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Final Public Hearing for Airdrie Development on February 1st

Airdrie, Alberta – The final Public Hearing for the Habitat for Humanity Calgary (HFHC) Monklands Development will be held Monday, February 1st at 7:00 pm at Airdrie City Hall. The findings from the additional traffic studies will be reviewed during this prior to the decision by Council whether to approve the affordable housing development.

The proposed Monklands development is situated on 2.37 acres of City-owned undeveloped land adjacent to Ralph McCall School and the Monklands Soccer Park in Airdrie. The proposed residential development includes a multi-family component to provide 'attainable' housing to hard-working low income families in the surrounding area.

A voluntary Public Open House was held Tuesday, January 26 in Airdrie, which was attended by approximately 47 local residents.

“We were pleased with the number of people who attended the Open House,” states Andrew MacLachlan, President & CEO. “It was a great opportunity to provide additional information to the community about the Monklands development and dispel misconceptions about Habitat families.”

He adds, “Although there was opposition to the project, I’m confident that most of the attendees waked away with a greater understanding of how Habitat can be a contributing part of this community. The decision at Monday’s Public Hearing will be crucial to the Monklands Development’s success and we hope that the vote is in our favour. ”

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Calgary Habitat for Humanity Society is a non-profit, faith-based organization working for a world where everyone has a safe and decent place to live. Our mission is to mobilize volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting homeownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty.

The Calgary affiliate organization was founded in 1990, is a member of Habitat for Humanity Canada, and part of a worldwide network that spans 93 countries, has built over 300,000 homes, and is now building a new home every 10 minutes.