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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
89 ERIN PARK DRIVE S.E.
CALGARY, ALBERTA T2B 3A2

Erin Woods Community Association Board Meeting Minutes – Monday, Feb 12th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

Call Meeting to Order at 7:06 p.m.

Adoption & Signing of January 8, 2018 general meeting Minutes: Denise B. accepted the January 8, 2018 minutes and Anne M. seconded. Passed.

Announcements:

Reports to Board and related business:

1. *CPS Community Resource Officer* – Constable Cindy Robinson: Crime stats
 - Assault – non domestic 2
 - Residential B & E – 4
 - Theft of vehicle – 5
 - Theft from vehicle – 2
 - Social disorder – 25
 - Physical disorder – 3

2. *Planning & Development* – GUEST: *CofC Communications Planner* – Jodie Lush: Outline on upcoming info session on adjacent to rail corridor development
 - policies are being completed for new developments
 - will be assessing the noise impact of properties 30 meters from the rail line property
 - acceptable noise decibel levels are 40 for a living room, 30 for a bedroom
 - will be assessing the interior noise environment

3. *NRC* – Rob Dickinson: Report from City of Calgary
 - Janes walk workshop is being held March 10
 - Community Garden workshop is being held February 22
 - Duke Edinburgh's awards looking for volunteer opportunities for their youth aged 12-14
 - Neighbour day is June 16, 2018
 - there will be a parks bylaw review
 - TD Park people grants available
 - Co-op Community spaces grant available
 - Jumpstart accessibility grants available
 - Erin Woods was not approved for a mobile skatepark
 - Lifecycle draft is still being reviewed.

4. *Calgary Shepard Constituency Assistant* - Connor Staus: Report from MP Tom Kmiec
 - Connor was absent but sent report. Attached with agenda

5. *Ward 9 Constituency Assistant – Blair Hone: Report from Councillor Carra's office*
 - the City is dealing with snow removal issues
 - Ward Community Event Fund available – community clean up?
 - Several community objective workshops were held last year; this brought about many issues facing communities.

6. *Special Events Director – Shannon W: Beginning planning for Neighbour Day June 16th*

Shannon W. was Absent

7. *President's report – Lori:*
 - Shannon C and I attended the Eastport Lions Club meeting Feb 6th. The Lions are open to working with EWCA on special events or programs. Possibility of them providing their huge BBQ and volunteers for our Neighbour Day event June 16
 - Discussion on UniFirst entrance way mats contract – Carolyn has details
 - CoC has turned down EWCA for a temporary skateboard park. Greg to work with Rob to identify any potential sites in Erin Woods to apply for in 2019.

 - Carolyn has discontinued Unifirst services. Mats to be picked up. ACE mats will be our source going forward

8. *Facilities / 1st Vice – Lucky: Working on Lifecycle Study Draft review with Carolyn*
 - The lifecycle is being reviewed. Rob will assist with any questions.

9. *Treasurer – Denise: Monthly financial update*
 - Financials look good. Denise and Carolyn to work on 2018 budget

10. *Communications – Denise: Final edition of Erin Woods Echo was sent out last week*
 - Website is not finished yet
 - Facebook is a great source for getting the information out

11. *Events – Amtul: Christmas after Christmas Seniors' Tea update*

Amtul was Absent

12. *ECTAS / Succession Planning – Anne:*
 - the new ice plant is more efficient generating a savings of about \$3800.00 to date for gas
 - still monitoring the carbon tax – to date it is \$3328.00
 - Learn to Skate continues to be very popular
 - ECTAS is looking to hire an Office Bookkeeper.

13. *Bingo: - Shannon C: We will be getting two more Bingos added to our roster soon, giving us 8 events per year. We are hoping to add even more to that in the future.*

Shannon C. was absent

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Next General Meeting is: Monday, March 12th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

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March 12/18

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DATE: February 12, 2018 – GENERAL MEETING
ERIN WOODS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NAME	MEMBER
Blair Hone	Ward 9.
Denize Butler	Yes
Cliff de Jong	City of Calgary
Abdul Jaffari	City of Calgary
Anne Miller	Yes
Rob Dickinson	City of Calgary
Candyman	Yes
Lorei Losoya	yes



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Erin Woods Community Association Board Meeting Minutes – Monday, Jan 8th, 2018

Meeting called to order 7:10 pm.

