Ave. An overpass should have been made at 16/68 to alleviate the problem.
- I absolutely do not agree with my hard earned tax dollar being used towards the construction of a roundabout as a temporary measure to alleviate the issues caused by both the design flaw of Stoney Trail along with the drivers that break the law. The 3 million dollars to construct the roundabout plus the additional cost to remove it when the interchange is built should be put to expediting the construction of the interchange instead. Besides, if drivers making an illegal left turn at 16th and 68th do not currently go through the shopping mall, they will likely not use the roundabout either and the accident problem will continue.
- Those who choose to turn left onto 68 from 16 ave are still going to do it. Those who would turn through co-op shopping mall will still continue to do so. They won't go a block or two further north to head back to 68 St South. What a waste of tax payers money!
- Very busy intersection. I think signal lights would be best kept intact. The intersection at 68 St and 16 Ave should be revised to include turning south on 68 St from Stony Trail on 16 Ave.
- A waste of money. This won't solve anything about add more traffic issues.
- No one knows how to go through a roundabout. Ppl leaving the mall will have a hard time getting into the circle with all the oncoming traffic. It will back up traffic on 16th heading east and it gets bad starting from 36th street to 52nd with only two lanes. This will make it worse and will force me to go to businesses elsewhere.

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- My concern is the back log of traffic during rush hours. 16th and 68th is a high collision intersection, if you put a roundabout in as well it might cause more confusion and there for an increase in accidents. As other people from the community say, most people do not know how to use a roundabout.
- Access into and out of the mall will be a nightmare. Adding a crosswalk across what should be a free flow traffic circle lanes will cause huge bottlenecks. So the plan is to make people go 2 blocks the opposite direction, try to navigate a traffic circle, return to the intersection I was just at to sit at the lights. Add in the fact that often that the traffic is often backed up all the way from 16 ave back to the current lights at the mall entrance, meaning that your traffic circle will become a parking lot during rush hour. This is the worst thought out solutions I have heard yet. Also the exit from the gas station puts people crossing a freeflow lane surely resulting in more accidents
- Most drivers do not know how to use a roundabout. Educating drivers will take years.
- Total waste of money.
- People in this area of town can barely drive at lighted intersections. A traffic circle will equal many many accidents due to the lack of knowledge of the average Calgary driver and how to properly use traffic circles
- Traffic will be backed up even more so than it already does on a normal traffic day. You get an accident on 16th Avenue east and everyone winds up taking 68th via Memorial, then they start to cut through Marlborough Park via 8th Avenue creating more traffic in our area. This round about will get more people cutting through our neighbourhood because they will be too impatient
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- 68th is a high traffic area during rush hours, especially coming from 16th Ave. So drivers wanting to head South onto 68th from 16th Ave will head to the roundabout, create more traffic for people trying to come out of Monterey Square because there's no traffic lights. After the U-turn for those who are heading South will eventually get stuck possibly in the roundabout from the traffic lights on 16th Ave. People who are heading South from 16th would not be able to get to 16th Ave like before with a traffic jam in the roundabout. There are not many roundabouts in the NE and may have even a higher collision rate in the winter because people don't know how to slow down enough. I don't think this would be a good idea. Even the construction would cause too much traffic for too long in such a popular area.
- It will back up more than ever. This will create more traffic through Pineridge as a resident of Monterey park that will be my new route. I'm sure the residents of Pineridge are not too happy either to have more traffic through their community. I think it will cause more accidents rather than less as claimed!
- I see an attempt by a city planner or two to compensate for a poorly planned section of Stoney trail by Provincial planners. I didn't find any statistics about numbers that still use these methods to go from Stoney southbound to 68 st southbound. Compared to numbers that go north / south on 68 st. And people who would use the roundabout still would need to go almost a mile out of their way. If they haven't been smart enough to use alternate routes, such as 17 Av or McKnight, there are still easy and legal ways to go through the shopping centre. Made easier by recent widening of 68 st. Roundabout would save them maybe 100 yards? Hopefully a future cloverleaf interchange at 16 & 68 will be built sooner and better planned!!

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- Big bottleneck for north - south traffic Not enough space to build it. Potential to discourage people from using the small businesses at Monterey Square Potential for increased accidents at this intersection Very poor use of tax dollars
- As resident of Monterey condominium, it is already difficult to merge left from 16th Ave heading North along 68 Street NE. During rush hour, the roundabout will create more chaos than a solution. They would increase traffic flow into the Monterey Square and North onto the Monterey condominium road. Unless the roadway at the Monterey condominium is made into a one way.
- I think traffic circles are confusing and will create more accidents and back-ups. Also concerned about access to Monterey Square.
- The whole idea is concerning. Some people can't even drive properly with normal traffic lights, with a roundabout you're asking for multiple collisions a day as a lot of calgarians don't know how a roundabout works let alone regular street signs.
- Children and Seniors in the area The problem is not Monterays its the poor access from Stoney Trail I use Stoney on a daily basis and either exit at Mcknight or 17th ave
- Too much traffic flow on 68th st for a roundabout. The people trying to walk across would take life in their own hands.
- My business will go down the drain.
- Construction will take longer than the projected four months, During construction what happens for the current traffic?
- Costly, inefficient, many delays during construction, COSTLY.
- Having rush hour traffic this will not flow freely. Semi trucks going in to co-op will not be able to get out easily. Vehicles will end up going through the condo road & the city does not look after that section of the road. I do not want my condo fees to increase for repairs to this road.
- More accidents.
- We live in the Monterey park. So let us always use this road!
- We live in Monterey Park - California Place NE
- It will unsafe.
- Many concerns not a good idea at all. What about the school on Catalina. Slow will it affect traffic in front of school.
- 1. Construction further slowing traffic. 2. Traffic circles only well in low traffic areas. This area is far too busy to accommodate this. 3. During rush hour this is an exceptionally busy area and the circle will not be able to without major backups. People trying to turn left out of the mall will find this impossible to get into during rush hour.
- People in this community a hard enough time deciphering the difference between yield and merge, put them in a traffic circle and it's chaos!
- Ability to get into shopping centre from 68th at rush hour heading South.
- Pedestrian safety. Drivers who don't know how to use roundabout safely - Drivers will be too busy watching for cars not pedestrians.
- Definitely a lot more accidents. People will become confused and cause a lot more accidents.
- Pedestrian safety - Back up of traffic turning from 16 Ave Northbound - Back up on 16 Ave Westbound turning into 68 St and have to through 3 lanes to be able to go through the roundabout
- Safety. The roundabout is proposed to have a duel lane ability to go straight on 68th St. This is an improper use of the outside lane and very dangerous. Also, if there is not enough room on 16th Ave, as proposed, to move left to make the turn at 70 km/hr how is it safe to get to the left lane to make a U-turn at 60 km/hr? It is not. The crosswalks are ill places, especially for youth and elderly crossing from community to community. And speeding or icing in winter is going to cause more problems than fiveish non injury accidents per year.

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- People in the city don't know how to use traffic circles. you will have more accidents. It will be impossible to turn left onto 68th ST coming out of the shopping mall.
- It is too close to the 68 st/16 ave intersection. Not enough distance for cars coming off Stoney trail to merge into the lane that allows them to eventually turn South on 68 street!! Pedestrian crossing may stop the smooth running of cars in the roundabout, which it is built for (supposed to be!). Also more traffic will be moving into the mall for people who want to take short cuts. Not fair for business owners to bear these cuts!
- Pedestrian safety is a real concern. Although there are proposed corsswalks, the high volume of traffic make is very dangerous. - To make a U-turn at this roundabout, a vehicle must change 2 lanes to turn left. The distance is too short! - This proposal is for the Northeast section of Calgary where many residents would not understand how to yield to traffic! NOT KIDDING.
- Traffic will use Catalina - Excess traffic in residential and school zone.
- It will make driving more UNSAFE.
- It will create more problems.
- More congestion on rush hours.
- It would cause more traffic headaches design needs to be better to build a roundabout an the congestion of the intersection of 16th Ave and 68 ST to fix this issue not a roundabout.
- It's going to cause further traffic bottlenecks going S + N on 68 St - It's going to cause further traffic delay for traffic turning left to go on to 68 St South.
- The only thing that is happening is they are moving the location where you will have even more accidents because people do know how to use a roundabout. Also what about pedestrian traffic. What about the business it will impact.
- There is too much traffic at peak travel times for a roundabout to function properly. People are in a rush to get to work or home and are highly stressed at this time. Drivers today follow the "rules of the road" less now than ever before, so I can see a lot of driver error occurring at a roundabout. In theory, a roundabout is good, but at this proposed location it would not be good. It would cause more back-ups along 68 street, both ways, and more accidents. Nope, nope, nope! I'm sorry I do not approve of the 68 street NE roundabout . it will just cause more headaches for drivers.
- How do pedestrians get to the shopping mall without walking a way out of their way. The businesses will suffer. People will not and cannot be bothered to use the circle and will not go to the mall . Business suffers. It will take longer to go up 68th st since no one knows how to use roundabouts.
- With no controlled lights and only a crosswalk with flashing lights pedestrians are going to be in danger and it will just be a matter of time before one is hit.
- Waste of money. of no use.
- Traffic leaving the plaza will be waiting too long to go south on 68th. Traffic congestion. Traffic will being going through the condos and accessing California blvd to go south onto 68th
- Traffic leaving Co-op plaza or mcdonalds/petro Canada to access north bound lane of 68st during rush hour already is heacy lights seem to work better - it will be very difficult to move into flow of traffic to get during peak congestion times. People leaving plaza will be forced to leave anywhere possible to avoid circle including entrance before petro Canada as well as access behind condos onto California blvd.
- It's not going to work.
- It will cause more accidents as people in Calgary don't know how to use them.
- It's going to bring lots of traffic into area.
- Accidents
- Cause more accidents

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- Volume of traffic at rush hours combined with pedestrian use will cause bottlenecks at the proposed roundabout.
- Will not make it easy to get out of mall at rush hour
- Ask for trouble
- Being able to safely navigate with my trailer (28') - Getting through the roundabout safely with pedestrians crossing 68 - This proposal will only aid few people - how many accidents were there at this intersection before Stoney Trail
- Poor designing Need good overpass on 68th St x 16 Ave NE.
- You are not seeing the big picture - your plan does not solve issues only making it worse.
- 1. It will be very difficult to get on 68 St during rush hours thanks to continuous flow of traffic 2. It will direct traffic to Catalina Blvd NE out of shopping plaza. That intersection does not have very good visibility which is going to cause many serious accidents 3. Only solution is interchange at 16 & 68.
- People do not know how to use a roundabout. Worried that traffic will get jammed up even more.
- Pedestrian traffic Getting out of loop parking lot
- None.
- Don't like that the reason is not for that intersection, but another problem area.
- None
- I worry about many drivers not understanding the proper use of a roundabout.
- Pedestrian crosswalks - NEED overpass Too bad not enough to build overpass @ 16th Need to find money to build overpass
- It will allow people travelling on 68th street to go through with ease. It looks as though people exiting the shopping area could have a lengthy wait and adding congestion to the roads in the shopping area.
- Everything
- The proposed roundabout is dangerous & will slow the heavy traffic in both directions. At rush hour it will back up traffic to 16th Ave for anyone heading north.
- Fast entrance and exit speeds from drivers exiting 16th. Poor drivers of the communities are not able to operate a simple yield let alone a traffic circle.
- This will deter people from coming to the shopping center, and ultimately we will lose business
- I agree with almost all of the comments posted on the online discussion forum.
- not going to work
- Have you ever been on 68th on a snowy morning? It is backed up like crazy going nowhere. Have you ever come home at rush hour when traffic is backed up in all directions?? This is a super bad idea on all points. People are stupid when driving in a round about and this is going to cause accidents and backups and oh pedestrians? where do they cross? Build a cloverleaf at 16 & 68 and put up signs on Stoney!!!!
- Most people are not used to driving along roundabouts and as a result there would be more traffic disruption. Additional construction cost. Traffic problems during the construction phase
- Nothin
- DON'T LIKE
- The 68th street round about may be "convenient" for those coming off of stoney trail BUT it's far from convenient for those living in the area. The Stoney trail intersection should have been better planned out. Since this can't be changed, there should be signage put up on Stoney Trail saying that there is no access to South Bound 68th street prior to accessing 16th avenue. The higher traffic from 16th avenue would cause convenience for those travelling north/south on 16th avenue BUT it would be dangerous for pedestrians/vehicles traveling in and out of the Monterey Park shopping

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centre. In order to solve one problem, why create multiple more? This project is a waste of my tax money and I disagree with the proposal.

- Traffic congestion !!!!!!!
- There will be more accidents than there is now
- I'm concerned that there is too much traffic to work without lights. Even in your simulation the traffic leaving the mall is stuck most of the time, this will leave the intersection still as bad for accidents as it always is. Lights however I think would increase wait times and cause even worse backups onto 16th avenue during peak periods. The lack of a pedestrian crossing on the south side of 68th will create a problem with jaywalkers. With ped crossings at each direction, this would be nearly as good as lights in that it would provide a completely safe crossing area. Side note: This south section could benefit from a pedestrian overpass over 68th, as well as another over 16th ave, to provide vehicle-free travel without having to deal with any cars on the major routes. The real problem that this is to solve sadly is still ignored, and that's a bigger problem. The lack of an interchange at 16th and 68th street. This would solve the real problem eliminating the NEED to have a working u-turn.
- It will be too small for the amount of traffic that will be using this intersection. If you are heading north, there will be not enough time to clear traffic to get to continue north. South bound travel will work similarly but there will be piling of traffic trying to go around to do a u-turn. Which is exactly what you are proposing for the people south of 16th ave. Giving them an opportunity to do a u-turn at the City's expense. Traffic stacks up already and this will completely fail the 16th avenue intersection as well as this intersection. All for a few idiots who cannot plan ahead and find a different way home. Then there is the commercial traffic heading into the mall and getting out of that area. There are times in the am that the traffic is backed up heading south along 68th street and it backed up past this roundabout. What a royal mess this will make. And in the pm there are times when a car cannot go north for most of a green light because of stacked traffic. Tell those people south of 16th avenue that use 68 street to turn off at McKnight or onto 17th avenue.
- People and cars don't mix and when they do, people lose. Every rationale put forward for this proposal speaks only to issues with traffic. Yes, currently this intersection is not nestled in a community, however, what assurance is there that within the near future pedestrian traffic will increase? This kind of traffic structure needs to be isolated from residential areas. Pedestrians should not consistently be expected to take their lives into their hands when attempting to navigate intersections. If drivers are constantly performing illegal maneuvers, then perhaps clamping down on that behavior would be more appropriate. These unsafe traffic are proliferating throughout the developed world and it has to stop! Every time traffic designers come up with ways to make it easier for vehicles to navigate through residential areas, the result is more cars are on the road. Make it easier for people not to get out of their cars, and guess what, they won't.
- additional road noise in the community.
- 1. The benefit to a relatively small number of people is hugely outweighed by the inconvenience, accident potential and traffic backup that will be incurred by the very significant majority of road users. 2. The impact will not only affect users of 68 St NE it will also result in traffic backups on both east and westbound traffic on 16th Ave as the traffic flow northbound on 68 St NE will be significantly reduced as a result of the roundabout - even without an accident there. 3. The potential for an accident at the roundabout, logically, is far higher than if the roundabout wasn't there - not even considering that a Calgary drivers in general don't deal very well with roundabouts. When an accident occurs - and there will be many - the backup of traffic in both directions on 68 St NE as well as both directions of 16th Ave NE trying to get on to 68 St NE, will be huge. Bottom line: The Pros vs. the Cons summary... Will the positive benefits to the residents and taxpayers of Calgary as a

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whole, be greater than the resulting negative consequences of this proposal ? The Answer is a resounding No.

- We are going to change something for a minority of people who are not willing to have to add a few extra kilometres to their journey due to road changes which were supposed to have taken these things into consideration before the road was done. There is added cost that will be incurred, also added congestion that will be added to this area and the greater chance of more accidents. If we have to do this all the time because people don't follow the rules then my tax money is being wasted and the taxes will increase. Please listen to the Majority of area residents and tax payers - this is Not a good idea.
- Will only make more traffic problems for 68th St, especially at peak hours.
- Waste of money! Inadequate solution! Poor planning!
- - will not prevent illegal left hand turns South on 68th from 16th - disruption to traffic during construction - drivers do not know how to use traffic circles, especially with two lanes and education has not helped in other areas of the city (Mackenzie/Prestwick) - poorer access to shopping centre - pedestrian safety - traffic bottlenecks - negative impact on property value
- 68 st is too busy. The traffic will not be able exit the mall.
- It's not going to help people wanting to do a legal U-turn as traffic won't be able to merge over the necessary two lanes coming off 16th avenue.
- Pedestrian safety! Also people who need to use the turnaround need to cross over two lanes in a very short distance to get southbound. Those of us Northbound will be dealing with more traffic. It is already quite congested at times. There should be signs Southbound Stoney Trail - miles of it - to alert motorists to take 17th or McKnight if they need 68th South of 16th Ave.
- I believe that traffic trying to get out of the mall will be compromised. Pedestrians will be compromised. NO!!!!
- Traffic try to get out of the mall will be compromised.
- No room to
- Everything.
- Pedestrians will be hit in the roundabout - Traffic will back up more in the mall - Rush hour traffic EB on 16 ave turning left onto 68th st may back up even more. Sometimes traffic backed up to 36th street -has the issue been blown out of proportion? Abbeydale residents can take 17 Ave SE from Stoney Trail. McKnight is a good option for SB traffic.
- People do not know how to do a roundabout. I think it will cause a lot more problems than it is worth.
- Pedestrian safety backing up of traffic Cost of this unnecessary proposal
- Pedestrian safety Traffic backing up at rush hour Signage on Stoney Trail saying NO LEFT TURN FROM 16AVE SOUTH ON 68ST
- Will cause more accidents on 68 St. Dangerous for children crossing.
- - Access from Southbound 68 into Monterey Square - Pedestrian access from Pineridge @ Monterey Square - Does not address concern of left hand illegal turns off 16th onto 68th street n those who make illegal turns will still make the turns illegally - Access to both Petro Canada and McDonalds along with other businesses will be impacted.
- Backup traffic, pedestrian crossing, all around safety for everyone concerned.
- Where are results of traffic studies during rush hour for 68 st - Why does community have to suffer negative impact for poor design of Stoney Tr-16th-68th interchanges (federal-municipal-provincial lack of planning) - Where are options being considered
Traffic congestion - too much traffic on 68th St for a roundabout more difficult to get into shopping centre.

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- People will avoid 68 St due to roundabout and traffic problems will hurt our business
- I think that the pedestrian crosswalk on 68th Street was ill conceived. I think that will cause increased backups and accidents involving pedestrians.
- This is a waste of resources. This will cause more traffic woes and more likely pedestrian accidents.
- If it is made, it will be a disaster during the rush hours.
- it will not reduce collisions at 68th + 16 St! - pedestrian traffic to and from Monterey mall - How do they cross the "circle" roundabout without disrupting the traffic flow, that this roundabout is supposed to improve.
- Crosswalk blocking circle when in use (3 car max before lineup blocks the circle) Signage on Stoney SB to use circle in order to travel SB on 68 st (difficult to follow...inconvenient...etc)
- The congestion it will create, the safety of pedestrians, how Monterey Sq. business will suffer.
- Emergency vehicles Very, very heavy traffic in rush hour Access to Monterey Square Access to no. 1 & Stoney Trail Businesses in Monterey Square Safety - will cause accidents
- There are no signs on Stoney to advise drivers there is no left turn on 68th. The roundabout doesn't resolve the issue of awareness. This is a high traffic area, a roundabout will cause confusion & if there is an accident is till cause 3 directions to back up. Construction alone will cause major issues for an undetermined amount of time. There are a lot of pedestrians that will be impacted and it will not be safe. The city should focus their efforts on: A: Finding a way to allow drivers to turn left off Stoney/16th. Perhaps another set of lights on 16th before 68th. B: Signs on Stoney advising drivers "there is no left on 68th/16th, please use McKnight or 17th" It would seem the needs of the few turn left (want to) are outweighing the needs of the many. 3 million dollars can go toward other initiatives. Please listen to the community on this one. Thank you, A concerned citizen
- Pedestrians Cutting in and out of lanes A whole bunch of accidents
- - It is too close to both 16th ave and 26 Ave. During peak hours there will be backlog - Future upgrades at 16th and 68th will address the U-turn issue - cost areas don't reflect good value, especially seeing how few drivers are affected
- most residents that live here in the northeast are no the best drivers out there,I think it would be too confusing for most,
- High traffic area.
- It will attract more gun welding thugs and lower my home value.
- Traffic will congest severely during peak times, due in part to its close proximity to 16 avenue which already backs up at peak times. -Traffic will increase in Pineridge, due to many people cutting through the community to avoid using the traffic circle either because they are afraid to navigate it or because it will be congested. -Anytime there is an accident in the circle all traffic in all directions will effected. - Local business will be affected because there are drivers genuinely afraid of navigating in a roundabout & they will stop shopping in the Plaza to avoid the roundabout.
- none
- Increased traffic on 68th street Affects the businesses with in the Monterey shopping centre, many of which will have a decrease in business as many people will avoid using a roundabout when possible. Live in a mulit-unit housing and many people here are not in favour and will not go to Monterey to shop or use services with the plaza.
- Its a very bad idea. drivers on this end of town are not considerate to other drivers at all, and i firmly believe there will be more gridlock and collisions caused by this traffic circle than there is now. Considering just how many actual number of vehicles "need" to turn south onto 68st from the stoney tr offramp (whom this is supposed to benefit) compared to the very large and continually growing volume of traffic that travels from eastbound 16th ave to northbound 68 st, who will be inconvenienced more?????. I sincerely oppose this plan. G. Telford

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- It is just not a good solution to the issue. It will increase congestion in that area, especially at rush hour. The back ups on 16 Ave. eastbound will get worse. The City of Calgary does not seem to do well with the traffic circles they have already built.
- Not necessary.

