

The City of Calgary Archives maintains the corporate memory of The City of Calgary.

As the official repository of all civic records of enduring value, the Archives acquires, preserves, and makes these records available to City staff and the public.

Archives are the documentary memory of corporations and society. Records in all media such as textual records, photographs, maps, drawings, audio and video cassettes, and microfilm are the materials from which histories are written, policies determined, and decisions made.

Using the Archives:

- Researchers can come to the Archives during open hours and do not require an appointment.
- All researchers must register and discuss their research needs with the Reference Archivist, who will explain the use of the manual and online finding aids.
- Researchers are responsible for conducting their own research.
- The Reference Archivist will work with researchers regarding the reproduction of records.







Record holdings include:

- Minutes of City Council, bylaws, and agreements
- Decisions, documents, and policies of City Council, civic business units, and agencies
- Historical records of the civic administration
- Papers of the Mayors, Aldermen, and Councillors
- City Charters
- Records of civic functions, significant events and programs
- Biographies of important Calgarians, including past and present Mayors, Aldermen, Councillors and other City officials
- Records regarding the physical growth and development of The City, including the origins of street and place names
- Private records related to City of Calgary business and activities, including photographic collections from Bill Onions and Joe Lewko
- Records from the XV Olympic Winter Games
 - The City of Calgary is the first Olympic Host City to develop an archives collection which documents and preserves its Olympic history for all to research and enjoy
 - The City of Calgary Archives was named as the official repository for records relating to the Olympic Winter Games
 - The Olympic Collection includes documents from the XV Olympic Winter Games Organizing Committee (OCO'88) plus Olympic records from The City, private agencies, and individuals
 - The collection consists of written documents, agreements, correspondence, photographs, plans, posters, pamphlets, reports, artifacts, audiotapes, and original broadcast videotapes





The City of Calgary Archives

HOURS:

8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday – Friday (except statutory holidays)

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