



Brent Trenholm, Ward 3 Candidate

Heritage Calgary recently sent you a briefing package on heritage in the city, what we do and how we work with Council. If you didn't get it please let us know.

Please take our survey and let us know what heritage means to you and what you will do as a member of Calgary City Council for Calgary's history.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Heritage Calgary wishes you the best of luck on the campaign trail.

Heritage Calgary has put together a one stop resource for you to learn about everything you need to know about heritage in Calgary. This includes how sites are added to the Inventory, how municipal heritage designation works, existing incentives and grants and proposed conservation tools and incentives work including the residential tax credit.

What do you know about current heritage matters in the City and within your ward?

Research, Word and mouth and driving around

On a scale from 0-5, 0 being not at all and 5 being incredibly, how important is preserving Calgary's heritage to the Ward you hope to serve? Why?

4 - Important. Our heritage is very important, as it holds both good and bad memories and clues of the past. It also shapes the future.

What is your favourite heritage resource in the community you are hoping to represent and in the City of Calgary as a whole?

Ward 3 is a new area, so there is no true heritage sites. Google works well when wanting to learn more. I did a PP on Calgary a few years back that had a lot of this type of material in it. I like buildings and places that have real history, pre 50's. Keeping true heritage sites also adds character to a city.

How will you help raise awareness of Calgary's history and heritage?

by always promoting it when able.

What importance does heritage have in attracting outside investment and business in Calgary?

3 - Somewhat important

How do you believe the new proposed property tax incentives will incentivize investment in our city? Will you support the proposed residential property tax credit?

Overall I think it is a good thing, however 15 years is too long and if we want to offer this to new businesses, the same should apply to existing ones that want to grow. One or two people should not be permitted to approve anything. I believe it should have to go before council with a 2/3 majority.

What ideas would you bring forward in support of heritage in Calgary that are not included in our candidate package?

Designating a building or location as a heritage site needs to be done with great care, as a person could deem an entire section of Calgary as a heritage site. Because these locations are governed by a different set of rules you could put great financial hardship on a city if not thought out.

Would you like to make any other closing comments pertaining to our city's heritage matters?

Overall I like and appreciate the old and the new and what both has to offer. I have traveled extensively and I always look at infrastructure and the heritage sites of anywhere I go. From the sites in Victoria BC, the plains of Abraham, to the subway system in Russia and Red Square.