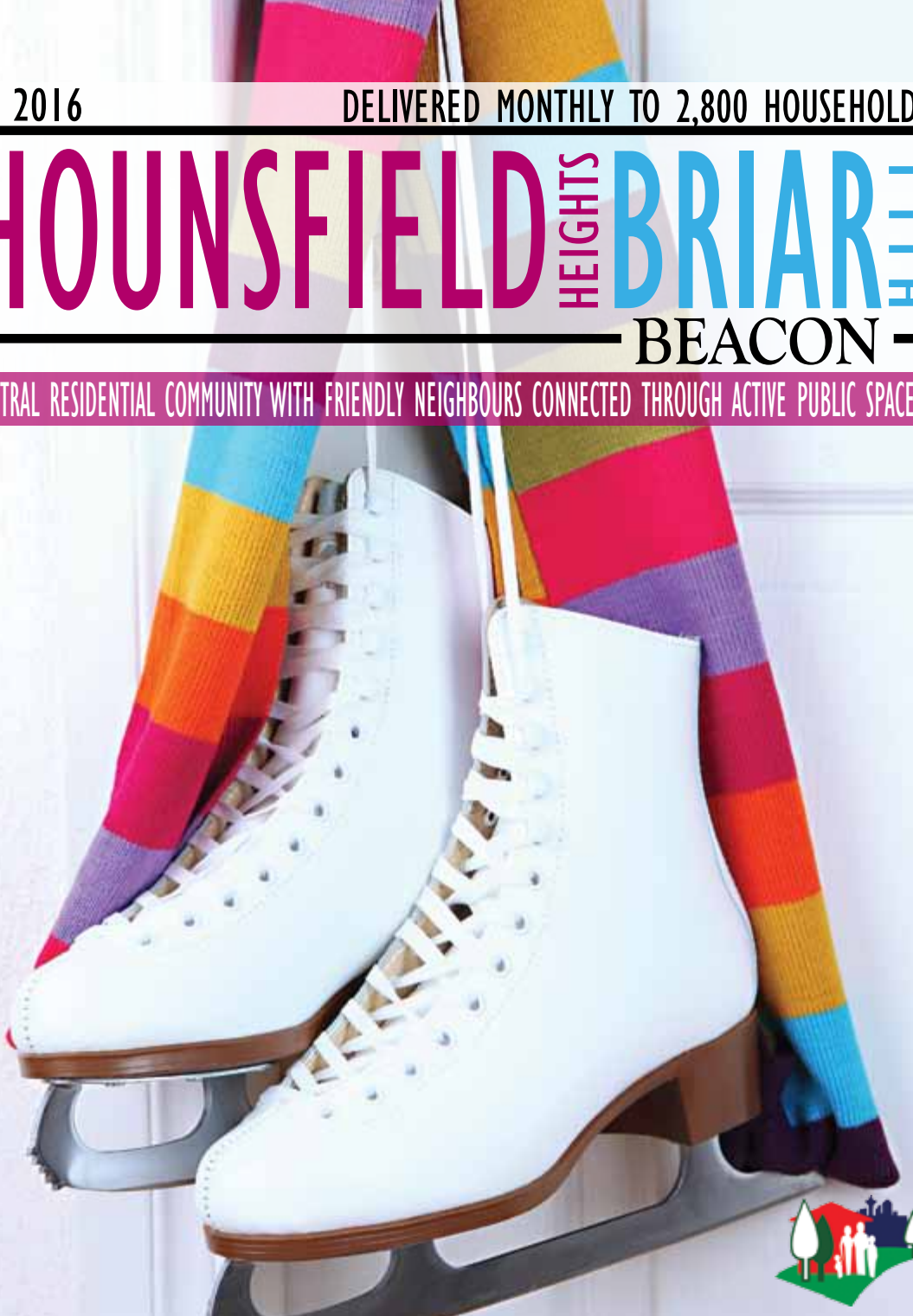


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Board Meetings are held at 7pm on the second Thursday of each month in the Community Hall meeting room. Resident's are welcome and encouraged to attend. To include an item on the agenda, please contact the Board at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Contact the HHBH Community Association at:

Mailing Address: Box 65086, RPO North Hill Calgary, AB T2N 4T6

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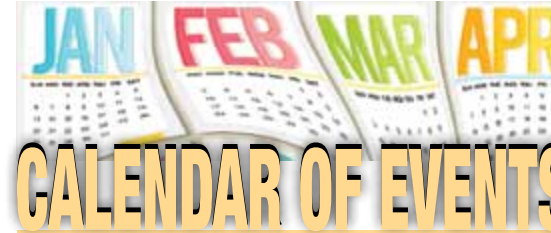
Deadline for submissions for next issue: First of the month

Boardroom/Gym Bookings: bookings@hh-bh.ca

Website: www.hh-bh.ca

Boardroom/Gym 1922 – 14 Avenue N.W. Parking is west of the Louise Riley Library, accessed via the library driveway. Hall/Gym is located NE of our parking lot, just across the soccer field.

