

Councillor Request Inquiry

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Councillor Delaine,

Please find below a response to your September 11, 2018 Information Request – Bremner Area Concept Plan Update “Please provide an update on the status of the Bremner Area Concept Plan indicating when it will be presented to council, what information is expected to be provided and what decision Council will be expected make.

PDS will be updating Council at the September 18th, 2018 Priorities Committee Meeting. The September 18th update will primarily focus on the Phase 2 Public Engagement summary from the June 13 & 14th open houses and the July online survey.

As previously highlighted, the Bremner Area Project contains several components including the Area Concept Plan (ACP), Transportation Master Plan, Design and Construction Standards, Utilities Master Plan, Financial Viability Analysis, Biophysical Assessment and Agricultural Impact Assessment. We have been actively working on all the above noted components. Given we have recently completed Phase Two of the public consultation we will be highlighting to Council on September 18th what we heard during the engagement events as well as provide Council with our next steps.

As indicated in our June 12, 2018 response to the June 5, 2018 Council Information Request (please see attached), we are currently working on updated costs of offsite water, sanitary sewer and road infrastructure. We are working through the project with our stakeholders including EPCOR and Alberta Transportation. Once we have acceptance from EPCOR on the alignment of the offsite water transmission main and acceptance from AT on the locations and interchange types, we will be in a position to complete the Transportation Master Plan, Utilities Master Plan and Financial Viability Analysis which will support the final ACP design.

Once the above information is complete, administration along with our consultants will be coming forward to Council (PCM) to present the final draft ACP design and the costs (Financial Analysis) associated with the final ACP design. At that time, administration will be looking for feedback from Council on the proposed final ACP as well as the Financial Viability Analysis. We anticipate this discussion to occur in early Q1 2019 (contingent on final infrastructure modelling by EPCOR and AT). As indicated in the July Information Request response, transportation and utility modelling by both AT and EPCOR have taken a little longer than initially anticipated. We continue to work collaboratively with AT and EPCOR to address final issues and anticipate resolution to a final alignment based on updated infrastructure modelling by year end.

As we look forward to a great deal of conversation and discussion with Council in early 2019 on the draft concept plan and the initial Financial Viability Analysis, we are working towards the following timelines (timing contingent on final infrastructure modelling by EPCOR and AT):

- Complete Final Draft ACP and Initial Financial Analysis – Q4 2018
- Phase 3 Public Engagement and PCM Presentation (s) – Q1 2019 – January/February (this will involve discussion and feedback from Council on the final ACP concept and the initial Financial Impact Assessment)
- Public Hearing and First Reading of the Area Concept Plan – Q1 2019 - March 2019
- EMRB Referral Following First Reading

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.