



December 18, 2015

Mr. Jeff Fielding, City Manager & CAO  
The City of Calgary  
Office of the City Manager (#8003)  
800 Macleod Trail South  
Calgary, AB T2G 2M3

Dear Mr. Fielding,

RE: SW Transitway and Bus Rapid Transit (“BRT”) – Request for Meeting

I am writing to ask for an urgent meeting with you regarding the referenced project that will have a significant impact on numerous SW Calgary communities.

As you are aware from previous correspondence to Councillor Pincott and representatives of City Administration that you have been copied on, the public engagement process has not been properly implemented on this project since its inception and The City of Calgary is not following City Council's *engage!* Policy. Additionally, there are several other Council policies that have not been followed.

City Administration has not been forthcoming with information to residents and other stakeholders in spite of repeated requests. We also note that a great deal of the information that we have been provided with has been inaccurate and misleading. We would be pleased to share some examples of these inconsistencies with you - several of which Councillor Pincott and City representatives have confirmed are inaccurate.

Furthermore, the project information that was presented at the October 27 and 29 information sessions is different than the project plan passed by City Council on February 7, 2011. We assume that the information that was displayed at the October 2015 information sessions is the most current and was based on the *Detailed Functional Planning Study* that was, according to The City's project timeline, completed in August 2015 but has never been shared with us nor has been posted on the project website. As of today, only the original Functional Planning Study completed in 2010 appears on the project website.

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It should also be noted that the *Executive Summary of the Functional Planning Study* (LPT2011-04 Attachment 2, 2011 Jan 19) upon which City Council based their decision to pass this project has since been removed from the project website.

Considering the rate at which this project is being fast-tracked, we feel that it is imperative that we meet with you at your earliest availability. While we have no issue with other members of City Administration being in attendance, we do think that it is very important that we personally meet with you.

I can be reached by email at [info@readytoengage.ca](mailto:info@readytoengage.ca) to schedule a mutually agreeable date and time.

Sincerely,

Maurice Tims  
**Chair, *ready to engage!***

- C: Councillor Brian Pincott, The City of Calgary, Ward 11
- Councillor Diane Colley-Urquhart, The City of Calgary, Ward 13
- Mr. Malcolm (Mac) Logan, General Manager, Transportation Infrastructure
- Mr. Doug Morgan, General Manager, Calgary Transit
- Mr. Howard Kai, Project Manager, SW Transitway & BRT
- Ms. Julie Yepishina-Geller, Communications, Transit Projects - Transportation Infrastructure

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