

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Land Use and Servicing Committee  
of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board  
on Thursday February 4, 2021 by Go-To Meeting

**Delegates in Attendance:**

Mayor Peter Brown – City of Airdrie  
Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra – City of Calgary  
Mayor Marshall Chalmers – City of Chestermere  
Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane  
Reeve Suzanne Oel – Foothills County (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Delilah Miller – Foothills County  
Mayor Craig Snodgrass – Town of High River  
Mayor Bill Robertson – Town of Okotoks (Vice Chair)  
Reeve Dan Henn – Rocky View County  
Mayor Pat Fule – Town of Strathmore  
Councillor Bob Sobol – Town of Strathmore  
Reeve Amber Link – Wheatland County  
Deputy Reeve Scott Klassen – Wheatland County

**CMRB Administration:**

Christopher Sheard, Chair  
Greg Clark, Chair  
Liisa Tipman, Project Manager–Land Use  
Jaime Graves, Project Manager-Intermunicipal Servicing  
JP Leclair, GIS Analyst  
Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Greg Clark called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and noted this marks his first meeting as the new Chair, and thanked members for the opportunity.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Carra, **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Committee amend the agenda to bring the roundtable extended work schedule verbal update to follow approval of the minutes.

**Moved by** Mayor Robertson, **Seconded by** Reeve Henn, accepted by Chair

**Motion:** That the Committee approve the agenda as amended.

**Motions carried unanimously.**

### **3. Review Minutes**

**Moved by** Mayor Robertson, **Seconded by** Councillor Sobol, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Committee approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2021 meeting.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### **4. Update on Extended Work Schedule**

Jordon Copping provided an update on this item. Work has begun internally to prepare a revised work plan as per the Board's motion on January 29 to request an extension for completion of the work plan to no later than June 1, 2021. This includes an additional public engagement session, which Anne Harding has indicated she has capacity to conduct, and visioning sessions for the Board. Jordon has reached out to a facilitator for the visioning and has received a proposal. Board members will receive the extended work schedule on February 8, along with a draft letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, for an email vote.

### **5. Preliminary Draft Servicing Plan**

Jonathan Schmidt presented the first draft of the preliminary Servicing Plan to the Committee and answered questions. The Committee felt the Plan needed more specifics, including addressing regional corridors, and possibly a reference to the Water Act. In regards to recreation, a member felt the Plan did not move the region forward. Most felt there was a lack of solutions in the Plan, and that it did not meet the requirements of the Regulation.

A suggestion was made to engage in a mock planning exercise to work through the plan. In addition, there was a recommendation for the consultant to engage with licensed service providers in the region for feedback into the Servicing Plan.

In response to a comment about collaboration for servicing in joint planning areas, Liisa Tipman noted that the context studies within the Growth Plan are intended to create and enhance collaborative efforts to understand what's happening, and from those context studies, different memorandums of understanding would unfold. How the region is serviced is largely dependent on *what* is being serviced, which will be contained in the Growth Plan.

The Chair noted the Committee's desire for more ambition and details in the Servicing Plan.

**Moved by** Mayor Fule, **Seconded by** Councillor Sobol, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Committee receive for information the preliminary working draft of the CMR Servicing Plan.

**Motion carried.**

## **6. Preliminary Draft Growth Plan**

Charlie Hales from HDRC presented the Introduction, Regional Growth Direction, and Implementation chapters of the preliminary draft Growth Plan. Members highlighted errors in the text relating to the description of the members. Specific comments included:

- A request was made to incorporate recently published population numbers.
- Document should be shortened and in more plain language.
- Accuracy issues were identified with photos, descriptions and labelling on map.
- More detail necessary to capture who rural members are, specifically noting that the counties are a blend of rural and urban development.

Chair noted the members concerns over accuracy issues. Text changes may be submitted through TAG, or directly to HDRC.

**Moved by** Mayor Genung, **Seconded by** Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Committee receive for information the Introduction, Regional Growth Direction and Implementation Chapters of the working draft of the CMR Growth Plan.

**Motion carried.**

## **7. Chapter 3 Regional Policies**

Charlie Hales presented the policies section of the draft Growth Plan and noted that no changes had been made since the January 29 Board meeting. Members reiterated their positions on the policies. Work will continue, and the consultant will review all of the submitted comments to ensure they have been considered in the next draft. The updated Draft document will go to the Board for discussion on February 26.

**Moved by** Mayor Brown, **Seconded by** Mayor Fule, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Committee receive for information the policies of the working draft of the CMR Growth Plan.


**Motion carried.**

## **8. Roundtable**

Members discussed how motions are received for information in their councils, receiving agenda packages late, the Province of Alberta's coal policies, and the City of Calgary's policy on providing servicing. A request was made to provide the City of Calgary's policy to Board members. An additional request was made to refer the Province's coal policy to the Advocacy Committee for discussion.

**9.** Next Meeting: Thursday March 4, 2021.

**10.** Adjournment @ 11:58 AM.



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**CMRB Chair, Greg Clark**