

Foothills County  
City of Calgary

Annexation Negotiation Committee





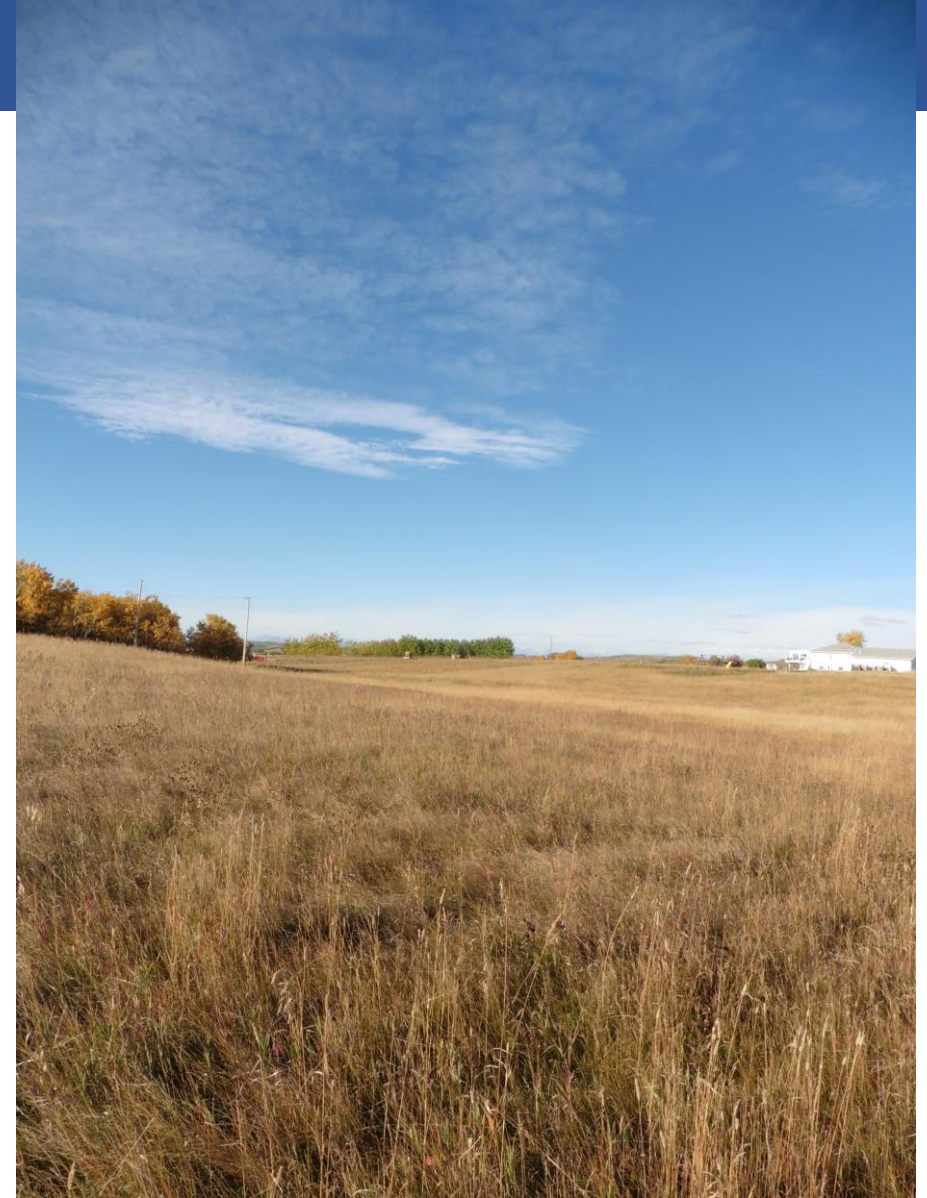
# INTRODUCTION

Annexation was initiated by the City of Calgary with a Notice of Intent of May 20, 2022.

This was in response to a Notice of Motion that was approved by City Council in December of 2017.

Foothills County is participating in negotiations as is required under Section 117 of the MGA.