Adoption & Signing of November 13, 2017 general meeting Minutes: Denise motioned to adopt the November 13 minutes. Greg Y. seconded. Passed.

Announcements: William W has resigned as Secretary, so we are in need of a Secretary

Reports to Board and related business:

1. *CPS Community Resource Officer* – Constable Cindy Robinson: Crime stats
 - November stats: Residential B & E 1, theft of vehicle 2 and Theft from vehicle 4
2. *NRC* – Rob Dickinson: Report from City of Calgary
 - EW can apply for a grant for a skate park
 - update on mould in shed
 - Funding is available for pop events and programs
3. *Ward 9 Office* – Blair Hone: Report from Councillor Carra's office
 - Report on several City initiatives and grant funding. Blair will try to attend as many meetings as possible
3. *Special Events Director* – Shannon W: Report on Christmas Party held on Dec 2/17
 - Champion Life Church partnered with Erin Woods. The party was a huge success. Door prizes were raffled and food hampers were donated to needy families.
 - Shannon may have a helper with the glitter tattoos for future events.
4. *President's report* – Lori:
 - POOSCA – Vote on reduced rent for Jan and Feb & wait for update on plans
 - Denise motioned to extend the reduced rate of \$420.00 to POOSCA from January 1 – March 31, 2018 with the understanding that POOSCA must attend a meeting by April 15 with their business intentions. Anne M. seconded. Passed.
 - Vote on elimination of draw for credits at AGM
 - Anne M. motioned we drop the credit draw at the AGM. Denise B. seconded. Passed.
 - PetroCan access – waiting on Roads for response / ideas to possibly 'fix'
 - Constable Robinson has been monitoring the Petro Canada. No tickets are being issued at this time.

5. *Planning & Development* – Lori: Nothing current to report
6. *Facilities / 1st Vice* – Lucky: Update on mould in shed ceiling - Absent
7. *Sports & Wellness / 2nd Vice* – Lisa: Absent
8. *Treasurer* – Denise: Monthly financial update
 - No update. Nothing stands out from the report
9. *Communications* – Denise: Updates
 - website is being worked on
 - Denise motioned that Erin Woods Community Centre discontinue the newsletter with Stapleton Publications as of February 2018. February will be the last issue. Shannon W. seconded. Passed.
10. *Events* – Amtul: Absent
11. *ECTAS* – Anne:
 - Nothing to report
12. *Bingo*: - Shannon C: Absent

New Business / Agenda / Action Items for Next Meeting:

- Ali Myshrall from Foresters, presented information for Erin Woods to apply for monies to make care packages for the community.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

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Erin Woods Community Association
Balance Sheet As at 31/01/2018

ASSET

Current Assets

Cash to be deposited	-77.35	
Float - Bar	300.00	
Float - Petty Cash	200.00	
Float - Stampede Stomp	0.00	
Float - Children's Events	160.10	
Float - concession	0.00	
General Bank Account	53.69	
TD General Account	8,346.64	
Soccer Bank Account	0.00	
Casino Bank Account	-23.66	
TD Casino Account	9,745.41	
Pull Ticket Bank Account	0.00	
Bingo Bank Account	-23.66	
TD Bingo Account	19,193.72	
Total Cash		37,874.89
Accounts Receivable	1,134.30	
Accounts Receivable - Restricted	0.00	
Account receivable accrual acco...	0.00	
Total Receivable		1,134.30
Prepaid Expenses		6,613.68
Total Current Assets		45,622.87

Inventory

Inventory		1,601.42
Total Inventory		1,601.42

Capital Assets

Leasehold Improvements	132,091.26	
Acc. Amort. - Leasehold Improve...	-32,771.28	
Office Furniture & Equipment	32,605.56	
Accum. Amort. -Furn. & Equip.	-24,196.83	
Computer Equipment	5,723.17	
Acc. Amort. - Computer Equipment	-5,477.39	
Outbuilding	38,821.53	
Acc. Amort. - Outbuilding	-22,421.43	
Pavement	10,700.00	
Acc. Amort. - Pavement	-8,888.63	
Sports Equipment	3,242.53	
Acc. Amort. - Sports Equip.	-2,949.37	
Basement Renovation	32,989.02	
Acc. Amort. - Basement Renovat...	-16,608.66	
Mechanical Room Renovation	45,480.68	
Acc. Amort Mech. Room Renova...	-12,048.19	
Building	360,016.56	
Acc. Amort. - Building	-18,000.82	
Signs	8,441.00	
Acc. Amort. Signs	-2,532.30	
Total Capital Assets		524,216.41