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- Why are you not putting an overpass at 16 Ave. N.E. and 68 St. N.E., as at 52 St. N.E., and at 36 St. N.E.? What you are proposing is a PATCH JOB! Get the problem solved once and for all, not later! I learned to drive in the UK, where roundabouts are very common, and have driven there for over 17 yrs. When you throw in a 2 lane roundabout, most middle aged to senior citizens will not get used to it no matter how much education you give. I see this everyday! I feel that this scenario will cause nothing but trouble! "Why is there always enough time and money to FIX something, but never enough to do it correctly the first time?"
- Put this 3 million into a proper overchange @ 16th street 2. This is a very, very bad idea.
- The traffic circle is an attempt to alleviate the poor design of Stony trail not allowing a left hand turn after exiting a major road way onto the first traffic light into a major city. The best use of city money would be to fix this oversight on the 16 ave. roadway first. A less desirable solution but least expensive would be to put proper signage on Stony Trail alerting drivers that there is no left hand turn onto 68 st. to go south at 16 Ave. Signage needs to say Exit at McKnight to access 68 St south of 16, or exit 17 Ave. S. to access 68 St. North of 17 Ave. Putting a traffic circle in at this intersection seems to me to be no different than allowing traffic to continue to 52nd St. where there is now a light and returning back east to exit south on 68 St.
- ABSOLUTELY NO, WE DO NOT SUPPORT THIS AT ALL!!!!!!!!!!!!
- I think it is a very bad idea and I would go out of my way to avoid that area. I do most of my grocery shopping at Monterey Co-op but I would go elsewhere. I think installing a traffic circle would hurt the businesses in Monterey Square.
- I work in Abbeydale and live in Castleridge. Thanks for giving us a chance to voice our opinions and inform people. Good luck on working with an irritated public. (sorry about that)
- This is going to be a bigger mess than what is already there. I fear for pedestrians. The engineer who designed Stony Trail did not do enough research to solve the issue before it became a problem.
- Put up proper signage. For drivers on Stony informing them that they need to exit on McKnight "should" they wish to go South on 68th and 16 ave.
- Fix Stony Trail or build a proper overpass! Who thought of this? Put signs on Stony - No exit to 68 St S.
- direct all traffic wanting to go south on 68th coming off of stoney to continue on stoney to 17th and go north. simple solution low cost.
- build an overpass on 16th and 68th instead of wasting money on a patch job
- This is not rocket science. Just fix it properly.
- I feel this is a poor thought out plan that will have a huge negative impact on the community.
- We are trying to rectify an error made when Stony Trail Southbound was put in.
- pave 16 ave 68 -52 st paint lines.
- The main issue with traffic was solved by adding another light on 52nd to allow people who come off of Stony to get out onto south bound 52nd street. I think this is a bad idea and not well thought out. I will be a racist here and say that the Brown people who drive in this area are all bad drivers and putting in a round about will only make their bad driving habits even worse! There will be more

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accidents in the round about then there are in the area now. Please do not ruin our traffic problems by adding another headache.

- Think before you act!
- what a dumb idea!!!! fix 16 ave first.
- Take down the barrier, take extra measures to ensure its safe like lowering the speed limit for a portion of the road, put up extra signs, etc. Stop wasting our dollars on ill-equipped engineers who want to poorly plan another project. You can always try these measures for a period of time to gather hard statistics about traffic incidents with new signs and a slower speed limit.
- Please consider the impact this roundabout might have on emergency vehicles using this busy road. We are a high crime area with many drug and gun related incidents. As such we need our ambulance and police service to have speedy access to our communities. It is imperative that you consider feedback from EMS, CPS and the Calgary Fire Department before finalizing this decision.
- Do it right, not cheapest
- I sincerely hope this is not constructed. What a dangerous and silly idea.
- Bad bad idea and a waste of my tax dollars
- For decades, I have been using that intersection at least twice a work day. I cross that intersection, turn from travelling south on 68th NE to 16 Ave east, then to south bound Stony Trail. That intersection is inadequate which backs up traffic to the proposed traffic circle intersection. There should be dual turning lanes eastbound and another lane on the right for traffic going straight. This would mean another right lane for south-bound vehicles turning west onto 16th. The west-bound turn lane was extended a couple of years ago. If “planning” or “foresight” had occurred, that turn lane would have been as long as possible from the beginning eliminating a significant extra construction cost and congestion there. The traffic lights at 68th & 16th are so low that there is a traffic light visibility issue when a high boxed truck is in front of another vehicle in the left turn lane. This causes the trailing vehicle to have to wait for the high truck to get completely through the intersection before you can safely see the traffic lights and proceed safely. This slows traffic and allows fewer vehicles to make it through a green light cycle. The left turning traffic sometimes extends back to the intersection where the round-about is being proposed. What happened when the circle is filled with traffic waiting for the 16th Ave light to change? Bad Stony Trail planning and no southward provision at 16th & 68th created this reported problem (I have never actually seen occur). In Calgary, traffic circles have been installed in communities like Renfrew to slow traffic down. It certainly does that. So I suspect that this traffic circle will have the same effect (bad planning). People can (and do) turn off at Co-Op and loop back onto 68th to go south. Leave everything as is and pay the mall owners for the extra use that route is subject to because of poor traffic planning by the city. It’s not their fault, why penalize them again with a traffic circle to make access to their businesses more difficult? They probably should be compensated. What kind of mess will occur when an overpass is built at 16th & 68th? Has anyone thought of that or is that going to be another “planned” fiasco? 68th has already been messed up the mistake of ending it in the north and not allowing traffic to continue north and out of the city as it used to. I don’t understand how the Stony Trail planners could have missed providing proper access for traffic coming off Stony Trail and on to 16th. Are these the same “planners” (planner is poor description of what they do) that want to mess up 68th even more with a traffic circle, thinking many wrongs may make a right? “Planners” don’t have a very good track record in Calgary (think of the way Center Street is renamed to confuse drivers and how it ends on the north for a few houses (great planning there). Think of the wasted miles, fuel, time and pollution caused by all that north-bound traffic going miles out of the way to get around those few houses. The same thinking (no pun intended) went into cutting off 68th on the north end. Someone messed up when Stony was planned, then the 68th and 16th

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intersection was messed up (no south turn). Is it these same geniuses who want to mess up this intersection with a crippling traffic circle. No thanks!!!!

- This is a really terrible idea. Traffic is bad enough in this area, and this will only make it worse! The fact is that so many others have mentioned they will no longer go to this shopping area if the traffic circle is there should be a huge red flag. This will not only influence traffic, potentially cause more accidents, but it will also negatively affect business owners in the area.
- City planners should have examined this interchange better when first putting it in. Option should be that there is NO SOUTH EXIT TO 68 ST from stony trail at 16 ave exit. Signs can be put up at both 17 ave exit (heading north) and McKnight exit (heading south) stating NO ACCESS TO 68 ST SOUTH. Most travelers taking Stony Trail would see the exit signs and adjust their routes. Taking 17 ave exit to head north may take an extra 3 min and those taking McKnight exit heading south may have to add a couple of extra minutes. This is a much better solution than closing this intersection at 68 st and 16 ave again.
- Cutting off access to 68st from Stoney was very disappointing but my family and I choose our route based on it (I have friends and family who travel with me frequently who live south of 16th). Signage for those who are unfamiliar with it would be a better solution than a traffic circle.
- The problem should have been looked at when Stoney Trail was built. People can get off at 17th Ave. or McKnight. The city has already made the mistake when Stoney Trail was built do not make it worse by putting in the round about so close to the busy intersection. I will not be using the shopping center if the round about goes ahead and I will have to find an alternative way to work.
- The only wise idea would be to be consistent and make 16th ave three (3) lane highway that would be wise use of taxpayer money.
- Why don't you fix the off ramp from Stony so drivers can go south on 68th street? Poor planning when Stony Trail was built. Again the NE of the city gets the bad planning.
- I use 68th street to get to work everyday. Traffic is always backed up and if you put in a roundabout there, it will be impossible for people to get out of Monterey square which would effect the owners of small business. I also use a roundabout everyday and it works great in the area it was intended for. I do not know what the answer is for the people this is causing trouble for but I do not feel this is the correct course of action to take, especially at the high cost to taxpayers.
- It seems you are getting a lot of traffic for the communities of Abbeydale, Monterey Park, Marlborough, Marlborough Park, and Pine Ridge. Even if those aren't all correct, it's a heavily used 'left-hand turn'. A. I strongly suggest you set up a traffic count and polling to see which neighbourhoods most of the traffic is going 'TO'... AND how many vehicles actually go through there. THEN... 1) either build an off-ramp going West on 32 Avenue from Stony Trail OR 2) an off-ramp going West on Memorial Drive from Stony Trail OR 3) ALTER the current off-ramp in question by making a single-lane fly-over exit (to ONLY turn onto 68 Street South) AFTER the two off-ramps 'join' to go West on 16 Avenue but BEFORE it meets up with 16 Avenue going West. You get the idea. Details can be different, obviously. Looking at this again, there is actually a BIGGER ISSUE here. That LAST set of LIGHTS at 68 Street and 16 Avenue. This intersection is a MUCH bigger issue than you realize. Traffic is backed up ALL the way to Barlow Trail going East because of THAT LAST SET OF LIGHTS... heading out of town. Might I remind you that as Strathmore AND Chestermere and other communities are getting bigger and bigger, that line up gets longer and longer, and people become more and more impatient. If you create a flow OR give them options, then you create VERY HAPPY drivers. Really, an INTERCHANGE is NEEDED at 68 Street and 16 Avenue. So before you make ANY decision on the roundabout, PLEASE, please look at the BIGGER picture here. It will save you money in the long run... AND create many, MANY happy drivers. :) I bet people (and MANY more people at that) would be willing to WAIT if they heard you were going

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to change that intersection for better flow. THANK YOU for reading and considering something beyond what was asked for. This is how new and better ideas are created. And thank you for having this feedback form. Have a wonderful day!

- I think they should fix the ramp going westbound instead. I also think that the south bound turning lane off of 68th onto 16th is way too narrow and makes turning difficult. This intersection is what needs to be fixed.
- I will likely avoid shopping at the Monterey Shopping centre. I would choose another location that would not be confusing to enter and depart. I frequently shop here, accessing it both from 16 Ave and northbound on 68 street, or southbound on 68 street making a left turn into the centre. Do business owners support this change? I wonder if their taxes will be reduced due to this suggestion?
- This city seems to lack insight into what our future needs will be. There seems to be a constant need to fix things that have just been finished.
- I think there will be a steep learning curve and a few accidents until drivers become and use the roundabout rules of the road correctly
- Good to see the City address the issue, don't think it will run that smoothly as it will now involve all traffic on 68 ST. Of course the impact on the shopping center at present is like a side issue until the vehicles get back onto 68 St. The timing of lights for N and S traffic will need adjustment
- I will be writing a letter expressing my opposition to both my councilor and the mayor on this proposal.
- Although we have been told it is not the City's problem to fix the turn onto 68th but the provincial level, there has to be something that can be done to accommodate the neighbors affected. This type of bandaid solution won't be beneficial for the community and will still not allieviate the problem, if nothing it will still cause problems for people trying to get back into their communities from either way. If the proper turns are put at 16th Ave and 68th Street like they were supposed to be done it would be better.
- I find it ridiculous that you keep asking the same thing over and over again. This is not a good idea. I do not want my tax money paying for this. It would be better to slow traffic down on 16th between the lights and heading out towards Strathmore to 60 just past the overpass, to allow traffic coming off Stony wanting to turn left on 68th, the ability to merge over and turn. People are talking that they have heard of an overpass going in at 16th and 68th - but I don't believe this, as there was talk of this when we moved into Abbeydale 30 years ago.
- This is a very poor idea and should have never even been brought to the table.
- NO NO NO. Waste of my money!!
- See above!
- I asked how many vehicles (per hour, per day) actually make a U-turn in the shopping centre. No answer. So we are spending \$3M and have no idea how many vehicles are doing these U-turns.
- Flashing pedestrian lights don't stop inconsiderate drivers from going through and the drivers don't adhere to the law of stopping on both sides until you are safely crossed to the other side.
- I have no idea who may have come up with this idea obviously not someone who lives in any of the above areas. Completely blown away this would have even been proposed or as you say at city hall put on the table. THIS IS NOT A GOOD IDEA. AT ALL.
- If we could make left off W. 16th Ave into Abbeydale would make 16 & 68 st safer.
- You have a big problem at 16 and 68 and you are creating another big problem! Stupid!
- They never witnessed a lineup of vehicles using the strip mall as a way of making a legal U-turn. My husband and I have used this method several times to get South 68th from Stoney. I have never seen anyone ahead of us or behind us doing the same thing! I've never heard of any accident in the Monterey area because of drivers using the square to turn around.

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- I really feel that whoever proposed this project should come up with more valid reasons and more proposed results because at this point the whole thing should be shelved.
- With the amount of traffic at rush hour this will clutter up more cars.
- Make an actual road through the shopping centre time the lights so traffic does not congest.
- Why wasn't the Stoney Trail overpass built further East? On your video you are showing pedestrians in the crosswalk and cars going through right after they have gone - you have to be right on the shoulder before anyone can go into the intersection - No one seems to do this and it is dangerous but is the law.
- Won't be using this part of 68th street. Will go to another co-op.
- Please spend the money putting lights at Abbotsford Dr & 68th Street. Desperately needed there to deal with speeding and pedestrian crossing.
- You should look into some plan to make a left turn possible coming off Stoney Trail!!! This should have been planned in from the beginning!!! Everything else is STUPID!!!!
- I can maybe see more accidents happening at roundabout
- Waste of money!
- A possible set of lights just after Stoney Trail off ramps is a more cost effective fix.
- If you are concerned about the traffic coming from Stoney Trail North and turning un the Co-op to take 68th East - Open our exit on Stoney and 39th St so the traffic going East can take 68 at that junction.
- Poor planning of Stoney Trail in the first place! It should have been corrected there.
- Don't do it!!
- If you really care about the citizens of Calgary you will not put this in. Just think of all the trouble you have with Mackenzie Town.
- Not well thought out - very expensive for no or worse improvement.
- This idea makes me quite upset and angry. The importance of why the ring road is where it is and why no left turn on 68 is there age education would be a better idea. The point is to direct to city centre not turn on 68.
- I believe our community deserves the overpass, which are proposed since ever.
- Please do not shortchange the NE again! We deserve so much better than this!
- We need to look at if this is really necessary. How many accidents - in Co-op parking lot or on road?!
- I resent the implication that people living South of 16 Ave & 68 St are the cause of the problem.
- I believe this will create a different kind of traffic chaos than what we currently have.
- It is no good very strongly disagree with this proposal.
- This is going to cause a lot of accidents and traffic is going to be impossible.
- The problem is at 16th & 68th.
- Why, why, why? All you have done is funnel all the traffic into a shopping centre *All designers should have one year commercial driving experience.
- Put in an overpass. Garth 403 650 1391
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- This is such a waste of money. I think if you look closely as to why the accidents happened (in attentive drivers, not obeying the law, speeding etc)you would realize it driver error not the way the roads are constructed.People are not familiar with roundabouts and I have yet to see a successful one in Calgary.Has anyone even considered how business will be impacted not to mention the

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congestion in the area. Changing the roads because "20" accidents happened is ridiculous, I think the city can spend our money more efficiently by adding better signage rather than making a major construction project that will undoubtedly take months and of course go over the proposed time line. Who came up with this plan, before you spent all this money making plans it would have been more efficient and less costly to take a survey of residents prior to getting to this stage.

- I Support it but I think it needs to have a really functional design that is not going to make traffic worse and clear directional signs. Because the one In McKenzie Towne has revised its rules over the years and I think all that did was confuse the people who did not understand how to drive it in the first place.
- Stupidest idea , ever
- Put in the overpass that is planned or make it possible to turn left off of 16th onto 68th - this is what should have been done in the first place. Stop wasting money on ideas that won't work and for once listen to what the residents who live here have to say.
- Pull down the fences keeping traffic from turning left onto 68st. It is the height of safety nazi thinking that we cannot manage to merge left over 350m at 70kph.
- I think that this is a crazy idea. This should have been thought our prior to or at the same time as Stoney Trail. There is way too much traffic on 68th and this will only add to it. Most that need to access southbound 68th have figured others ways. Yes signage on Stoney stating no access would be a great idea. The city is great at spending money where it's not needed. Just leave things as they are
- If it isn't broken don't fix it.
- The city is, once again, not doing any real due diligence to try and solve this problem. In fact, I don't believe that there is a problem with access to 68th Street, south of 16th Avenue. All Applewood/Abbeydale residents I know of use the 17th Avenue exit to access their communities from Stoney Trail.
- make it possible for cars to turn left on 68 st from stoney and 16th ave NE by elevating a ramp to 68s so cars can turn and go south on 68th st. looks to me cheaper, less construction, does not interfere with mall
- Worst idea ever!!!!
- If you could make an intersection for 16 Ave and 68 Street like what we have at 16 Ave and 52 Street, that would be a better solution. Moving that gas line station (whatever the cost might be) and having 68 Street as an over pass (whatever that cost might be) is worth it if it saves lives. The way it is right now is causing deaths and a traffic circle is not a solution for this issue.
- PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS!!
- LISTEN TO ALL THE CONCERNS SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC ON THIS FORUM. WHY WOULD YOU SPEND "OUR MONEY" ON SOMETHING DRIVERS ARE SO STRONGLY AGAINST???? YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY GO AHEAD WITH THIS GIVEN THE NEGATIVE FEEDBACK. I'LL CONTINUE TO USE THE SHOPPING CENTRE, ONLY NOW I'LL DO IT TO GET THROUGH A ROUND ABOUT INSTEAD OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT.
- there are several areas in the city of Calgary where you have to cross 3 lanes of traffic within a very short distance to make your desired turn. I was really surprised that they blocked off the turning lane on west bound 16th to 68th from stoney trail users, and made then made a mile long turning lane exclusively for westbound 16th ave drivers only. And in that mile long turning lane I've only ever seen a maximum of five cars anyway. If the speed limit between Stoney and 68 was 60km the few drivers should have NO PROBLEM crossing the three lanes to the turning lanes for 68th street SAFELY. A traffic circle is just plain retarded, just stick with simple.
- Bad idea
- Bad idea

