



Village of Stirling
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 - 📎 Minutes - June 2026
 - 📎 Village of Stirling - Landfill Wood Waste Policy
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- 10.4 Chinook Arch Library Regional System (CARLS)
 - 📎 2027 Population Numbers For Chinook Arch Membership Fee
 - 📎 2027 Population Numbers
 - 📎 Board Report - August 2026
 - 📎 2026 Alberta Libraries Act
 - 📎 2026 Libraries Regulation
- 10.5 Canadians For Safe Technology
 - 📎 Request to submit comments regarding proposed changes to cell tower siting process
- 10.6 National Police Federation (NPF)

 Email

 Call to Action to the Government of Alberta 2026

11 Closed Session: Section 19 of the Access to Information Act, Statutes of Alberta, 2024, Chapter A-1.4 Privacy Act

11.1 Motion to Enter into Closed Session

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National Historic Site

Schedule A

COUNCIL MEETING - DELEGATION REQUEST FORM

Subject:

Notification & impact of developments of accessory building.

Summary:

Construction of large accessory building near residential homes without notification, impact to neighbors, size of building, no bylaw protection on home owners.

Submitted by:

Marianne Fox

Presented by:

Marianne Fox

Request of Village Council:

Review of accessory building dimensions for agriculture within Village of Stirling. Review notification process when a building is massive, consider impacts to residential land owners. Review bylaw & add dimensions.

Background:

Attachments:

I acknowledge that my presentation is limited to ten minutes and all materials provided or presented to Council become public records.

Contact Information

Name: Marianne Fox

Organization:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:



RIDGEUTILITIES

2025 Annual Report

*Village of Stirling Council
As Sole Shareholder
September 2, 2026*

2025 Account Growth

Goal was +16 net new accounts 14 /month in winter & +20 /month in summer.

Net after attrition was +17.7 / month average.



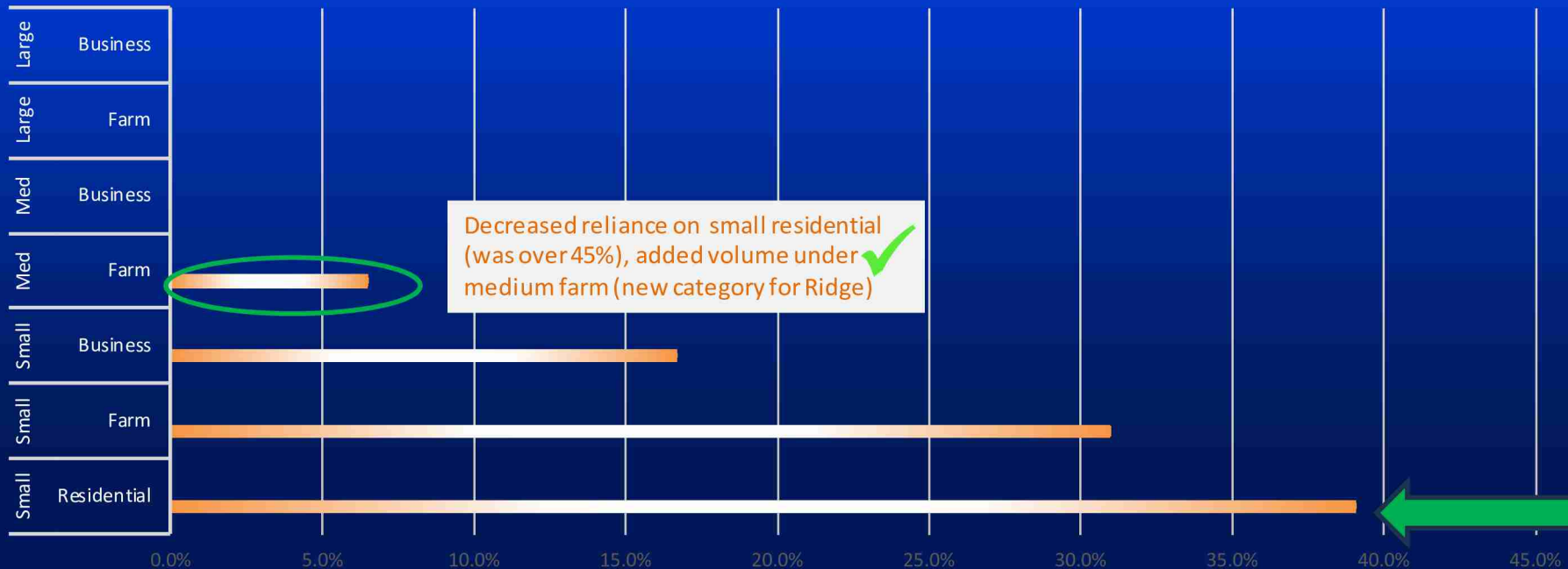
✓ 30% Growth vs 28% Target



RIDGEUTILITIES



2025 YE Account Mix



2025 Key Performance Indicators

Metric	2023 Ridge	2024 Ridge	2025 Ridge	UNet Network	Ridge Performance
Churn	0.86%	0.78%	0.72%	1.36%	Better, improved ✓
Bad Debt	0.07%	0.07%	0.05%	0.09%	Better, improved ✓
Revenue / Site	\$22.84	\$22.60	\$22.56	\$13.88	Better ✓
Solar Revenue / Site	\$48.05	\$33.10	\$31.81	\$16.75	Better ✓



