

Greetings Ward 5!

Spring is officially here, but the month of March is full of surprises! Here in Calgary we can get snow storms, hail storms or warm sunny days! We encourage residents to stay prepared for any type of weather. A friendly reminder that daylight savings time starts on March 10th so be ready to move your clocks forward one hour. March is not only known as the start of spring but for occasions such as St. Patrick's Day and International Women's Day. Be on the lookout for local events around the city.

Calgary is recognized as a great place to make a living and was named the fourth most "livable city" in the world in 2018. We're checking in on our long-range plans to see what's working well and contributing to the quality of life many Calgarians enjoy, and what needs to be updated or changed to make this a reality for more Calgarians in the future. Over the next few months, we want to hear from you about what's important to you, and your big picture ideas for making life better for everyone who calls this city home. With your help, we'll also delve deeper into core elements of our plans like transportation, jobs, housing and the environment. Visit calgary.ca/ourfuture to find out what our plans mean for you and how you can participate. Let's work together to plan our future.

Calgary has been experiencing coyote activity in many areas of the city. Although rare, some encounters have involved pets being hurt or killed. Citizens can reduce or even eliminate negative encounters with coyotes and pets by always keeping dogs on leash except in off-leash parks and do not allow cats to roam. Not only will these steps help keep pets safe, they are also the requirement in The City's Responsible Pet Ownership bylaw. Ward 5 has also experienced overwhelming skunk activity over the past several years and it is important to secure your garbage cans so that the smell of food does not attract skunks or other wildlife. For more information on how we can work together to live in harmony with coyotes, skunks, and other wildlife, visit calgary.ca/wildlife.

311 Live Maps is the newest online service that allows you to see what crews are working on directly in your neighbourhood. Simply go to calgary.ca/311 and select the "View live map of 311 requests" link. Type your address into the search bar or zoom in to see if a request has been reported. Click on one for details and to find out what work is being done. Our most requested services are on 311 Live Maps now. More services will be added throughout 2019. 311 is your best way to access The City anytime, anywhere.

Please contact our office at ward05@calgary.ca to keep your finger on the pulse for everything Ward 5 and the City of Calgary! We have also launched our new website (GeorgeChahal.ca) and we will have lots of updates online moving forward.

Yours truly,



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