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The PCA Office is usually open
 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday.
 Please call or email and leave a message if you need support from the
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9 P.M. ROUTINE



Have you started your 9 p.m. Routine?

Follow us:   

Vehicle theft and car prowling prevention:

- Garage openers should not be left in vehicles, or should be disengaged, as thieves can use them to gain entry into a home.
- Avoid parking in unlit areas at night.
- Lock your doors and close all windows at all times, even while you are in your yard.
- Hide your valuables out of sight, or better yet, take them with you.
- Don't keep extra keys in your vehicle.
- If you park your vehicle in a parkade, be sure that you do not let anyone else in who doesn't belong when you are entering and exiting.
- Report any suspicious activity or behaviour, such as someone trying door handles on parked vehicles.

Home and garage break-in prevention:

- Offenders will often break into a residence as a way to steal a vehicle parked outside the residence. When you're at home, store your vehicle keys away from the entrance to your house.
- Consider installing home and vehicle alarm systems and vehicle anti-theft devices.
- Ensure that all doors and windows are secured at all times, even when you're home. Culprits need mere moments to commit a theft or break in. If you do open any windows or doors, make sure you only open them for rooms that someone is present in.
- Report any suspicious people or activity in your community by calling 403-266-1234 or 9-1-1 if there is a crime in progress.

Foothills Medical Centre Cogeneration Facility

Construction Ongoing

Alberta Infrastructure began construction on the Foothills Medical Centre's (FMC) power plant November 2020 to support the growth of the hospital, increase the ability of the electrical and heating system, and support the future needs of the new cancer care facility.

What Is Going on At the Site Right Now?

Work at this time has been focused on preparing the site for the construction of the new facility. Construction activity is expected to increase over the next few months and will include foundation work (earthworks, cribbing, embedding piles, and pouring concrete) to house the equipment necessary for the facility.

Will Noise Increase as Construction Gets Ramped Up?

It is expected that over the summer months, noise will increase on site. The foundation activities involve piling to ensure a sturdy base for the Project. There will be an increase in traffic including concrete trucks moving to and from site.

Our construction team will abide by the City of Calgary's bylaws regulating neighbourhood noise. Construction will take place after 7:00 a.m. Monday to Saturday. Construction notices will be posted on the Project website.

Construction staff and necessary equipment will be located within the fenced construction area. For safety purposes, Hospital Drive will, at times, be closed to vehicle and pedestrian traffic.

Can I Access the Area During Construction?

Safety is paramount to us – for the public and our team. The active construction site will be fenced off from public access and we advise any individual to follow signage and avoid the area if possible.

How Long Will Construction Last?

The construction of this facility will run throughout 2021 and 2022. Once the structure that houses the equipment is constructed, most work will move indoors for the facility to become operational.

Will There Be a Steam Release?

There are no anticipated steam releases planned at this time. As outlined in the Alberta Utilities Commission's

decision on the Project, we will notify you in advance of any planned release. As a reminder, the new facility design will lead to fewer unplanned steam releases. These currently happen in emergency situations and are needed to maintain the balance of the system.

Will There Be Further Notices?

We will continue notifying the community through various means to outline the status of the Project. We encourage you to sign up for construction email updates on the Project website to receive new information as it becomes available.

What If I Have Concerns or Questions?

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact our Project team by phone (1-877-236-1698) or by email INFRAS.FMCPower@gov.ab.ca.

Project updates are provided at: <http://majorprojects.alberta.ca/details/FMCPower/2050>.

We thank you for your ongoing patience as we construct this important facility at the Foothills Medical Centre.



TAKE A CULINARY TRIP AROUND THE WORLD WITH #YYCFoodTRUCKS!

Sat. May 22 | 12-7pm | Parkdale Blvd River Path
Thurs. June 3 | 3-7pm | Community Center
Fri. June 18 | 3-7pm | Community Center
Sat. July 3 | 12-7pm | Parkdale Blvd River Path
Tues. July 13 | 3-7pm | Community Center
Sat. July 31 | 12-7pm | Parkdale Blvd River Path
Sat. Aug 21 | 12-7pm | Community Center

All AHS physical distancing practices followed,
please wear masks and keep 6 ft. from each other

PARKDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Your 2020 PCA Membership automatically terminated on January 31, 2021. Please renew or register your Membership on PCA website:

<http://parkdalecommunity.com/about-the-pca/membership/registration/>

The Membership of the Parkdale Community Association grants you voting rights during our annual AGM, each adult resident from the Membership household is allowed one vote at the AGM. But more importantly, it acts as a gateway into the larger civic life of the citizens in your community.