RIDGEUTILITIES

Financial Snapshot

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Net Revenue	\$199,738	\$145,396	\$89,803	\$63,512
YoY Growth	✓ 37.4%	61.9%	41.4%	

**Revenue grew more than new accounts from improved margins*

2025 Debt Repayment

	YE 2025	YE 2024	YE 2023
Due to Stirling	✓ \$0	\$34,213	\$42,228

Village provided shareholder loan for initial start up costs including legal, prudential account and pre-revenue operational expenses, now fully repaid.

2025 Overpayment

	YE 2025	YE 2024	YE 2023
Due <u>from</u> Stirling	\$19,929	\$0	\$0

Ridge Utilities overpaid the Village in the prior year.
Can be resolved by JE in lieu of rent and admin payments
this year.

Prudential – YE 2025

AESO Prudentials

Supplier	No. of Sites	Usage	Usage UOM	Rate / Day	Days	Cost Based on Calc. Rate	Prudential Amount
AESO	610	619.3	MWh	\$ 44.56	31	\$ 27,596.01	\$ 27,596.01
AESO	613	620.13	MWh	\$ 63.25	31	\$ 39,223.22	\$ 13,074.41
GAS SUPPLIERS	307	2122.63	GJ	\$ 3.05	45	\$ 9,397.77	\$ 9,397.77
		3362.06		\$ 36.95	107	\$ 76,217.00	\$ 50,068.19 17%

Wire Territory Prudentials

Distribution Company	No. of Sites	Usage	Usage UOM	Rate / Day	Days	Calc Daily Wire Charges (TBF)	Prudential Amount
ATCO WIRES	16	16.78	MWh	\$ 6.37	45	\$ 78.16	\$ 4,809.99
BATTLE_RIVER_REA	1	1.25	MWh	\$ 4.50	45	\$ 3.98	\$ 253.13
CARDSTON	20	6.23	MWh	\$ 5.74	45	\$ 41.49	\$ 1,867.05
ENMAX WIRES	6	3.88	MWh	\$ 3.77	45	\$ 13.55	\$ 658.24
EPCOR WIRES	2	0.69	MWh	\$ 3.62	34	\$ 3.05	\$ 103.70
EQUUS_REA	2	1.97	MWh	\$ 5.62	45	\$ 15.39	\$ 692.55
FORTIS WIRES	449	515.16	MWh	\$ 4.88	37	\$ 3,301.17	\$ 122,143.29
LETHBRIDGE	117	74.17	MWh	\$ 4.38	45	\$ 334.16	\$ 15,037.20
ALTAGAS	6	53.6	GJ	\$ 0.47	45	\$ 15.12	\$ 1,133.64
ATCO GAS NORTH	2	23.8	GJ	\$ 0.40	45	\$ 6.50	\$ 428.40
ATCO GAS SOUTH	299	2045.3	GJ	\$ 0.31	45	\$ 466.60	\$ 28,531.94
	920	2742.83		\$ 3.64	43		\$ 175,659.13 58%

Hedged Rate Provider

Provider	No. of Sites	Total Usage	Usage UOM	% Market Share	Rate Term Days	Rate Value	Prud Allocation
UTILITYNET	553	16,050,184	kWh	2.87%	389,088	\$ 1,644,808.80	\$ 76,916.00
		16,050,184			389,088	\$ 1,644,808.80	\$ 76,916.00 25%

\$ 302,643.32 100%

Customer	\$ 112,000.00		\$ 112,000.00	31%
EM Cash	\$ 181,500.00			
EM L/C				
EM Receivable	\$ -		\$ 181,500.00	50%
UNET Financial	\$ -			
UNET Contrib.	\$ 60,000.00	16%	\$ 69,600.00	19%
Total Contribution			\$ 363,100.00	100%
Overage / (Shortfall)			\$ 60,456.68	20%

Prudential – YE 2025

	2023	2024	2025	Change
Customer Contribution	\$58,250	\$70,000	\$112,000	+\$42,000
Ridge Contribution*	\$89,000	\$154,000	\$181,500	+\$27,500
Utility Net Contribution	\$57,500	\$57,500	69,600	+\$12,100
Total Prudential Fund	\$204,750	\$281,500	\$363,100	+\$81,600

*Ridge contribution would be returned to the company in the event of a winding up of operations once all outstanding customer accounts are settled.