TOTAL ASSET

571,440.70

LIABILITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable		154.11
Accrued Liabilities		5,145.00
Vouchers Payable		4,480.75
Vacation payable		777.78
EI Payable	96.00	
CPP Payable	117.36	
Federal Income Tax Payable	35.00	
Total Receiver General		248.36
Damage Deposit Payable		1,500.00
GST Charged on Sales	1,496.54	
GST Paid on Purchases	-3,735.98	
GST Owning (Rebund)		2,239.44
Deferred Membership Revenue		433.39

**Erin Woods Community Association
Balance Sheet As at 31/01/2018**

Deferred soccer fees	480.00
Total Current liabilities	<u>10,979.95</u>
Deferred Contributions	
Deferred Cash Contributions	95,124.96
Deferred Capital Contributions	146,911.34
Total Deferred Contributions	<u>242,036.30</u>
TOTAL LIABILITY	<u>253,016.25</u>
EQUITY	
Net Assets	
Net Assets Previous Year	384,070.69
Current Earnings	-65,646.24
Total Retained Earnings	<u>318,424.45</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>318,424.45</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>571,440.70</u>

Erin Woods Community Association
Income Statement 01/02/2017 to 31/01/2018

REVENUE

venues		
Soccer U4	80.00	
Soccer U6	1,050.00	
Soccer U8	1,155.00	
Registration Credit - Ref	0.00	
Total Soccer Revenue		2,285.00
Community Clean Up		1,228.75
Stampede Stomp Income	1,100.00	
Total Stampede Stomp		1,100.00
Hall Rentals		10,855.98
Preschool		4,495.20
P.O.O.S.C.A.		7,600.00
Bar Income		6,851.60
Membership Income		1,238.25
Volunteer Levy Income		650.00
Miscellaneous Revenue		874.08
Yoga Revenue		155.00
Grant Revenue		1,250.00
Bingo Income		7,961.96
Total Revenue		46,545.82

TOTAL REVENUE 46,545.82

EXPENSE

Expenses		
Summer Soccer Expense		2,667.77
Vouchers Issued/Registration Cr...		3,550.00
Community Clean Up		559.82
Jelly Bean Dances		401.44
Children's Christmas Party		87.43
Stampede Stomp Expense		2,189.06
Seniors Tea		708.58
Storage		1,161.64
Bar Expense		4,280.03
Shaw Direct		791.76
Bar Over/Short		-2.04
Pepsi Expense		362.26
BFI Expense		1,843.96
Hall Cleaning		676.02
Maintenance Expense		33,905.11
Door Mat Service		845.91
Telus		1,063.79
Enmax		6,198.48
Direct Energy		1,317.26
Security Expense		2,183.78
Insurance		567.02
TOSHIBA		783.99
Office/Admin Expense		2,109.13
Kitchen Expense		7.44
Memberships		14.55
Bank Charges - Gen/Savings/So...		92.21
Bank Charges - Casino/Restr. Sav.		117.21
Bank Charges - Bingo		115.67
Mileage		261.09
Gifts/Volunteer Recognition		100.00
Education and Training		33.81
Newsletter Expense		4,100.43
Legal and Accounting		5,527.35
Licences and Dues		638.87
Advertising		480.00
Wages	26,716.74	
Employer's EI Expense	603.07	
Employer's CPP Expense	729.01	
Total Wages and Employer's Ex...		28,048.82
Bingo Expense		599.16
Yoga expense		310.00
Miscellaneous		3,493.25

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Income Statement 01/02/2017 to 31/01/2018

Total Expenses	<u>112,192.06</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>112,192.06</u>
NET INCOME	<u><u>-65,646.24</u></u>