- 1-year Family Membership: \$31.50
- 1-year Single Membership: \$21.00
- 1-year Senior Membership: \$5.25
- 1-year Business/Organization Membership: \$52.50

An individual or family membership in the PCA grants you or your family discounts on our PCA programs, including:

- Parkdale Soccer Program – One of the most popular programs in the community with more than 100 children participating, our soccer program is available for children as young as 2, and as old as 15.
- Social Events – Each year the PCA holds a number of fun events! A PCA membership keeps you up to date on events and you receive the lowest price for entry.
- Garden Participation – In operation since 2013, the Parkdale Community Garden is an ideal spot to meet and have fun with other gardeners in the community, grow your own produce, or enjoy the bountiful perennial gardens. PCA membership is required to join the garden group.

Business/Organization benefits:

- Membership benefits – Access to our newly created business directory on the community website and quarterly social media advertisement.
- Sponsorship benefits - Sponsorship proposal that will include all events for the year.

PARKDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

BOTTLE DRIVE

Save Your Empties

No Drop Offs necessary! Visit skipthedepot.com/parkdalecommunity - sign yourself up for a pick up, they will come pick up your empties and take to the recycling centre. All you need to do is select the PCA as where you want your \$\$ donated!



Essential number for seniors in Calgary

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8-1-1 Health Link (24 Hour)	Crisis support and urgent social work response (including if you are concerned about a senior at risk in the community).
3-1-1 City of Calgary (24-Hour)	403-943-1500 Access Mental Health
Information on all City of Calgary services. www.calgary.ca	Non-urgent advice on navigating the addiction and mental health system.
2-1-1 Community Resources (24-Hour)	403-705-3250 Elder Abuse Resource Line (24-Hour)
Information and referrals for community and social services. www.ab.211.ca	Confidential information and support, or to report a suspected case of elder abuse.

Telephone language interpretation service available on all lines.

Is it a Guidebook or a Guide or Best Practice Summary?

by Judy Hoad

If you are a political junkie like me, or interested in planning in Calgary, you may have seen articles and opinions in the media about the deceased *Guidebook for Great Communities*. It went without even an obituary.

After two lengthy meetings, the first at the Public Hearing on March 22 to 24 and the second at the Planning and Urban Development Committee on May 5, a majority of Councillors supported a motion by Mayor Nenshi and decided to "Accept the Guide for information" and to "Direct Administration to use the best practices in the Guide...as administrative guidelines to use in community engagement in local area plans."

Like others who watched the drama unfold, I'm a bit confused. It was also an insult to the volunteers who spent hours over multiple years helping develop the guide and presenting thoughtful amendments to be considered by The City.

What Does This Mean?

It appears the document will be used as an internal information resource. This is surprising and, given so much time, effort, and money was spent in creating the Guidebook over the past few years, a waste of tax dollars. I have always assumed planners followed best practices. The guidebook was intended to provide clarity, certainty, and consistency in land use planning across Calgary for all communities, developers, and City planners through either a statutory bylaw or a non-statutory policy document. It wasn't perfect, but as a policy, would have created a path to guide future growth and change throughout Calgary.

The Municipal Development Plan (MDP) will continue to be the reference document for long term planning policy for growth and development. Existing Area Re-development Plans (ARP) or multi-community Local Area Plans (LAP), once completed, will be a community's statutory policy document. For the established areas of Calgary, like Parkdale, the Developed Areas Guidebook (DAG) is the consolidation of approved land use policies to inform local area planning and is an appendix to the MDP.

What Does This Mean for Parkdale?

In short, not much right now. Parkdale's Planning and Development Committee has decided to get ahead the machinations at City Hall and prepare its own vision for growth and development. The vision will help guide the committee's deliberations when new applications are proposed, and will be used as our input into the future local area plan process.

By now you will have seen a survey, and hopefully you have taken time to share your views. If you haven't yet responded, please go to our website at www.parkdalecommunity.com and follow the links. If you want a paper copy to complete, please leave a message on our office line at 403 283-5767.