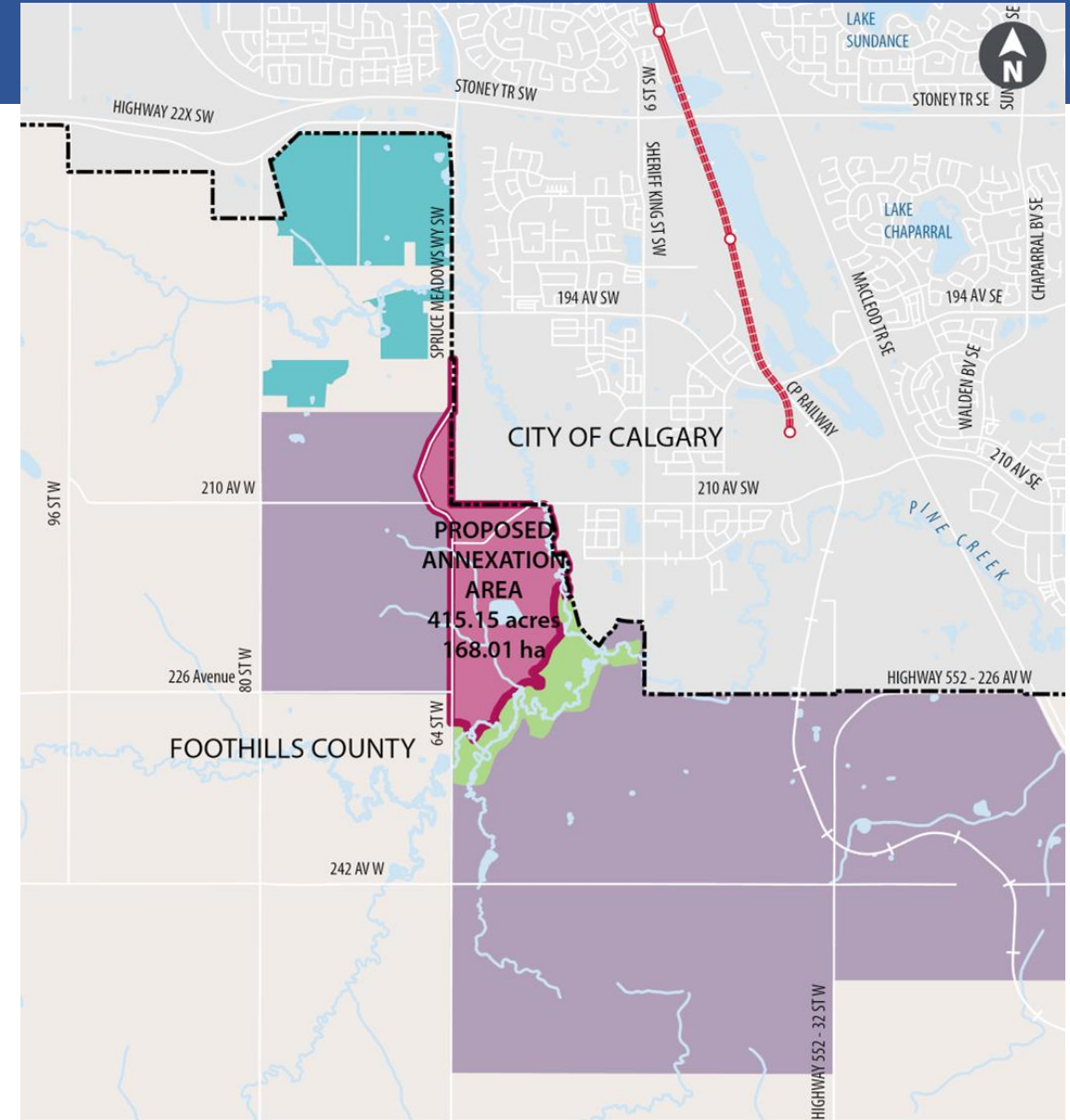
Foothills does not currently have a position on the annexation territory or the annexation itself.



# COUNTY INTERESTS

As the County is at the table in response to the City's Notice of Intent our interests are limited to issues that are likely to result from the annexation:

- Maintenance of annexed roads
- Maintaining Access to County Parcels
- Protecting Dark Skies
- Debenture on 64<sup>th</sup> Street
- Compensation