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- roundabouts are trendy, but that doesn't make them a solution for every problem. there must be a way to build a small exit over or under pass to allow traffic from stoney to south bound 68th st. More poor engineering will not fix the original poor engineering
- I am in support of the roundabout however I am very concerned about navigating the roundabout for inexperienced and out of country drivers.
- What ever happened to original plans for 68/16 ave and over to have 16 ave from flowing.
- IT'S STUPID.
- Waste of money, further excuse not to develop interchange at 16th and 68th.
- This is absurd.
- There is nothing good about this proposal. If cars are turning left from 16-68 South, then they need their license taken away. This will not make our roads safer, it drivers that can't drive that make it unsafe. I'm sure you can put 3 million dollars into an overpass or other solutions. Stoney Trail should not have been built so close to 68th in the 1st place.
- The mistake was made during the original plans for Stoney. Everyone knew this would be a headache. I feel it wouldn't have happened in NW or SW quads but NE is deemed dispensible. Miller Miils 403 235 1313. I'm an insurance broker.
- This is totally stupid.
- Put the money in the budget to build a proper intersection at 16th and 68th. DON'T waste another 3 million.
- Figure out how to fix Stoney trail to allow left hand turns back onto 68st Southbound!
- Fix the problem don't just put a bandaid on it. This is going to cause more problems.
- This is not fixing the problem. Want to fix the problem, fix 68 st and 16 ave.
- What a waste of time + money.
- Don't waste our money on this.
- The solution is simple. Change the existing turning lanes(16ave west to 68st south) into one lane, then add a dual turning light on 16ave in the far left lane. Slow traffic from 70km to 60km so those from Stoney have time to change lanes. This is less expensive and a quick fix. When the overpass gets built(16ave and 68st),this issue could be addressed then.
- Build a by-pass from Stoney Trail to turn left onto 68th Street which should have been done in the first place!! It's a pain to have to backtrack into my community cause I either have to go all the way to 17th or 52nd and deal with a whole bunch of lights and other traffic.
- Please do not go ahead with this!
- If this goes thru I will no longer be shopping at the mall. I will be going elsewhere to avoid the mess that is sure to result.
- This problem should have been taken into account and addressed when the ring road was designed. As usual a look at the bigger picture was ignored.
- Put the money where it needs to be. Finish the third lane on 16 Avenue. At rush hour in the morning some people northbound 68 Str. turning left onto 16 Avenue can't because of the backup of traffic coming in from Stoney Trail. In the evening rush hour both lanes of east bound traffic come to a complete stop at 36 Street because of the influx of cars (a continuous line). It is so bad I have started going through the neighborhood because it is faster. I'm sure there are others who are doing the same and this is NOT what we want to happen. SQUASH THE CIRCLE - STUPIDIST IDEA EVER!!!
- Why we need to spend more Tax Payer money to correct an issue that SHOULD HAVE NEVER been an issue when the design for the Stoney Trail exits to 16th AVE were planned is beyond me. Because a City Roads Planner couldn't clearly see this would be an issue during the design of Stoney Trail, now we have to watch more of our tax dollars potentially going towards creating this traffic

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circle, pretty typical for City of Calgary road planning. Money should be saved to design a cloverleaf and remove the lights at 16th AVE and 68th ST ALL TOGETHER!!! But wait, the City has a Speed on Green traffic camera at this intersection, that means youd lose out on all that Ticket money.... now I understand why you dont want to fix it properly (ie, remove lights and cloverleaf)

- As mentioned by many people THIS IS A BAD IDEA! Do not waste our money on this proposal! I do not know what the right solution is for this but do not consult the people who screwed it up in the first place
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- I do not support this REDICULOUS decision and hope the city takes all of the negative results and throw's their stupid plan out the window!
- I guess I wrote my comments in the concerns area. I tried not to say things like the roundabout is a stupid idea, and wonder who's stupid idea this is? In 1967 I had a summer job with the city, part of which was as a "car counter". We counted personal and commercial vehicles using certain intersections, showing if they went straight or turned. Such a person could also count "illegal u turns. However, I think that job is now done by computers and sensors on the roads, but perhaps a human is needed to get the figures that seem unavailable for this roundabout "justification" ?
- Please do not proceed with this project!
- This roundabout is not an appropriate solution. Sign posts on Stoney Trail should alert drivers to use the 17th Ave exit.
- Why not consider an overpass at 68th and 16th? I know it is planned for in the future, maybe it should be started sooner rather than later.
- I take 68th all day, everyday. Don't feel like dying yet. North east easily has some of the worst drivers and a roundabout does not help one bit. The intersection would take way longer to get through especially in the early morning hours since it's already busy enough. Pedestrians would cause rear enders like crazy. I've seen numerous people just run across the street with oncoming traffic and not even think about how dumb it is to do so. Worst of all with having a fairly busy bar right there, you're askin for more careless drivers doing there thing which is driving horribly. Worst idea ever. I'd like to be able to drive to work without putting my life at risk everyday. And by the way...THEY TUKUUUUUUR JOOOOOOOOBS!
- Please leave this corridor as is!!!
- I would like to here about the traffic counts both South of 16 and North of 16 ave.
- A waste of \$.
- It's the worst idea the city has ever had.
- Add a new light off 16 Street from Stoney Trail so those people can turn left onto 68th Street to access Abbeydale etc. There is already a lane there so to add a light add a light and the cost will be significantly less than 3 million dollars. Also, how would traffic coming from co-op shopping centre will have an extremely difficult time joining the traffic on 68th Street; especially during high peak times.
- Better, cheaper solution = Leave intersection at 16th and 68th as is. Have a left turn light in the rotation, from the right side (lane) of 16th going West for 2 minutes while other traffic is stopped. TRY THIS CHEAP EXPERIMENT! Alan Davis 403-289-5667.
- This is a waste of my taxpayers money.
- Its cost to much.
- Its cost is too high and is safe property.
- None.

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- I work in Monterey Square Plaza. I have never noticed a problem with increased traffic in the mall due to the 1 turn lane being closed off. Why not work with the mall to have traffic directed through mall if they want to turn left from WB 16th ave onto SB 68th? Probably less problematic and far less costly. Or put up signs to have people exit on 52nd st and go back onto EB 16th ave?
- Bad idea!!!
- All left turns from 16th Ave during rush hour will join the merry throngs heading North to the roundabout joining the confusion heading South.
- If this goes thru need to consider building plus 15's to cross 68 str & entrance to Monterey Square.
- Don't go ahead with the proposal as people will completely go another route to avoid this poor decision.
- Need to find a better configuration or alternative for cars coming from Stoney Tr to go S on 68th. This is very close to a very busy and high collision intersection. Propose to have an overpass for pedestrian.
- I think this is a horrible mistake and a waste of our tax dollars.
- A good example or lesson for city/provincial planners to learn when they plan future expansions. I was surprised to find out that there was no turn to 68 street South when Stoney Trail opened. This is not making any sense and now remedies have to be done, and in the perfect way.
- We have waited for 6 years since Stoney Trail was built. I believe we can wait a while longer until the proposed/planned 16 Ave NE and 68 St NE interchange is built - even though nothing is known as to the timeline at the present time. Throughout Calgary (and recently after visiting Sydney + Melbourne, Australia) the only location traffic circles have been built are in residential and lower volume traffic areas. Thanks for listening!
- It will be too busy, stores will suffer, residents will go other places, crosswalk for pedestrians is too close to circle. No way will they be able to cross in busy times without getting hit.
- Too much cost.
- Will cost too much as its.
- It will create more traffic.
- Pls don't go for it. Final decision!!!
- Why does the city + province not cooperate on these decisions and approach the planning + development issues holistically not piece meal. Kept on hearing "they' did (ie. ring road intersection) - Where is the councillor for the area? Why is he not here? - What is the timeline for the major intersection @ 68 St + 16 Ave? - As one neighbor said, we would not have had today's meeting if the neighborhood was inhabited by dr's and lawyers because it would have been done right at the start! Thank you!
- I think this is a mickey mouse solution to a growing problem. The planning people should think a little harder to earn their money.
- I do not think the problem will be solved. Traffic is going to get busier. Also all you have done is moved the problem down the road. Solve the problem where it is happening.
- There will be more accidents going into the mall. More accidents with this 20 over 3 years is less than will be...
- Would lead to more accident at California BLV & at the ringroad.
- Traffic leaving mall during late afternoons and morning, sometimes 8-12 cars waiting @ lights to turn south or northbound lanes of 68th. No one coming north from 16 ave will be courteous enough to allow traffic into circle during this time A BAD WAY TO SPEND \$3,000,000
- Build the ramp over the road.

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- Why isn't there a sign on Stoney Trail before 16th Ave access indicating "No access to Southbound on 68th Street, Use 17th Ave access"; similar to what they have at Stoney Trail and 52nd St in the Southeast.
- Put an overpass on 68th over 16th.
- Build the overpass at 68 & 16!
- Waste money
- There has to be a better way
- Use money someplace else
- - A poor proposal will only aid a few people - Why don't you put a left turn light in for Eastbound traffic
- Afternoon rush hour will back up both Northbound 68 St and North on 68St from Eastbound 16 Ave. Vehicle coming from Monterey Square have to wait long long time to get on 68 street.
- Another poor plan to waste our tax dollars.
- Staff just nodding not even taking notes. Businesses in the plaza will definitely suffer.
- When are you going to do the overpass @ 68 st & 16 Ave? 10 years ago you said it would be 10 years. Now we are still waiting.
- Good idea.
- One other concern we have is the increased traffic turning East at 16th ave/68th Street intersection (South). Sometimes we have to wait a number of lights to turn East. Also, the light stand is too low if there is a truck in front of us we cannot see the light turn amber.
- I understand that previously 68 st and 16th ave was to have an overpass. This would make the roundabout a waste. I have not heard what is happening with that overpass.
- We don't know how to use traffic circles as we do not have very many in Calgary. Need to have very excellent signage.
- I hope our Alderman is listening to his constituents[employers} This should be a resounding no way, never to be heard of again.
- See above and that is only the tip of the iceberg, as far as we are concerned.
- I honestly believe that the proper way to fix this problem is to fix the original problem. I'm not quite sure how this was overlooked when designing Stoney Trail. People coming off of Stoney Trail should be able to have safe access and room to get over to the proper turn lane allowing them to make a safe left (South) turn. I really hope this is considered. The traffic circle may seem like a simple fix but will cause many drivers frustration every time they get stuck in a long wait to exit on to the traffic circle. This will be a constant headache for all those effected. I'm also sure it will never be addressed in the near future as it will be looked at as minor trouble spot for few.
- This will be a terrible design to replace a perfectly fine traffic light and marked pedestrian crossing. I am strongly against this, as it is a main artery to get into my neighborhood. A simple accident from this round about will cause a massive delay coming into communities of Monterey and vehicles continuing onward to Chestermere. Please reconsider building this.
- The city planners screwed this up & now you are about to make traffic a living hell for the community residents & business owners. People of the community of Pineridge had better prepare for an increase in traffic flow for drivers that will try to avoid traffic circles at all costs.
- build the overpass on 16th 1 trans canada Hwy.
- please don't waste any more of my tax payer dollars on a REALLY bad pan!!
- Build a bypass
- I really wish this was about 68th and 16th tho...we can't keep ignoring this intersection.

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- Use some common sense and not spend money to solve every problem. A little education and thought would not waste money on this roundabout and on this open house, public meeting and the result might be a bit of a savings for all of us.
- Want to make Calgary more sustainable? Want to take more cars off the road? Want to make a dent on green house gas? Want to see more people walking about their communities? Then, don't build yet another unsafe traffic structure which makes all the above that much more difficult to attain.
- Rather concerned that this Feedback form can't get the name of the Community just to the west of the proposal spelt correctly - it's Pineridge since 1974 - not Pine Ridge. (See top of Feedback Form).
- If the City is serious about the Engage concept, then please listen to the People and don't just go ahead anyway.
- The Stoney Trail off-ramp needs to be re-worked instead of this hash up of a circle on 68th St.
- Just get on with building the clover leaf at 16 Ave and 68th Street and throw the roundabout plans were they belong, in the garbage.
- Inadequate notice to community to gather feedback THIS IS A TERRIBLE IDEA, AND CAN NOT HAPPEN!!!
- Information session was horrible. They have no statistics other than 20 collisions from 2010 to 2013.
- Ill thought out - You say needed because of 20 accidents. Will be more as cars change lanes, confusion.
- Causing a major traffic jam.
- What studies were done in addition to identifying 20 accidents? How many accidents at the intersection in previous years? have traffic patterns been looked at for various times/days? Have U-turn offenders been counted over several weeks? Have mall merchants been asked for their feedback? Why was Stoney Trail/16 ave so poorly designed? Shouldn't the province set up to make some improvements? better signage and traffic camera to issue tickets for offenders might take care of much of the problem. Possible solution: Push memorial drive through to Stoney Trail. Build a SB off ramp from Stoney. Railroad tracks require level crossing or bridge.
- Why waste money on a roundabout?
- Signage on Stoney must be improved so traffic wishing to head South on 68th Street exits PRIOR to 16th Ave. Please do not do this. Walking will be a terrible hazard and traffic will be worse.
- How many people from Stoney Trail want to turn left on 68th St than can use McKnightv Blvd or 17 Ave exits.
- This is a bad solution - I don't support it. 3 million can be better used.
- Need better signage no access Southbound 68th street off 16th Ave on Stoney Trail.
- Do not put this in. Fix the off ramp from Stoney!
- Fix the problem -Stoney-16th Ave-68th St interchange by putting in better intersection (ie, cloverleaf etc) as residents requested many times - Don't more problem into our neighborhood
- Should have been better planning when building the Stoney Trail exit ramp - must have been the same person that designed the 16 ave - Deerfoot interchange and the Memorial- Deerfoot interchange.
- Went to meeting years ago in Marlborough where it was proposed for overpass at 16 Ave + 68 St. What happened to that plan? This roundabout is a waste of tax payers dollars.
- Please consider revisiting if 20 non-fatal collisions over 3 years is a justifiable cause to install a roundabout. Are these the direct result of no left turns? It isn't convincing.
- We need to think like intelligent people. There have been no fatalities out of 2013 and if the affected communities are not complaining we do not have an issue but lets assume there is an issue, there needs to be a better solution.

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- Please do not do it.
- I attended an event at Malborough park community center several years ago where we were promised an interchange at 16 ave + 68 st after Stoney Trail opened. I still have that information at home. Interchange would reduce collisions at better than a roundabout on block north! This is poorly planned and renegeing on promises to these communities years ago! Since Stoney Trail (NE & SE) opened traffic along 16 Ave has increased three or four times, so how does a roundabout solve this.
- The thing that is needed most is a pedestrian light that will get you across 68 st. Not half way and leave you in the middle of the road.
- Can the longest left turn lane in Calgary (WB 16th) be shortened to provide traffic time to switch lanes?
- I think 3M should be put into 16 Ave intersection which is the actual problem.
- Open house - people from city did not have the answers to questions posed Costs too much - No improvement
- Please thoroughly review this proposal and investigate other alternatives. Watch rush hour traffic on 68th to 16th and as well, the number of cars that actually loop through Monterey Square.
- Talk to the province and put a sign up North of McKnight on Stoney (Southbound) (No access to Southbound 68th St, use McKnight or 17th Ave)
- Better signage and a camera to catch offenders is far cheaper and arguably a better solution.
- people that live south of 16 ave that are exiting stoney trail,they can do it at 17 ave se
- There are lights already at that intersection so why not just allow legal U turns there????
- The City of Calgary claims to use the feedback from public engagement to aide in their decision making process. If that is the case & the opinions of the people submitting the Feedback Forms reflect the online discussion forum opinions then the public opinion is an overwhelming response of NO to this roundabout proposal. It is amazing that the city planners/engineers could design & build a multi-million dollar interchange at Stoney & 16th Avenue after just recently completing the newly designed intersection at 16th Avenue & 68 Street & not have the foresight to see this problem from the beginning. WOW! Are these the same planners/engineers that came up with this proposal. WOW! I frequently drive through all of the effected intersections & shopping plaza several times a day, every day & I have not seen one accident that occurred in the intersection of 16th & 68th that occurred in the fashion the city is claiming. In my opinion there are other design choices that could be made between the Stoney Trail off ramp & the southbound turning lane on westbound 16th avenue.
- Creating a proper overpass lane to accommodate the traffic from Stoney Trail to 68th street would seem more effective to decrease the traffic in a residential area. It would also be less of a negative affect on the businesses and residents of the area.
- traffic circles are not very prominent in calgary and in my experience, most drivers just dont have a clue how to use them. Having said that I also believe people will avoid the area, including all the businesses there , and will most likely increase traffic in pineridge (especially down rundlehorn drive and/or 32ave.)
- How about an exit only for southbound Stony Trail at 32 Ave. NE.?
- Not necessary - the Province should take down some of the barriers on 16th Ave Westbound & then it would be possible to turn South on 68th Street into Abbeydale. Who are these engineers who dream up these horrible intersections? We have lived in Monterey Park for more than 20 years now & have NEVER seen anyone trying to make an illegal turn around where the roundabout is proposed.
- You need this @ McKnight & Aero Rd by the post office on McKnight. Not here

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Please comment if you have a general comment, question or concern.

- Just this evening I attended the open house on this proposal and I'm truly sorry to say that it was more than disappointing to see how my tax money is proposing to be spent!!!! The first point in your benefits section is to provide a safe U turn for people. Well to that I say, why are we supporting illegal actions by disregarding citizens. If you want to dissuade this action put in a traffic camera and raise the price of the ticket to 2 or 3 hundred dollars. The second point on reducing travel and wait times is a very weak point being made by someone who doesn't realize that saying something like that can cost the tax payer millions of dollars. The third point on improving safety because there have been 20 accidents in 3 years(probably caused by people breaking the law) is again a very weak point to make when we are again talking about spending millions of dollars. Obviously you can see my frustration over this proposal to spend tax money where it's not needed and I think it's safe to say that 90 to 99% of the people at this gathering tonight had at least this same opinion or even stronger. My biggest question regarding this project is how did it ever get to the point of where it is? We have already wasted thousands of dollars getting to this point and shouldn't have. Who generated this project????
 - If the city wants to spend some money in the same area, make another lane heading east on 16th between 52nd and 68th. because traffic is moving into the far right hand lane to get onto Stoney south and backing up traffic that wants to turn south on 68th all the way to 36th street and further west.
 - The bottom line on this proposal and any other similar types that are generated in the Dream A Scheme Think Tank, are causing the tax payers a lot of frustration which has got to stop. One day we're going to need that 3 or 5 or 20 million dollars that we keep chucking out there as though it has just fallen from the skies.
 - This project doesn't appear as though it has enough validity to get off of the dinner napkin, let alone make it to where it is at present.
 - Very disappointed citizen
- This roundabout proposal is a terrible idea and I completely disagree with its implementation on 68 st. This roadway is a high volume traffic area at any given point of the day from early morning to late evening and a roundabout is not suitable to manage an efficient flow of traffic at the volumes this road experiences everyday. Traffic will back up and it will influence other roadways; the intersection at the #1 highway will become backed up with people waiting to "roundabout" because frankly it will not move efficient enough to support the volume of traffic. Furthermore, being the only primary entrance way into Monterey square this will cut off the flow of traffic into the busy business sector of Monterey square considerably impeding the attractive accessibility for nearby community residents and visitors to Calgary. This roadway is a primary route for all emergency vehicles what happens when the roundabout is too congested for emergency vehicles to pass through because where do you move too when you are trapped inside a circle full of vehicles with no where to go. What about the safety of our pedestrians that also need to access joining communities and the businesses in Monterey square. We are going to tangle pedestrians in this mass of confusion with frustrated drivers. Oh and if we have to wait for pedestrians right as we are exiting the circle where is traffic going? No where. Where is the efficiency? It slows traffic down. These considerations need to take precedence. A roundabout is not the solution. It will not improve the flow of traffic, accessibility or make it less frustrating for the roads users. A roundabout will exacerbate the issues and create plethora of new concerns and safety hazards. It is imperative to use foresight to see the risks involved to driver and pedestrian safety. Let's plan ahead and come up with a workable solution that uses resources, time and money wisely.

