



December 23, 2015

Councillor Diane Colley-Urquhart, Ward 13
The City of Calgary
Historic City Hall
2nd Floor, 800 Macleod Trail South
Calgary, AB T2G 2M3

Dear Councillor Colley-Urquhart,

RE: SW Transitway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

I am writing to you on behalf of **ready to engage!**, a group of SW residents who have joined together over concerns regarding the SW Transitway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. Our group includes representatives from 14 SW Calgary communities affected by this project.

As you may be aware from previous correspondence that you have been copied on, the public engagement process has not been properly implemented on this project since its inception. The information prepared by City Administration that Council passed on February 9, 2011 was flawed. The Council report contained 181 feedback forms, the majority of which were not supportive and further, contained no Community Association feedback. You should also be aware that the *Executive Summary of the Functional Planning Study* on which Council based its decision has been removed from the project website and replaced by another version of the document. The City of Calgary is not following its *own engage!* Policy and there are several other Council policies that are not being followed.

To this day, City Administration has not been forthcoming with information to residents and other stakeholders in spite of repeated requests. We also note that much of the small amount information that we have been able to obtain ourselves from City sources 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 admitted are inaccurate.

Considering the unusually fast timeline that this project has and the several significant impacts that it will have on all Calgarians, we feel that it is very important to meet with you at your earliest convenience. I can be reached by email at info@readytoengage.ca to schedule a mutually agreeable date and time.

Sincerely,

Maurice Tims
Chair, ready to engage!

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ready to engage! is a group of concerned citizens who have joined together to give SW Calgarians and other stakeholders a voice on The City's *SW Transitway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)* project