2025 Contract Performance Threshold

Time Period During The Term	Minimum Monthly Performance Threshold	Performance Period (Months)	Contract Period (Months)	Current Period	# Electricity Sites	Usage (kWh)	# Green Offset Sites	Green Offset Usage (kWh)	# Solar Club Sites	Solar Club Usage (kWh)	# Natural Gas Sites	Usage (GJ)	# Internet Sites	Current Performance	Shortfall
The beginning of month 0 to the end of month 6	\$ -														
The beginning of month 7 to the end of month 12	\$ 500.00														
The beginning of month 13 to the end of month 18	\$ 750.00														
The beginning of month 19 to the end of month 24	\$ 1,250.00														
The beginning of month 25 to the end of month 36	\$ 1,750.00														
The beginning of month 37 to the expiry date	\$ 2,000.00	62	62	202512	599	665,131.10	31	10,160.72	272	98,123.02	307	3,945.85	22	\$ 12,616.89	-



RIDGEUTILITIES



Village of Stirling

Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2026 - Regular Meeting of Council - 07:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Stirling was held in the Council Chambers, located at the Stirling Community Centre/Lions Hall at 409 - 2 Street, on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Scott Barton, Deputy Mayor Stacey Maynes, Councillors Justin Davis, Matthew Foss, and Nikole Norris

Senior Administrative Assistant, Aletta Lightfoot

1. Regular Council Meeting – Call Meeting to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

2026-209

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That the agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- Item 3: Stirling Lions Club: Citizen of the Month Award

Carried

3. Delegation

Council Davis arrived at 7:05 p.m.

3.1 Stirling Lions Club: Citizen of the Month

Sandra Nelson presented the Stirling Lions Club Citizen of the Month Award for August to Eliza Yawney.

4. Recognition

Council would like to recognize and express appreciation to all of the volunteers who generously donated their time with this year's Stirling Settler Days.

Council recognizes Eliza Yawney, the recipient of the Lions Club Citizen of the Month Award for August.

Council congratulates the South Chief Rockies Baseball Association's 10U, 12U, and 15U teams competed in their respective Provincial Championships last weekend, with the 10U team earning second place in the AA Provincials.

Council recognizes the Stirling Public Library, including its summer student staff, for their efforts in providing summer reading programs to the community.

5. Minutes

2026-210

5.1 Adoption of Council Minutes – July 15, 2026

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on July 15, 2026 be approved as presented.

Carried

5.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no new business arising from the approved minutes.

5.3 Motion Tracker

Council reviewed the Motion Tracker.

6. Financial Items

2026-211

6.1 Accounts Payable

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That accounts payable:

- Cheque #20260053 to Cheque #2026007
- EFT #20266678 to EFT #202666757

excepting Cheque #20260062, cheque # 20260071 and EFT #20266681, and EFT # 20266688, be approved.

Carried

2026-212

6.1.1 Accounts Payable: Cheque #20260062 and EFT #20266688

Moved By: Councillor Foss

That Cheque #20260062, and EFT #20266688, be approved.

Deputy Mayor Maynes abstained

Carried

2026-213

6.1.2 Accounts Payable: EFT #20266681

Moved By: Mayor Barton

That EFT #20266681 be approved.

Councillor Davis abstained

Carried

2026-214

6.2 Bank Reconciliation: June 2026

Moved By: Councillor Norris

That the Bank Reconciliation for June 2026 be approved.

Carried

2026-215

6.3 Budget Report

Moved By: Councillor Davis

That the Budget Report dated August 7, 2026 be accepted as information.

2026-216

7. CAO Report**Moved By:** Councillor Norris

That the CAO Report be accepted as information.

Carried

8. Council Committee Meeting Reports

Mayor Scott Barton:

- July 16 to 18 - Stirling Days
- July 17 - Meeting with the CAO - Internal Review Expectations
- July 23 - CAO Performance Evaluation Meeting and Bill 28 Briefing Note
- August 7 - Meeting with CAO, MAP Review and Performance Evaluation

Deputy Mayor Stacey Maynes:

- Stirling Settlers Days wrapped up
- Fall Festival will be Sept 19th
- Attended Chinook Arch Board meeting Aug 6

Councillor Justin Davis:

- Nothing to report

Councillor Matthew Foss:

- Stirling Library
 - Met with librarian
 - grant application accepted

Councillor Nikole Norris:

- Nothing to report

2026-217

9. Correspondence and Items for Information**Moved By:** Councillor Foss

That the following correspondence be accepted as information:

Carried

9.1 National Police Federation**9.2 Town of Pincher Creek****9.3 Ridge Regional Public Safety Services Commission (RRPSSC)**

2026-218

10. Council Highlights**Moved By:** Mayor Barton

To highlight the following from this Council Meeting for immediate public release:

- Save the date! The 17th annual Fall Festival is back! Saturday, September 19, 2026. Details to come!

Carried

11. Adjournment

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Maynes

That the agenda matters have been concluded and that the meeting be adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Carried

These minutes to be approved on the 2nd day of September 2026.