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- As an Abbeydale resident of 6 years and a frequent traveler to McKenzie Towne to visit family, I can honestly say that this is a terrible idea. People do not know how to navigate traffic circles in Calgary. PERIOD. You will be causing more problems than you will solve and no amount of forced education (leaflets, information sessions, signage, etc.) will change people's bad driving habits. Either create a lane and get a traffic sign on 16th for southbound turns on 68th, or simply put adequate signage on Stoney to turn on 17 AV SE (which I'm pretty sure most of us do right now).
- Please don't make this happen. As an employee at a store in Monterey Square, this will lower our business, and is sure to cause more accidents. Our area is highly busy during rush hour times, especially for those travelling to and from Stoney Trail, normally on their way to Chestermere or Strathmore. A round-a-bout will confuse people, and cause more traffic jams. While a round-a-bout is a great idea, there are many drivers who are uncomfortable or unfamiliar with it, and more who don't use it correctly. You are going to build something that spends millions of dollars in the hopes of decreasing accidents when it will only make matters worse. As someone who works near the intersection of 16 Ave and 68th Street, as well as lives near it...in the two years I've been here I have never once seen a crash. I'm sure they happen, but you would think if it is such a problem that those who live around here would have taken notice, and for most of us we haven't.
 - This is a poor idea, and I really hope it doesn't go through.
- If this goes through (seems like its predestined and the 'info session' just a rouge) I will cease shopping in the shopping centre. I live South of 68St and find all the access I need off of 17 Ave SE or Mcknight in the North...both being the NEW current access routes. It is a guarantee business at the shopping centre will suffer beyond my intention.
 - Traffic circles are being dropped by ALL major jurisdictions throughout the world for the obvious reasons of danger (it may be a circle but it is still uncontrolled), current congestion from all directions and speed of traffic. This intersection is also a high usage pedestrian crosswalk, established in the first place to counteract the danger to people (many kids included). The end result will be a traffic circle with a cross walk to further bottleneck an uncontrolled vehicle route. How mutton headed is that!???
 - I also do not appreciate conjured up, weak kneed justifications such as '20 accidents caused by illegal turns"; cameras with notification of same will cure that one. That intersection sees tens of thousands of cars transit through safely, legally, daily.
 - Think on this; city designers and aldermen propose this circle is necessary to direct roundabout an unspecified number of vehicles by taking them in one direction for two blocks to turn those vehicles in the total opposite directions. We are led to believe the numbers of vehicles are quite high and quite continuous. Does the concept of "intentional bottleneck", then register? With the roundabout/circle one more direction to a 4 direction intersection will be added...this one being a traffic reversal. Who the hell comes up with this???? Is this a make work project out of the last depression?
- This is a preposterous solution for a problem that doesn't exist but in the minds of what appears to be a handful of political party faithful of a now defunct political party. Aldermen in support of this travesty can be assured more than one of us will work actively to bury their hopes in the next election.
- One last thought; Presenters (city staffers), when pressed for traffic flow counts, statistics or concrete research to back justification for this circle, were unable to provide information and appeared to confirm NO SUCH RESEARCH was involved in the decision to go ahead!
- I'm not surprised by the lack of planning, this city doesn't plan anything other than higher taxes

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- Please provide source of the information that "Traffic circles are being dropped by ALL major jurisdictions throughout the world". BTW - roundabouts ARE controlled. By all the same road regulations that apply to any other intersections or roads.
- No to the traffic circle !! Your average Calgary driver doesn't know how to use traffic circles and it will only become a place to crash. Most Calgary drivers can't merge or use 4 way stops so a traffic circle is way beyond them. Way too much traffic for this to work and in front of a busy mall??
- About time to learn how to drive in the 21st century folks! ;)
- Another alternative to the problem of access to 68 St. NE from Stony Trail would be to add signage on Stony Trail south of the 17 Ave SE exit and north of the McKnight Blvd. exit, advising Stony Trail users that there is no access to 68 St NE for those travelling westbound on 16 Ave NE. Drivers could then exit Stony Trail at 17 Ave. SE to access 68 St. northbound, or exit at McKnight Blvd for 68 St. southbound. the sign could say, for example, "Access to 68 St. South of Hwy1, use 17 Ave. SE exit". Considering the amount of traffic on 68 St. north of Hwy 1, and also into the shopping centre at Monterey Square, I think the traffic circle would be a real bottleneck. This is especially so, due to the fact that Calgary drivers are not very familiar with the correct entry and exit rules regarding "roundabouts". The wait times for the traffic lights at 68 St and 16 Ave NE are already quite long, and the circle would create another frustration within a block of those lights. The "barn door" is already closed on the Stony Trail design; however, this problem should have been foreseen in the planning stages for Stony Trail NE.
- We are a homeowner situated less than two blocks away from this proposed construction so feel it is almost literally in our backyard. It is almost certain that our property value will be affected negatively, since easy and quick access to #1 Highway and Stony Trail as well as, westbound traffic going downtown will be further delayed on 68 Street caught in the roundabout. Northbound on 68 St. off of #1 Highway will also be delayed. Quick and easy access to Monterey Square will be denied and therefore the businesses in this mall will suffer great loss of revenue. Many residents of the neighboring communities support these local businesses and wish to continue to do so without the obstacle of a roundabout to obstruct our access. I do NOT believe that the proposed pedestrian signals will be at all safe, in fact they will be dangerous as cranky, aggressive and impatient drivers try to exit Monterey Square and are delayed access to the roundabout. It will be difficult if not next to impossible to exit Monterey Square, as both northbound and southbound drivers must yield to the roundabout drivers. This is a very congested roadway in rush hour but this roundabout is definitely not the solution. This hybrid traffic circle functions different than the other traffic circles in the city so drivers will experience a very awkward design causing driver confusion, resulting in unsafe decisions which will ultimately cause many accidents. Then, we have major chaos as the traffic flow in both directions on 68 St. is blocked causing grid-lock extending to #1 Highway and Stony Trail. The noise and disruption to the community during the construction phase will certainly disturb the close by residents and is so undesirable. Frankly, I do not wish to once again tolerate further construction in this area when the residents have made it clear we do not want or need a traffic circle on one of the busiest roadways in the northeast. Traffic circles are not designed to function on very busy roadways. What is needed is a solution to improve the flow of traffic, not an obstacle to increase traffic congestion. If safety is of ultimate concern, a traffic circle (roundabout) would never be considered for this intersection. The open house presented by the city was a dismal disappointment, not one elected official for the city attended this information session. The city employees were ill prepared to answer most questions presented. There was no data or research presented to support the roundabout. The statistics of 20 accidents over four years is questionable as is the fact that illegal U turns are occurring as a result of no left turn at 16 Ave. and 68 St. Most drivers have adjusted to using either 17 Ave. SE or McKnight. This is a TERRIBLE IDEA and will not solve the problems (too many to mention) at 16 Ave. and 68 St. created when the Stony Trail was

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constructed. I am now aware that there is an interchange most likely approved for 16 Ave. and 19 Street also. One has to wonder if that is why there is NOT a proper interchange planned for 16 Ave. and 68 St. The cost was quoted at 3 million for this project, I suggest that it will be closer to 5 million as these projects usually cost more in the end and there will be the cost to fix all the problems caused by the roundabout. This is a waste of our city tax money. The local residents have expressed a resounding "NO TO THE ROUNDABOUT". This is our community and we travel these roads daily. If the city is truly listening to the people, this proposed roundabout will not happen. Please leave this current intersection as is; it seems to function okay.

- My family has lived in the Abbeydale area for 30 years now and to say that since the mixup on planning Stoney Trail and shutting down turning left on 68th Street has resulted in 20 accidents is not a valid reason to make a roundabout that will result in a huge number of accidents as people get frustrated with sitting waiting forever to enter the circle. Think this mess would just cause even more people to attempt the illegal turn from 16th onto 68 to avoid the circle. Would make more sense to slow traffic on westbound 16 Avenue down back further and open the turn-lane back up to traffic coming off of southbound Stoney. Your city staff had no statistics on accidents before you shut down this turn and basically stood around doing nothing on the night of the open house. Got the feeling that this is a done deal and the City has no intention of even listening to any of us that actually use those roads on a daily basis.
- This is a terrible idea! The average driver in Calgary does not do well with roundabout; it's very confusing and will cause more accidents. It will turn off shoppers from coming to Monterey Square. It's too close to the freeway and right on a main street that it will definitely cause traffic jam. I urge the city NOT to proceed with the project. Please build an overpass so people can turn south onto 68 ST as the city should have done in the first place. Gosh, that was a poor design that people can't turn left to 68ST south. This is too costly to make another mistake!
- This traffic circle is a terrible idea. Traffic turning into the mall from 68th side going north maybe hindered because of people waiting to turn into MacDonalds because of traffic that is waiting to out of the mall. From the diagram at the presentation, this is the traffic that seemed to wait the longest to get into the round a bout. I think that many people will just take the small side route that goes by the condos and the car wash causing a back up there. I also worry about anyone walking trying to cross either intersection. I go into this mall at least once a day and if this circle is put in, I will not be shopping there, I will go somewhere else. I think that the ideas about better signage on Stoney that others have left in this forum is a much cheaper and better idea. After going to the forum and reading these comments, if this circle is approved it does prove to me that no one working in the city of Calgary listens to anything that Calgarians are trying to tell them.
- This is a terrible idea. I drive a school bus through that intersection at least 4 times a day. In the winter time that area gets very backed up and to put a circle there would make congestion worse. People would fill the circle going one way and it would delay everyone else going around. Bad bad idea. Not very many people know how to proceed through a traffic circle. Which lane do you use if you are going to the second exit? Who has the right of way? People can't even manage to get through a three way uncontrolled intersection properly. I almost got hit today because the guy didn't know that the person on the right has the right of way. No amount of driver education will help, it will just cost more and more money. Leave it the way it is. Worry about all the crosswalks that need proper flashing lights so pedestrians are safe. Don't change something that isn't broken.
- When the province built Stoney Trail the interchange to 16th Ave. was badly planned to be very polite. Our former Government is to blame for this problem. Wonder why they are no longer in power? 16 Ave. is the problem. Why spend 3 million one block away to try and fix the problem? When the overpass goes forward most likely the roundabout will have to be removed because it is badly designed and will be in the way of construction. 3 million down the drain. Fast track the

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overpass and stop spending money on stupid projects that make NO sense. Better signs on 16 Ave are badly needed to inform drivers. I am afraid even that won't help because the problem need a solid right solution. Where else in Canada do you arrive from highway #1 and are unable to make a left turn at the first intersection?? Residence are still MAD at the approval of McDonald's at Village Square and that was brought up many times last night. They have changed there shopping habits. Where was the Media? No news coverage. If you want to see accidents happen just go ahead with this project. How much money did this information meeting cost the tax payers? If you have cancer on your left arm do you operate on your right arm?

- Could not attend the Wednesday meeting. 20 year resident of Pineridge and have NEVER seen an accident at the proposed site for the roundabout. Accidents occur at 16 and 68, or 68 and 22 ave but not the proposed site. Very surprised to find the proposal is for that intersection, its about as useful as the poor representation in the form of alderman for the NE.
 - 1) Initiate DUAL left hand turns onto 68 south and coordinate the light with the existing DUAL left hand lanes onto 68 north. You automatically eliminate drivers off Stoney Trail from cutting thru parking lots, making illegal u-turns and jamming traffic at 68 st and 22 ave/catilina blvd. 2) Better yet, allocate funding for DUAL left hand turning lanes in every direction at 68 and 16 ave entirely.
 - 3) 16 ave and 68 street is a high speed, high impact intersection.
 - 4) Widen the entire intersection at 16 and 68 as an interim measure pending an overpass. There is plenty of room along the berm on 68 street and 16 ave to create dual turning lanes onto 16 ave westbound from 68 street north and there is room for dual turning lanes onto 68 south from eastbound 16 ave.

Stop wasting taxpayer money. Traffic westbound and eastbound on 16 Ave is a nightmare as it is. The issue is with traffic coming into and going out of the city via 16 Ave and not the local traffic. A roundabout on the proposed site is nothing short of incompetent planning and a lack of understanding the users and traffic flow in the area. I expect the proposed cost will be proportionately shared by all taxpayers and not solely the residents in the area.

Looking forward to the reading the feedback of this proposed roundabout and will attend the next meeting.
- The City of Calgary claims to use the feedback from public engagement to aide in their decision making process. If that is the case & the opinions of the people submitting the Feedback Forms reflect the online discussion forum opinions then the public opinion is an overwhelming response of NO to this roundabout proposal.
 - It is amazing that the city planners/engineers could design & build a multi-million dollar interchange at Stoney & 16th Avenue after just recently completing the newly designed intersection at 16th Avenue & 68 Street & not have the foresight to see this problem from the beginning. WOW! Are these the same planners/engineers that came up with this proposal. WOW!
 - I frequently drive through all of the effected intersections & shopping plaza several times a day, every day & I have not seen one accident that occurred in the intersection of 16th & 68th that occurred in the fashion the city is claiming. In my opinion there are other design choices that could be made between the Stoney Trail off ramp & the southbound turning lane on westbound 16th avenue.
 - Fellow citizens please fill out & submit the Feedback Form, see the link on this page. The City wants public engagement, let your voices be heard & we will see if our opinions are observed or is this just grandstanding by the City of Calgary. See bike lane public engagement.

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- My biggest concern is that the overpass will be built and then the roundabout will be removed because it will be too close to the off ramp. 3 million down the drain.
- My husband I drive on 68th Street regularly to access the shops in Monterey Square, 32nd Avenue and McKnight Boulevard. We agree with the comments made below and second all of the concerns mentioned. Our concern is how well Calgarians will deal with the traffic circle on a dark snowy night with icy roads. We see the potential for many more collisions. We've lived in Applewood for over 20 years and really don't see any advantage to the traffic circle. It will be a hindrance to traffic. The best solution, in our opinion, appears to be updating the signage on Stoney Trail.
- did not attend the open house but have seen the signs regarding this proposed change and checked things out online tonight. I have used the parking lot at Monterey after exiting Stony Trail, to go south on 68th, so initially thought a traffic circle might make sense. But then I watched the simulation of the traffic circle in action. There is no way this can be considered a good idea! This intersection is much too close to 16th Ave and I have seen how far back traffic gets lined up on southbound 68th during rush hour. Even in the simulation there were vehicles having trouble trying to get out of the parking lot and into the roundabout and traffic levels weren't that high in the simulation. People will start exiting the parking lot on the east side of the condos onto California Blvd just to try to get onto south bound 68th. How will that be different than having cars "U-turn" through the parking lot when they come off of Stony? And the point of a traffic circle is to eliminate traffic lights yet how are pedestrians to cross the road here in safety? The fact that you cannot turn left at 68th after exiting Stony Trail is a poor, poor excuse to put in a roundabout.
- I drive on 68 Street all the time. Have been for the past 8 years. In all that time I have seen one accident at 16 and 68 and it was on 68 st going north. I have never seen anyone turning left from the wrong lane on 16 going south. I frequent the Co-Op at least twice a week. I have never waiting more than one light change to get on to 68 St. I have no clue why the city wants to do this except that someone wants to slow traffic down on 68 St. Lets face facts. A lot of people in the northeast have enough trouble driving in a straight line. A traffic circle will just cause more accidents. Totally a waste of money. But in this city, that is not a surprise. If the city really wants to make is safer, here's a term they need to look up. Its called "free flow traffic". Its an very interesting concept. City of Calgary, look it up some day
- Bad design, bad location, bad for business! Surely the city can come up with a solution that doesn't create a loss of business while creating traffic confusion for drivers. Roundabouts are not common in our city and no one knows how to safely drive them. This would create more collisions, not mitigate a bad design. Once again the NE would have to put up with a bad design in a bad location in a poor attempt to fix another bad design. Not sure where the City is getting the high collision statistics. Having lived in the area for 17 years and traveled the route countless times, I have yet to see an accident at that intersection. The shopping center would be forced to bear the brunt of increased confusion and accidents and be asked to pay for something they don't want or need and then experience the loss of their livelihood. My vote is a resounding NO to this concept.
- What a terrible idea. Has traffic flow been measured at all in this area? Traffic in the mornings and evening rush hours are already at a standstill, reaching far past the proposed roundabout. Having a roundabout is just going to add to the problem. Cars waiting to enter a long line just to maneuver their way around the circle. And then you have the drivers that have no idea on how to use one properly. I can see many more accidents than the 20 that have happened over 4 years. I have called 311 numerous times about the traffic lineup because of the lights at 16 and 68th. If this goes through I will have to find another way around MY OWN NEIGHBORHOOD. And forget about going to Co-op. Too much hassle. Way to ruin a nice community shopping center.

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We live in this area, PLEASE listen to US. We travel the roads everyday here. Trust that we know that this is a disaster in the works. Don't push this idea through.

- how bout the best and cheapest solution proper signage on Stoney, identify no south bound 68th, use 17ave SE
- I DO NOT believe this is a good idea. Eastbound 16th ave already gets backed up during rush hour everyday. Half of those people turn left onto 68th street and would hit this silly roundabout! Which would in turn create even more of a traffic jam. And adding the two pedestrian crosswalks would also create more traffic. If this project goes through I will have to find other routes to and from Monterey Park just to avoid what WILL BECOME a crazy traffic jam ALL DAY EVERYDAY. I really hope the city takes all of the communities feedback and does NOT go through with this silly project. Otherwise there will be an uproar from not only me but I'm sure other people from my community and others. Traffic circles are literally the DUMBEST THING EVER INVENTED. PLEASE DO NOT RUIN MONTEREY SQUARE. Really how many people does this no left turn on 68th street really affect?!? And only 20 collisions over 4 years!?!? That number will triple if this project goes through. SO IT SHOULDN'T BE APPROVED. End of story.
- Why don't you just cut the turning lane down on west bound 16th and make it reachable for traffic coming off stoney. Problem solved. Why do we pay you the big bucks to come up with such bad ideas. Have you ever driven 68th northbound during afternoon rush hour??? You want a traffic circle there. Come on give your heads a shake and smarten up.
- We went to the info session for the round about. We are a business owner. No representatives our MLA or Aldermen came. It was quite disappointing. My main point is, as a small business owner is this will have a massive negative affect on our business. We will lose so much business and many clientele with this round about. This is our lively hood, why should we be punished as the federal and provincial governments can not work together to correct the Stoney Trail & 16 th avenue intersection.
- You are correct. If this goes ahead, I will not shop there anymore
- Ray Jones was there when I went and it is my understanding that he is opposed as am I. A roundabout does not solve the 'problem', people who want to illegally turn southbound on 68th Street are still going to do so!
- Is the city really going to do this. Nobody pulls in to Monterey square to get turned around and go south on 68st. Are they out of their minds! I get off at 17avSE like all the other residents south of 16av, why BECAUSE THEY FORCED US TO. bunch of morons downtown. With all the problems they have with the McKenzie town Traffic circle, not to mention the daily complaints to 311. I can't believe this is their solution, We already got Screwed with the so called interchange at 16av & 68st NE. Now we get to bend over again. Of course the Planners live far away from the NE, where this traffic circle will never effect them what a joke. If they actually did a public vote on this Roundabout and other Projects around the city they would find that 80% would never vote in favor of their Ideas. and where are our Aldermen in all of this? but what does it matter The NE always gets the short end of the stick.
- I know lots of people that turn around in the Monterey Square Parking Lot... Actually everyone I know does it and I've lived in Abbeydale for 29 years.
- This intersection is too busy and too close to a highway for the proposed roundabout to work safely and efficiently. Presently, we have an intersection controlled by traffic lights and it is easy to ensure safety by obeying traffic signals. After changing to a roundabout, the onus will be entirely on the motorists to make good judgments and take proper actions. Users of this intersection will be left at the mercy of aggressive drivers, ignorant drivers, and irresponsible drivers. This can grossly add to the confusion and grossly increase the risk of collisions. The disadvantages of the proposed

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roundabout may far outweigh its possible benefits. I trust the City's planning department, which has many talented individuals on its payroll, can offer us better alternatives than the proposed roundabout.

- Well said. In fact, the removal of the left turn at 68St has been a boon to the residents as it ended the morning East of Calgary commuter left turn to head for Memorial and, the 24hr left turn by big rigs and, dare I add, straight piped motorcycles.
P.S. Have you noticed Alderman's Chabot disappearing act on this one?
- I agree where is our alderman????
- I really, really don't like this plan. People who want to go south on 68th St after getting off southbound Stoney Trail only need to plan ahead and get off Stoney at McKnight or 17 Ave SE. The other alternative is to stay on 16th and get off at 52 St - really easy now that they put a left turn light there. Forcing all of the residents north of 16th to have to deal with a roundabout every day to make life easier for the handful of people who want to turn around just doesn't make sense. It also strikes me as a hazard because so few people know how to use a roundabout. Finally, I don't think there's adequate room at this intersection to construct a roundabout - it's going to be so small that larger vehicles like city buses or those large recreational vehicles that want to turn around won't be able to navigate it.
- Handfull of people? I'm pretty sure its hundreds per day...including myself having to cut through the shopping centre parking lot multiple times per day! you may live on the north side and McKnight is great for you, but for us on the south side, we shouldn't have to get off and sit through all the lights btwn Mcknight and 17th to get where we need to go.
- Sorry - didn't mean to minimize the challenges you face, Ange. I agree that you shouldn't have to go out of your way and sit through a bunch of lights because of poor planning. I was simply trying to get at the fact that this proposed solution is worse than the problem.
- I live south of 16th ave in Abbeydale and I and many more people like me think this is a terrible idea to have a roundabout. It may take a few extra minutes to do a u-turn in the shopping center but sometimes it reminds me that I need milk or bread. @ Ange hundreds of people per day is a handful compared to the 10,000 plus people that this project will slow down per day.....including the hundreds that will be backed up on Stony Trail waiting to enter the roundabout.
- I have lived in the northeast for 35 years since moving to Calgary and in the community of Pineridge for one year. This is the most ludicrous idea I have ever heard and I vehemently oppose it. The millions of dollars that this project will cost would be far better spent on just about any other project. I wasn't aware that we had so much extra money in this city that we were actively seeking ways to waste it. The simple solution, which is also extremely cost effective, is to put a sign on Stoney Trail indicating that there is no access to southbound 68th Street from 16th Avenue, similar to the signs further south on Stoney Trail indicating that there is no access to Auburn Bay or Cranston.
I have the following specific concerns about this proposal:
 1. A roundabout will not prevent illegal left-hand turns. The people who are making illegal left-hand turns will not stop because there is a roundabout half a block north of their target. They will continue to make illegal left-hand turns because it is convenient.
 2. This project will cause major traffic disruptions and upheaval to the surrounding communities and will have a huge negative impact on the local businesses for the duration of construction. Construction is inconvenient and messy and often has lasting repercussions for impacted businesses. I will personally have great difficulty getting to and from my home for the duration of construction because of the lane closures and traffic tie ups.

