

CALGARY PLAN

Truth & Reconciliation

The City of Calgary has made commitments to advance Truth and Reconciliation and implement the White Goose Flying report and Indigenous Policy Framework. This includes collaborations with Indigenous people that elevate Indigenous perspectives and worldviews. In the Calgary Plan, this collaboration has led to co-creation of the plan's directions and policies. It is a first step toward a sustained and reciprocal relationship.

Indigenous perspectives in city building present opportunities for traditional knowledge and practices in land-use, ecosystem management, placemaking and placekeeping. They uncover novel and sustainable approaches for urban design and planning. Merging Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives enables a rich and balanced understanding of the Calgary Plan's policies. These policies reflect how we can work together, value our shared and diverse history and steward the land.



Through engagement with Indigenous Nations and people, we heard...

Recognizing and reclaiming the land for safe, affordable housing and cultural support for people choosing to live in urban spaces.

There is a need for balance and inclusion of Indigenous worldviews, and collaboration.

Engagement, relationship building and collaboration is important through the entire life cycle of a project with Indigenous perspectives involved and considered right from the beginning.

Enabling the intersections between story and science allows a whole picture to be seen; the story, the science, archaeology and the anatomy of the territory.

This land's native species keep it in balance, and the best practice is to use land management systems natural to this environment.

What might this look like for Calgarians?

Indigenous culture, expression, and practices can be seen in the urban landscape.



Indigenous people will have increased access to housing and greater economic opportunities.



Collaborative stewardship of natural systems is based on a shared understanding and respect for Treaty rights, the needs of all living beings, and diverse Indigenous perspectives.



What direction is included in the Calgary Plan?

Direction that supports Truth and Reconciliation is integrated throughout the Calgary Plan.

- No/minimal new direction
- Some new direction
- All new direction

What are the direction highlights?	What's new to the Calgary Plan?
Ways Towards Equitable Environments through Dual Perspectives: Indigenous perspectives in city building present opportunities for traditional knowledge and practices in land-use, ecosystem management, and placemaking and placekeeping that brings new and creative ways for urban design and sustainable urbanization.	<div></div> This is new direction, but is aligned with the City's Indigenous Policy Framework and implements "Ways Towards Equitable Environments" by bringing Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives together that enables collaboration.
Ways of Building Relationships through Mutual Recognition, Respect and Shared Responsibility: The City of Calgary will work effectively with Indigenous Nations and communities by building, maintaining and sustaining reciprocal and mutually beneficial relationships.	<div></div> This is new direction, but provides policy for actions that The City is already doing. It also helps ensure that the relationship is collaborative, responsible and respectful across the corporation.
Ways of Engaging through Collaboration: Include Indigenous Nations early in the processes of Area Structure Plans to walk and see the land to allow for assessment of potential significant findings.	<div></div> This is new direction, but provides policy for engagement practices that The City is already doing. It enables collaboration on solutions to help preserve significant Indigenous findings or sites in future new communities.
Ways of Knowing through Stewardship: Stewardship of natural systems accommodates the traditional and ancestral connections and accountability to the land. It enables their natural laws to occur through reciprocity and relationships.	<div></div> This is new direction, but provides policy for collaboration on stewardship that The City is already engaging in. It puts into policy the accommodation of Indigenous and non-Indigenous perspectives on stewardship and management of the land.
Increase access to housing for Indigenous people.	<div></div> This is a new direction. It helps to support the Indigenous Affordable Housing Funding Program.

How is this direction connected to other City Building plans?

The *Zoning Bylaw* and *Street Manual* are tools to implement the direction of the Calgary Plan through rules for new buildings and guidelines for street design.

The **Zoning Bylaw** can include requirements for:

By avoiding any regulatory references regarding Indigenous cultural, ceremonial, or traditional practices or protocols they become "exempt" uses, allowing Indigenous Nations and people to practice their inherent rights outside of the control of the Zoning Bylaw.