Mayor - Scott Barton

CAO - Scott Donselaar

Stirling Council Motion Tracker 2026

Number	Topic	Motion	Status	Details
2025-170	Motion from Closed Session	MOVED by Councillor Bikman to direct Administration to further explore feasible stormwater management options and engage with landowners to gather information as discussed during the Closed Session period, and report back to Council with an update.	In Progress	Working on options and proceeding.
2026-114	Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation Delegation	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Maynes that Council table the delegation discussion from the Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation to a September 2026 Council meeting, and direct Administration to gather additional information from AB Munis and surrounding municipalities for further consideration.	In Progress	
2026-134	Stirling Lions Club Delegation	MOVED by Councillor Norris that Administration proceed with the condition assessment as outlined in the Lions Club Presentation, to be undertaken by FWBA Architects in coordination with the Village's Public Works team, local electrical trades, and other specialists as required.	In Progress	Working with David Cocks on the evaluation.
2026-198	Organizational Review and Strategic Audit Initiative	MOVED by Councillor Davis WHEREAS Council of the Village of Stirling is committed to sound governance, continuous organizational improvement, and evidence-based strategic planning; and WHEREAS Council recognizes the importance of conducting a comprehensive organizational review to assess the Village's current capacity, performance, risks, opportunities, and long-term sustainability; and WHEREAS the Village of Stirling Strategic Planning Framework provides for the completion of both an External Audit and an Internal Audit to identify organizational strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) and to establish a foundation for future strategic direction; and WHEREAS the External Audit shall examine economic, social, demographic, environmental, political, legal, technological, and competitive factors affecting the Village and its operations; and WHEREAS the Internal Audit shall evaluate the Village's management, human resources, finance, operations, stakeholder relations, information systems, innovation capacity, and overall organizational effectiveness; and WHEREAS the results of the External and Internal Audits will be integrated into a SWOT Analysis and used to identify strategic issues, establish priorities, and establish Council's strategic planning process. NOW, THERE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. Council authorizes the completion of a comprehensive Organizational Review of the Village of Stirling, consisting of both an External Audit and an Internal Audit in accordance with the Village of Stirling Strategic Planning Framework. 2. Mayor Scott Barton and Chief Administrative Officer Scott Donselaar are hereby appointed as the responsible leads for coordinating, conducting, and overseeing the Organizational Review process. 3. The Organizational Review shall include: • An assessment of internal strengths and weaknesses across all major functional areas; and	In Progress	Currently being developed
2026-201	20260706 IDP Brief Package	MOVED by Deputy Mayor Maynes that Council accept the 20260706 IDP Briefing Package as information, and further direct Administration to coordinate with the County of Warner to schedule the Joint Use Planning Hearing.	In Progress	Shawn will have a date for the public hearing proposed on September 1st.
2026-202	Joint Use Planning Agreement with Westwind School Division	MOVED by Councillor Foss that Council direct Mayor Barton to sign the Joint Use Planning Agreement, as amended, with Westwind School Division, following approval and execution of the Agreement by Westwind School Division.	In Progress	Waiting on Westwind to sign and return.

** Motions to approve agendas, minutes, accounts payable or other purely administrative matters are excluded from the tracker.

VILLAGE OF STIRLING

Current Outstanding Items

2026-Aug-14
3:21:45PM

Ending Date: 2026-Jul-31

Bank Account Name: GENERAL

Bank Statement Balance: 855,893.26

Add Outstanding Deposits

Deposit Description	Batch #	Deposit Date	Amount
BANK DEPOSIT	38989	2026-07-31	1,743.35
DEBIT DEPOSIT	38989	2026-07-31	791.77
Total Deposits Outstanding			2,535.12
			2,535.12

Less Outstanding Cheques

Payee	Cheque #	Cheque Date	Amount
	20260055	2026-07-31	972.28
	20260056	2026-07-31	2,727.00
	20260057	2026-07-31	55.00
	20260058	2026-07-31	75.00
	20260059	2026-07-31	850.00
	20260060	2026-07-31	1,995.00
	20260061	2026-07-31	4,140.00
	20260062	2026-07-31	278.32
	20260054	2026-07-31	29,972.47
	20260063	2026-07-31	147.00
	20260064	2026-07-31	2,524.80
	20260065	2026-07-31	424.21
	20260046	2026-07-15	2,871.75
	20260052	2026-07-15	350.00
	20250060	2025-06-04	28.17
	20260029	2026-04-08	214.08
Total Outstanding Cheques			47,625.08
			(47,625.08)

And Adjustments

Net Outstanding Items:	(45,089.96)
Ending Bank Balance:	855,893.26
Total:	810,803.30
Bank GL Balance:	810,803.30
Unposted GL Adjustment Amount:	0.00
Total Bank GL Balance:	810,803.30
Difference between Bank GL Balance and Sum of Net Outstanding Items & Ending Bank balance:	\$0.00

*** End of Report ***

ATB Accounts - Balance as of July 31, 2026

Business - Chequing	\$ 855,893.26
Business - Public Sector Savings	\$ 308,389.07
Business - Public Sector Savings	\$ 479.42
Non-Redeemable GIC	\$ 228,457.46
 Total Deposits	 \$ 1,393,219.21

