

Fair Fares vs. Park 'n Ride

The success of [Fair Fares](#), a Vibrant Communities Calgary initiative that resulted in a discounted transit pass for low income people, may be whittled away in budget discussions by Calgary's new city council. The council is considering raising the cost of the pass.

"We know how crucial this pass is to many Low-Income Calgarians in providing transit to work and live", says Dan Meades of [Vibrant Communities Calgary](#). "The cost of the Low-Income Pass should be reduced, not increased, since we know that there are many who can't currently afford it. Additionally, there are thousands of Calgarians living in poverty who do not qualify for the Low-Income Transit Pass because of the unreasonably low cut-off line....If (city council is) cutting fees associated with transit (park n ride) then they should reduce the price of the Low Income Transit Pass."

New Calgary mayor Naheed Nanshi was sworn in with a platform that includes a [Better Idea: Calgary will reduce the number of people living in poverty and ensure opportunity for all](#).