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3. Drivers do not know how to use roundabouts correctly, especially if a roundabout has two lanes as has been proposed. Driver education in the form of large signs as was suggested at the open house does not work and will likely cause more accidents as drivers get distracted trying to figure out how to use the roundabout and panicking when they realize that they are doing it wrong.

4. Poorer access to Monterey Square shopping centre. The roundabout will make it more difficult for people heading south on 68th Street to access the shopping centre because of drivers using the roundabout incorrectly. From southbound 68th Street it will be difficult to get into the correct lane to exit into the shopping centre without getting cut off by northbound traffic. I will personally stop frequenting the businesses in the shopping centre to avoid using the roundabout.

5. Pedestrian safety. The proposed LED flashing lights on the side of the road are difficult to see, especially on a bright sunny day, and are not as safe as traffic lights and a controlled intersection.

6. Negative impact on property value. The roundabout will not prevent illegal left-hand turns and is both an inconvenience and a deterrent to driving on 68th Street between 16th Avenue and 22nd Avenue.

This idea is ill-conceived and of no obvious benefit to the surrounding communities. It simply cannot be approved.

- VERY BAD IDEA!!! Why are you willing to spend millions on a plan that no one knows how to use and will cause even more accidents. Stoney Trail is the problem because the bright light that designed it didn't put in a lane for vehicles traveling south onto 68th. Think of the mayhem to be caused by putting this proposed roundabout in. People are not going to travel that far north to make a u-turn and travel all the way back so they can go south onto 68th from Stoney Trail. They will continue to make illegal u-turns or use the shopping centre parking lot to turn around. Don't put a roundabout in.
- Did I mention this is a VERY BAD IDEA!!!????!!!! If anything, fix the problem at Stoney Trail to get to south 68th.
- I agree with many of the comment regarding the ring road being a poor idea. I believe it will inevitably cause more traffic and safety issues. It is not a desired action and a poor use of money.
- I live in Pineridge and shop at Monterey often. I also use the pedestrian walkway occasionally. I come home from work and many other places east bound 16th to northbound 68. Having a traffic circle is a very bad idea! It is very congested at rush hour turning north and if we all then had to merge right to go through as people are merging left to go around circle, then traffic would grind to a halt. The lights are barely able to manage a good flow but it would definitely get worse!. Bad planning from the get go with the Stony intersection. Put up signs on southbound Stony Trail informing drivers that they cannot turn south on 68 at the #1 Highway (how embarrassing) but must take McKnight or 17th Ave SE.
- No thank you. More traffic... More noise...more time home.... Less dog park. Horrible idea.
- Under the category of 'How to make a bad situation worse', trust the City of Calgary traffic planning department to come up with a gem like this. Most of the salient arguments against this ill-conceived 'quick fix' have been made, so i will keep it short. Solving a problem temporarily by creating a new problem is the kind of myopic, languid, and uninspired effort I will not tolerate from our civil servants. Good Lord people, challenge yourselves. I am certain you are capable of better.
- I do not support this idea. I will avoid the area like the plague if it goes ahead- an area that I pass through and shop at frequently.

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- I live facing 68 street Co-op for 20 years now. I have asked the families around me in Pineridge and no one here sees the high traffic the City of Calgary says exist. I continually see people walk across to Co-op at the light and this would endanger people walking if changed to a traffic circle. The shopping mall does not get hardly any traffic going in and turning around to go south on 68 Street. The City should have done more research to actually clock how many cars use the mall to turn around and go south. Was research actually done beforehand on this with statistics? I DO NOT see any traffic going in to turn around and I go and almost daily (as I have teenager) walk or drive across to the mall for groceries. There are many other options the City could look at. One option would be to lengthen the left turning lane on 16 Ave turning south to 68 St. Giving the traffic more time to get into the lane. As I view 16 Ave I see the turning lane is very short now. Another option is to put a light for traffic coming East where Stony Trail merges onto 16 Ave into Calgary prior to the 68 St light to give all traffic availability to turn into the south turning lane. As 16 Ave has high traffic due to the growth of Chestermere. One is to consider accidents happening not related to turning south on 68 street but volume of traffic or higher speed as the cause. As this is a major highway route east/west a bridge similar to 52 St. might be required also in the future to have traffic on 16 Ave not have to stop. This is costly and a consideration for future as the City grows. A traffic circle would not solve the problem that exists and would create confusion instead. Since there are many other options than I have described here to research other than a traffic circle that would produce less costly and safer ways for both drivers and pedestrians. Me and my family and my Pineridge neighbors vote NO traffic circle. The City I hope will consider all the negative comments and impact this would cause on the area. This would not be a solution but rather another problem.
- I am not sure if what we say has any way of influencing whether this circle gets built or not, but here's what I feel. The province when they built Stoney trail to 16th avenue did not do their research and missed an important turn to south 68th street. I see the city making a worse mistake by putting in a circle at a major intersection to a very busy shopping mall. Shame on the planners here also. Two mistakes do not make a right in fact there will be more accidents here than there are now. You are making an easy access difficult to manage on a main thoroughfare. This intersection needs the lights it has to help move traffic from south to north, North to south, east to west, west to east. STOP TRYING TO FIX TRAFFIC WITH CIRCLES THAT DO NOT WORK. This road way is too busy to have a circle, I want my tax dollars going to a proper solution, not a test project. I have to say I will no longer shop at the centre as it will not be an easy access for me and my family. Send it back to the planners and come up with a solution that all in these communities can drive in. So the city will be responsible for the business losses in this centre, due to their bad planning. Do we not have enough job losses in this city already. Leave this intersection alone and really do your research before making these serious proposals.
- First off, roundabouts are a good idea! They are an excellent replacement for 4 way stops in residential neighborhoods. Not here though. They do not work near highways, busy roads and with dual lanes. I would avoid 68th as much as possible if this plan is put to action. Alternatives to this (some of which have been mentioned):
 - Allow access to the mall from westbound 16th/Stoney exit
 - Dual lanes at all left-hand turns at 68th and 16th
 - Build an overpass
- I am opposed to this stupid traffic circle idea. Remove all the concrete barriers and put in a left hand turning lane Westbound at 16Ave and 68th NE. Add and improve the signage to enable people coming off Stony Trail so they can merge and get into and make a left turn, Simple! I Who designed this piece of crap. Do they not know that 68 Street is a major intersection.
- I have to agree with the comments made by local res. When the no left turn came into being I contacted my alderman for clarification and to state my disbelief on the situation. Mr Chabot told

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me that the idea was to keep the traffic on 16th avenue at a high speed flow and for that reason and the lack of distance to the intersection it was deemed unsafe to cross over to make a left hand turn. so the lane was cut off. the traffic continued to make a hard left across the lanes of high speed traffic to make the connection to the left hand lanes and then the cut off was extended. still the trucks ran over the mud and grass to make the turn and then the cutoff was extended again to make it unfeasible to make the lanes. just after this the traffic speed on 16th was reduced and i was hopeful to have the lanes opened up again so that you could make the left hand turn as the traffic was a modest 70 kms now. so now we hear of the traffic circle solution which is not too much different than the coop macdonalds parking lot non solution. There must be data on traffic circles and their capacity in other jurisdictions and whether the traffic flow in Calgary is the same. i imagine there will be drivers who treat it as a full 4 way stop instead of a yield so the capacity of a circle may be exceeded on the high volumes of homeward bound traffic from 16th during that rush hour and may back up that stream onto 16th avenue. that is just one idea that may come from the repercussions of the circle. It is an unusual solution and I fear it may not have been looked at from all the angles that it should have been looked at before implementation. that each problem in Calgary traffic has a unique solution makes this city more and more difficult to drive in. there is no expectation of merge lanes or yield to traffic at an intersection now and with traffic circles there is further uncertainty as to how to get thru the intersection in the most expeditious manner. I am against one off solutions again.

- Why not an overpass like at 36 and 52?
- I think they have slated an over pass at 19 street & 16 ave, which doesn't have the volume of traffic. Begining to believe far N.E. doesn't rate a proper solution.
- The City of Calgary claims to want the citizens to provide feedback for this issue. If any City of Calgary Official monitors these comments they would observe ZERO support for this traffic circle. As a resident of Monterey Park I could list the many cons associated with this ridiculous proposal but would only be repeating what all the the other people have wisely iterated. The engineers at the City of Calgary need to be held accountable for the way they messed up in designing the interchanges at Stoney/16th & 16th/68st. This is where design changes need to occur if they want to accommodate traffic access to southbound 68st. Quite simply this traffic circle proposal will make a minor traffic problem a major one with an increased safety risk.
- Build the by-pass from Stoney Trail to turn left onto 68th as it should have been done in first place! Doubling backing from 17th or 52nd is not ideal as it has alot more lights and other traffic to deal with to get into my community which will make ppl continue to go through the mall. Calgarians don't not know how to go through roundabouts-it's just going to cause more headaches and ultimately keep me from going to those businesses. While your at it, add another lane on 16th east bound from 36th Street to 52nd Street-totally bottle-necking there causing back ups all the way to Barlow Trail!
- I totally agree that the plans for no left turn onto 68th street was a shortsighted decision by city planners. Lengthening the lane to turn left would work. There are other places in a Calgary where several lanes need to be crossed to make a left turn. For example coming out of Chinook mall to turn onto eastbound Glenmore. I don't see any plans to shorten or block that from happening. I am an Abbeydale resident who comes off of Southbound Stoney trail every day. I make my turn in the shopping centre but I also often stop to shop there. I have not seen any accidents occurring in this intersection. Having a traffic circle would make it almost impossible to get onto 68 let alone into the shopping centre. As it is people coming off Stoney turning north are often reluctant to continue there turn because they need to move over one lane to continue on 68th. What will happen when traffic backs up due to stoppage at the light at 22? I think it would be much better to have a

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triggered light out of Monterey shopping centre to allow traffic to flow down 68 during peak hours. Best would be to bring back the left turn lane from 16 th.

- At first I thought this was a joke, but now I have come to the conclusion that the Calgary road planning department is the joke. Do they even understand the sheer volume of North and southbound traffic through here during rush hour? And how it will affect other traffic? Most drivers have already adjusted for this and exit at 17th or McKnight.
- I have lived in the north east for over forty years having watched the over passes being built at 36th St & 52nd over 16th Ave (1 Trans Canada Hwy) There was to be an over pass at 68th backed then. So what happened you are trying to put bandages on something that needs sutures. Build the overpass end of story. And end of the problems. 68th St. roundabout no thank you.
- I am 100% opposed to the traffic circle. It will cause a traffic nightmare on 68th Street, severely impact all businesses in the shopping centre, the residential houses on the west side of 68th, all pedestrians trying to cross 68th Street. Poor planning at Stoney & 16th is the problem, not 68th Street. I live in Monterey and it is already an issue during morning & afternoon rush hours to get through the intersection at 16th, a roundabout will only make it much much slower & will likely cause many more accidents. Many comments suggest this is a done deal, construction starting in August. If this is the case than it truly disappointing and I will be contacting my Alderman & the Mayor (who also lives nearby). This is ridiculous use of taxpayer money. Surely there are better uses for several million dollars, I can think of several off the top of my head. If the City can afford this then I insist they also replace the garbage cans that were removed from the Greenway/Mattamy Pathway 2 years ago when they contracted out to Carmack and Carmack decided they didn't want to drive smaller vehicles along the path to pick up garbage.
- I live in Abbeydale and travel 68 street north and south at least 10 times every day. Even at non-rush hour times the traffic congestion is present. The traffic lights are not times so you can travel without stopping at each and every light. Adding a traffic circle (which I personally like as I agree it helps with traffic flow and I do know how to enter and exit) is a bad idea. This will create even more traffic delays for the north and southbound traffic and the potential for bottleneck is great. I don't quite get why they closed the left turn lane on 16th to facilitate southbound turn onto 68 st. I used this many times without issue as did thousands of others. It was not to short if a person was heeding the speed and posted signs. It would be interesting to note if the "20 accidents" that occurred at this intersection may also be related to the marked increase of pan-handling at busy intersections (various locations on 68 st and 32 ave). Because this traffic now, waits quite a long time at the intersection this allows persons to walk in between the cars on the road creating a serious traffic hazard - again very illegal. I agree that perhaps some enforcement of the laws and rules of the road at this intersection may greatly improve the safety on the roadways. The costs of this construction could pay for enforcement at these intersections for many, many years to come and added signage. And likely sustainable enforcement costs cover by the fine revenue obtained. A round about is a very bad idea. I suspect myself, as well as many others south of 16th Ave will change our driving habits if this is implemented and begin all of our shopping south of 16th which is not currently the case. Business owners in Monterey Square Should shout out at this proposal! It is a very BAD idea. Other, less expensive options should be explored as this would be being fiscally responsible. I vote a great big NO!
- Totally against the roundabout!! It will adversely affect the local businesses, and cause confusion to the drivers.
- Just need signs to get off Stoney at McKnight or 17th Ave. A roundabout is dangerous, confusing, and expensive. It will also adversely affect the retail businesses at Monterey Square. BAD IDEA!!

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- I am posting for my parents who do not use a computer. They reside near Monterey Park and also attended open house and made their opinion known.
"We are seniors who shop at Co-op shopping centre on 68th Street almost daily and the only other exit from this complex besides onto 68th is by the yellow condos near the car wash where the HUGE speed bumps are, many drivers will be using this exit now which the condo occupants do not want due to noise and other concerns and that too many vehicles interfere with the exit from their homes... the speed bumps were put IN after residents complained to block shopping centre traffic exiting this way ... and the traffic circle will force drivers to exit this route as the many seniors in the area do NOT LIKE TRAFFIC CIRCLES AND THE CONFUSION THEY CAN CREATE. Drivers will not be able to exit shopping area onto 68th Street as traffic is often very heavy at peak and non peak times. In fact it is likely we will cease shopping in this area altogether and no longer support business in this complex. No to traffic circle in this area!!!!!"
- Brynn - with all kind respect to the condo residents, as they would not have been aware of the heated debate that occurred prior to their condos being built on that site. As many long time area residents are aware and remember, prior to the condominiums being built the then residents of Monterey Park were asked what they would like to see being built on the site. Most opposed the building of condominiums and would rather have seen the area remain retail for the following reasons:
 - they did not want to lose the side access road to the shopping centre.
 - the residents across the street were upset that condo residents would be able to look into their backyard, which would affect their privacy
 - it was thought that future condo owners would not like the traffic (how true is that lol?)
- Compromises (and permit amendments) with the developers included the condition that the side access road to the Monterey Park Shopping Centre would be preserved for ALL Monterey Park residents, not just condo residents. It should be noted that this access was available long before the condos were even built, and this is the reason why it is jointly accessible to everyone to this day. It would appear that many condo residents are unaware of this approval condition, and some even seem to resent other area residents using what they perceive to be "their" access road.
- It should also perhaps be pointed out that the other Monterey Park area residents were/are quite upset about the huge speed bumps that were put in "after the fact", without consultation with the rest of the community. As it was already a narrow, winding access road, it was not possible to speed or drive in a reckless manner. As such, it is apparent to the rest of the community that there was no other purpose in having the huge bumps installed, other than the condo owners trying to discourage and thwart other area residents from using a road in which they have equal entitlement to use. (The instalment of the speed bumps was not challenged at the time as most residents believed them to be a legal necessity in a shopping centre lane). Hopefully this information is useful for all in preserving the peace, and that the condo residents are now aware that the road is intended for use by ALL of the residents of Monterey Park, without any further impediment. Thanks!
- Are you kidding me? First, with gas station and McDonald on one side of 68 and houses on the other side, there is no room for the 4 line with the "nice patch of grass in the centre of the roundabout". So that is one lie. Second, right now there are walk signals of pedestrians to cross 68, with a roundabout with no walk signal there will be pedestrian hit for sure. Third, I live in Abbeydale if this goes ahead, the stores in that mall will lose my business. And co-op is my food store. Fourth, living so close to 68 and 16, I know the accidents stated at the open house were because of people driving too fast and going through the intersection at 68 and 16, another lie. You people at city hall do not know what you are talking about. THE PROBLEM IS AT 16 AND 68, DON'T CREATE ANOTHER PROBLEM!!

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- Please DON'T do this. a) it will add to congestion for those of us who access Monterey Square b) it will slow down many hundreds of commuters per day on busy 68th street for the sake of one or two foolish drivers per month c) and the ECONOMICS are terrible ... spending \$3 million taxpayer money to avoid less than 7 accidents per year values EACH accident in excess of \$20,000 using NPV (2%,30yrs). There are better places to spend \$\$\$\$. I suggest a camera instead and automatic fines of \$1000 for miscreants and 10x that for those getting into accidents. Post that on exit and watch behaviors change.
- Are the people who designed this,still working for the city?,and if so ,Why?How did this happen?And now you want to destroy Monterey SQ.,And what about rush hour,northbound on 16ave to 68st will be a mess,traffic circles are terrible,how does the NE get crapped on again
- The roundabout planned is not only going to be a hazard in itself, it is sure to be the death of the small businesses in the Monterey Park Shopping Centre. I came off Stoney Trail once and realized I could not go south so the next time, I just came off at 17th - problem solved. This is a another harebrained idea. Please do not let it go any further than this.
- My first question is have the planners of this project even looked at the traffic volume and patterns at this intersection? How can you / they possibly justify placing such an impediment into an already overloaded area? The visualization is very nice, and even seems reasonable, but when are all drivers always reasonable? The least amount of thought suggests frustration, anger, and just plain impatience is going to push many people into unsafe and risky merges, especially coming out of the plaza area. Combine that with an overall lack of familiarity with traffic circles for most Calgary drivers, and this plan is literally accidents waiting to happen. And the justification for this plan is to reduce accidents involving drivers coming off Stoney Trail? How does that make sense?? There are so many good points raised by other posters here, but the one I really want to echo is that for drivers that want to access 68 Street south of 16 Ave, they already have access via Stoney-to-17 Ave SE or Stoney-to-McKnight for Southbound drivers. I would suspect most drivers already do this anyway. Why not emphasize those routes for the cost of a few large, well lit signs instead of the millions of dollars and time and inconvenience involved in a traffic circle that it appears very few people want anyway. Certainly not the drivers, pedestrians and business owners North of 68 Street that are going to be the ones most directly affected. One final point, 68 Street has never really been planned out. Its been an evolution of traffic light installation after traffic light installation for years. Each light has been necessary to allow entry & egress to new developments, but the cumulative result is a huge amount of traffic going through this area. It works, but its already an immense bottleneck during peak hours. Nobody affected by this proposed(?) project is willingly going to sign off on arguably making it much worse.
- In my opinion this is not a good idea to put roundabout at this intersection. First: People are not used to roundabouts in calgary and it will create more confusion, violation and traffic jam in this busy intersection. Please ask somebody to sit at this intersection to see how busy this intersection is. it would simply create more traffic backup and will result in more violation. All this is only to support some south bound 68 street wanted to take illegal turn, come on give me a break. I would rather vote on putting signs on stoney train saying that no exit on 68 St south, motorist should exit at 17 Ave.. Please don't make it difficult for people by making this roundabout.
- I think implementing a traffic circle at this intersection will slow down traffic. I don't think this is the greatest idea for the community.
- This idea must be one of the worst the city has come up with. Initially when we purchased our property almost 40 years ago in Marlborough Park we looked at proposed future plans for roads and development. These plans included an overpass for 68th Street and 16th Avenue. My question is why, when the City and province were building Stoney, did they conveniently omit the overpass

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from the budget and it wasn't even in any of the proposed plans?? Why waste \$3million now on a temporary solution, which is what city planners indicated at the meeting. Looking out onto 68th Street and the back log of traffic at rush hour anyone can see this would only back up traffic more. As far as the illegal left turn perhaps Signage on Stoney indicating no south bound access to 68th Street would help this problem. I believe the addition of the traffic light on 52nd Street from 16th Avenue has decreased the amount of traffic southbound on 68th from 16th as it is now safer and easier to turn there. Having spoken to a number of people about this proposal the shopping centre is definitely going to suffer as many will not shop there in order to avoid the roundabout. It would be nice if for once the City and their engineers could actually put some thought into their ideas. Reading through the comments on this site, I would hope they realize residents are not in favour of this idea and consider some of the suggestions being put forth.

