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COUNCIL NEWS IN BRIEF

Regular Meeting of Council – January 25, 2016

Designation Of The Anderson Residence As A Municipal Historic Resource

Council approved the property owner's request to designate the Anderson Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource under Section 26 of the Alberta Historical Resources Act. The property was built in 1975 and is a significant example of West Coast Modern-style architecture. Protecting Calgary's historic resources is an identified objective of The City.

Relief For Calgary Businesses (Councillor Woolley)

Council referred this motion to the February 20, 2016 Priorities and Finance Committee meeting. The motion requests Administration implement a one-time reduction of the Business Tax by $30 million in 2016 and $30 million in 2017 with funding provided from the Fiscal Stability Reserve, and to the benefit of Business Tax accounts with a net annual rental value of $400,000.00 and under, in proportion to their net annual rental value.

2016-2018 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Calgary Funding Recommendations

Council approved the funding recommendations which included the allocation of $77.7 million ($27.1 million to 74 agencies in 2016; $25.4 million to 54 agencies in 2017 and $25.2 million to 47 agencies in 2018). FCSS is a joint municipal/provincial prevention program that supports and funds community agencies and City programs to deliver preventive social services that enhance the lives of vulnerable Calgarians. In Calgary, Community & Neighbourhood Services (CNS) administers and provides leadership to the FCSS program. The FCSS program continues to support Council's Social Sustainability Framework by directing funds to two priorities: increasing social inclusion and strengthening neighbourhoods.

Pedestrian Strategy Final Report

Council directed administration to do further study and referred the report to April 2016. The Pedestrian Strategy is an action plan for reducing pedestrian casualties and increasing walking in Calgary. The goal is to encourage Calgarians to walk more by making it safer, more enjoyable, and more viable as a transportation option. As the most environmentally and economically sustainable form of transportation, walking supports the strategic objectives of Council.

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