NOTICE OF INTENT

Special Tax Levy: Enhanced Landscape Maintenance

Attention homeowners: This letter is to advise property owners in Royal Oak Estates that the Royal Oak Estates Homeowners Association wishes to continue with the Special Tax Levy for 2026 to support the community's Enhanced Landscape Maintenance (ELM) program. More information about the City of Calgary's ELM program can be found at Enhanced Landscape Maintenance (ELM) program (calgary.ca).

For 2026, the Special Tax Levy remains at **$225.11 per year** and will be added to your 2026 property tax bill. This is the same amount as in 2025 and an annual cost. All funds collected go directly back to your community and the ELM Program.

Led by the Royal Oak Estates Homeowners Association, the ELM program is a community initiative that provides a higher level of landscape maintenance services than what the City of Calgary provides. The Association is responsible for setting the Special Tax Levy rate, as well as managing the delivery of this program. The ELM program allows for more grass cutting, supplying and planting of flowers, shrub maintenance, bed weeding and watering within Royal Oak Estates. These enhancements are not possible without the Special Tax Levy. For further information on specific enhancements included in the Special Tax Levy, or to become involved in this initiative, please contact the Royal Oak Estates Homeowners Association's representative as info@roeha.ca.

This Special Tax Levy was established in 2011, at the request of the Royal Oak Estates Homeowners Association, after completing a successful community wide petition acquiring the support of two-thirds (66.7%) of property owners who wanted to invest in their local parks and open spaces. This community investment provides your community with well maintained and managed parks and open spaces along with positively impacting the image and economy of Calgary. As a property owner who is part of the Special Tax Levy in Royal Oak, you can initiate a petition to discontinue the levy. To review the petition process, please visit How to participate in the Enhanced Landscape Maintenance Program (calgary.ca).

For more information on the Special Tax Levy, please contact Community Parks Initiatives by email at ParksSTL@calgary.ca or by calling 311. Please note, The City of Calgary does not collect signatures or participate in the petition process, it only provides general information, petition packages, and validation of a petition.

Parks Special Tax Levy Homeowner's Assistance Pilot Program

The City of Calgary is piloting a program to help low-income homeowners offset the 2026 Parks Special Tax Levy. This levy funds enhanced landscape maintenance and snow and ice control in community public spaces. The program is available to homeowners who:

- are listed on the property land title, and
- are approved through the City's Fair Entry program.

Fair Entry is the City's application process that provides eligible low-income residents with access to certain programs and services at a reduced cost. Eligibility is based on residency, income, and in some cases, age.

If you are already registered with Fair Entry:
Email ParksSTL@calgary.ca for instructions on how to apply for the Parks Special Tax Levy subsidy.

If you are not currently registered with Fair Entry, there is still time to apply. To be considered for this pilot program:

- Submit your Fair Entry application by **November 10, 2025.**
- Once approved, email ParksSTL@calgary.ca to request the Parks Special Tax Levy subsidy application form.
- Submit your completed subsidy application and consent form by **November 30, 2025.**

Your truly,

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