- This is an awesome idea, it drives me crazy having to go through the shopping mall parking lot to go south on 68th street. Traffic circles not only increase traffic flow but reduce accidents. This is a great idea, please, please make this happen. Traffic is completely snarled up in that area and a circle would do great things there. What you will need is signage to let people know they need to use the circle to go southbound on 68th.
 - Be use Calgary drivers don't know how to use them well is not a valid reason. perhaps people in Calgary need to wake the hell up and stop driving like they don't have to pay attention to anything!
- I strongly disagree with the proposed round about at 68 street. i dislike round about's and will avoid using that road once it is built. The city should listen to the people who live in those communities and not just do what they want. i don't see many positive comments on here
- I do not think this traffic circle will alleviate the problem. It's too small to effectively channel the amount of traffic involved. Essentially it replaces one problem with another. The best way to solve the left hand turn problem is to construct a left turn only overpass starting just west of Stoney Trail, going over the intersection and merging onto 68 St. south of the intersection. This is probably more expensive than the traffic circle but certainly safer and doable. Small traffic circles only work when traffic is light; as soon as traffic gets heavy, which it does at peak periods, then congestion and accidents result. The circle also eliminates a proper pedestrian crossing. Not a good idea! Additionally the proper use and placement of signs on Stoney Trail would go a long way to alleviate the problem of illegal left turns. Why was this never thought of in the first place? I could go on in more detail but I think you get the gist here. The roundabout is a quick-fix bad idea.
- Have lived in the Marlborough Park area for over 38 years and this idea of a round about is ridiculous. I agree with most of the statements against this idea. 68th street is already backed up at rush hours and on weekends, if a round about is put in it will slow traffic down even more. Someone made a huge mistake in the planning of exiting off Stony and now the planning department is coming up with another bad plan. If you can't build an overpass system or add another left turn lane then leave it alone.
- Actually I don't this this is that bad of an idea. My parents attended the information session and told me all about it so initaly I thought it was a terrible idea based on what they said, but now that I've read the information and seen the plans its not that bad of an idea. I currently use the right hand turn onto 68th, in through the shopping centre and then a left hand turn at the lights to go south on 68th - and I see how having a roundabout to simply make a u-turn instead of going through the shopping centre will be a lot faster and I think safer. The shopping centre has so much traffic and pedestrians there is a lot of stopping, and its frustrating, but not having to go through the shopping centre it will safe a lot of time and potentially accidents. As for traffic circles in general, I agree with the below comments that Calgary drivers don't know how to use them! However I don't think that is the city's problem, I think people should get off their high horses and learn something new. I was born and raised in Calgary so I didn't learn traffic circles when I learned how to drive, but I lived in

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Edmonton for 3 years and then I learned because that city has many, and they aren't that hard to learn and they are efficient when used well. I also think that there are less accidents in traffic circles and those accidents that do happen are less severe, because often people who don't know how to navigate a traffic circle slow down, and accidents are less likely and less severe at slower speeds. The people who use this area frequently will learn how to use a traffic circle and when people know how to use them they are faster and efficient. And those people who are unwilling to learn something new will take different routes and I don't feel sorry for them if they chose to make their lives more difficult in that choice rather than to learn something new.

Last thought: I wish the city had planned Stoney Trail better and prevented this whole issue by making access to southbound 68th part of the plan when building Stoney.

- Well put. P.S. Stoney is too close to 68th to allow southbound merging from/thru 16th.
- I say no to the roundabout. I've been living in Monterey Park for the last 21 years and I travel through that intersection several times a day. I feel that implementing a traffic circle is purely for the benefit of those turning off stoney trail and unable to make the left turn fast enough. The small percentage of people who cannot complete the lane changes in time does not warrant this change.
 - Furthermore, any driver wanting to leave Monterey Sq during rush hour times will find it difficult to merge into the traffic circle, since a round about is no longer a controlled intersection.
 - I would suggest changing the location of the merge lane from Stoney Trail to 16th Ave West, give drivers more time/distance to make the left turn.
 - Or maybe encourage people to take the further south intersection off Stoney Trail.
- Roundabouts are proven to make traffic smoother and safer.
- Yes, I have read several articles saying roundabouts are proven to make traffic smoother and safer. However, almost all of the articles also say that heavy traffic in one direction will impede travel from all other directions. For example, rush hour traffic will generally have significant South bound or North bound traffic. Drivers wanting to exit Monterey Sq will back up.
 - Besides, I feel that the high volume of vehicles travelling through this intersection will cause back up issues for drivers going northbound from 16th ave.
 - And even if traffic circles are proven to be more efficient, is it really worth the \$x millions to save a couple dozen drivers a minute a day?
- I am sure this is not about a couple dozen drivers. I am sure also that the City diligently made their decision on this turnabout. It would be hard to believe they employ incompetent staff out there. Although sometimes I too wonder... ;)
- Look's like the city is trying to kill a mosquito with an atomic bomb. I use this interction everyday and don't see a mojour problem. One thing I have noticed if you are coming off Stoney Trail onto 16th and are not familiar with the NE or are using GPS and want to turn left at 68th you discover this when you get to 68th. Maybe the first thing the City should do is put a sign up on the exit telling drivers " NO LEFT TURN AT 68th ST " also a sign on Stoney Trail " NO LEFT TURN AT 16th AVE & 68th ST. USE McKNIGHT TRAIL". This would probably solve 90% of the problem. MY other suggestion would be to alternate the lights on 68th at CO-OP and allow a U-TURN nourthbount on green light, there is enough room to widen the west side to allow easier turns. I've seen this done may place in the USA and it seem to work very well. Also cost to the city (taxpayers) would be very little and little or no inconviencie to local residents. Anyway that's my two cents but I'm pretty sure the city not paying any attention to voters as usual and have already made up their mind on this, even though I have not heard or anybody who agrees with this screwed up idea!!!!

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- This is a terrible idea. People around the area have probably never drive in a roundabout let alone know the rules about it even if they have passed their driving test. We are not required to travel in one to begin with to pass and I doubt even 20% of people know everything in the handbook. Plus with trucks driving through the area constantly I doubt many people would even consider waiting that extra few seconds for them to safely pass before rushing off to their destination
- Round about = BAD IDEA! I've lived in Pineridge for over 30 years and use 68th Street every day and I can't adequately express how terrible this idea is and how much congestion and safety issues this will add to the daily commute no matter if you live north or south of 16th. If you add in the round about I would end up changing my route to 52nd Street to avoid this intersection as I suspect that many others will as well. Not only will this add to an already congested 52nd street that's overburdened with traffic lights but it will kill the business in Monterey Park. I went to the open house for the 16th & Stoney interchange and instead of putting in the interchange that would accommodate all traffic correctly the city cheaped out and put in something that is (as predicted by everyone at the first open house) just causing more issues. I beg you please, please, please listen to everyone here when we say correct the problem PROPERLY now and don't put in this round about.
- Let's stop putting a band aid on a wound that needs intensive care. Barlow trail and 16 Th. ave has a junction, 36 St and 16 Th. ave has a junction, 52 St. and 16 Th. ave has a junction, then Stoney trail went in and cut off access to 68 St. southbound. Maybe some engineers from Calgary roads can complete the missing link in this broken chain
- Interesting concept, very popular around the world, not only in Europe but also in Australia. I only hope there were enough studies done to the traffic volumes in this area. Knowing this place I am simply afraid this particular roundabout will jam and back up traffic both southbound and northbound.
- This is a terrible solution. Fixing the turn lane on 16th Avenue would resolve this issue. Probably cost less and would be less frustrating for drivers.
- Legally Stoney is too close to 68th to allow southbound merging from/thru 16th.
- I was very surprised that they blocked off stoney trail drivers from turning onto 68th southbound, but instead made a mile long turning lane exclusively for 16ave users only (which I've only seen five cars max. anyway) There are a ton of places in Calgary where you have to cross 3 lanes of traffic in a short distance to make you desired exit. I believe if the speed limit between stoney and 68th was 60km, a driver should have NO PROBLEM crossing the 3 lanes to SAFELY turn onto 68th southbound.
- This is a terrible idea, traffic is busy on 68th St, at the shopping centre,, maybe put a safer way to cross 52nd to go south bound off of 16th as a safer alternative.
- It is well known and proven that roundabouts make traffic smoother and safer.
- This is a terrible idea. Traffic circles only work with relatively light volumes of traffic coming equally from all four sides. Monterey square shoppers will never be able to enter into the traffic circle, 16th avenue will be backed up to Stoney trail. We will also cease to shop at the stores in the shopping centre due to traffic issues. 68th street is actually worse across 16th avenue now that Stoney is built, as Stoney reduces to two northbound lanes after 17th ave, another great design error. Traffic for residents south of 16th ave can use 17th ave se, as we do, it is easier to make three right turns than trying to make two left turns. Put signs up on Stoney trail southbound to tell people that there is no left turn southbound and forget the traffic circle idea. Start building the 68th/16th ave overpass intersection and forget the traffic circle idea
- It is truly amazing how much tax money is being spent on something that should have been an issue to begin with. Proper planning of Stoney trail could have easily prevented this, by possibly moving the trail meters east. Lets be honest, there has always been a lot of space for Stoney trail to be manipulated. But now a turn is "unsafe" as a result of poor planning and frankly basic thinking. How

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safe would you consider an uncontrolled round about that accesses 2 major highways? 68 st. is not a simple residential road. A round about would be a downgrade from the current system of traffic signals. Not to mention the amount of g-forces one can pull on a round about going at the lowest of speeds. I would definitely be surprised if my refreshing drink didn't end up the roof of my car after my drive through one of those. I'm not sure where the idea of a roundabout comes from, but you can't just throw one in a road that was never designed for it in the first place.

As other residents have commented, there is just too much traffic to stick in a roundabout. It is clear to anyone that even now with traffic lights 68 st. can get very congested. However, it still works, and I feel there is no need to spend millions of taxpayer money in the time of a declining economy for a problem that barely exists. Even the proposed pedestrian crossing would be a worse idea than the existing traffic lights. At least with traffic lights there is an obvious point when someone can cross, and everything is fluid with traffic. With the stacking traffic during rush hour, I can't imagine how much worse it would get when someone decides to cross the street and everything comes to a stand still.

Sure it may prevent a few accidents of someone attempting to break the law, but if people are willing to break the law so blatantly across 16th ave. and cause an accident, what makes anyone think that they will not break the law somewhere else until they have consequences for their actions? This proposal is certainly unreasonable, and just like Stoney trail, it hasn't been thought through in the slightest.

- I feel that this is truly a bad idea. Not only are roundabouts a difficult thing for drivers who don't understand how they work, but there has also been discussion about the intersection of 16th avenue and 68th street. If this intersection ends up becoming revised in the future, I feel this roundabout would be a waste of our time and money.
- I am very concerned about having the roundabout at that location. There are many travellers coming to Calgary from out of town, who may see the fast food outlet signs - McDonalds, Subway, A & W as well as the coop, and the gas station and may want to go into Monterey Square. These travellers may not be used to driving on a roundabout and this could cause huge danger to other travellers. The pedestrian crossing is an accident waiting to happen. It is already dangerous enough walking there with the lights - to have people walking with no actual stop light makes this more dangerous. I do not like this idea at all.
- It baffles me that this city spent millions of dollars on Stoney Trail, but couldn't come up with a 68th St south exit solution. That how many years later, they now have to deal with a preventable and obvious problem that I'm sure they just wanted to push under the rug. There are how many ramps to get you from here to there, but yet all they can come up with are barricades to prevent you from turning south. And if you've ever entered the city from highway 1 going west, you'd better know where your going as you have to do a quick swerve to the left to get into the 68th st south exit. It's not even properly spaced or lined, I feel bad for those visiting this city. Excitement for the new road quickly turned to disappointment and inconvenience. If they put in a roundabout, I will never go into that shopping mall again or north on 68th. I was in the McKenzie Towne shopping area the other day, and had to wait 10 mins (behind only 2 cars) to even be able to enter the roundabout. What do you think will happen on 68th Street, a busy main thoroughfare. Another thing that baffles me, is the fact that you can't exit onto Beddington Trail when going south on Deerfoot. Seriously? Very poor city planning.
- Completely agree!!!
- Roundabouts have their place. Calgary is not one of them. I have been a driver for 22 years. During my initial driver training, I do not recall anything about them in the manuals and therefore did not learn how to use them. I visited McKenzie Towne and had to use the one there. It was a scary experience. It had signs but as we are not to be distracted while driving; it was hard to understand. I

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feel enough drivers are in the same position of not knowing how to use them properly. In a small area with little traffic they may work. I routinely drive this proposed area and there is always a lot of traffic; it will only get worse. Perhaps opening up the left turn lane off 16th a bit later so as to allow the ramp traffic the option to turn. There is quite a stretch from the exit so this might work. I cannot say I support this proposal.

- the roundabout ideas proposed for 68th St. is a waste of tax payer money when the city doesn't have any, secondly they will increase traffic congestion & accidents during peak hours & they will also force people onto Stoney Trail & the merge lane from 16th Ave to Stoney Trail south bound is an improperly built merge lane causing accidents already, add more traffic to this merge lane & get more accidents during peak hours (early morning). So far all who I have discussed this topic with all agree.....BAD IDEA..!!!!!!!!!!!!
- A roundabout on the high volume 68 St north bound traffic is almost as bad an idea as the ring road interchange at 16 Ave. Please fire everyone involved with this solution and all involved with the design of the Stoney interchange. One is a colossal screw up and the other will be if approved. Fast track a proper clover leaf at 68 and 16 and be done with it.
- I was always worried about this proposal and when I found out the reason was to allow south bound folks coming from Stoney Trail to have an "easier u turn" I was so surprised. This will save just a few people maybe 200 feet of travel while creating a real bottleneck for busy North - South travel. I have shopped at Monterey Square for 20 years and I appreciate having those businesses close to home. This roundabout might really cut their business down and cause them financial difficulties. Please don't waste tax dollars to save a few folks 200 feet of travel.
- With the high traffic volume of the area, tight space where the City is proposing, I believe this is not a very good solution. The city knows that 68 st and 16 av is a known high collision intersection, there should have been a better planning when Stoney tr was built. They can use also better signage when exiting from Stoney tr. to 16 av. The sign is unreadable unless you have to basically stop. With better signage and traffic programming, 52 st can be used also as the exit to access 68 st south bound. Yes, it's extra km to go around but it's safer than the circle that is so close to a major intersection. The circle will cause another bottle neck. There should be more thought and planning for a safer alternative not the least cause.
- I believe this is going to be a catastrophe. Not a good idea at all.
- if the plan is to place a round-a-bout on the trans Canada highway, this has to be one of the most ridiculous ideas the planners and engineers have ever come up with.! to put this circle in to correct a previous screw up is not a solution, rather a cover up.
- This is an absolutely terrible idea. I have lived in Abbeydale/Applewood for the past 36 years. There is an extreme amount of traffic on 68 street and a traffic circle would only cause more congestion and multiple accidents. Putting a traffic circle in a community is one thing, but on a main thoroughfare is an awful idea.
- I drive the area everyday. And I would like to say this is a good idea. However, it will NOT be. The drive along there will back up increasingly in every direction. Not to mention when traveling on 16th through to Stoney the speeders that do not reduce their speed, like they are supposed to, will cause more accidents as they will slam into the back of the other cars. I live in Abbeydale, and when I use Stoney I go down to 17th. A tiny inconvenience, but in the long run it will be way better than this idea.
Please do not let this go through,
- 1. The benefit to a relatively small number of people is hugely outweighed by the inconvenience, accident potential and traffic backup that will be incurred by the very significant majority of road users.

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2. The impact will not only affect users of 68 St NE it will also result in traffic backups on both east and westbound traffic on 16th Ave as the traffic flow northbound on 68 St NE will be significantly reduced as a result of the roundabout - even without an accident there.

3. The potential for an accident at the roundabout, logically, is far higher than if the roundabout wasn't there - not even considering that Calgary drivers in general don't deal very well with roundabouts. When an accident occurs - and there will be many - the backup of traffic in both directions on 68 St NE as well as both directions of 16th Ave NE trying to get on to 68 St NE, will be huge.

Bottom line: The Pros vs. the Cons summary...

Will the positive benefits to the residents and taxpayers of Calgary as a whole, be greater than the resulting negative consequences of this proposal? The Answer is a resounding No.

- I am relieved that the roundabout is NOT at 16 AV. I am warmer to the idea of the actual location, but I am still skeptical of the average motorist's ability in Calgary to navigate it. If there is an accident in that roundabout you can expect traffic to be bogged down well past 16 AV and likely all the way down to Memorial.
- We have lived in Monterey Park for 25 years, and the discussions over the years were to have an overpass installed at 16 Avenue and 68 Street N.E. This is the "Best" option in my opinion. This intersection is a Large one and so many people are running the lights, therefore causing accidents. This is the only intersection on 16 Avenue between 68 Street and 19 Street with a set of lights, it does not and never has made any sense as to why they left this set of lights in but put overpasses at 36 Street and 52 Street. The roundabout is an extremely Bad idea, and just going to create more accidents! The idea for the pedestrians, oh my goodness, absolutely crazy idea, just won't work! I honestly think the residents deserve the overpass and think it is high time we had it implemented!
- I take issue with the wording of this proposal. How many times do you have to say illegal and dangerous in regard to turning left at 68st? It is illegal because you have put up 350m of fence, to think that at the posted speed of 70 km it's impossible to merge left over 16th to the turning lane is ludicrous. So forget about this inane traffic circle and just pull down the fences and pave that little bit of road and then we can SAFELY turn left onto 68th.
- I have been monitoring the traffic at the corner of 16&68 twice a day when I drive through the intersection. It seem the problem is congestion heading north on 68 street and east on 16. Traffic is usually back up for blocks. Would it not make more sense to eliminate the lights on 16 ave & 68 street. I'm sure this would be much more effective to move traffic.
- After reading previous comments, I feel angered that people who do not live south of 16 Ave and 68st post negative comments about the traffic circle whereas this discussion is mostly for people whose life is endangered or daily frustrated because we are not allowed to access directly our communities mainly Marlborough Park and Abbeydale. Applewood residents have less impact the more south you go as they can turn off of 17ave but for me an extra 5km is unacceptable. I live in Marlborough Park facing 68 Street close to 16ave so to me much more important this issue lets face it than any other traffic exit would be residents. I personally welcome the traffic circle idea since my family lives in Europe and I have extensive experience how much better navigating roundabouts instead of standing still in traffic all the way back to Memorial drive where three blocks can take more than half an hour during rush hour to get to 16ave. Traffic circles are so much safer also and allow smoother faster traffic flow than traffic light configurations. Contrary to the unpopular belief here it is widely popular over the rest of the world especially Europe where hundreds getting built even today. I don't understand why people are so afraid of it here and think it would be slower when in fact proven faster. Again it is an issue for the south mostly as I hate to be forced keep turning around through Monterey Square when I have no business there and I am not willing to drive extra 5km to 17ave SE just to get back to first intersection or 8 ave Marlborough Park. Since I

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live along 68 Street going to 52nd again is a ridiculous and wrong idea from people who does not live south of 16 Ave they are not aware the numerous playground zones you are forced to go through coming from that way on Madigan drive. I have the right and demand equal access to my community regardless of previous short sited bad planning from the city there has to be something done now if the bridge is not feasible. My understanding a roundabout would provide equal opportunity to enter the traffic circle at a slow but steady rate since there is usually a yield sign not a stop sign like small circles, that would slow down people coming from Chestermere 90km/h which denies me swooping 5 lanes across from ring road merging lane to 68st south turning lane. Just removing the barricade and death dive across would be a highly skilled bravura that might not be feasible for every driver. Now the animation is not clear as I read in descriptions that there would be an exit individually to Monterey Square separate from 68st North which I also don't see on the animation for some reason but it would be great to distinguish between the two traffic less flow to the North. I encourage people to do the research before blowing off this idea as it does make sense for now and evident the current traffic light configuration does not work for the amount of traffic and again not fair to the residents. Pet peeve when there is a stand still back to memorial drive and can't turn from 8 ave going out to 16 ave and left turn only available for Chestermere residents in to my community. Please consider!

