

## Ward 12 Report for Auburn Bay Community Association

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September 4, 2019

### COMMUNITY FOCUS

- 1) **June & July 311 Stats:** There were 722 service requests from Auburn Bay in June. This represents 19% of all ward 12 requests for June. The top five requests were: 311 Info Request Tracker, Finance – ONLINE TIPP Agreement Request, Finance – Property Tax Account Inquiry, CBS Inspection – Electrical, and Bylaw – Long Grass – Weeds Infraction.

There were 613 service requests from Auburn Bay in July. This represents 19% of all ward 12 requests for July. The top five requests were: 311 Info Request Tracker, Finance – Property Tax Account Inquiry, CBS Inspection – Electrical, Finance – ONLINE TIPP Agreement Request, and Bylaw – Long Grass – Weeds Infraction.

- 2) **Auburn Sound Manor:** Roads has requested additional information. They would like to know the exact boundaries of where the community association would like to see a dead-end.
- 3) **Parking at Joane Cardinal-Schubert High School:** Some community members have raised concern about the availability of student parking at the high school and have suggested designating on-street parking for high school students only. At this time we are only aware of Residential Parking Permits and would encourage students to look at options with Calgary Transit.

### WARD-WIDE & CITY-WIDE

- 1) **Ward 12 Open House:** The Ward 12 Open House will be taking place on October 23, 2019 from 7-8:30pm at the Brookfield Residential YMCA at Seton and we'd be thrilled if the community association would like to participate! You can RSVP to Shannon Martel at [eaward12@calgary.ca](mailto:eaward12@calgary.ca).

- 1) **2019 Boards, Commissions and Committees Recruitment:** Share your expertise with the City of Calgary Council, by applying to serve on one of the City's various Boards, Commissions or Committees (BCCs). Public members serving on these BCCs provide guidance to City Council on important civic issues such as planning, accessibility, housing, and public art.

There are currently a number of BCCs recruiting for new public members, seeking individuals with an interest in the work of the committees and a desire to give back to the community. Although some public member positions have specific eligibility requirements, many only require enthusiasm, interest and commitment. Most importantly, The City is looking for individuals with a desire to give back to the community, who are interested in the legislative process and who have time available to commit to membership.

Members on BCCs make important and meaningful decisions for our City. For example, the accessibility commissions made a decision to install high tech sound and vibrating devices on city streets to help visually impaired people cross the street safely. And the planning commission is making decisions to make food more accessible to all Calgarians.

If you are interested you can visit [calgary.ca/boards](http://calgary.ca/boards) for further details and to access the online application form. The deadline to apply is September 14, 2019.

- 2) **Nature Centre Closure:** The Nature Centre at the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary will be closed to the public at the end of August until fall 2020 for renovations. The Inglewood Bird Sanctuary remains open, please follow on-site signage and directions to portable toilets. For more information about this project please visit [calgary.ca](http://calgary.ca) and search Inglewood Bird Sanctuary.
- 3) **Transportation Bylaw Changes:** What are the changes to the Traffic Bylaw?

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*Minimum safe passing distance* – Starting September 1, 2019 motorists driving slower than 60km/hr will be required by law to leave a minimum of 1 metre when passing someone cycling. When driving faster than 60km/hr the distance increases to at least 1.5 metres of space when passing. Failure to leave the minimum safe passing distance may result in a \$203 fine as per the new bylaw.

You may cross a single solid yellow line to complete a pass, if it's safe to do so. If you can't pass safely with the minimum amount of space, slow down and wait for an appropriate opportunity to pass. When cycling, you will still be expected to ride as close to the curb as is safe to do so.

*New ways to get around Calgary* – With the Shared Electric Scooter Pilot already underway, Calgarians are now legally allowed the use of motorized and non-motorized mobility devices including inline skates, skateboards, non-motorized scooters and scooters\* on the downtown cycle track, city-wide bike lanes, city-wide multi-use pathways, and in public spaces in the downtown core, including Olympic Plaza, Stephen Avenue Mall and Barclay Mall.

Mobility scooters for those with mobility challenges and wheelchairs are still not permitted on the cycle track as per the Traffic Safety Act.

*\*This applies to permitted shared electric scooters only, privately-owned electric scooters may only operate on pathways.*

*Yielding when entering a roadway when cycling* – Already in effect, people cycling on a pathway approaching a roadway can now yield instead of coming to a full stop.

*Signaling a right turn when cycling* – A person cycling may now use either the left or right arm to indicate a right turn.

You can find more information by visiting [calgary.ca/safepassing](http://calgary.ca/safepassing)

- 4) Event Centre:** The City of Calgary and Calgary Sports and Entertainment Corporation agreed to fundamental terms and conditions for the development and construction of a new Event Centre in East Victoria Park. The City and the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede agreed to fundamental terms and conditions for a land exchange to support construction of the Event Centre and demolition of the Saddledome. Council ratified these agreements on July 29, 2019.