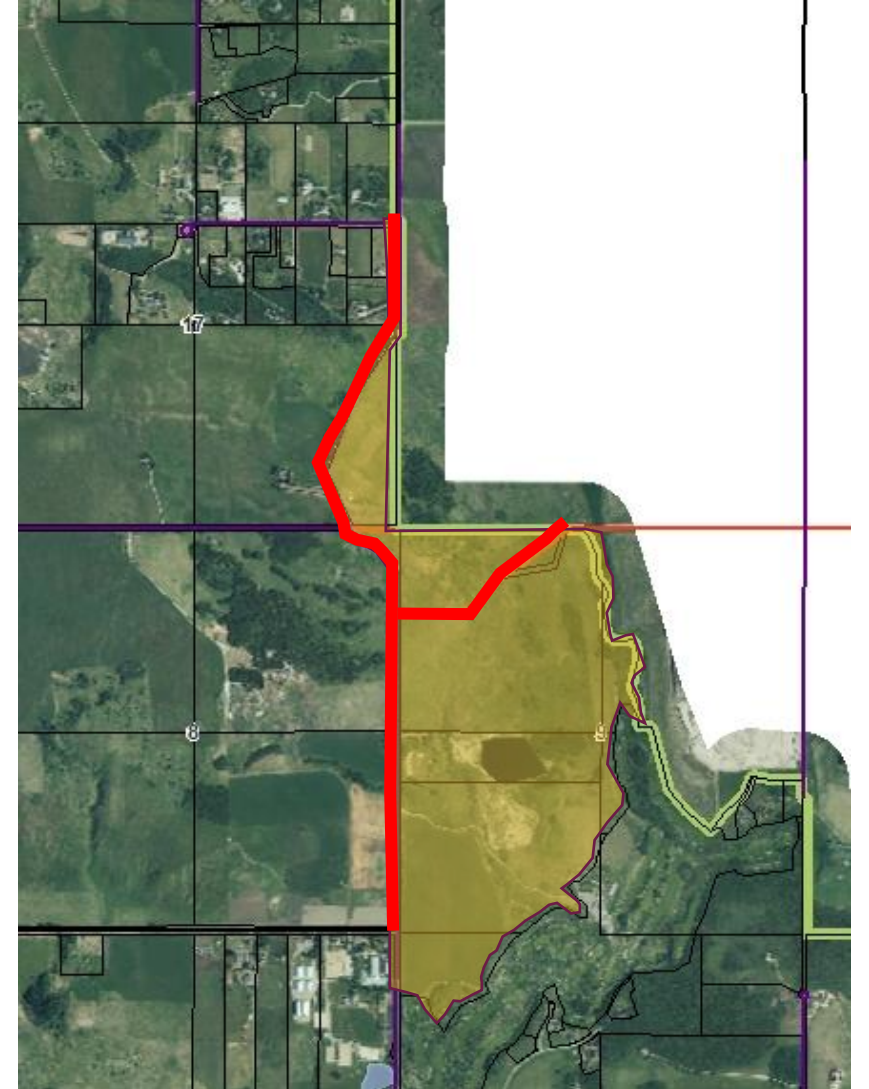


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## Maintenance of Annexed Roads

Road maintenance for 64<sup>th</sup> Street and 210<sup>th</sup> Street should be addressed in the Annexation Agreement.

Foothills suggests a clause in the agreement indicating that the City of Calgary agrees to maintain these roads in equivalent or better condition than they are at the effective date of the annexation.