The HHBH Gym and Boardroom schedule can be viewed online at www.hh-bh.ca.



Community Board Meetings

Second Thursday of the month at 7 pm in the Community Boardroom. All welcome! To be on the agenda, please contact Sheryl admin@hh-bh.ca at least 2 weeks in advance.

Next Meeting: January 14

Family Open Gym Night

Fridays 6:30 – 8 pm Community Gym

Memberships:

A reminder that memberships expired August 31! \$20 / year per family / household. \$10 / year Seniors. Renew online, by mail or in person! Thanks!

HHBH Gym Drop-in Programs

Badminton: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Pickleball: Tuesday – Wednesday 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Rates: \$4 per person, \$3 for seniors (55+)



1. Don't be coy about your budget but do be realistic. Make sure you do your homework, find out what is realistic by talking to friends who have done similar things. Tack on an extra 20% for those inevitable unforeseen issues. Your contractor should have regular meetings with you to keep you updated on the budget.

2. Hire well and trust. Choose someone who you connect with and can be honest with. In the early phases of the design stage, there may be options that are not perfect or that you may not have thought of. Having the conversation about what you like and what you do not like is important. Check Renomark and Alberta New Home Warranty for firms to interview.

3. Details are crucial but start at the end. As you get further into the process the details become more important so remember start at the end with the big picture and work your way down to the details.

4. Renovate for the long term. Make sure your renovation is up to date and save the trendy things for less permanent items such as accessories. Do it once, do it right and put as much quality as you can afford, but do not overbuild for your home.

5. Always be appropriate. Remembering to “start at the end”, make sure your renovations will be **appropriate** for your lifestyle, **appropriate** for your budget, and **appropriate** for your house.

6. Have fun! I hope these tips help make your renovation journey enjoyable. Remember renovations are done by human beings and human beings can make mistakes. Be patient; Trust your team to make anything that goes wrong (and it will), right.

By Lynn Donaldson

MESSAGE FROM PAST PRESIDENT

This has been quite a year for HHBH, a full year of our existing programs and new ones as well. It was exciting to see our "new" field being finally being used to its potential for our Outdoor Soccer program and it often had kids and adults alike using it during times when it wasn't booked. Our morning drop in badminton remains popular and the afternoon pickleball is steadily gaining popularity. Community indoor soccer registration was up this year and as a result, we have more teams competing. We are hoping to run our badminton lessons again in the spring, though we do have some lessons going on through gym rental at the moment. Drop-in Gym on Friday nights is always great for the community youth and our gym is pretty well booked with basketball, volleyball and indoor soccer groups that play here on a regular basis. The gym can also be booked for kids parties and other events. The boardroom can also be booked; meetings, church groups, language classes etc. are some of the bookings we have had over time and recently we have a new group in there called Coding for Kids, which is giving our youth the opportunity to expand their computer knowledge, including creating websites.

Great to see some new faces on the board along with continued support from those that have been supporting the community for quite some time. Unfortunately, we lost a longtime board member and community advocate, Phil Johnson, who's help throughout the years was a tremendous asset, he is very much missed! We are always looking for more members to support our board and anyone who is interested can speak to any of our existing members. It does not take that much time commitment but what you can get back in giving to your community is invaluable.

This year we received a grant to update our lifecycle; it lays out a timeframe in which an engineer study done lets us know when we are able to refurbish or replace items such as scoreboards and mechanics in the gym. Our license of occupation has been renewed, so we are set to keep our building in tip-top shape for the years to come. Currently, with our city liaison we are working on a business plan to help keep us growing and show us where we need to improve and where we need to focus.

There has been some talk about the TOD at Lion's Park and a possible expansion to Louise Riley Library, which could possibly include great things for the community association as well. I am very excited to see what the future holds as these plans come to light.