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11:07:52AM

General Ledger	Description	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 % Variance	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	2026 % Variance
Taxes Revenues							
1-00-00-100	TAXES-RESIDENTIAL (P/S)	1,485,252.00	1,460,579.32	98.33	1,524,464.27	1,511,287.08	99.13
1-00-00-105	TAXES-RESIDENTIAL (S/S)	9,268.39	8,945.88	96.52	9,664.86	10,662.92	110.32
1-00-00-110	TAXES-VAC RESIDENTIAL (S/S)	38,515.00	40,873.73	106.12	40,873.73	40,342.84	98.70
1-00-00-120	TAXES-COMM (LAND)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-121	TAXES-COMM (BLDGS)	30,813.31	32,538.78	105.59	32,282.12	33,769.59	104.60
1-00-00-130	TAXES-LINEAR (POWER-PIPE-TEL)	24,103.73	25,870.69	107.33	24,252.44	25,846.30	106.57
1-00-00-545	REVENUE - RIDGE OVERHEAD CHARGES	10,000.00	12,000.00	120.00	20,000.00	24,000.00	120.00
* TOTAL Taxes Revenues		1,597,952.43	1,580,808.40	98.93	1,651,537.42	1,645,908.73	99.66
Operating Grants Revenue							
1-00-00-731	GRANTS - FEDERAL (OPERATING)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-739	GRANTS - MSI CAPITAL (TO OPERATING)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-741	GRANTS - MSI (OPER) + MOST	288,034.00	288,034.00	100.00	288,034.00	288,034.00	100.00
1-00-00-746	GRANTS - PROV OTHER (OPERATING)	0.00	83,536.45	0.00	0.00	51,891.00	0.00
1-00-00-841	GRANTS - STEP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-842	GRANTS - INTERNSHIP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-843	GRANTS - CSJ & YCW	40,000.00	53,267.00	133.16	40,000.00	8,187.50	20.46
1-23-00-840	FIRE - GRANT (PROV)	0.00	1,700.00	0.00	0.00	11,858.00	0.00
1-23-00-850	EMER.SVC - COUNTY ICF FUNDING	25,000.00	25,000.00	100.00	30,000.00	0.00	0.00
1-32-00-840	STREETS-PROV GRANT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-42-00-840	SEWER-GRANTS (PROV)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-43-00-850	TRANSFER STATION-GRANTS (CO)	6,500.00	6,500.00	100.00	6,500.00	0.00	0.00
1-56-00-840	CEMETERY-GRANT PROV	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-00-840	REC-GRANTS-PROV	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-00-841	REC-GRANTS-FED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-00-850	REC-GRANTS-OPERATION (CO)	30,000.00	36,860.00	122.86	30,000.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-90-410	REC-GRANT AB HIST. FND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Operating Grants Revenue		389,534.00	499,897.45	128.33	394,534.00	359,970.50	91.24
Administrative Services Revenu							
1-12-00-415	ADM-MISC SALES	3,000.00	2,436.86	81.22	3,000.00	1,229.95	40.99
1-12-00-560	ADM-LAND RENTAL	1,000.00	510.00	51.00	1,000.00	390.00	39.00
1-12-00-510	ADM - A/R PENALTIES	1,000.00	1,751.51	175.15	1,000.00	775.04	77.50
1-12-00-425	ADM - DONATIONS	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00

