

Melcor to Begin Development Behind Safeway

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Chestermere, AB – In Canada it is inevitable that with Spring comes construction season. This year that means that more development in the Chestermere Station area.

“Melcor has recently announced that they would like to move forward with construction on the lands behind Safeway” said Patricia Matthews, Mayor of Chestermere. “Our Town centre is expanding with more development and we are looking forward to receiving Melcor’s application.”

Melcor has not yet officially released their plans but they are currently working through the development permit process. While they are excited to move forward with the Chestermere Station area, the development means that the bike park behind Safeway will be closed.

Mayor Matthews explained that “in anticipation of the development planned for those lands, Melcor has asked us to close the bike park. It is a bit sad due to the popularity of the park but we are grateful that Melcor has generously allowed the use of lands for the bike park at no cost to the Town.”

In 2009, the Town and the YELL (Youth Encouraging Lasting Leadership) Council approached Melcor to ask if they could use the empty lands for a temporary bike park for the youth of Chestermere until the Developer was ready to begin construction on those lands. Melcor was happy to accommodate and a short time later, Melcor put up a fence, the Town placed signs and benches and the bike park quickly became a favourite spot for youth.

Melcor representative Graeme Melton said that they were pleased that the land was well used while waiting for development. While a new location has not yet been found, he said that “Melcor is interested in assisting in the search for a permanent location for bike park and is eager to assist YELL and the Town by working with the business community to fundraise for the project.”

However, as the park was only meant to be a short term project, Town representatives say that YELL, Council and interested community members will begin exploring possible homes for the bike park so that it can continue to serve the youth of our Town.

Anyone interested in assisting with the bike park project may contact that Town at 403-207-7050

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