This year I am stepping down as President, but staying on the board to continue serving this great community. A big thank you to everyone who has helped me along the way.

Pet Safety—Keep Your Pets Indoors This Winter

Humans are not the only ones who need to keep warm during the winter months. Your pets do too. Although they might be covered in fur, your pet can still fall ill during the colder months or even get frostbite when temperatures drop below freezing. But have no fear, here are a few tips on how to keep your pet warm this winter.

Keep your pet indoors. This is the number one way to keep your pets safe and warm in the winter. For dogs, take shorter walks when the weather is severely cold. A good rule of thumb is to go out with them and when you're ready to come in, chances are your dog is too. If your dog must stay outside, make sure she has proper shelter and a source of fresh water at all times, and make sure her water cannot freeze.

It's important to remember that cold cars can pose a significant risk to your pet's health. Leaving your cat or dog in the car is just as dangerous in winter as in the summer. Limit car travel to only that which is necessary, and don't leave your pet unattended in the vehicle.

If you lose your pet during the winter months, do not delay. Call 3-1-1 to see if Animal Services has picked up your pet. If not, file a lost pet report with Animal Services.

For more information about pet safety please call 3-1-1 or you can visit us on our Facebook page or on Twitter @yycbylaws.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year friends and neighbours!

Let me introduce myself. My name is Laura Hunt and I was elected president of the Hounsfield Heights - Briar Hill Community Association at our AGM last November. I have been a member of the board for almost three years as secretary and during that time I've enjoyed getting to know the other members, helping with the many activities and programs in our community and being involved with addressing concerns that residents bring to our attention.

As most of you know, Robby Sidhu has been our association's president for several years and I am very happy that he is staying on so that we can still benefit from his experience and knowledge on so many aspects of running our board and gym facility smoothly. His enthusiasm and willingness to help are also invaluable.

A new year is a time of assessing what's worked in the past as well as looking forward and starting new projects. We've had a great year of indoor and outdoor sports programs, parties and annual community clean-up. These will certainly continue! Our newly refurbished soccer field has had a lot of use by teams of all ages and we're hoping to utilize it even more next summer with extra activities for our local kids.

One other successful project was the major renovation to our community website: hh-bh.ca. Check it out! You'll find all the latest information on what's happening in and around our community.

If you've visited our community facility lately you may have noticed that we have new carpet in the board room and that the cloak room has been converted into an office for our administrative assistant, Sheryl Catellier. Ongoing projects include the purchase of a new scoreboard and sound baffles for the gym.

We are very fortunate to be in good shape economically and this is due to many of you who have volunteered for casinos as an important revenue source, as well as a board who takes the responsibility of spending public money seriously.

I hope that I can meet many more of you in the coming

year and that you will always feel that your association is approachable if you have any questions, comments or concerns. All of our board members are volunteers and although this sometimes limits what gets done, it means that every member has a vested interest in making our community a better place to live. Come join us at a board meeting - the second Thursday of every month at 7:00. I promise you won't be bored (oops! Pardon the pun).

I wish you all a happy and healthy 2016.

Laura

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Crowchild Trail Study

Let's continue the conversation in 2016!

Thank you, Calgarians! Throughout November 2015, we heard you share hundreds of ideas on possible changes to Crowchild Trail at workshops, drop-in sessions, idea boards, and online.

In February and March, attend a drop-in session to see how ideas from Calgarians are being used to develop preliminary concepts. You will be able to see what commonly-heard ideas look like when applied to the Crowchild Trail corridor, and help evaluate how the benefits, impacts, constraints and trade-offs align with the direction of the study. We want to continue the conversation with you.

The City of Calgary is conducting this transportation study to identify short-, medium- and long-term upgrades for Crowchild Trail between 24 Ave. N.W. and 17 Ave. S.W.

For specific event dates, times, and locations, or to learn more about the study, visit calgary.ca/crowchild or call 311.



Keep Your Paws Warm!

Well we are about to enter the heart of winter when we see temperatures of minus 20 degrees and lower outside and I don't want to walk my dog, although he is always ready and willing. Most dogs are amazingly well equipped to deal with the cold weather, but not every breed or individual can deal with this kind of cold without precautions.