**Erin Woods Community Association
Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator Report**

Prepared on: February 9, 2018

Contact Information: Robert Dickinson Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator, Neighbourhood Connections Calgary Neighbourhoods C 403.801.7864 Robert.Dickinson@calgary.ca	
NPC Requests (ex., Board motions, LOC requirements, etc.)	
Mobile Skate Park	The site was determined to not be conducive due to parking lot slope and surface condition. We can explore other possible sites this spring/summer for 2019. 30 expressions of interest were received, and 20 sites were chosen.
Additional Programming	NPC has put in an expression of interest for a basketball clinic or tournament. Will provide an update once I know more from Recreation's review of all the expressions of interest.
NPC Supported Items (ex., Programming, Resources, Best Practices, etc.)	
Lifecycle Draft	Once the draft has been reviewed, and any changes/edits are identified, NPC will pass the information along and get the final lifecycle produced.
Jane's Walk Workshop	"How to Run a Jane's Walk" workshop coming up on Saturday, March 10, see attached flyer for more details.
Community Garden Workshop	Community Garden workshop on Thursday February 22, 2018 – see attached flyer for more details.
Attached documents	Circulated by email were the following additional documents: NPC Board Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane's Walk Workshop Flyer • Community Garden Workshop Flyer • Parks Bylaw Review – wording for newsletter/social media • Duke of Edinburgh's information • Neighbour Day – news article piece • Responsible Pet Ownership Posters (2)
Federation of Calgary Communities Workshops	https://calgarycommunities.com/workshops-events/
NEW website	Here is a link to a new website http://yycccommunitylens.ca/ - it is a place where communities can advertise their upcoming events.
TD Park People Grants	You might be eligible to receive up to \$2,000 to host events in public spaces. The grant closes March 5 th , 2018. Groups would need to be committed to hosting 3 events between Earth Day and New Year's Eve 2018. Visit their website HERE
Co-op Community Spaces Grant	<i>Amount:</i> Individual projects are eligible to apply for \$25,00-\$150,000 <i>Applicable to:</i> Recreation, Environmental Conservation, Urban Agriculture <i>Contact Info:</i> communityspaces@fcl.crs <i>Grant Website:</i> http://crs.coopconnection.ca/communityspaces.html <i>Due Date:</i> The 2018 application period will be open February 1 – March 1, 2018
Community Investment Fund	<i>Amount:</i> Undefined <i>Applicable to:</i> Supports and serves community programs and organizations in Western Canada.

	<p>Contact Info: employeeegiving@fcl.ca Grant Website: http://crs.coopconnection.ca/communityinvestment.html Due Date: Quarterly Funding Deadlines – December 31, March 31, June 30, and September 30 with notification being 6-8 weeks after the application deadline.</p>
<p>The Duke of Edinburgh Awards</p>	<p>The Duke of Edinburgh Awards is looking for volunteer opportunities for their participants (youth aged 14-24). Please feel free to contact them should you have an event or activity where volunteers are required, or require more information you can contact Graham McKelvie directly. See attached information sheet for more information.</p>
<p>Jumpstart Accessibility Grants</p>	<p>Name: Jumpstart Accessibility Grants</p> <p>Amount: There are two funding streams through Jumpstart (Accessibility Enabling Grants and Inclusive Design Innovation Grant) which annually provide up to \$4,700,000 in grants for projects across Canada.</p> <p>Applicable to: The Jumpstart Accessibility Grants provide funding for projects that improve accessibility, inclusion and safety for children with disabilities through renovations, retrofits or construction of community facilities and venues so that recreation programs and/or services can be accessed and enjoyed by children of all abilities. Past recipients include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipalities and public recreation centres/facilities • Schools with publically accessible facilities • Community organizations with publicly accessible recreation facilities (e.g.: YMCA, Boys & Girls Club, Big Brothers Big Sisters, etc) • Public recreation spaces owned and operated by private Foundations <p>Contact Info: <u>Email contact:</u> jumpstart_pfaw@cantire.com <u>Telephone:</u> 1-844-YES-PLAY</p> <p>Grant Website: http://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/content/microsites/jumpstart/en/community-accessibility-grants.html</p> <p>Due Date: FRIDAY MARCH 16, 2018 AT 11:59 P.M. EST - Eligible organizations must submit a full online <u>application</u> for funding. Applicants must include details of user-group and/or community stakeholder consultations as well as letters of endorsement from user groups and/or community stakeholders.</p> <p>Program outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are two funding streams within the Jumpstart Accessibility Grants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Accessibility-Enabling Grants:</u> Jumpstart will provide grants up to \$50,000 for projects designed to help organizations enable general accessibility within their facilities. Where possible, applications should demonstrate evidence of matching funds or in-kind support from Federal/Provincial/Territorial and/or municipal governments. Up to 14 Accessibility-Enabling Grants will be awarded annually; • <u>Inclusive Design Innovation Grants:</u> Jumpstart will provide grants between \$250,000 and \$1,000,000 for projects designed to enhance existing building plans for sport and recreation spaces with uniquely innovative solutions for inclusion & accessibility for children of different abilities. On an annual basis, jumpstart will

award:

- a. Up to four grants valued at \$250,000
- b. Up to two grants valued at \$500,000
- c. Two grants valued at \$1,000,000

Project Eligibility:

The Jumpstart Accessibility Grants provide funding for projects that improve accessibility, inclusion and safety for children with disabilities through renovations, retrofits or construction of community facilities and venues so that recreation programs and/or services can be accessed and enjoyed by children of all abilities.

Examples of approved projects and expenditures under both the Inclusive Design Innovation Grants (e.g. enhancing rink accessibility for paraO'hockey users) and Accessibility Enabling Grants (e.g. installing elevators or lifts) are outlined on website.

Project ineligible include:

- Examples of ineligible organizations include:
 - Hospitals
 - Privately-owned recreation facilities
 - Places of worship.

Did You Know...? (ex., City-wide Events & External Opportunities, etc.)

'OUR CITY SECTION: Check out these important updates from the City of Calgary

Struggling to meet an increased property tax bill? Help is available. Visit calgary.ca/ptap to see if you qualify for assistance.	Calgary.ca/ptap
City subsidized programs are available to those who qualify. One application is all you need to access all five programs.	Calgary.ca/fairentry
Calgary AfterSchool offers fun, safe and supervised after school programs for ages 6 to 16.	Calgary.ca/afterschool
Calgary has a plan to create an age-friendly city that is welcoming and empowering for older adults.	Calgary.ca/SAFS
Citizens' View, Calgary's online panel, is a space for Calgarians to provide input into City programs and services	Citizensview.ca
FREE career and employment services for ages 15-24 at The City of Calgary's Youth Employment Centre.	nextSteps.org

How NPC can assist your community association/social recreation group:

Organizational Development	Board Governance, Human Resource Management - Staff and Volunteer, Bylaw Consultation and Review, Operational Policies and Procedures, Risk Management, Strategic Business Planning, Organizational and Community Assessments, Marketing, Programming, Promotional and Communication Plans
Financial Management	Budgeting, Financial Practices and Internal Controls, Reviewing Annual Financial Statements, Grants and Funding Resources
License of	Land Stewardship, Administration of LOC/Lease, LOC/Lease Amendments, Third Party

Occupation/Lease	Agreements, Liaise with The Corporation, Exiting LOC/Lease
Facility Maintenance & Capital Construction	Life Cycle Review, Life Cycle Funding, Capital Construction Policy and Process
"One Door" Into The City	Navigation and Alignment of City Services, Leverage City Resources to Support Communities, Connections to Other City Business Units and Departments

MP Update

February

- 1) Happening in Ottawa. The government announced in December a change to the application process for the Canada Summer Jobs Program. Applicant groups and organizations are now required to sign an attestation on the application form. The issue with the attestation comes from the requirement that the job and the mandate of the applicant organization must respect individual human rights and, particularly, reproductive rights. Many religious organizations in our riding and across the country have voiced their concerns about this as they do not necessarily agree with abortion. The Charter guarantees their freedom to hold those views while it does not mention reproductive rights. The government has said that their intention was not to infringe on the right to freedom of belief. They were just trying to make sure that groups that actively engage in anti-abortion activism do not receive funding. Tom met with faith leaders who had contacted us to discuss their concerns about this attestation and is running a petition to ask the government to withdraw the attestation.

- 2) In Calgary. With the House rising for Christmas, Tom was highly engaged in the community.
 - a. He had a coffee shop visit at Seton Good Earth where he jumped behind the counter to help serve.
 - b. He received tours of Alberta One Call and Community Natural Foods.
 - c. He met with representatives at the Samaritan's purse to talk about the assistance Yazidi refugees are receiving in Canada.
 - d. He toured the Association for the Rehabilitation of the Brain Injured in January.
 - e. He took part in a citizenship ceremony and handed pins to the new Canadians.
 - f. He hosted a roundtable with faith leaders who raised concerns about the Canada Summer Jobs Program.
 - g. He hosted a New Year's Open House at the constituency office. It was on January 26th from 2 to 6 pm and Tom had a great time meeting with constituents from all over the riding. It was full of great snacks and great discussions over a variety of issues.
 - h. He dropped the puck at three local 3-on-3 hockey tournaments.
 - i. He also met with dozens of constituents on a variety of issues.

