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New Bylaw Updates Community Standards

AIRDRIE, ALBERTA –A new Community Standards Bylaw will establish and enforce minimum standards relating to the maintenance, appearance and upkeep of property in the City of Airdrie. The City, in concert with external agencies, is undertaking a review and drafting process to develop the new bylaw.

“The new Community Standards Bylaw will consolidate and improve upon key regulations from many existing City bylaws and address pressing needs and emerging issues that affect our City,” says Darryl Poburan, Manager of Municipal Enforcement, City of Airdrie.

The new Community Standards Bylaw addresses such issues as:

- Untidy and unsightly conditions on private property
- Outdoor storage on non-residential and residential property
- Exterior maintenance of buildings and fences
- Recreational vehicle parking on public roadways and private property
- Clearing of public sidewalks after snowfall
- Paving of front yard parking pads
- Non-residential and residential waste disposal, including sites under construction
- Open excavations and ponding water
- Noise control

“Bylaws such as the Community Standards Bylaw are becoming a norm in Alberta, with many mid to large size municipalities adopting similar legislation,” adds Poburan.

The City of Airdrie currently has a draft version of the Community Standards Bylaw available on www.airdre.ca. A public open house will be held on May, 2011 where the City will provide more information to the attending public and provide opportunities for input and feedback on this bylaw. Please stay tuned to the City’s website for more information and email community.standards@airdrie.ca with suggestions or comments.

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