When dogs first walk on the cold snow you often see them limp or hold a paw up as they run around. Then given some time they seem to become more comfortable. A dog's pads are equipped with a very effective heat exchange system. Once the paw's blood vessels adjust to the cold, and as long as the pad is dry and healthy, the average dog can tolerate most very cold surfaces. Smaller dogs tend to be less tolerant than large breeds. There are exceptions. Dogs with long guard hairs and thick downy undercoats like shepherds and huskies do fine, but dogs with short fine fur like Dobermans have little tolerance for cold. Fortunately stores now stock doggie coats from your basic knitted sweater to fine sartorial splendour depending on the taste of the human companion.

Some people believe a mat of hair over the dog's foot pads will protect them. Not true. Matted fur and excessive hair tends to stay wet, collect ice balls, and hold chemicals such as de-icing agents and salt against the skin. A dog's paws will adjust to the cold more effectively if the hair is kept reasonably short and clean. After walks rinse and dry your pet's feet if you suspect he has walked through chemicals.

Some dogs just can't tolerate cold paws no matter what you do. Consider booties for these individuals. Booties and mukluks come in all shapes and sizes for dogs. It is important that the boot breath and not compromise the blood flow to the paw. Most animals readily tolerate comfortable well-fitted boots. Online pet stores and local pet stores carry an array of boots for dogs. If you have a large active pet that will need heavy-duty boots you may want to consider custom-made footwear.

Along with their fur keep your pet's nails clipped. In our winters nails may split as your pet goes in and out from the cold and damp and nails may benefit from supplements such as omega fatty acids or fish oils.

My old Labrador would push through the roughest ground cover on the scent of a bird, but in the city he had very sensitive feet and could not tolerate rock salt on his paws at all. Nor would he tolerate boots. I used a paw wax on his feet. Applied to the pad these waxes seal the paw and protect the skin from ice and chemicals. They also protect the pads from cracking with dryness as the dogs go in and out. As long as your dog tolerates his feet touched the paw waxes are very easy to use. Vaseline is a cheap alternative but lasts only a short time outside and can pick up unwanted dirt adhering to the paw.

New products are always coming on the market. Check with your veterinarian and don't forget to protect the rest of your pet from the cold by keeping them well groomed. A clean well-groomed coat insulates from both cold in winter and heat in summer better. Finally remember, like us, as dogs become elderly or arthritic they may require more protection from the elements than they did in their prime. Be as conscious of a senior pet potentially slipping on the ice as you would be of an elderly relative.

Jennifer L. Scott, D.V.M.

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About six months after the birth of our son in 1999, I set out to childproof my home. It seemed natural to go to the closest retail store and solve my concerns. Unfortunately, the knowledge and experience of the staff didn't instill confidence, and the selection and quality of the products was poor. I returned with products that were poor quality, didn't fit and looked awful.

Figuring there had to be a better way, I did some research and discovered that not only were there top quality, attractive safety products available, but companies entirely dedicated to making homes safe. I thought to myself, "There has to be a company like that in Calgary". No such luck. That's why I started a childproofing service- to help parents make their homes safe.

Little Tigers Childproofing has been in operation for 17 years as a home-based business operating in the centrally located Briar Hill/West Hillhurst area. Over the years, the importance of childproofing has gained attention and more products have become available. But finding the right products for your unique home is a still a very difficult task. "One-size-fits-all" solutions don't work. For instance, complicated railings, sculpted posts, high baseboards and unusual angles abound in new and old houses, complicating the task of finding and correctly installing a workable gate. And although finding products that match your décor may not be your highest priority, it's a bonus to have options that match your wood, metal, or colors. We carry dozens of different gates so that we can offer the best option for any set of stairs. The same is true for safety products for cabinets, electrical, bathrooms, doors, and furniture. We pride ourselves in finding and providing the best products so that when finished you are 100% happy with the results.

Little Tigers offers a complete childproofing service: we identify hazards with a thorough room-by-room 'Safety Inspection'. Then a detailed report is generated which explains the hazards and proposes creative solutions. Customers can then choose which parts of the home

they would like to childproof. When solutions require childproofing products, they can choose from an extensive collection of products. Little Tigers only offers the most user-friendly, effective, attractive products, chosen from a dizzying array from around the world. We also offer a popular installation service. Having the safety products installed correctly in your home by a professional gives you the knowledge that your home is truly safe. Little Tigers also offers a "Free Gate Quote", which allows customers to send measurements and photos of their stairs via email, and receive back a recommendation for the perfect gate. We've done everything we can to make childproofing easy for new parents.