- You are from Europe where traffic circles are the norm, however here they are a relatively new concept and you can't expect drivers here to navigate traffic circles or roundabouts with as much comfort and confidence. As an experienced driver I think you are going to be even more frustrated having to drive the proposed roundabout with people who have no idea what they are doing.
- Hi, I think this is sheer lunacy to do this. The area is already bogged down with traffic, and this will only add to the confusion along 68th street. Given the fact that a lot of people don't know how to navigate through a roundabout you're likely to get even more crashes. I have never seen a person do a u-turn at that intersection in the nearly 2 years that I have lived in the area.
- If you want to do something about 68th and 16th, add a second west turn lane onto 16th avenue.
- I do not live in the area but do drive through it from time to time. The roundabout is the most ridiculous waste of tax payers(my) money that they could ever think of! This should have been better planned when our money was spent on doing the Stoney Trail interchange. Now you want to spend more \$\$ to fix what you couldn't get right in the first place! Who is accountable for this mess? Reduce the speed on 16th Ave. west bound, add signs and open up the blocked paved section to let traffic get to south bound 68th St. This would cost nothing compared to some multi million dollar project that will be ripped out when an overpass is built at 16th Ave and 68th St.
- I don't see the problem to why Ppl coming off stoney trail heading west can't make a safe lane change to the far left in order to make the turn lane to South bound 68th St. The road is long enough and I really don't think the turn lane needs to be that long. There are many off ramps and on ramps in Calgary that are way unsafer than this road. Maybe all roads of Calgary need reassessment.
- I have lived in Pineridge since 1986 and am a home owner there. I think that the proposed roundabout at that intersection is the worse idea that ever was for easing traffic. the result would be more accidents, more traffic delays and more frustration for everyone using that street. smarten up and maybe get a new city planner on board who can see past his or her nose, especially when you look at Stoney trail, who thought that it would be a good idea to go from three lanes to two between 17th Ave and 16 Ave just were the most traffic is to be expected during rush hour, how smart is that.
- 30+ Year Pineridge Resident. After attending the open house my reaction is "NO!" This is a foolish way to spend taxpayer dollars. For a fraction of the cost to construct this very bad idea of a roundabout (for all the reasons noted in the other posts) you could install some signage and educate

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people that if they wish to access 68th Street south of 16th Avenue off Stoney Trail they should exit Stoney via 17th Avenue SE. End of problem. No need to create a bigger one at an already busy intersection. My vote is NO!

- I am an Applewood resident and former Monterey business owner.
- This is a high congestion area especially at rush hour. It would be next to impossible to get out of the mall area and if pedestrians attempted to cross 68 St., they would greatly hamper the flow of traffic. Not to mention that Calgary drivers don't know how to navigate traffic circles. The distance from 16 ave. is not large enough to accommodate a large enough traffic circle to improve traffic flow. The Mall businesses will suffer. I used to be a business owner in the mall, I am very glad that it has been sold as this proposal would greatly affect the bottom line. This would be a huge injustice to the community.
- The traffic circle is an attempt to alleviate the poor design of Stony trail not allowing a left hand turn after exiting a major road way onto the first traffic light into a major city. The best use of city money would be to fix this oversight on the 16 ave. roadway first. A less desirable solution but least expensive would be to put proper signage on Stoney Trail alerting drivers that there is no left hand turn onto 68 st. to go south at 16 Ave. Signage needs to say Exit at McNight to access 68 St south of 16, or exit 17 Ave. S. to access 68 St. North of 17 Ave. Putting a traffic circle in at this intersection seems to me to be no different than allowing traffic to continue to 52nd St. where there is now a light and returning back east to exit south on 68 St.
- I am a Pineridge resident and use 68th as the main route in and out of my neighbourhood. Traffic circles are confusing for a lot of people and I think the cost is unnecessary when a u-turn lane and light would provide the same result.
- The idea of a round about is impractical for 68 St NE. If you wish to help with the traffic management then implement a special u turn at the proposed site by adding a u turn lane and signals only on specific green. This is done in Anaheim, California on the main road around Disney Land off Interstate HW 5.
- Absolutely NOT in support of this - this is a terrible idea. The 'statistics' behind the proposed plan are not that great. Having a roundabout in this location is horrible and will cause significantly more problems than you already have. As well as having a negative impact on the businesses, the residences just west of 68th are going to very negatively impacted as well. I read through the comments below and agree with "KK". Put signage on Stoney Trail stating there is no access to southbound 68th from 16th. I am appauled my tax dollars would be used for a project like this - especially because there is very little support for it from what I can see.
- The City is saying there have been 20 accidents since 2010.... I anticipate it you put in this roundabout there will be more like 200 accidents in the roundabout by 2018. BAD IDEA!! Also - how are pedestrians supposed to cross the roundabout? This roundabout is going to cause way more traffic congestion than there already is.
- Better yet - the people who planned the overpass for Stoney Trail should have planned it better to ensure there is adequate room for traffic to get all the way over to be able to turn left on 68th. There are many other merge lanes in Calgary that have significantly less room to merge than what is provided to drivers coming from Stoney trail and wanting to go south on 68th.... how about you just remove those barricades and allow drivers to go south on 68th. PLEASE DO NOT go ahead with this roundabout - it is not the solution to this problem!!!
- There are SO many other options rather than installing this roudabout. Please consider something else that actually makes sense.
- Is there a guarantee that the roundabout will not be ripped out when the overpass goes ahead. The fact is that there will be no room for a ramp on 16 Ave and 68 Street heading north. It will end up

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right at the junction of the roundabout - causing more accidents and confusion. I can hear the excuse - "We never thought of that"

This is one block from the trouble area on 16 Ave. Fix 16 Ave. Remove the barriers, reduce the speed limit to 50. Put up signs to merge and stop the confusion.

Spending 3 million on this is a waste of money and very bad planning.

Does anyone realize that not all residence in this area know how to get on this site. We also have a lot of rental properties - they are not concerned as they will be moving on.

I have had to inform many people as to where this is going to be built and no one thinks it is a good idea.

The best solution to find what people think of this would be to have students conduct a door to door poll. That would have a lower cost then signs and a meeting what provided no traffic study.

- Please do not proceed with this project. Why cant the city remove the barriers that prevent Westbound traffic on 16th Ave from turning South on 68th St. The posted speed limit approaching this intersection is already reduced to 70K which also includes the off ramp from Stony Tr. I drive for a living and use the traffic circles at McKenzie Towne and roundabouts on Sierra Morena Blvd. Traffic circles and roundabouts are rarely ever used the way they are intended to be used and usually result is a vey heavy congestion of angry motorists. I do not believe this is our best option. Please do not build the 68th St. roundabout. Thank you.
- Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the open house on this proposal, but agree with everyone who is opposed to it. I am a 30-year resident of Temple and drive 68 St. very often like all area residents. We know what we're talking about when we say a roundabout is completely unnecessary, expensive and potentially dangerous. If the problem is people making illegal u-turns to go south on 68 St., how about revising the intersection to create a U-turn lane and making them legal? Other North American cities seem to have simple solutions to traffic management. Why can't City of Calgary planners be a little more creative? While you're at it, how about synching the traffic lights?!
- I live in Monterey Park and travel 68 St north and southbound twice a day. Please DO NOT put in a traffic circle here! I think you would be creating a traffic problem for customers of the mall as they will have to cross the north bound traffic to access the mall. i for one will cease going there as it is sometimes hard enough to get across with lights there. In Desert Hot Springs they actually have lights at one of the intersections for people in their turning lane to make a u turn without disrupting the rest of the traffic. You would probably have to widen the area a bit to accomodate the turns but at least the traffic would all be safe. I also think that some of that traffic that is currently using the mall to turn around in, is probably stopping at one of the shops "since they are already there"
- I also think the writer of the post to put signs at 17th ave and Mcknight about no south access to 68 st at 16 ave has a very good idea...but a very definite NO to the roundabout from both of us in this household. I also think this person's suggestion is basically the same as mine. "I prefer the idea of a u turn lane with a turning light, if there is a magnetic sensor it will only effect the traffic if someone actually needs to do a u turn. Seems like a safe and much more economical solution"
- Many of the drivers can't even use a 4 way stop let alone a traffic circle...the accidents and road rage incidents will go up. This road is used extensively by semi trucks with 53' trailers to access sunridge and marlborough malls when accessing from the eastern parts of the country. If you have ever seen or driven a semi through a traffic circle you would know that the trailer will occupy both lanes at the same time.
In summary this will increase the number of traffic violations and accidents due to lack of knowledge of how a traffic circle works....basically another waste of our city taxes.

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- This is terrible idea. If the traffic circle is put in, the accidents in this area will skyrocket. It is a much better use of money to create another lane on 16th avenue that will allow drivers to turn left onto 68th street or create proper signage on Stoney Trail.
- Since the day Stoney opened there should have been an overpass, this is one of the busiest entrances to our city, for visitors coming in from the east. How much is this "round about" and how long will we have to drive through Pineridge to get on 52nd street to get on to 16th ave? What a complete waste of time and money
- Anyone traveling south on Stoney wishing to go south on 68 St would save more time by just taking the 17 Ave exit. The area in front of Monterey Square is heavily congested in the morning and evening as people commute to and from work, we don't need an extra obstacle to deal with. I have lived in the community for over 10 years and know what this area is like. Lots of new families and drivers located in the NE that would struggle with the concept of a traffic circle, I am confident this will lead to more accidents and a loss of customers to the businesses in Monterey Square, I for one would avoid the area as much as possible. If you would like to spend a few million of our tax dollars on this issue why not run 32 Ave NE thru to Stoney Trail and have an off ramp for folks traveling south. Wish I could have attended the open house to voice my issues but my job made it impossible.
- I work at Monterey square and find this is a terrible waste of money and will cause major traffic jams and accidents. How will we ever be able to exit mall during rush hour. Cannot believe tax dollars would be spent on this. In my 20 years of exiting this mall I have not witnessed u-turns at this intersection. Tax money would be better spent on a fly over at 68 and 16. Signage letting people know coming off Stoney Trail that there is no access from 16th so use 17ave or Mcknight to get onto 68 would make much more sense then creating traffic nightmares for those who live here or work here. Hope the City can see the huge mistake they are creating and will spend tax dollars in a more efficient way.
- Great idea. NOT!!! We can spend 3 million on a round about and then we can have the city build an auto body and collision shop at the newly installed traffic circle. Think how much money there will be. Do we even have a city planning department??? Since the traffic has already been slowed down on 16th Avenue the on ramp could be moved further east so that a safe turn could be easily done. Or you could make a simple connection on 32 Ave North for south bound Stoney trail traffic. Or you should be installing an overpass on 68th St. City planners really have to give their head a shake. One other thing. What was missing from the simulation is an accident...
- Looking over the areas of concern- crossing two lanes of traffic in order to turn right onto 68th st. (The city has placed wired fencing preventing this option) over shooting 68th to turn onto 52nd; I personally over shoot 16th ave and back track after exiting the 201 at 17 ave (bonus Tim Horton's) or turning around at the mall.
- My elected officials suggestion is to use my tax dollars to build a round about in front of the mall people are already (in a sense) doing the same thing a round about would provide....
- Perhaps my elected officials and city planners do not realize spending money to drive around a concrete barrier, with no stop signs, or traffic lights is no different than driving around a few buildings then stopping at a traffic light for 5 minutes. It is cheaper, safer, and already being used; other than those few and simplistic reasons there is no difference.
- I am unclear why there is a need spend money on a project that is annoy but not taking lives. In hind sight perhaps the city planners could problem solve if a project will effect citizens negative before building projects like the 201
- The roundabout is a terrible Idea. My suggestion would be to build a turn around lane on the west side of the intersection coming out onto 68th Street Southbound. And allow left turns onto it with a

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protected signal. That would be much cheaper and safer. As well as less construction to disturb the local businesses.

- Good job Beau. You have my vote. Thumbs up.
- No, no no to traffic circles. This is ludicrous to accommodate a very few. would be better to build an over pass at 16 ave which would improve traffic flow for everyone.
- So this is going to stop accidents & improve traffic flow??? What a ridiculous idea! First, the construction will cause huge backups for traffic on all roads in the area. Second, as Calgarians generally don't do well with roundabouts, there will be many more accidents, particularly as southbound cars turning left into Monterey Square interact with the huge volume of northbound traffic during the afternoon rush hour. Third, the traffic merging from westbound 16th Ave onto northbound 68th Street will come to a standstill as cars yield (maybe) at the roundabout. And, to top it all off, you're actually planning on putting pedestrian crosswalks right after a traffic circle that drivers don't navigate very well anyway... so now we'll have increased vehicular accidents, plus pedestrians getting struck on crosswalks that the drivers won't notice or slow down for. No, no, no, no, no!
- Are you kidding me! Not only will the construction cause chaos and backup but the whole idea of it will! Who planned these REDICULOUS roadways to begin with? Maybe we should look at the planners who designed the Palm Springs, California roadways because they did an excellent job. There are very little to no accidents there.
- I just looked at the actual picture and the roundabout is NOT at the 68St/16Ave intersection. It is on 68 Street right at the entrance to Monterey Square. I cannot say whether or not this is a good thing but it does look better than what everyone has been assuming, that it is right on the main highway
- We can afford an interchange at 19 St. Why are we not putting one at 68 St as well?
- I refuse to have my tax dollars pay for a road design that will only cause more accidents. People can barely drive in the area PERIOD and probably have no idea how to use a traffic circle. It's a really bad plan. If not having an exit off southbound Stoney Trail is the issue, change Stoney Trail.
- As a long time Monterey Park resident, I am totally opposed to this plan. A cursory google search revealed the following from an engineering firm: Cf. <http://www.brighthubengineerin...>
- Modern Roundabouts - The Drawbacks
What are the major disadvantages of having roundabouts in your city?
 1. One important factor in the case against roundabouts is that they are, by design, slow.
 2. In case of traffic congestion, the gap between vehicles becomes less. This can result in low-speed crashes and fender benders. Queue development can cause long lines at the entry points.
 3. Higher maintenance costs make modern roundabouts an expensive solution for traffic control. Like traffic circles, very large roundabouts require huge land mass and long splitter islands further increase the cost.
 4. Very large roundabouts eat up a lot of public space. Temporary widening and outside diameter space requirement increase the running cost of construction as well.
 5. Roundabouts are not at all friendly for handicapped people, especially for visually impaired pedestrians. Additional pedestrian signals need to be installed to safe-guard them.
 6. Cyclists suffer the most because of blind spots on a roundabout. Traffic rules allow inside lane turn-outs. In America this means that a vehicle in the inside lane- closest to the island- can turn right across the outside lane in order to exit. This can be unexpected to a bicyclist approaching behind the turning vehicle, and the bicycle can, at the same time, be in the motorist's blind spot at an unexpected angle (neither behind, beside, or ahead).
 7. Roundabouts are not suitable for "platooned" traffic flow. Emergency vehicles like ambulances cannot make it through roundabouts easily.

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9. Roundabouts require educating people about navigation and crossing methods, which is a stressful exercise [Many visiting drivers are unfamiliar with roundabouts with further chaos and higher accident rates].

- No. Do not waste your time and taxpayers money on this proposal. It would be a nightmare, and wouldn't save much time. Also, I can't imagine what will happen to traffic when people are backed up waiting for the lights to go across 16th Ave. I can envision a higher amount of accidents and road rage. People do not understand traffic circles. Instead, start moving forward with the interchange at 16th Ave and 68 St sooner than later.
- A roundabout is NOT the same as a traffic circle. The rules are completely different.
- I agree this is a very dangerous and busy intersection I find it absurd that the left turn onto 68 Street was left unfinished, with no warning signs posted on the Trans Canada Highway, thus leaving unsuspecting drivers with concrete pillars blocking the left turn. For those unaware of the planned location of the roundabout, it should be noted that this is the first residential street as you enter Calgary from the east, and although the recently completed Stoney Trail, AKA the city by-pass, has decreased the volume of trucks using Hwy #1, there is still a huge volume of those who have delivery business within the city boundaries. Additionally it should be noted that a roundabout does NOT follow the same rules as the typical traffic circle that most drivers have had at least some experience using. I experienced the roundabout system first hand while travelling in the UK last summer, and it is indeed an efficient system for those "familiar" with the specific roundabouts that they use on a regular basis. They eliminate the need for traffic lights and allow traffic to flow freely. It was however also observed on many occasions that UNFAMILIARITY with a particular roundabout had potentially dangerous consequences. It is therefore of great concern that while local drivers would become efficient in using this roundabout, there would also be a great number of unfamiliar, thus potentially inept, drivers utilizing this entrance/exit road. Considering the speed and number of tractor trailers that already use this route, this intersection could become even more dangerous than it presently is. In addition, the traffic lights that currently exist on 68 Street would create a backlog in traffic, rather than the free flow of traffic a roundabout is intended to allow. There are already problems trying to access the Monterey Park shopping centre, and it is difficult to see how existing problems could be eliminated with a roundabout. Earlier promises of accessibility to the mall were underhanded, i.e. the existing condominiums were strongly objected to at the planning stage by the area residents, due to access issues to the Shopping Centre. The area residents wanted further retail, the developers wanted a 3 storey condominium. At the time area residents were "assured" that that this entrance to the centre would be preserved, and look at what we received. A very narrow, highly exaggerated winding alley with oversized huge speed bumps designed to cause extensive wear and tear on vehicles. If you care about your vehicle, you don't often use this route. It is clear that the design of the access, which is really a paved "alley," was not planned to preserve easy access to the centre as promised, but designed to have vehicles "crawl" into the centre. Still too much traffic? The "solution" was the addition of a stop sign, the only purpose of which is to further thwart and discourage area residents from using this promised "access". Lesson - watch, listen and be very specific on what planners are trying to sell to area residents. Obviously my concerns, and the concerns raised by other area residents' comments, do not support the roundabout. Let's see if "engage" really has any benefit.
- At first glance, I think a traffic circle here actually isn't that bad of an idea. eliminating the southbound turn when they did was a big piss off for me. I do the U-turn thing in the shopping area all the time and having a traffic circle could be good.... But I have to say, is it really that big of a deal to go through a shopping centre parking lot? Did the businesses there actually complain about increased traffic? Would implementing a traffic circle be safer? Given the way people in this city

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handle roundabouts, adding one here (on a busy north/south route) is probably more of a bad idea than a good one. All that needs to happen is one accident, and you ruined not only north/south traffic flow, but also the turn around to go southbound 68th which the roundabout would have been put in for. And also, in busy times, I highly doubt a roundabout would be any faster than the parking lot route. So what exactly is the benefit? And why is it worth an investment in my tax dollars?

- I have lived in the NE/SE 95% of my life and have been driving for about 1/2 my life. I've lived in the proposed area and driving these roads since 2000.
- For my feed back I say the following: This is just as stupid as to why the heck they didn't come up with a better idea in the first place when they created the off/on ramps. There is no way other than the stated fact of how to get from 16th onto 68th going southbound other than cutting into the mall and back tracking. Why don't you just FIX the main issue, that being fixing the main intersection by allowing traffic to make a left turn by ADDING another traffic light thus allowing users to go west bond on 16th AVE and then go West bond onto 68th Street OR you could just add another off ramp that allows users to do this safely, the new off ramp would be a direct route that safely allows users to make a left turn. Create a duel turn lane so that from 16th ave one lane would allow users to make said left turn and the other lane is for the new off ramp. This should be do able do to the fact that you have enough current space to make this happen.
- My main point here is: I find this idea pointless and a good way to make the mall go from what it already is to a dead shopping center like what happened to Franklin Mall. Also this "traffic circle" would cut into the parking lot of the mall which is already packed on a good day. The other issue here is the mall area needs a better way to enforce the different intersections within the shopping center. I find the way it is set up right now badly designed. They should fix it so that users who use the parking lot can better navigate safely inside the parking lot.
- As long time resident of the area that this will effect I'm seriously disappointed in the city. Waste of money. The south bound acess from Stoney to 68th was a big fail to begin with but we have all adjusted by tsking 17th. Seems like most drivers in the area are unable to figure out yeilds and merges so now your going to toss in a traffic circle. So accidents and traffic will increase in a already seriously busy intersection. Just more poor planning and a waste of tax money. As the rest of stated. Don't have time to wait longer in these areas and will shop elsewhere and avoid the area.
- NO NO NO NO DEFINITELY NO!!!! You blew the exit for Southbound 68 St from Stoney Trail and created an opportunity for people to break the law taking what they think are shortcuts. They can go to 17 and come northbound instead of what they are currently doing. Put signs on Stoney saying no access to Southbound 68 St & give an alternative.
Why are we catering to law breakers - put in more enforcement and raise the fine for illegal turns. Are you trying to Kill The Mall - no one entering will get out during rush hour and what about the pedestrians trying to cross 68 St. You really do deserve the nickname Silly Hall as you clearly are just grabbing at straws to fix a problem your design team created. You cannot fix STUPID - leave it alone!
- Wow so far I read all 81 comments and only 1 was for this proposal. Please save our money and rethink this decision. We have been living in Abbeydale for almost 20 years, we are self-employed and drive all over Calgary M-F 8 hrs a day. We know how to use a traffic circle and don't have an issue with them but many people do. Only a few weeks ago, at the traffic circle at Glenmore and 37th we saw the car in front of us drive into the lane of on coming traffic. There is NO reason that we can't make a left turn onto SB 68th coming off of Stoney Tr...there is plenty of room and time! Just open up the lanes and slow down the traffic. There is no issue when I come off WB Crowchild Tr onto Nosehill Dr ...I have to get over 3 lanes to make a left turn at the 1st intersection. You want to help the traffic flow in this area...add a turning lane at the lights on NB 68th onto EB 16th Ave. It

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gets backed up because we have to wait for the cars to go through the lights till we can turn onto 16th Ave. We need another lane EB 16th between 52th and 68th, that way it wouldn't come to a stand still because we have to let people merge in and also turning at SB 68th wouldn't get backed up. I really hope you take into consideration all the comments people have made. I am not going to be holding my breath since last year it took almost ALL summer till the pot hole I drove INTO got fixed on EB 16th just before 52nd!

