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Eau Claire Athletic Club, Calgary's new private athletic facility, slated to open in early 2025, in the former YMCA building

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News from the Friends of Nose Hill

by Anne Burke

Nose Hill is an isolated remnant of the upland plain that flanks the Bow River Valley. It also includes side slopes (escarpments) and ravines that cut into the upland plain. Domestic dogs are a major user of Nose Hill Park. The remaining large mammals on Nose Hill are deer and coyotes. Almost one third (31%) of users are dog walkers and many leave their animals unleashed. It was recommended that bird and rare plant inventory be conducted for Nose Hill as a baseline against which impact predictions can be tested. The Park is a grassland-dominated natural area, along the western edge of the Foothills Fescue Natural Subregion, where it abuts the Foothills Parkland Ecoregion. The deciduous forest (aspen and balsam poplar), native (rough fescue) grassland, and tall willow communities are primary foraging and breeding habitats in the Park.

The grass known botanically but popularly as “rough fescue” was adopted as the grass emblem of Alberta. It was designated officially in 2003 due to the efforts of the Prairie Conservation Forum. www.albertapcf.org/. The province has the largest area of rough fescue grassland in the world and is the only place in North America that hosts the plains, foothills, and northern variations. Rough fescue provides excellent year-round forage for wildlife and livestock; and is a symbol of Alberta’s prairie heritage and the need for the conservation of our rich biodiversity of native grasslands.

The City of Calgary has unveiled its new brand as “Blue Sky City.” The provincial shield already features blue skies over a range of snow-capped mountains with green hills, prairie land, and a wheat field in front. The great horned owl, which is a year-round resident, was adopted as Alberta’s official bird, in 1977, after a provincewide children’s vote.

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South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Planning

Your input **today** will help shape how your community evolves over the **next 30 years**.

We want to hear from you

We are continuing to work together to refine the South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Plan and encourage you to participate in this important phase of engagement.

Phase 3: REFINE of the South Shaganappi Communities Local Area Planning project is taking place May 28 – June 24. In this phase, we are looking to further discuss and refine how redevelopment and revitalization could happen in the Shaganappi Communities of Banff Trail, Montgomery, Parkdale, Point McKay, St. Andrews Heights, University District, University Heights, University of Calgary, and Varsity.

Provide your input on topics including:

- **Draft local area plan maps.** These maps are not finalized. Your input is needed to help inform what types of development could potentially fit best where if proposed in the future.
- **Community improvement ideas.** Your input is needed to determine what community improvements and investments are needed—such as upgrades to mobility connections or enhancements to local parks.



Learn more at
calgary.ca/Shaganappi

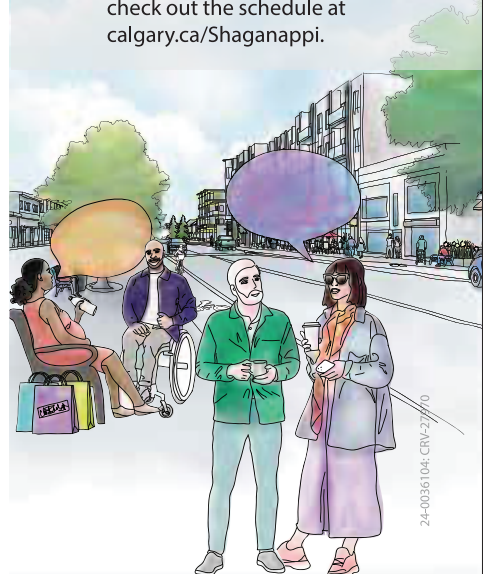
Share your thoughts from May 28 – June 24, 2024:

- **Online at**
calgary.ca/Shaganappi.
- **Through an engagement booklet** (delivered to homes and businesses starting May 28).

Each engagement booklet includes a feedback form that can be mailed in with pre-paid postage.

You can also pick a booklet up at an Engagement Station (see location map online).

- **Join a virtual or in-person engagement session** – check out the schedule at calgary.ca/Shaganappi.



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Backyard Play Safety

by Alberta Health Services, EMS

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to encourage parents and caregivers to ensure their backyard play areas are made safe for children this summer. Although direct supervision is the best method to reduce the chance of injury, always ensure play equipment in your yard is in good repair and is suited to the age and skill of the children using it. Check the equipment often; replace or repair any worn or broken parts. It's also advised to set up play equipment on top of a nine-inch layer of shock-absorbing material which extends six feet out in all directions from the play area.

Water Hazards

- Drowning contributes to unintentional injury-related death among children ages one to four.
- Children can drown in just a few centimetres of water if it covers their mouth and nose.
- Ensure all backyard swimming pools are fenced. The fence must be at least 1.8 metres high and have a self-latching, self-closing, lockable gate (*Alberta Building Code).

Lawn and Garden Tools

- Keep young children away from outdoor power equipment.
- Serious burns may result from touching hot engine surfaces.
- Ensure that all sharp tools, fuel, chemicals, and other hazardous substances are stored in a secure, locked area. A simple latch may not be sufficient.



Insect Bites and Stings

- Minimize the risk of attracting insects by not wearing strong perfumes or scented lotions.
- Avoid wearing brightly coloured clothing outdoors.
- Consider destroying or relocating hives and nests situated near your home.
- To avoid injury through inadvertently stepping on a stinging insect, always wear footwear outdoors.
- If your child has received an 'EpiPen, Junior' prescription from your physician (for anaphylactic reactions only) ensure they understand when and how to use it.
- If your child experiences a severe reaction to an insect sting, or other environmental cause, seek medical attention, or call 911.

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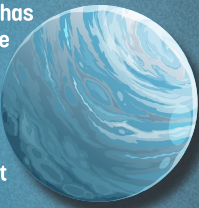


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In all our vast solar system, Venus has the highest average temperature of any planet! Because of its atmosphere (which is quite thick) and how close it is to the Sun, the surface of Venus can reach over 460 degrees Celsius! Talk about needing sunscreen.





RINK
DAILY HOURS OF
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9:00AM – 9:00PM
(LIGHTS OFF)



PCA RINK RULES

Please make yourself aware of the fire safety plan posted about the fire wood.

Keep the area clean. Garbage must be removed before leaving the area.

Fire pit door may be hot, use caution when opening.

When you're finished, ensure the fires completely out.

In case of an emergency call 911



PARKDALE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Planning & Development
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 Memberships

The PCA is always looking for outgoing individuals looking to contribute to their community

Interested? Please email office@parkdaleyyc.com



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1. **No** Skateboarding
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4. **No** Game Play Outside of the Rink
5. Protective Equipment Highly Recommended (helmets, padding)
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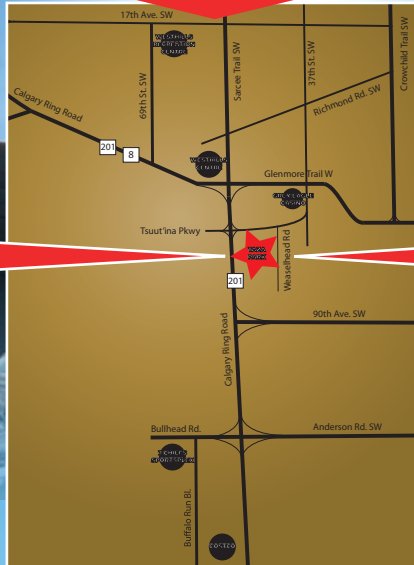
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