Hello Ward 9

Every winter my office receives calls, emails, and social media messages about snow and the conditions of our roadways. From concerns about sidewalk and pathway clearing, to windrows and access to public transportation, people are frustrated with our winter conditions and The City's ability to effectively remove snow and ice and ease mobility issues.

I have noticed a significant shift in our conversation about our priorities and the need for a new approach to snow removal. As we become more urban, inadequate snow removal on sidewalks, pathways, crosswalks and in front of bus stops has become unacceptable to some. Today our values not only include having safe roadways for cars (undoubtedly critical) but also involve creating a more accessible city for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is true that other Canadian cities are doing a better job of clearing snow from infrastructure for their citizens. Calgary's Winter Operations budget is \$38.7 million currently (an increase of \$600,000 from 2017) and is one of the lowest. For comparison, Montreal's budget for winter maintenance is \$155 million. Toronto's is \$94 million and Edmonton's is \$63 million. Obviously, increased capacity to manage snow and ice would come at a cost and a substantial shift in our priorities.

Having built a city that for decades has allowed urban sprawl to go largely unchecked has also produced challenges to snow removal. If we were to place every piece of roadway in Calgary from end-to-end it would be enough to go to Halifax and back, twice! That is a lot of roadway to clear every time it snows and if we want to see better winter maintenance operations in our city we would need to invest at least another \$50 - \$60 million to the snow removal budget.

Calgary's underinvestment in winter maintenance operations is largely due to climatic realities - we are situated on a high-plains desert with one of the lowest precipitation rates in the country and a frequent freeze-and-thaw cycle due to our chinooks. As such, former and current City Councils have decided to invest your tax dollars into other city services rather than having the winter maintenance budgets we see in other cities.

My question to all of my Ward 9 neighbours is this: Is it time that the City of Calgary start significantly investing in our Winter Operations budget?

I have put together a survey that I am asking all Ward 9 residents to fill out. It can be found at: www.gccarra.ca/ward-9-newsroom/2018/1/snow-removal-survey

Gian-Carlo Carra

2018 Property and Business Assessments – What's next?

As you probably know by now, The City of Calgary has mailed out more than 500,000 residential, non-residential, and business tax assessments in early January.

Hopefully, you have received yours by now. It is important that you take a look at your assessment.

Remember, assessment notices that you have received are NOT tax bills. Tax bills are mailed to business owners in February and to property owners in May.

These property and business tax assessments are an estimate of property and business market values as of July 1, 2017, which are used to determine you taxes.

While 56 per cent of Calgarians will see a tax decrease due to the revenue neutral tax system nature of our system, many single-family homes will see a higher tax bill.

Zero-Based Review (ZBR) Update

The Zero-Based Review (ZBR) program complements The City of Calgary's other continuous improvement activities by adding a periodic, more thorough review of whether the right services are being provided in the right way. This work is especially important in the current economic climate when resources are limited but the demand for City services is not.

Eight ZBR reviews have been completed since 2012. In 2017, \$15 million was realized in annual financial gains as a result of these reviews, bringing the total realized to date to \$27.3 million. These gains are part of the total \$57.3 million (low estimate) to \$68.2 million (high estimate) in annual financial gains identified through the ZBR program. This is the first ZBR program status update report to present a year-over-year forecast of when the remainder of these financial gains will be realized. It also introduces progress tracking by individual recommendation, to give a more granular view than the previous reporting at the level of the whole review.

The City has also realized benefits in the form of service effectiveness, including better customer service, reduced environmental impact and improved public safety. These results are diverse in nature and may be harder to quantify, making it difficult to present them as a single headline measure. Administration is developing measures to better capture effectiveness gains.

While the program is now delivering substantial results, and the overall quality of the reviews is rising, the identification of new gains for 2017 is more modest than in previous years. This is due to resourcing challenges in the ZBR team throughout the year, including the loss of one position and delays in hiring staff. To ensure the continued high quality of the reviews, some significant delays have resulted. Work is underway to get the program back on track. Two reviews are currently underway and more are in preparation. The impact on results is, however, projected to continue through 2018.

