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THE CITY OF CALGARY
CITY CLERK'S

RE: STAGGERED BILLING FOR GREEN CART PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

COUNCILLOR PETER DEMONG and COUNCILLOR SHANE KEATING

WHEREAS on 2016 September 19 Council directed Administration to withhold residential billing for Green Cart service until 2018 January 1 and draw up to \$13 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve to compensate for deferred revenue in 2017;

AND WHEREAS Council approved \$13 million from the Fiscal Stability Reserve, as part of the Action Plan 2015-2018 Mid-Cycle Adjustment process on 2017 November 21 to 23;

AND WHEREAS the amount that will be spent by the end of 2017 to cover the deferred Green Cart billing will be approximately \$10 million due to the revised program start date, leaving approximately \$3 million of the original FSR;

AND WHEREAS the length and amount of subsidy is not equitably allocated across the city as billing is scheduled to begin 2018 January 1 for all quadrants and residents in Southwest Calgary began receiving Green Cart service during the week of 2017 July 17, in Northwest Calgary during the week of 2017 August 14, in Northeast Calgary during the week of 2017 September 4 and in Southeast Calgary during the week of 2017 October 2;

AND WHEREAS if the billing start date were staggered to start in Southwest Calgary 2018 January 1, Northwest Calgary 2018 February 1, Northeast Calgary 2018 March 1 and Southeast Calgary 2018 April 1, the cost could be accommodated within the \$13 million FSR allocation approved by Council on November 21-23 2016;

AND WHEREAS Blue Cart service and billing were introduced on a quadrant by quadrant basis;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the estimated remaining balance of \$3 million from the FSR be allocated to Green Cart funding in 2018 to allow a staggered billing start date per quadrant and a more equitable subsidy across the city, and that Administration include this in the 2018 Budget Adjustment process in November 2017.

Signature of Member(s) of Council