- Strongly disagree to the traffic circle. With the current traffic lights in place, it reduces the speed of drivers and accident. I've been living in this community for over 20 years and find it safest road to be driving with no traffic congestion nor accidents. The proposal addressed to benefit the Stoney tr. is not sufficient. For those doing illegal turns, they should be penalized not accommodated by adjusting to their way of driving.
- Traffic circle is not a good idea. They should put signs notifying drivers no access to southbound 68th on Stoney trail or change the road so you can go southbound
- This roundabout is a horrible idea!!! Traffic circles don't work in this city. It will lead to more accidents
- we opposed the roundabout proposal, better allow vehicles coming from stoney trail to turn left at the intersection of 16 ave and 68 st by just adding left turn arrow for 2 vehicles, one coming from east of stoney trail and the other coming from north and medicine hat
- My husband and I attended the info session on May 13 and found it more frustrating than informative. There was no one there from the City with answers as to where this proposal came from in the first place and no statistics on the "accidents" at 16th Ave. and 68 St. N.E. Councillor Ray Jones was there when we dropped by and he also had no idea where the plans for the roundabout came. He indicated he is against it and in his discussions with some of the communities, Pineridge in particular - none were in agreement with this plan. We are 37 year residents of Pineridge and are totally opposed to this roundabout. I walk in this area every day and there is nothing good about it for pedestrians. Also drove 68 Street for over 25 years to work and back and know that there would be worse traffic congestion with a roundabout. As well, those who are making the so-called illegal U-turn in the Monterey Square parking lot are simply coming off Stoney, heading west, turning right onto 68th St. then just taking the first right into the parking lot and then driving around some buildings to go out at the intersection with the lights. I think that is safer than coming off westbound 16th Ave. then having to cross 3 lanes of traffic to get into position to take the inner lane of the roundabout to circle around to head south on 68th St. I also agree with comments that there is not enough room for this roundabout - it will be a tight turning circle and speed will have to be drastically reduced. I really hope that the powers that be take a look at all the opposition to this roundabout and listen to the people who actually use these roadways on a daily basis. I don't know what the process is for approval but time seems awfully short to the intended start of construction. PLEASE PLEASE - listen to the residents of these communities - it appears that 99% are AGAINST THE ROUNDABOUT. If it goes through I will be pretty certain there will be more emergency vehicles coming to that intersection and any faith in this "engage!" system will be totally lost. Who can you believe anymore???
- The roundabout proposed for 68 St North East will not fix the traffic issues at the intersection of 16 Avenue and 68 Street North East and it is unlikely that it will even be able to handle the rush hour traffic on 68 St. Normally a two lane traffic circle or roundabout does not have the same capacity as a four lane roadway because the majority of the motorists travelling past the first exit prefer to be in the left lane and will only enter the circle in the right lane if they are exiting the circle at the first exit. This strategy prevents them from being in an accident that is their fault because the traffic on the left has the right of way. If motorists apply the above approach to the hybrid 68 St roundabout it

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will be a traffic bottleneck. The city planning department simulations that say it will work are underestimating the amount of traffic at rush hour or are assuming an unrealistic distribution of the traffic between the lanes. In addition there will be so much north bound 68 St traffic through the circle at rush hour it will be difficult for traffic to exit the mall on to north bound 68 St and impossible to exit the mall on to south bound 68 St. The frustrations of all of the motorist using the roundabout will also put the pedestrians that are trying to cross 68 St at a higher risk than at the current intersection.

- The intersection at 16 Ave and 68 St has more issues than traffic from Stoney being unable to turn south onto 68 St. Because of Stoney the entrance to the westbound 16 Ave left turn lane at 68 St was moved so that it is so far from 68 St that even some motorists on 16 Ave will miss it if they are unfamiliar with the road. These are probably the motorists that are making the illegal left hand turns because they are in the left lane and feel cheated out of the opportunity to make a left turn. Another issue is that a lot of motorists do not use the right lane that was added along the North side of the intersection at 16 Ave as it was intended. In addition to giving Stoney traffic more time merge onto 16 Ave, it gives aggressive 16 Ave drivers a chance to bypass all the traffic in the other two lanes that is waiting at the lights. When the light turns green these drivers race the cars in the other lanes so they can pull in front, meanwhile the traffic from southbound 68 St that is turning westbound onto 16 Ave has to merge into the lane with the racers. A fourth issue is that the westbound traffic on 16 Ave that wants to exit on to northbound 68 St has to deal with traffic from Stoney that is simultaneously trying to merge onto 16 Ave. The traffic from Stoney is coming fast and at an angle that is difficult to see. I am not surprised that there are more collisions at the intersection of 16 Ave and 68 St considering these issues that are associated with the modifications that were made to accommodate traffic from Stoney and the fact that Stoney has significantly increased traffic through the intersection.
- In summary I think the 68 St roundabout is a waste of 3 million dollars, even though it would look impressive there is a high probably it will create traffic issues on 68 St and it will not be a satisfactory fix for the traffic issues at the 16 Ave and 68 St intersection. The city planning department need to find a better solution as doing nothing is better than this proposal.
- This is a STUPID IDEA. Why spend money we don't have on the road or need to spend. MOVE THE STUPID CINDERBLOCKS, SHORTEN THE TURNING LANE. THINGS WILL BE FINE. When Stony first opened that what everyone did they got into the turning lane no problem. I live right at this corner. So inless cops are going to be sitting at the "traffic circle" for all the accidents that are going to happen. And the city wants to loose small businesses than go for it. But everyone agrees this is the worst idea CALGARY has ever come up with. With me living just south of this light. I don't have issues going threw Monterey lets me grab my groceries when needed. But really how many people are actually sitting at the light at a time to turn right. Ive personally never seen more than 6 cars and that's for both sides. so SHORTEN the turning lane. Why spend money we don't need to spend. This is a simple very cheap solution. Don't know why the city cant think of this. They just want to spend the money they don't have to create a accident. 16th Ave aka highway 1 is a very high traveled highway at every moment of the day. So why confuse people get other people mad and make it so there will be a crash there all day long making others annoyed. EVERYONE On here all say no to the traffic circle. Stupid to even think that is a solution to any problem.
- Why is the real problem not being addressed? The mall does not need a roundabout. 68 street would benefit with an overpass over 16 ave with exit ramps for southbound and northbound access! This is the only intersection on 16ave on the east side of 19st. All previous roads have overpasses. The roundabout would not address the problem of southbound access after Stoney trail.
- are you out of your minds ? this is already a brutal corner, and can only get worse. lets just add confusion into the mix, especially with tourists and out of towners having no idea where to go. this

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is also a heavily used truck route. the traffic is always a challenge during rush hours. i can only imagine the nightmare this will turn that corner into. my god...use some common sense here,

- I didn't go to the last open house but some of the feedback comments on this webpage seem to suggest that the proposed roundabout may be predestined to happen. I used 52nd Street to access 16th Avenue before they paved 68th Street. I can certainly do the same thing again decades later when push comes to shove. Presently, there are vehicles coming from or coming back from out of town whose drivers would still go 110 km/hr or faster after passing 68th street. I wouldn't depend on their brains to adjust that fast to take proper actions at a roundabout at the 16th Avenue and 68th Street NE intersection. What worries me the most though are the risks associated with ground disturbance if/when the proposed roundabout is constructed. A few years ago, they hit the pipeline when working on the same intersection despite all the supervision and safety procedures in place at the time. A fireman came to the door to order an immediate evacuation. Briefly after he took off, a car was travelling down an inner street towards the gas jet shooting out from the leak and I told the driver to turn back immediately. Imagine what could have happened if gas leaked from the pipeline had been ignited by exhausts from a passing-by vehicle! Perhaps they have since relocated all pipelines in this area and potential pipeline accidents are no longer an issue. If the pipelines are still there serving their purposes and if we have to face the eventuality of roundabout construction, I hope the City and all affected authorities will heighten their safety measures this time around to better protect me, my family, and my neighbors.
- Just need signage to get off Stoney at Mcnight or 17th ave. Not only is a roundabout confusing and dangerous, but it is also a big waste of money!! Not to mention the negative effect it will have on the retail in Monterey Square. I am totally against this!
- The city can find more ways to spend tax dollars on useless things than the provincial government. What a useless waste of money and resources. I drive a truck and come thru that intersection almost every day and its working fine now. I can't imagine trying to go to work in the s.e. quadrant of the city if they go thru with this mess. My god the accidents they are going to cause with all the out of town and all the tourists coming thru there. But all the comments will be for naught as they are going to go ahead with it weather we like it or not. The people in the big blue playpen have decided already. This is just a formality they have to go thru so it looks like they consulted the local yokels like us. Why do they waste our time and money when its gonna happen anyways. We need some people in council with some cahoonans to say no to the kids in the playpen but that's not gonna happen.
- A roundabout on the no 1 highway is the stupidest idea I have ever heard!!! Can you imagine, for example, holiday season, high traffic flow with many drivers not knowing how to use one properly?? And this will be designed by the same engineers that screwed up Stony Trail to 16th so that we can't turn south on 68th St? And we taxpayers are going to pay for that. I really hope the city rethinks this!!!
- Stop wasting my tax dollars on these goofy ideas. We were promised an overpass 30 years ago and we still don't have it. It should have been part of the overall Stoney Trail design instead of this belated attempt to solve the turning problem. As I recall the original plan on Stoney was to not even have a westbound exit onto 16th at all. It may take a little creative engineering but an overpass or underpass is the only long term solution I would support.
- The roundabout in this location is a very bad idea. Traffic will back up along 68 Street and 16 ave. I agree, there is nothing wrong with what we have now.. Instead of a roundabout you could build a bridge over 16 Ave NE.
- This is a terrible idea, not more than 5 years ago the city had that all torn up and could have put in a roundabout then. But you didn't and now you want to tear it all up again? No! That is poor planning

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on your part so suck it up. You have an atrocious track record for proper planning and this sounds like more of the same. Save that money and use it lower our taxes or maybe fix up some roads that actually need it. Maybe some transit lanes going south? Either way piss off with your poorly planned roundabouts that you can never design properly and can't put proper signage up. In case you can't understand this...NO ROUNDABOUT!!

- I think the roundabout concept is a great idea for this intersection. It addresses the southbound Stoney Trail to westbound 16th avenue traffic issues for 68 street, while not taking away from 68th street between 22nd ave and 16th ave. If anything, this could help improve traffic since vehicles won't have to wait at the stop light for those entering/exiting the shopping centre, or proceeding through on 68 street.
- Roundabouts is a concept that may be unfamiliar to some regular commuters in this area, but it is a efficient form of traffic intersections. It's been a success in other areas of the city, and more of them should be built to replace 4 way stops. Drivers will adjust if they're unsure how to use it initially since it's pretty straightforward to operate. Besides, it's something that we inform drivers how to operate when they get they're in the process of getting their licenses. Building a roundabout at this intersection shouldn't be held off because some people are afraid of progressive change. I would imagine many would see the benefit from it after it's constructed.
- Instead of building a round about a block away why don't we improve the intersection at 68th and 16th and make it possible to turn left from Stoney again? Apparently we have money to spend....
- This is a terrible idea. What a waste of money to bring absolutely no solution to the problem.
- Not a good idea to place a roundabout at that location. It would be better in a residential area. It is off the TransCanada highway, where many tourists would turn into the strip mall for groceries or fast food. This would confuse the out of town people to have to navigate this roundabout.
- I feel like this is a horrible idea. It will not solve any problems, but create more problems. 68th st has a high volume of traffic in the morning and evenings and this will just lead to more congestion. Rather than building a round about, the city should spend money on creating a overpass on 16th and 68th which has been due for a long while.
- I am wondering what the outcome of last nights meeting was.
- The problem during rush hour will only be made worse. Traffic circles work only if there is low volume of traffic. It will also creates congestion for other roads if 68th street does not continue to cross 16th.
- I cannot believe that a traffic circle is even being considered for this intersection. With people coming off the highway, and Stoney Trail, it will create a huge traffic snarl, with the potential to be even more dangerous than the planners are saying the current intersection is. People using traffic circles are always at the mercy of aggressive drivers, of which there are quite a few in Calgary! The cheap solution is being considered for the North East - aren't we worth more than this? Go back to the drawing board, and look for another solution!
- Is this feedback truly going to be taken into consideration? Or, are the plans and agreements already set in motion?
Judging from the "August" start date, it would be safe to assume contracts have already been signed and that this survey is simply a hollow gesture to claim that the City has done its due diligence with respect to paying heed to its citizens. Traffic circles are beneficial in certain cases. In this case, certainly not...
- It doesn't make no sense to build the roundabout just up the road when a interchange at 68th Street can constructed and makes more sense. Yes it may cost more money, but it will be worth it at the end.

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- I think this is a horrible idea. Very unnecessary. It's fine the way it is. Installing roundabout just makes things worse. I agree with everyone else who thinks this is a bad idea and their reasons. I can see my money and everyone else's money going to waste.
- Went to the info meeting, not very well planned out. Some statistic and a few poster boards with pictures on them. Asked the city employees what it would take to stop this and could not get any answers. I believe it's already a project in the works and the meeting was a save face gesture for the city.
- Considering that these are the cards we are dealt, this to me is a good idea. No lights means no stopping and I just hate sitting in a car not moving. My only concerns with this are; #1 the cost - If city planners had planned the 16th & 68th street intersection better, all this could be avoided. #2 - The "backlog" of traffic heading south on 68th, trying to cross 16th Ave. Maybe a better intersection at 16th & 68th street would have cost more than 3 million... I don't know. If it does cause congestion, the city can reconfigure the lights to lessen the build up... There are solutions. For now, I think I'll just go down to the other traffic circles in the city around 5:00pm (Rush hour on a number of different days) and observe for 30 minutes to an hour to see if there's congestion, accidents, and other problems that a lot of people here are saying (will) happen. (If you hear someone tell you the sky is falling, go outside and look up). I'll let you know.
On a wider topic, I do have to agree with some of the other comments about the NE getting the "short end of the stick" again, and how could city planners make this kind of mistake? Or was it a mistake?... Someone needs to be held accountable for their actions. Stoney Trail was built by the provincial government, so I can't really blame them for what happens on 16th & 68th (a municipal project), BUT... Provincial and municipal levels should've worked more closely together in coming up with the plan that didn't require us to revisit it 6 years later just to fix it... I bet someone got a pretty good bonus for making that mistake (if you know what I mean).
- I see this being a bad idea. Not only is there very limited room at the proposed site for a roundabout large enough to accommodate city buses and large recreational vehicles, I see it causing absolute chaos all summer while the roads are closed to build this needless pain in everyone's behind. Is it really that difficult to get off at 17th or McKnight to get to your destination or god forbid go the extra little bit to 52nd and back around. Since they've put the light coming off 16th onto 52nd we've had no issues maneuvering through the N.E with our trailer. I think this is a waste of time and money.
- I agree about the chaos all summer while the roads are closed - there are few enough options for a north-south corridor in the NE at the best of times. A water main break on 52nd several years ago caused complete havoc for weeks. And I'm glad to hear your comment about the left turn at 52nd to go south being a reasonable option - my daughter said the same thing!
- This is a ridiculous, 'sledgehammer' proposal that if enacted will raise the collision rate in the area tenfold, to say nothing of the 'dinosaur', roundabout proper 68 St is a high traffic area where excessive speed already exists. Resulting, and inevitable Log jams at rush hour will also have residents in the immediate area up in arms. This transfers a small inconvenience for some into a large, dangerous issue for others.
As a resident living N. of 16th Ave I also am affected by the changes to 68 St NE intersection, I access same via proper, designated routes, McKnight or 17 Ave SE. To run a high risk 'dinosaur', roundabout - the very thing cities around the world are getting rid of, including Edmonton - will create more problems than it solves. Enough with the spoon feeding every Tory members twitch! Mothball this one forever.
- The traffic circle in McKenzie Towne causes frustration on a regular basis. I don't know how this roundabout will be any different? The off ramps from Stoney Trail should've been designed properly

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to begin with. The provincial government is responsible for Stoney Trail. They should pay to fix the mistake they made. That's the best answer.

- I don't think this is a very good idea.
- This roundabout will not help, the off ramps from 16th should have been designed properly, a roundabout is a disaster waiting to happen, daily both directions of 68th Street are blocked at Rush Hour, sometimes it takes half a dozen lights to get through, having a roundabout is only going to make things worse! a new plan needs to be thought of, as this will not work!
- Really?!! This doesn't make very much sense to me, both as a residence and as a professional driver. You have a speeding issue with 16 ave and Stoney trail as it is, then compound the problems with adding a traffic circle right after they exit 16 ave and Stoney. There are so many accidents and near misses there now, I can't imagine how much this will increase when you place a road way that I'll speculate 50 % of the residence do not know how to use. The flow from the main roads will not flow better when the knowledge of the road is not there. The flow from or southbound maybe the only ones who benefits. I'm also kind of interested in the residence that live right across from this proposal? They are losing any green space they had there and protection for their homes? I wish I could attend the meeting as I would like to voice my concerns.
- The roundabout in this location is a very bad idea. Traffic will back up along 68 Street. I agree, there is nothing wrong with what we have now. Spend the money were it is needed. Instead of a roundabout you could build a bridge over 16 Ave NE. Very bad judgments and a waste of our tax payer dollars. Also if we have a accident you tie both north and southbound lanes which will create havoc.
- Well, the bridge isn't going to happen (no space for same even if the pipeline is moved).
- This is a very bad idea, roundabouts are terrible. There is nothing very difficult about the intersection right now. Leave it alone and don't offload your problems on one intersection to yet another. This can't possibly be a big enough problem to waste all this time and money on such a poor plan.
- This is one of the dumbest idea's I've seen this city come up with. Roundabouts only work if driver are aware of the concept. This is a disaster looking for a place to happen. Poor planning on 16th and Stoney won't be fixed by the stupidity of a traffic circle.
- I believe that the federal govt is responsible for highway 1 (16 Ave) and the province for Stoney Trail. Why aren't they the parties responsible for rectifying the major design screw up and fix the problem of turn lanes on 16 Ave. 68 st is very busy and a dangerous street already due to the high speeds that a lot of people seem to need to do. There will be many accidents as people do not know how or have the patience to use a roundabout properly. This is a really, really bad idea and a huge waste of tax payers dollars.
- I lived in Abbeydale for 10 years. Stoney trail off ramp was poorly planned for residents wanting to go west 16 and no longer able to turn south onto 68th. This roundabout is as bad an idea and will be more dangerous at rush hour. There will be alot of impatient drivers trying to get out of Monterey shopping area during rush hour. The traffic is horrible this roundabout was not thought through by anyone travelling this route on a daily basis. My husband and I totally disagree with this proposal!
- I'm not clear on where the roundabout is actually going to be built. The information says at the intersection of 68 Street N.E. and Monterey Square. Does this mean the intersection at 68 ST and 16 AVE? Why would we spend money on this when there are plans for a future interchange at this intersection?
- I drive this road everyday and it is not going to make things any better. In rush hour it is going to make things even worse because of the fact they will be basically turning a road that is two lanes into a one lane road since most of the traffic is not going to be turning into Monterey square. They

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already made it so that there are two turning lanes from Monterey Square to go southbound on 68 street which should be enough. If construction does go ahead you may as well close all the businesses in Monterey square as they will see a huge decrease in business.