CALGARY RECREATION

Never hear the words, "I'm bored" with Calgary AfterSchool

This year the fun starts after the bell. After school programs are offered by The City of Calgary for FREE or low cost. Youth are provided positive, fun and supervised after school programs in schools, recreation buildings and community facilities across Calgary. Children and youth grades 1-12 can drop into a weekday program in their community and take part in a variety of activities from 3-6 p.m. Activities may include basketball, swimming, arts, leadership, skating, sports and much more. At Calgary AfterSchool, it's more than just getting children and youth active. These programs are designed to stay productive, increase self-esteem and teach them skills that will follow them throughout their life. Learn more at www.calgary.ca/afterschool.

Meeting your fitness goals is closer than you think

With thousands of affordable, quality programs, meeting your fitness goals this year is closer than you think. Adult admissions to City of Calgary Aquatic & Recreation facilities start at less than \$8. Looking for more of an adventure? Catch a wave at one of our two Leisure Centres. Family admissions are less than \$29. Visit Calgary.ca/recreation or call 311 to find a facility near you.

Tap into your creative side this spring with Calgary Recreation.

Think you don't have a creative bone in your body? Think again! We all have the ability to be creative and programs with The City of Calgary can help you find your inner artist. This spring, The City of Calgary is offering hundreds of artistic and creative programs for all ages, interests and abilities, allowing you to get more creative, more often. Performing and visual arts classes range from beginner drawing and painting for adults, to pre-school dance and ballet, clay classes for families, and even belly dancing for those looking for something a little different. The Spring & Summer Recreation Program Guide is on-stands February 21 and registration opens February 26. To tap into your inner artist and see which program is right for you, visit Calgary.ca/register.

Be a Snow Angell

“Lucky and proud.”

That’s how a lot of people describe their feelings when they nominate a Snow Angel. Many are seniors without the strength to clear their walks. Others may be on the mend from surgery or an illness and their physical ability is limited. Sometimes it’s a neighbour who is just having trouble coping with added responsibilities in his/her life.

When you pick up your shovel to clear your walk this winter, take a few extra minutes to help a neighbour too. You’ll make it easier for everyone to travel your neighbourhood and build a sense of community at the same time. For more information, visit calgary.ca/SnowAngels.

Main Seniors’ Resources

The Way In can be found at <http://thewayincalgary.ca/> . They are the information and support specialists for seniors benefits and services in Calgary.

403- SENIORS is the local number that is answered by a knowledgeable intake worker. The intake worker can answer questions on the phone or get seniors connected with a worker who will go to their home and connect them with all the benefits and services they are qualified for.

- The Federal government website on senior’s benefits : <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/seniors/forum/government-income-benefits.html>
- The Provincial government website on senior’s benefits: <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-supports.aspx>
- The City of Calgary website on the senior’s bus pass: <https://www.calgarytransit.com/fares-passes/passes/senior-yearly-pass>
- The City of Calgary website on home maintenance: <http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/CNS/Pages/Seniors/City-Links/Home-Maintenance-Services.aspx>

