



Rocky View County / City of Calgary Intermunicipal Development Plan Amendments - Prairie Gateway Area Structure Plan

Electoral Division: 6

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REPORT SUMMARY

Rocky View County and The City of Calgary have jointly prepared minor amendments to the Rocky View County / City of Calgary Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) to support the Prairie Gateway Area Structure Plan (ASP). The amendments create collaborative planning policies and add the Prairie Gateway ASP as a 'Key Focus Area' in the IDP. In addition to supporting the Prairie Gateway ASP, the amendments also support future joint planning initiatives as may be directed by both Councils.

This item was previously heard on September 11, 2024, which was followed by first and second readings by Council. Administration was then directed to refer the IDP amendments as part of the Prairie Gateway ASP application to the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB) Regional Evaluation Framework (REF) process for approval. On November 22, 2024, the CMRB unanimously approved the Prairie Gateway ASP as a new Area Structure Plan and new Employment Area located outside of a Preferred Growth Area.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Bylaw C-8562-2024 be given third and final reading, as previously amended.

BACKGROUND

The Rocky View County / City of Calgary IDP was developed in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, and the IDP was adopted by both municipalities in 2012. The fundamental purpose of the IDP is to identify areas of mutual interest, to minimize land use conflicts across municipal borders, provide opportunities for collaboration and communication, and outline processes for the resolution of issues that may arise within the IDP area.

While jointly developing the Prairie Gateway ASP, several IDP amendments were identified. These amendments are required to create policy alignment between the IDP and Prairie Gateway ASP.

Below is a timeline on the Prairie Gateway initiative project, which included the ASP and supporting IDP amendments, since the beginning of 2024:

- **February 22, 2024:** The initiative was presented to The City of Calgary's Planning Committee.
- **July 29, 2024:** The initiative was presented to The City of Calgary's Infrastructure and Planning Committee.
- **September 10, 2024:** The initiative was presented to The City of Calgary Council.
- **September 11, 2024:** A public hearing for the IDP amendments was held, and Council passed first and second readings. Council passed a motion to refer the ASP and supporting IDP amendments to the Calgary Metropolitan Regional Board (CMRB) for approval.

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- **November 22, 2024:** The Prairie Gateway ASP Regional Evaluation Framework application for a new Area Structure Plan and new Employment Area located outside of a Preferred Growth Area received unanimous approval by the CMRB.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Key Performance Indicators		Strategic Alignment
Thoughtful Growth	TG1: Clearly defining land use policies and objectives for the County – including types, growth rates, locations, and servicing strategies	TG1.2: Complete Area Structure Plans (ASPs) in alignment with the Regional Growth Plan and Council priorities
		The IDP amendments support the Prairie Gateway ASP, which is in alignment with the Regional Growth Plan and Council priorities.

ALTERNATE DIRECTION

Administration does not have an alternate direction for Council's consideration.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Bylaw C-8562-2024 and Schedule 'A' IDP Amendments
Attachment B: Prairie Economic Gateway Initiative Terms of Reference

APPROVALS

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