



Calgary

Jyoti Gondek, Mayor

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Honorable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta
Honorable Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors
Government of Alberta
307 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Premier Smith and Minister Dreeshen,

As part of Council's September 17, 2024 decisions around the Phase 1 Green Line LRT Program, I have been asked to share the approved recommendations with you. Once the minutes are available, I will forward those recommendations to you.

In the meantime, in the best interest of the Calgarians that we collectively serve, we need to discuss where we can agree to preserve existing work. In the process of wind down on the Phase 1 Green Line LRT Program, there are opportunities to create the most cost-effective solution for taxpayers as you focus on creating a new alignment. I am certain we can agree to preserve elements of the existing work that allow for a carefully considered rail solution to be delivered in a manner that saves time and money.

For example, retaining the existing contract for low floor vehicles allows design work to continue, prevents a new procurement process, and expedites construction. Further, maintaining the existing contract for the design work on the segment that stretches from 4th Street SE to Shepard would provide the same benefits.

Ultimately, it is in our collective best interest to save money for taxpayers in our city and province. As time is of the essence as wind down progresses, it is critical that we quickly book a meeting with both of your offices and Administration to discuss this further.

Regards,

Jyoti Gondek
MAYOR