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General Ledger	Description	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 % Variance	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	2026 % Variance
1-63-00-410	FCSS REV - UTIL	6,000.00	5,500.00	91.66	6,000.00	4,000.00	66.66
1-12-00-410	ADM-RIDGE DEBT REPAYMENT	10,000.00	34,213.00	342.13	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-510	REVENUE - TAX PENALTIES	30,000.00	36,773.07	122.57	30,000.00	26,148.29	87.16
1-00-00-542	REVENUE - GAS FRANCHISE	27,871.00	27,837.39	99.87	28,161.00	18,152.58	64.45
1-00-00-543	REVENUE-FORTIS FRANCHISE	62,049.00	61,760.39	99.53	64,099.00	41,173.46	64.23
1-00-00-550	REVENUE - BANK INTEREST	30,000.00	25,112.60	83.70	30,000.00	11,082.33	36.94
1-00-00-551	REVENUE - AAMDC DIVIDEND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-590	REVENUE - OTHER	0.00	873.16	0.00	0.00	80,596.19	0.00
1-12-00-400	ADM - INSURANCE	0.00	770.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-12-00-427	ADM - SCHOOL MODERNIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-12-60-410	ADMIN - AGENCY	6,400.00	8,800.00	137.50	800.00	800.00	100.00
1-72-20-541	REC - SCHOOL UTILITIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-97-00-600	TFR FROM RESERVES (GST)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-12-00-405	ADM - PAPER BILLING FEE	0.00	380.00	0.00	0.00	2,080.26	0.00
* TOTAL Administrative Services		177,420.00	206,717.98	116.51	164,060.00	186,468.10	113.66
Protective Service Revenue							
1-00-00-990	ADM - FINES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,290.00	0.00
1-23-00-410	EMER. SVC. - VEHICLES	50,000.00	40,285.00	80.57	50,000.00	64,370.00	128.74
1-23-00-412	EMER. SVC - CALLOUT REVENUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-23-00-415	EMER. SVC- FIRE DONATION	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-23-00-420	EMER. SVC - COURSE INSTRUCTION	5,000.00	9,022.40	180.44	6,000.00	0.00	0.00
1-23-00-841	FIRE - GRANTS OTHER	3,368.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-23-00-425	EMER. SVC - OTHER REVENUE	5,000.00	20,399.00	407.98	5,000.00	12,397.50	247.95
1-26-00-410	BYLAWS - FINES	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-26-00-520	ANIMAL-PERMITS/LICENSES	3,300.00	3,215.00	97.42	3,000.00	3,080.00	102.66
1-23-00-414	EMER. SVC - EQUIPMENT	0.00	11,691.42	0.00	0.00	17,959.25	0.00
* TOTAL Protective Service Reven		66,668.00	87,212.82	130.82	64,000.00	103,096.75	161.09
Operational Services Revenue							
1-31-00-200	SHOP-DISPOSAL CAPITAL ASSETS	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-31-00-410	SHOP-SALE OF SUPPLIES	0.00	11,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-31-00-960	SHOP-PW CUSTOM WORK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Operational Services Rev		0.00	16,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Environmental Services Revenue							
1-41-00-409	WATER DISCOUNTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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1-41-00-410	WATER-SALE OF SERVICES	270,000.00	266,954.51	98.87	270,000.00	161,928.06	59.97
1-41-00-411	WATER-SALE OF SERV. RURAL	115,000.00	125,782.33	109.37	115,000.00	74,229.08	64.54
1-41-00-412	WATER-CONNECTION FEES	3,000.00	3,714.86	123.82	3,000.00	2,108.43	70.28
1-41-00-415	WATER-SALE OF GOODS	48,000.00	51,564.62	107.42	48,000.00	35,545.95	74.05
1-41-00-510	WATER-PENALTIES	3,500.00	3,870.08	110.57	3,500.00	1,913.25	54.66
1-42-00-409	SEWER - DISCOUNTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-42-00-410	SEWER-SALES OF SERVICES	103,488.00	108,373.10	104.72	103,488.00	63,178.49	61.04
1-42-00-412	SEWER-CONNECTION FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-42-00-415	SEWER-SALE OF GOODS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,306.00	0.00
1-43-00-409	TRANSFER STN - DISCOUNTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-43-00-410	TRANSFER STATION-SALE OF SERV	104,000.00	107,349.74	103.22	104,000.00	63,312.39	60.87
1-41-00-413	WATER-RURAL METERS & PITS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-41-00-414	WATER - RESIDENTIAL METERS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-42-00-540	SEWER - SOLAR INCOME	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-42-00-411	LIFT STN/FORCEMAIN UPGRADE	42,336.00	41,579.78	98.21	42,336.00	24,522.60	57.92
* TOTAL Environmental Services R		689,324.00	709,189.02	102.88	689,324.00	432,044.25	62.68
Community Services Revenue							
1-56-00-410	CEMETERY-LOT SALES	5,000.00	(650.00)	(13.00)	4,000.00	9,750.00	243.75
1-56-00-411	CEM-OPENINGS & CLOSINGS & MISC	8,500.00	14,000.00	164.70	10,000.00	9,425.00	94.25
* TOTAL Community Services Reven		13,500.00	13,350.00	98.89	14,000.00	19,175.00	136.96
Development Services Revenues							
1-30-00-521	BLDG-DEVELOPMENT PERMITS	4,500.00	7,250.78	161.12	4,500.00	1,992.77	44.28
1-66-00-410	SUB-DIV LAND SALES	90,000.00	150,750.00	167.50	0.00	64,313.25	0.00
1-66-00-411	SUB-DIV - FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Development Services Rev		94,500.00	158,000.78	167.20	4,500.00	66,306.02	1,473.47
Recreational Services Revenue							
1-72-01-410	REC-CAMPING/REUNION CENTRE	10,000.00	10,303.12	103.03	8,500.00	7,382.50	86.85
1-72-10-410	REC - SWIM FEES	70,000.00	63,116.60	90.16	65,000.00	62,229.00	95.73
1-72-80-590	REC - COMMUNITY EVENTS REVENUE	0.00	22,085.20	0.00	0.00	12,595.00	0.00
1-72-00-200	REC - MUNICIPAL RESERVES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-00-410	REC - CONCESSION	20,000.00	24,720.15	123.60	22,000.00	27,274.08	123.97
1-72-01-560	REC - PARK FEES (REUNION CTR)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-72-80-410	REC - TOURISM REVENUE	0.00	1,725.00	0.00	0.00	3,300.00	0.00
1-72-90-770	REC - PROGRAM FEES	0.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	1,485.00	0.00

