

A MESSAGE FROM WARD 3 ALDERMAN JIM STEVENSON – www.ward3calgary.ca

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TRANSPORTATION UPDATES – METIS TRAIL, LRT TO SADDLERIDGE STATION, & MARTINDALE LRT CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Construction of Metis Trail, 4 lanes, from 64th Avenue NE to Stoney Trail should be completed by late 2010. The section from 96th Avenue NE to Stoney Trail is responsibility of the developer and construction is currently underway. The City will begin construction of the section from 64th Avenue NE to 96th Avenue NE this summer subject to acquisition of required land.

Plans for an interchange at 64th Avenue NE and Metis Trail are on hold for an indefinite period. In the interim, the LRT line to Saddle Ridge Station will be tunneled underneath 64th Avenue NE. Construction of a new intersection on the North side of 64th Avenue NE will commence this summer. The current detour in place on the south side of 64th Avenue NE will be upgraded and repaired. Plans are to have all of this work completed by late 2010.

Construction of the LRT Line to Saddle Ridge Station will begin this month. Transportation Infrastructure will be posting signs throughout the community with the construction schedule. A town hall meeting will be scheduled in September to present the final design for the Saddle Ridge leg of the LRT to the community. Date and location for this town hall meeting will be posted on the Ward 3 Website at www.ward3calgary.ca.

Construction activities currently underway for the NE LRT to Martindale Station include underground services at Martin Crossing Drive and Martindale Boulevard NE. Rear alleyway access to some homes on Martin Crossing Drive NE will be impacted for a one week period. Martindale Drive will be reduced to two lanes during the construction period. All work is scheduled to be completed by the end of August.

WARD 3 WEBSITE

We are working hard on making improvements to the Ward 3 website, www.ward3calgary.ca. and on keeping the information we post up-to-date. I encourage you to visit the website soon and often and if you have any suggestions or comments for the website, please let me hear from you.

BACK TO SCHOOL

My office received many calls and emails this past year with concerns about the safety of children in school and playground zones throughout Ward 3. With school back in session now, I want to take a moment to remind everyone of the importance of observing all posted speed limits, but most especially in school and playground zones.

I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. As always, I welcome your calls and emails so if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact my office.

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