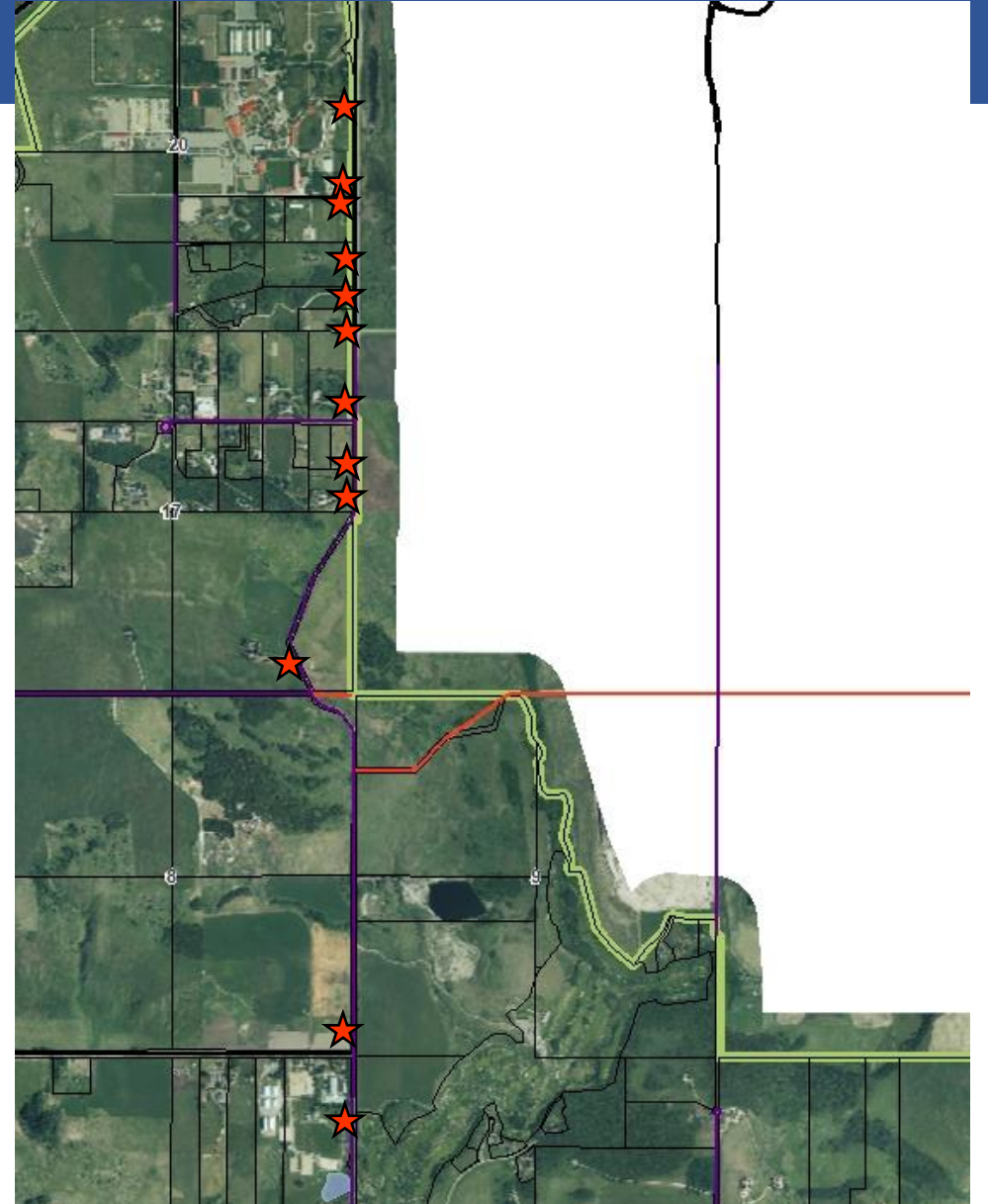


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## Maintaining Access to County Parcels

There are a number of parcels in Foothills County that are not proposed to be annexed that are currently accessed from Spruce Meadows Way / 64th Street.

The County would like to see a clause in the annexation agreement ensuring that those accesses will be maintained as they are unless a suitable alternative is provided.



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## Protecting Dark Skies

There was quite a bit of concern expressed at the open house regarding the protection of dark skies.

The Rothney observatory is located 8 miles west of the Annexation Territory.

To address this item, Foothills County requests a clause in the agreement indicating that provisions for dark skies will be incorporated into policy in a future ASP for the annexed lands (if these lands are incorporated into the West Macleod ASP that could complicate matters).



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## **Debenture on 64<sup>th</sup> Street**

As per section 135 of the MGA the annexation of 64<sup>th</sup> Street will necessitate the City taking over the debenture that the County has on that road.

*135(1) When an order under this Part has the effect of including or placing an area of land that was in one municipal authority, called in this section the “old municipal authority”, in another municipal authority, called in this section the “new municipal authority”, as a result of an annexation or the formation, amalgamation or dissolution of a municipal authority, then, unless the order provides otherwise*

*(b) all the assets, liabilities, rights, duties, functions and obligations of the old municipal authority that relate to that area of land automatically pass to the new municipal authority and cease to be those of the old municipal authority.*

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## Compensation

Foothills County will be seeking compensation for the annexation of these lands.

There is an approved ASP in place that is grandfathered under the CMR Growth Plan.

The Sirocco ASP was approved by Foothills County Council May 14, 2009.

A portion of the lands were subsequently annexed into the City of Calgary as part of a mediated agreement.

