



February 9, 2024

Amy Zaluski
Director of Intergovernmental and Legislative Services
Rocky View County

Dear Director Zaluski:

Re: City of Calgary Acquisition of 4;28;23;8;SE for Expansion of Prairie Sky Cemetery

By way of this letter, The City of Calgary requests consent from Rockyview County to acquire 52.6 hectares (130 acres) of land at 231065 Range Road 284 (4;28;23;8;SE), located within the County.

The City of Calgary is currently negotiating to acquire the above-listed property for the expansion of our existing Prairie Sky municipal cemetery. Pursuant to section 72 (1) of the Municipal Government Act, The City of Calgary is required to seek written consent for the purchase from Rocky View County Council to do so, as it is located within the County's jurisdiction.

Cemeteries are essential services, and The City of Calgary currently stewards and maintains six such sites within our city limits: the Union, Burnsland, St. Mary's, Chinese, Queen's Park, and Prairie Sky cemeteries. Prairie Sky is the most recent addition to the City of Calgary's cemetery portfolio (2021) and is the only cemetery in Calgary with area available for casket burial. For The City to continue to meet citizens' long-term needs for interment and other burial options under the Cemeteries Act (Alberta), additional cemetery land is required. The acquisition of the subject parcel, directly adjacent to Prairie Sky, offers The City of Calgary an efficient and cost-effective way to provide additional land inventory to serve Calgarians and residents of the region. Given that the lands are outside of The City of Calgary, we acknowledge that the development and future operation of the cemetery will be subject to Rocky View County bylaws.

I request that you please bring this proposal to Rocky View County Council for consideration. Should you have any questions or require further details, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Ripley".

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Attachment: Map of Subject Site

