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Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB)
Suite 305, 602 - 11 Ave SW
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Attention: Liisa Tipman
M.O. No: MSL: 091/18

RE: Spruce Meadows Area Structure Plan

Please find enclosed an application for a new Spruce Meadows Area Structure Plan, for review and consideration for approval by the CMRB. This Area Structure Plan will replace the current Spruce Meadows ASP (Bylaw 94/2002) which was approved in September 2002.

On September 11, 2019 Foothills County Council held a public hearing and subsequently granted first reading to Bylaw 62/2019 to authorize adoption of the Spruce Meadows Area Structure Plan. The new ASP will guide future growth and diversification, over the next 30 years, of the existing equestrian and sport facility, which is located adjacent to Foothills County's boundary with the City of Calgary. It contemplates the addition of facilities to support the Calgary Cavalry professional soccer team as well as facilities such as shops, restaurants and a boutique hotel and convention center that will support the growth of Spruce Meadows as a world class equestrian, sport and special events venue.

In October, 2019 administration from The City of Calgary and Foothills County met to discuss amendments to the circulation version of the ASP in order to address concerns outlined in The City's response to the 60-day formal circulation of the plan. Each item in the City's response was addressed and number of small amendments were made to the plan. On December 18th, 2019 Foothills County Council endorsed the amendments and directed County administration to submit the ASP to the CMRB for approval.

The Spruce Meadows ASP was prepared on behalf of the owners of Spruce Meadows by Kristi Beunder of Township Planning + Design. The servicing study, which was provided in support of the application was prepared by ISL Engineering and Land Services.

Foothills County requests that the CMRB approve the proposed Area Structure Plan so that Bylaw 62/2019 may be considered by our Council for 2nd and 3rd readings.

I am the County's file manager for this application and can answer questions and provide additional information if required. I can be contacted by email at Julie.McLean@FoothillsCountyAB.ca or by telephone at 403-603-6239.

Sincerely,



Julie McLean
Senior Planner

Attachments:

1. Proposed Bylaw 62/2019 Spruce Meadows ASP
2. Public Hearing Report to Foothills County Council on Spruce Meadows application
3. Report to Council on amendments to plan subsequent to 1st reading
4. IREF Evaluation Criteria summary report
5. Servicing Study undertaken by ISL
6. Current Spruce Meadows Area Structure Plan (Bylaw 94/2002)