Little Tigers has childproofed thousands of homes in Calgary. Our expertise in recognizing the hazards, our knowledge of the best products, and our guaranteed installation is what customers love, and have come to expect from us. Our commitment to safety and customer service has made us a common name among parents in the Calgary area. In fact, referrals make up almost 90% of our business! Our goal is to continue growing and become an industry leader in the field of child safety.

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2016 HH-BH Outdoor Soccer U4 – U18

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More details are on our website

We will need lots of volunteers to make this program happen!

If you have any questions, please contact Jill at hhbhsoccer@gmail.com.



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REGISTRATION & OPEN HOUSE NIGHT

January 11, 2016
from 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Children must be 5 on or before March 1, 2017
Room 11, Briar Hill School
1233 - 21 Street NW
403-220-9775

For Registration forms and information, visit www.hhbhkindergarten.ca

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

2015-2016 Coaches and Coordinators needed for Youth Badminton

Contact Carol at vp@hh-bh.ca

Family Open Gym Night

Fridays 6:30 – 8 pm Community Gym

Have an idea for a great community program or event? Send your enquiry or idea to vp@hh-bh.ca.

HH-BH Kindergarten Open House and 2016 -2017 Registration

January 11, 2016

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Pickleball: Tuesday – Wednesday 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Rates: \$4 per person, \$3 for seniors (55+)

HH-BH Playschool Open House

January 11, 2016

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Pre-Registration begins February 24 (alumni and in-boundary families)

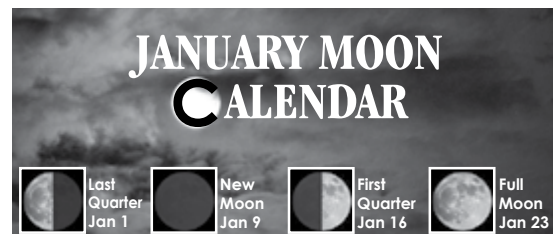
Open Registration is March 2, 2016.

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2016 HH-BH Community Outdoor Soccer U4 – U18

Online Registration TBA

To volunteer contact Jill at hhbhsoccer@gmail.com



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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

What is new **and** ancient on Nose Hill? Hint: as an offering site, one of the largest in North America, it has a spiritual connection to traditional territory and stewardship. You will find it off pathways south of the 14th Street parking lot, in the south east corner of the park. You can read more on the City Blog or the Royal Alberta Museum website.

Answer: as of September there is a traditional medicine wheel of rocks in the shape of a circle (Siksikaitapitapi logo) of all four tribes: Siksika, Blood, North and South Peigan. It represents the north, south, east, and west, a spiritual location. Each wheel is unique but there are eight general types.

This landmark project was part of the annual Siksikaitapitapi Blackfoot Confederacy conference. Diamond-shaped stones were used for construction. They are considered rock art sites which deserve respect. The Native Heritage Site is a sacred place. The wheel provides for physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual dimensions.

Because of a view of the valley, Nose Hill was a lookout used for other tribes and game during the summer and winter. Celestial or astronomical events (such as vision quests, stars, sunrises, solstices, and sun dances) are ceremonial in nature for large social groups.

Such wheels date back 1000s of years and across the northern plains of North America (most are in Alberta)

from 4500 - 5000 before the present (BP). Suitable offerings go in a rock cairn at the centre, with spokes from the centre; "four" is a sacred number, whether for directions, seasons, elements, life states; kingdoms, medicines, such as sweetgrass, cedar, willow, and sage.

Whether you walk or bike (in a clockwise direction) remember the wheel is for everybody to enjoy, to count our blessings, for the circle of life; offerings such as prayers, songs, ribbons, flowers (no plastic). Remember the intention is to be thankful.

The BiodiverCity Advisory Committee is comprised of 13 members appointed by City Council. City Parks will be a resource. Chair and Vice-Chair are nominated and elected. Citizen members must abide by the Code of Conduct. The Committee may establish subcommittees for priority short, medium, and long-term biodiversity initiatives. Meetings are open to the public. (For details 403-268-3527 or: Steven.Snell@calgary.ca). The Committee generally meets monthly, reports to the SPC on Community and Protective Services, and will provide an annual progress report.

