

Subject: Open Letter Stadium Development (m-z group)
From: Peter Khu <khu7@yahoo.com>
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This e-mail is from a non-resident of University Heights and was written in response to the material presented at the open house on May 14th, 2013. I have been asked by the author to forward this message to our community.

Others in Calgary recognize the issues are not limited to a development in University Heights. The planning process affects all Calgarians.

We need to advocate for ourselves and write to the city at: Stadium@calgary.ca

Please send a copy to your elected officials:

dale.hodges@calgary.ca for Ward 1

druh.farrell@calgary.ca for Ward 7

naheed.nenshi@calgary.ca for the mayor of Calgary

Please also send a copy of your correspondence to president@uhcacalgary.org.

Regards,
Peter Khu

Begin forwarded message:

> From: "Sandra Sobko" <ssobko@shaw.ca>
> Subject: Stadium development
> Date: 16 May, 2013 8:38:22 PM MDT
> To: <Stadium@calgary.ca>
> Cc: <dale.hodges@calgary.ca>, <druh.farrell@calgary.ca>, <president@uhcacalgary.org>
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> Sirs,
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> I have been following this development for some time and have a few comments based on the recent information from the city.
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> 1. Traffic issues have not been dealt with. Particularly offensive is the vague way future Transit plans are supposed to help the obvious congestion problems of the development.
> 2. Safety is also not dealt with. With respect to a hotel immediately adjacent to an elementary and a mid/high school we are left with vague references about speaking with Police (what about the many other sources of information like social agencies or the schools in the vicinity?)
> 3. Traffic safety is also not dealt with. The city's comment that traffic will increase regardless of the development is disingenuous at best.
> 4. Parking is to be reduced when the developer makes a case that other methods of transport are available is ridiculous – parking is already a problem and throwing a mini-market mall on the site will not make things better.
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> More disturbing is that the City is clearly taking the side of the developer. I was under the misapprehension that the City was supposed to be neutral. The City planners have been embarrassingly biased in their pro-developer stance both at the public meetings and their released information.
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> The community has made it abundantly clear that it is not any development they disapprove of, just a development that will surely damage the community by its completely inappropriate scope. At one point the City boasted that one of their guiding principles was that the development had "to have a positive impact on the community." What happened to that?
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> The community has made its feelings about better directions for a development on the site and these have not been seriously addressed.
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> The City planners should be embarrassed of their role in this inappropriate development. I thought behavior like this only took place in .
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> Bruce Seifred
> May 16 2013