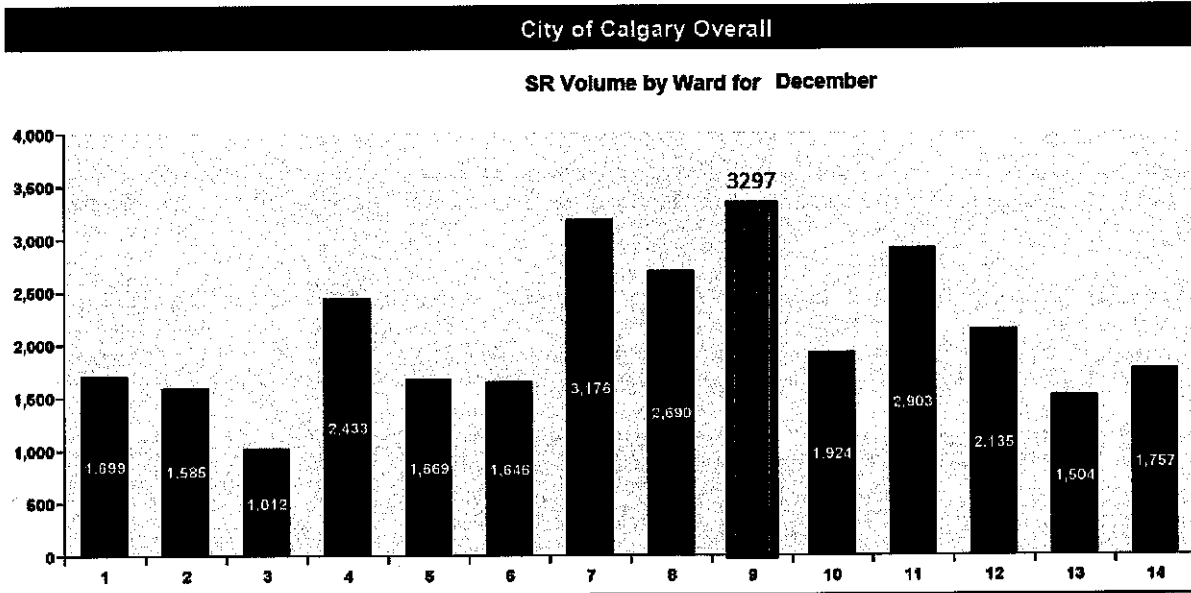
Calgary Police Statistical Reports

Calgary Police Statistical Reports are now online in spreadsheet format. These reports provide statistics on person and property crimes, disorder, traffic, LRT, domestic conflict, drugs, hate/bias crime, weapons, youth, centre city and gang related crime in Calgary.

<http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/Statistics/Calgary-Police-statistical-reports.aspx>

ERIN WOODS	DEC ' 16	DEC '17
Assault (Non-domestic)		2
Commercial Robbery		
Street Robbery		
Violence 'Other' (Non-domestic)		
Residential Break & Enter	3	4
Commercial Break & Enter	2	
Theft OF Vehicle	6	5
Theft FROM Vehicle	15	2
Social Disorder	24	25
Physical Disorder	2	3

311 Volume



Thank you Ward 9 for being one of the most engaged Ward in the city! It's eyes on the street and boots on the ground that help the City deliver your services and respond to your needs.

2017 Total call handling time was 4 minutes 18 seconds

- Talk Time 3 minutes 28 seconds
- Not Ready time 45.5 seconds
- Ring time 4.8 seconds

Erin Woods

Top 5 Service Requests created between Dec. 1, 2017 to Dec. 30, 2017.

Top 5 SR Types for ERIN WOODS	SR Count	% of Total Community
WRS - Waste - Residential	18	15.9%
Roads - Streetlight Maintenance	7	6.2%
Finance - Property Tax Account Inquiry	6	5.3%
WRS - Recycling - Blue Cart	6	5.3%
AS - Lost and Found Animal	5	4.4%
CBS Inspection - Furnace Replacement	5	4.4%
CNS - Subsidized Programs - Fair Entry	5	4.4%
Finance - ONLINE TIPP Agreement Request	5	4.4%
Total Top 5 SR Type	57	50.1%
Total Other SR	35	30.9%
Total SR for ERIN WOODS	92	81.0%
Total SR for Ward	2,191	19.1%
Total SR for City	11,383	100.0%



Office Bookkeeper/Admin Position

East Calgary Twin Arena Society (ECTAS) is a non-profit organization which operates a facility that includes twin ice rinks, a licensed restaurant and meeting rooms, located at 299 Erin Woods Drive SE.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

- Maintain financial records, including purchases, sales, receipts, payments and assisting auditors with Year End financials.
- General office duties, such as answering/directing telephone calls, postal mail/e-mail, providing a customer service presence
- Assisting with ice bookings and working closely with the General Manager
- Bi-weekly payroll submissions
- Coordinating casino events
- Assisting with grant applications
- Additional hours may be required from time to time, to ensure vacation/sick time coverage

WORK TERM:

- Full-time (30+hours/week)
- Participation in group Blue Cross benefits as defined

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Strong English verbal/written skills
- Experience with Sage Accounting package or similar accounting package
- Proficiency with MS Office applications
- Familiarity with Max Solutions ice scheduling software or similar ice scheduling package would be advantageous
- Work/Volunteer experience with non-profit or community associations would be an asset

Please send resume with past/current employment, education and volunteer activities, along with references to jobs@eastcalgarytwinarenas.com

We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those candidates to be interviewed will be contacted. East Calgary Twin Arena Society believes in equal opportunities and is a non-smoking environment. All positions have a screening process that includes interviews, references, security, and employment history checks.