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CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP: Join us for a fun evening of rolled beeswax candle making at Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association. This is a great opportunity to make some gifts! Cost includes instructions and supplies. Minimum six participants. Maximum 14 participants. Call 403-862-9232, email info@yycwax.com or visit www.candle-workshop-feb2016.eventbrite.ca for details.

EMS: Sledding Safety

Alberta Health Services, EMS, would like to remind parents and children of some basic sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Sledding injuries can result from collisions with stationary objects, such as trees and rocks, or with other people on the hill. Unprotected falls can result in injury if you lose control at high speeds. Everyone is at risk – especially children. Have a fun and safe trip on the toboggan hill by following these simple reminders.

Equipment

- Ensure your sled is in good condition. Do not use sleds with broken parts, sharp edges, or splits in the material.
- Currently, there are no helmets designed specifically for sledding. However children should wear a properly fitted helmet designed for high impact collisions, such as hockey, cycling, or climbing helmets.

Hazards

- Avoid hills that are too steep, or too icy – you can lose control very quickly.
- Choose hills free of obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, or fences.
- Be mindful of clothing that contains drawstrings, or loose clothing, such as scarves, which can present a choking hazard if they become caught or snagged.

Plan ahead

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes.
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones.
- Take breaks to warm up out of the cold.
- Ensure frostbite hasn't affected any exposed skin.
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the finger tips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face such as the forehead and cheek bones can be affected by frostbite.
- If frost bite has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual out of the cold environment. Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it or by placing the affected part in warm water (not hot; ~41°C max.) until re-warmed.



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As Calgary continues to grow, its transportation system needs to grow along with it. Work on two major transportation projects continues through the consultation process.

The Green Line: More than just a train

With key decisions on the Green Line expected in Fall 2016, crucial public engagement sessions are being planned. I am doing a lot of homework as well. In August, I joined City staff and two Council colleagues on a brief tour of Vancouver, Seattle, and Portland, to meet their rail experts and learn from their experiences. From each city, we learned about key elements of successful projects and how to avoid pitfalls.

I boiled down all the information from our trip into eight essential lessons and presented them at the Central Library Dutton Theatre in November and again in December. Here are the top three lessons:

Consult, consult, and consult: All three cities stressed the need for, and benefits of, meaningful consultation with the neighbouring businesses and communities. Their ideas will be critical in order to maximize benefits and avoid costly mistakes. The Green Line will be the largest infrastructure project in Calgary's history by three times! While we are excited to get started on the Green Line, it is important that we make thoughtful decisions.

Leverage opportunities: The Green Line is more than just a rail project. It will forever change how Calgarians move about their city and the very nature of the com-

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munities along side. From affordable housing, to high environmental standards, how can the advantages of this massive project extend beyond simple transportation?

Take care of business: Construction of the Green Line will take many years and cause major disruption. Taking an example in Portland, Council enthusiastically supported my request for a Business Support Program.

You can watch the video of my presentation online at www.druhfarrell.ca.

Crowchild Consultation Continues

Moving to the west end of Ward 7, public consultation on Crowchild Trail continues. The project team recently completed Phase Two of a six-phased process: Confirm Project Goals. The established goals are: i) Maintain and enhance bordering communities, ii) Improve travel along the corridor, and iii) Improve mobility across the corridor. The project is now into Phase Three: Concept Identification. Consultation on Phase Three will continue into Spring 2016.

For more information on future public engagement on both the Green Line and Crowchild Trail, please contact our office via: www.druhfarrell.ca.



Crowchild Trail Study
Thank you for sharing ideas on possible changes to Crowchild Trail!

The input collected at the workshops, drop-in sessions, idea boards, and online will be used to develop preliminary concepts for discussion in Spring 2016.



For more information or to sign up for updates visit calgary.ca/crowchild or call 311.

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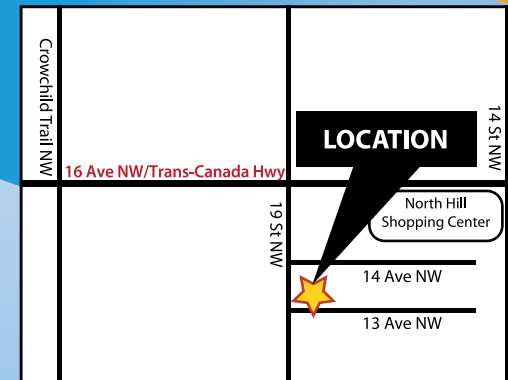
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