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1-72-30-410	REC - COMMUNITY CENTRE	4,500.00	11,215.00	249.22	5,000.00	6,920.00	138.40
1-72-00-420	REC - POOL - WHAT'S POP'N	28,000.00	35,707.46	127.52	30,000.00	35,910.57	119.70
1-72-10-420	REC - NLS COURSE	2,500.00	11,675.00	467.00	5,000.00	13,620.00	272.40
* TOTAL Recreational Services Re		135,000.00	180,577.53	133.76	135,500.00	170,716.15	125.99
** TOTAL OPERATIONAL REVENUE		3,163,898.43	3,451,753.98	109.10	3,117,455.42	2,983,685.50	95.71
Legislative Services							
2-11-00-110	COUNCIL - FEES & HONORARIUMS	15,000.00	16,354.70	109.03	20,000.00	13,737.00	68.68
2-11-00-130	COUNCIL - EMPLOYER CONTR	100.00	183.80	183.80	150.00	209.93	139.95
2-11-00-211	COUNCIL-COMMITTEE EXPENSE	3,000.00	6,380.62	212.68	3,000.00	1,130.79	37.69
2-11-00-212	COUNCIL - SEMINAR & CONVENTION	4,000.00	10,452.20	261.30	8,000.00	1,955.95	24.44
2-11-00-213	COUNCIL - MILEAGE	1,500.00	1,115.45	74.36	3,000.00	64.57	2.15
2-11-00-220	COUNCIL TRAVEL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-11-00-510	COUNCIL-OTHER EXPENSE	18,000.00	4,358.23	24.21	5,000.00	2,551.46	51.02
2-11-00-215	COUNCIL - LEGISLATIVE (RECRUITMENT)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Legislative Services		41,600.00	38,845.00	93.38	39,150.00	19,649.70	50.19
Administrative Services							
2-12-00-111	ADM-WAGES	245,000.00	253,225.86	103.35	250,000.00	170,152.41	68.06
2-12-00-112	ADM-STAFF	0.00	80.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-115	ADM-GROUNDS	0.00	1,196.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-130	ADM-EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	80,000.00	87,780.48	109.72	80,000.00	57,795.97	72.24
2-12-00-150	ADM-ELECT & CENSUS FEES	0.00	211.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-200	ADM-CONTRACTED ADMINISTRATION	15,000.00	16,539.00	110.26	20,000.00	9,668.50	48.34
2-12-00-211	ADM-TRAVELLING	3,000.00	4,027.02	134.23	4,000.00	1,346.87	33.67
2-12-00-215	ADM - BAD DEBTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-250	ADM-EQUIP REP & RENTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-251	ADM-BLDG REPAIRS	8,000.00	5,168.42	64.60	4,500.00	991.00	22.02
2-12-00-540	ADM-POWER	4,500.00	6,306.12	140.13	4,500.00	3,887.28	86.38
2-12-00-541	ADM-GAS HEATING	2,200.00	2,125.41	96.60	2,200.00	1,014.64	46.12
2-12-00-770	ADM-DEVELOPMENT & PROMO'S	11,500.00	9,850.04	85.65	11,500.00	5,266.82	45.79
2-12-00-810	ADM-BANK & INTEREST	5,500.00	20,464.68	372.08	8,500.00	7,105.16	83.59
2-12-01-215	ADM-TELEPHONE	8,500.00	8,237.76	96.91	8,500.00	4,572.00	53.78
2-12-02-215	ADM-POSTAGE & METER	4,500.00	4,761.42	105.80	4,500.00	1,889.00	41.97
2-12-11-220	ADM-ADVERTISING	1,500.00	579.10	38.60	1,000.00	171.00	17.10
2-12-12-220	ADM-ASSOC FEES	3,700.00	5,268.02	142.37	4,000.00	2,993.74	74.84
2-12-13-220	ADM-REG FEES (LTO-BYLAWS)	410.00	290.00	70.73	410.00	127.44	31.08
2-12-21-230	ADM-AUDIT FEES	10,000.00	11,533.70	115.33	12,000.00	0.00	0.00

