

## **Civic Affairs Newsletter Report for November 2010**

**Art Matsui, Chairman**

Planning activity in October:

### **DP2010-3210 Stampede Expansion Zone 3.**

Civic Affairs has applied to appeal the approval of the Development Permit DP2010 and the appeal is scheduled for October 21. Thanks to all who wrote letters of support for our appeal to the Subdivision Appeal Board (SDAB) Due to newsletter deadline constraints please see [www.ramsaycommunity.ab.ca/civic/Stampede.html](http://www.ramsaycommunity.ab.ca/civic/Stampede.html) for the latest news and to see the issues that caused us to appeal.

**8<sup>th</sup> Street Rail Crossing.** There has been some discussion in the neighborhood lately regarding CP's plans for the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Rail Crossing. At September's general meeting, an Inglewood resident made claims of a promise by CP to Inglewood that the crossing would remain open permanently. CAC subsequently contacted the Inglewood development chair, Alderman Joe Ceci and City Transportation director Mac Logan and none can recall any meetings with CPR or provide documentation to substantiate the claim made by the Inglewood resident. The only information we have received from CP is "CP has a corporate understanding that the SE LRT may be 5 years out from 2010, ... the crossing would have to be closed at this point if it was not closed before..." They have also stated CP is undertaking a North America wide level crossing review in 2010 with the intent of closing crossings having significant safety or operational issues. We understand that it is CP's practice to deal directly with the municipality's road authority ('The City') in matters such as this; however, we feel strongly that Ramsay needs to be included considering we are most affected by the 8<sup>th</sup> Street crossing. Meetings could start as soon as early 2011; stay tuned for future developments.

The Civic Affairs Committee welcomes new members. Contact the Chairman at [vpexternal@ramsaycommunity.ab.ca](mailto:vpexternal@ramsaycommunity.ab.ca) for details of the Civic Affairs Terms of Reference, Volunteer Code of Conduct and reading list of planning documents of record. The community of Ramsay welcomes sustainable development that respects the history and emerging character of the neighbourhood, complies with the Area Redevelopment Plan and Bylaws, and will be a benefit to the people who live here.