

# WEST LRT UPDATE

The City of Calgary's West LRT status report

October 2009



## Calgary Council Update

On October 5, 2009, City Council approved a change to the vertical alignment for the West LRT from 41<sup>st</sup> Street to 46<sup>th</sup> Street on the north side of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. The LRT will be constructed in a trench with bridges at 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 45<sup>th</sup> Street to maintain access to 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue for the adjacent communities. The LRT station will now be located on the west side of 45<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. in front of the Alberta Motor Association building.

## Sunalta Station Area

- Installation of a safety fence is underway along the north property line between businesses located on the north side of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. This safety fence will cordon off the West LRT construction zone.
- Enmax will relocate two transmission towers along 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. this month to make room for the West LRT alignment. No traffic lane closures are expected.

## 26<sup>th</sup> Street LRT Station Area

Removal of buildings on land acquired from Jacques Lodge is underway.



Looking east, the elevated guideway and Sunalta LRT Station will occupy the area between the CPR tracks and the buildings.

To keep current on the project and its progress, please visit [westlrt.ca](http://westlrt.ca).

## Westbrook Station Area

- Eight commercial building removals will occur.
- All residential building removals are complete.

## 45<sup>th</sup> Street LRT Station Area

- Enmax is relocating two transmission towers along the east side of Sarcee Trail in the vicinity of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. this month. During this work, the playground area between Westwood Drive and Sarcee Trail (northeast corner of Sarcee Trail/17<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. Intersection) will be fenced off for safety reasons. Lane closures on Sarcee Trail will occur in mid-October.
- All residential building removals are complete.

## 69<sup>th</sup> Street LRT Station Area

Westside Recreation Centre closed the existing skateboard park and hard court for the season. The City permanently removed these facilities in preparation for West LRT construction. Westside Recreation Centre will begin construction on the new skateboard park and hard court at a new location south of the building in November 2009. The new skateboard park and hard court will open for programming and use in spring 2010.

## West Calgary High School

Structural steel work for the gymnasium is underway.



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## ROAD CLOSURES AND RESTRICTIONS

| WHERE                                                                      | WHEN                                           | WHY                                | COMMENTS                                                                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Shaw Millennium Park entrance at 11<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. CLOSED</b> | Oct 1, 2009 until 2012                         | West LRT construction              | The entrance is closed until West LRT construction is complete. Access to Shaw Millennium Park is through 9 <sup>th</sup> Avenue S.W. |
| <b>Northbound Sarcee Trail – Lane Closures</b>                             | Between October 20 and 31 (Specific Dates TBA) | Enmax transmission line relocation | The lane closures will occur between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on specific days TBA                                                           |

### Did You Know?

Of the 21 homes acquired by the City to make room for the West LRT construction, 15 of them were moved. The remaining six homes recyclable materials were salvaged prior to demolition. This has diverted several tonnes of material from going to the landfill.

### TELUS World of Science

The City will modify portions of the TELUS World of Science building and property to accommodate the West LRT alignment such as patron access, parking, and ticket facilities.

- **October 1, 2009**
  - Open new vehicle access at 11<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. and parking lot
  - Close existing vehicle and pedestrian access from 11<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.
- **October 5, 2009**
  - Begin building modifications
- **December 2009**
  - Complete building modifications



Looking west from 11<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. at the new access to TELUS World of Science.