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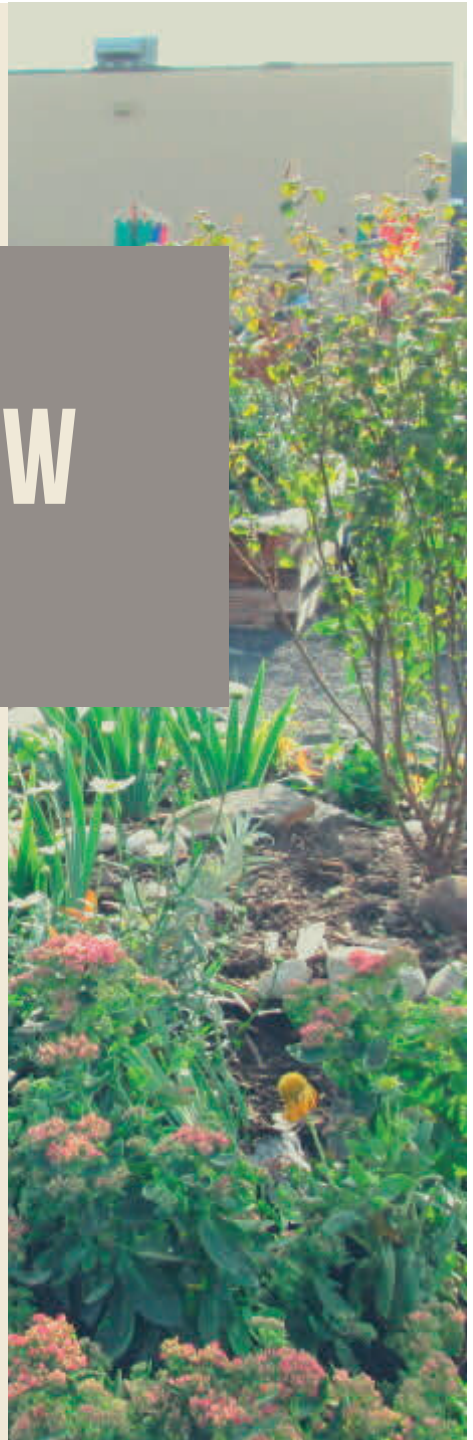
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HUH?

Words are fun, but it can be challenging to use and understand them sometimes. Other times, however, it is not. The word 'Huh?' is actually the most universally understood term in the world. It is the same in 31 different languages! So, the next time you feel alone in your confusion. Don't. We all know the feeling!





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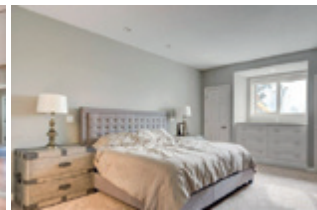


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Protecting Lives and Livelihoods

The spring session of the legislature will be wrapping up and the Alberta Government will continue to pass legislation aimed to protect the lives and livelihoods of Albertans. Facing a third wave of COVID, Albertans were once again asked to take a step back and limit activities. I know this was not easy, but it was necessary to protect our health care system and the health of each other.

Throughout these restrictions, it was important that the Government of Alberta continue to support Albertans and businesses. It was encouraging to see a third round of the Small and Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant (SMERG) offering financial assistance to Alberta businesses, cooperatives, and non-profit organizations.

I am encouraged to see the number of Albertans who have received the COVID vaccine to date. The Alberta Government has also made it easier for employees to take up to three hours of paid vaccination leave, reducing barriers for employees to get vaccinated. Getting Albertans vaccinated is critical in not only protecting lives, but in opening up our province again, especially as summer is around the corner.

I know in chatting with many of you that economic recovery and a path to creating jobs is top of mind as we get out of this pandemic. I am pleased to announce that I will be hosting a town hall with guest speaker, the Honourable Doug Schweitzer, Minister of Jobs, Economy, and Innovation, to discuss and take your questions on the Alberta Government's plans on our economic recovery.

If you are interested in attending the town hall or have any questions on a provincial issue, please feel free to reach out to my office at calgary.varsity@assembly.ab.ca.

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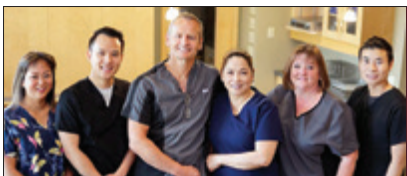
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