

Delegates in Attendance

Mayor Peter Brown – City of Airdrie
Mayor Naheed Nenshi – City of Calgary
Mayor Marshall Chalmers – City of Chestermere
Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane (Vice Chair)
Reeve Suzanne Oel – Foothills County
Mayor Craig Snodgrass – High River
Mayor Bill Robertson - Town of Okotoks
Reeve Dan Henn – Rocky View County
Mayor Pat Fule – Town of Strathmore
Reeve Amber Link – Wheatland County
Dale Beesley - Municipal Affairs

CMRB Administration:

Greg Clark, Chair
Jordon Copping, Chief Officer
Liisa Tipman, Project Manager–Land Use
Jaime Graves, Project Manager–Intermunicipal Servicing
Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager
JP Leclair, GIS Analyst

1. Call to Order & Opening Comments

Called to order at 9:30 AM. Chair Clark noted that starting with the May 14 Board meeting, the agenda will be completed irrespective of time. The meeting invite will be extended until 1:00 pm, however in the event the meeting goes past 1:00 pm, he encouraged members to ensure a Board representative or well-briefed alternate be in attendance. He further reminded the Board that an absent vote is considered a vote in favour. Finally, he noted that because meetings are one week apart, the agenda packages may not come out a week in advance. Chair Clark addressed the subject of attendees at closed sessions by advising that this topic is going to Governance Committee agenda on May 13, 2021. In the interim, if a closed session comes up, attendees will be Board members as defined by the designate or alternate (only 1 speaker from each member). By default, the representative from Municipal Affairs and Chief Officer can be included on request.

2. Approval of Agenda

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

M 2021-51

Motion: That the Board approve the agenda of the May 6, 2021 meeting, excluding agenda item #11 Servicing Plan which will go to the May 14 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Review and Approve Minutes

Moved by Reeve Link **Seconded by** Mayor Fule, accepted by Chair.

M 2021-52

Motion: That the Board approve the Minutes of the April 23, 2021 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Reeve Link asked that a reference to including the GOA representative (and not just alternates) be added in the statement made by Chair Clark about the closed sessions.

4. Growth and Servicing Plan Voting Process

Dale Beesley from Municipal Affairs provided an update on the expectations of the Minister relating to the delivery of the Growth and Servicing Plans. A cross-ministry review will be conducted. The timing of a decision has not yet been determined, but will likely be after municipal elections in October.

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

M 2021-53

Motion: That the Board receive for information the voting schedule for the Growth and Servicing Plans.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Board Vision

Members discussed the Board Vision documents and a member asked for consideration of changes in the "Blueprint for Growth" section, as well as clarification on the dispute mechanism. The Board agreed to receive the item for information, rather than for decision, to leave space for additional discussions prior to finalizing.

Moved by Mayor Brown **Seconded by** Reeve Oel, accepted by Chair.

M 2021-54

Motion: That the Board receive for information the Board Vision documents.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Phase 3 Public Engagement What We Heard Report

Ann Harding presented this item to the Board and answered questions. While there was some disagreement around the statements of the What We Heard Report, the majority of the members demonstrated support for the work done by Anne Harding and extended their thanks and appreciation.

Dale Beesley confirmed that all engagement documents would be provided in the review process by the Minister of Municipal Affairs, as well as to the cross-ministry review.

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

M 2021-55

Motion: That the Board approve the Phase 3 What We Heard Report.

Recorded vote requested: In favour: Airdrie, Calgary, Chestermere, Cochrane, High River, Strathmore, Okotoks. Opposed: Foothills, Rocky View, Wheatland.

Motion carried.

7. Proposed Growth Plan Changes

Members discussed Table 1 as set out in the agenda package and the following motions were made.

Item 1. Requirements for Use of Statutory Plans

Moved by Mayor Genung, **Seconded by** Mayor Reeve Henn, accepted by Chair.

M2021-56

Motion: That the Board adopt the proposed changes to Section 4.1.1.1 and remove the policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Definition of Regionally Significant

Moved by Reeve Henn, **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

M2021-57

Motion: That the Board table this item for further refinement at TAG.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3. Providing for Small Employment Areas

Moved by Mayor Brown, **Seconded by** Reeve Henn, accepted by Chair.

M2021-58

Motion: That the Board accept the proposed change to replace 3.1.4.1 with 3.1.6.1 as set out in the Table.

Motion carried.

Item 4. Identifying size criteria for Small Employment Areas

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

M2021-59

Motion: That the Board accept 3.1.6.1b) iv) of the Growth Plan to read: Small Employment Areas less than four hectares (10 acres) and not within two kilometres of a neighbouring municipality unless otherwise stated by an Intermunicipal Development Plan.

After further discussion, including a suggestion that the policy read "Small Employment Areas less than eight hectares (20 acres) and not within five kilometres" would be more appropriate, the motion was withdrawn for further discussion at TAG.

Motion withdrawn.

Item 5. Employment Areas Outside a Preferred Growth Area

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

M2021-60

Motion: That the Board accept the proposed change as set out in the Table to keep policy 3.1.2.3 (now 3.1.3.3) and Add policy 3.1.3.4 and keep policy 3.1.4.1a) (now policy 3.1.6.1a).

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Approving new ASPs in JPAs Prior to Approval of a Context Study

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

M2021-61

Motion: That the Board accept the proposed change as set out in the Table to keep policy 3.1.8.3 (now 3.1.8.10) and add policy 3.1.9.5.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 7. Harmony/Springbank Employment Area

Motion Arising:

Moved by Reeve Henn, **Seconded by** Reeve Link, accepted by Chair.

M2021-62

Motion: That the Regional Growth Plan incorporates policy to support the lands around the Springbank Airport as an employment area, outside of a preferred growth area, subject to meeting the existing criteria outlined in the draft Plan (policy 3.1.3.4).

After extensive discussion, and a request for an opportunity for additional analysis of the implications going forward, the motion was withdrawn with hesitation. However, strong support was given by the Board to support this area and to come up with language that can be agreed upon around the importance of it and what the future might look like.

Motion withdrawn.

Chair Clark noted that the items in Table 2 will come back to the May 14 Board meeting, after finalizing the information at TAG May 7.

8. IREF to REF

Moved by Reeve Oel, **Seconded by** Reeve Henn, accepted by Chair.

M2021-63

Motion: That the Board adopt Option A as set out in the agenda package.

Recorded vote requested: In favour: Foothills, High River (absent) Rocky View, Wheatland. Opposed: Airdrie, Calgary, Chestermere, Cochrane, Strathmore, Okotoks.

Motion fails.

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

M2021-64

Motion: That the Board adopt Option B as set out in the brief.

Recorded vote requested: In favour: Airdrie, Calgary, Chestermere, Cochrane, High River (absent) Strathmore, Okotoks. Opposed: Foothills, Rocky View, Wheatland.

Motion carried.

A suggestion was made to consider getting additional legal advice on this issue, or asking for clarification from Municipal Affairs.

9. Growth Plan Modelling Appendix

Stephen Power from HDRC introduced this item. Concerns were raised about the process, however due to time constraints further discussion will be carried forward to the May 14 Board meeting.

10. Dispute Resolution and Appeal Bylaw

Due to time constraints this item will come back to the May 14 Board meeting.

11. Next Meeting

Board Friday May 14, 2021 @ 9 AM.

12. Adjournment at 12:30 PM.



Greg Clark, Chair