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2-12-22-230	ADM-COMPUTER EXP	30,000.00	36,534.38	121.78	40,000.00	30,269.83	75.67
2-12-23-230	ADM-ENGINEERING FEES	15,000.00	11,370.29	75.80	15,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-25-230	ADM-LEGAL FEES	2,000.00	2,445.00	122.25	3,500.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-29-230	ADM- PROFESSIONAL FEES	2,000.00	440.00	22.00	2,000.00	2,874.79	143.73
2-12-30-300	ADM-ASSESSORS FEES	13,993.50	13,366.52	95.51	13,630.00	10,353.00	75.95
2-12-32-274	ADM-INSURANCE	70,000.00	67,626.00	96.60	71,000.00	68,546.00	96.54
2-12-44-200	ADM-JANITOR/GROUNDS CONTRACT	7,200.00	7,200.00	100.00	7,200.00	4,770.00	66.25
2-12-44-510	ADM-JANITOR GOODS	350.00	59.96	17.13	350.00	29.00	8.28
2-12-51-510	ADM-STAT & PRINTING	3,000.00	2,621.45	87.38	3,000.00	1,487.41	49.58
2-12-52-510	ADM-OFFICE SUPPLIES & EXP	2,000.00	3,043.64	152.18	2,000.00	931.45	46.57
2-12-05-215	ADM-EXP-FRT-COURIERS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-118	ADM-SEVERANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-764	ADM-TAXES WRITTEN OFF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-26-230	ADM - SERVICE CHRG/ PENALTIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-60-427	ADM - SCHOOL MODERNIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-60-410	ADMIN- AGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-00-510	ADMIN - SOLAR PANEL PYMTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-12-33-710	TRF TO RES - OPERATING - 40033710	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Administrative Services		548,853.50	582,352.41	106.10	573,290.00	386,243.31	67.37
Protective Services							
2-23-00-110	EMERG. SERV. - WAGES	0.00	18,925.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-130	EMERG. SERV.-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-210	EMERG. SERV.-PERSONAL GOODS	10,000.00	14,766.92	147.66	10,000.00	373.09	3.73
2-23-00-211	EMERG.SERV-TRAVEL/TRAINING	17,000.00	9,085.01	53.44	17,000.00	915.43	5.38
2-23-00-215	EMERG.SERV. - TELEPHONE & TECHNOLOGY	12,000.00	16,897.47	140.81	10,000.00	1,529.40	15.29
2-23-00-230	EMERG.SERV- FEES	330.00	2,070.00	627.27	2,030.00	46,901.77	2,310.43
2-23-00-251	EMERG.SERV.- BLDG. MAINTENANCE	2,500.00	6,332.66	253.30	5,000.00	10,425.35	208.50
2-23-00-510	EMERG.SERV.- GOODS	13,000.00	9,286.97	71.43	13,000.00	4,659.39	35.84
2-23-00-511	EMERG. SERV. - FIRST MED RESPONSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-212	EMERG.SERV.- MEDICAL SUPPLIES	2,000.00	5,687.40	284.37	2,000.00	2,985.93	149.29
2-23-00-520	EMERG.SERV.- RADIO EQUIPMENT	12,000.00	8,024.96	66.87	12,000.00	13,154.08	109.61
2-23-00-540	EMERG.SERV. - POWER	2,500.00	3,809.58	152.38	3,000.00	2,379.76	79.32
2-23-00-541	EMERG.SERV.- GAS	2,500.00	3,106.90	124.27	2,800.00	1,431.89	51.13
2-23-00-573	EMERG.SERV.-911 SERVICE	5,707.20	5,707.20	100.00	5,707.20	3,024.00	52.98
2-23-01-510	EMERG.SVC.- ENG 61-2007 ROSENBAUER	5,000.00	5,542.29	110.84	5,000.00	875.76	17.51
2-23-04-510	EMERG.SVC.- SIERRA 1 - 2020 GMC 3500	1,000.00	3,893.04	389.30	1,000.00	758.83	75.88
2-23-05-510	EMER.SVC - TENDER1-1999 INTL TANK 9400	2,500.00	1,993.66	79.74	2,500.00	2,907.80	116.31

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2-26-00-200	DOGS-CONTRACTED SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-26-00-511	DOGS-OTHER EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-26-50-200	BY-LAWS ENF-CONTRACTED	0.00	785.00	0.00	0.00	4,321.00	0.00
2-26-50-210	PEACE OFFICER - CONTRACTED	47,527.00	48,658.00	102.37	48,658.00	40,482.00	83.19
2-26-50-510	BY-LAWS ENFORCE-GOODS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.47	0.00
2-23-00-530	EMERG SERV - FUEL	5,000.00	4,914.89	98.29	5,000.00	2,271.26	45.42
2-23-00-770	EMERG.SERV.- FIRE BUSH TRUCK - LTD INT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-02-610	EMER.SVC - ENG 3 - 2019 RAM BRUSH	4,500.00	2,305.91	51.24	4,500.00	39.99	0.88
2-23-07-510	EMER.SVC - CR1 - 2015 FORD EXPEDITION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-21-00-770	POLICE - PROV POLICE FUNDING	68,811.00	0.00	0.00	76,520.16	58,827.00	76.87
2-23-08-510	EMER.SVC - ENG 62 - 2004 SPARTAN	4,000.00	2,837.83	70.94	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-36-710	TRF TO RES - FD CAPITAL 40036710	25,000.00	25,000.00	100.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-220	EMER SVC - COUNTY EMER RESPONSE REP	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-771	EMERG.SERV. - ENMAX SOLAR - LTD INT	516.92	405.01	78.35	0.00	248.08	0.00
2-23-09-510	EMER.SVC - SPU (STRUCTURAL PROTEC UNIT)	0.00	49,249.98	0.00	0.00	7,738.36	0.00
* TOTAL Protective Services		243,392.12	249,785.68	102.63	279,715.36	206,268.64	73.74
Operational Services							
2-31-00-110	SHOP - WAGES	342,796.01	338,070.01	98.62	319,640.00	225,137.07	70.43
2-31-00-115	SHOP - WEEKEND DUTY	24,000.00	22,519.54	93.83	25,000.00	16,223.34	64.89
2-31-00-130	SHOP - EMP CONTB	112,000.00	113,906.15	101.70	112,000.00	78,888.37	70.43
2-31-00-212	SHOP-SEMINARS & COURSES	15,000.00	11,235.86	74.90	15,000.00	3,753.31	25.02
2-31-00-215	SHOP-TELEPHONE	4,500.00	4,797.35	106.60	4,500.00	2,225.08	49.44
2-31-00-230	SHOP-PW-PROF SERVICE/ENGINEER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-251	SHOP-BLDG MAINT	2,000.00	3,387.05	169.35	2,000.00	39.99	1.99
2-31-00-273	SHOP-LICENSES (EQUIP)	250.00	508.64	203.45	300.00	90.00	30.00
2-31-00-510	SHOP-OPERATION/TOOLS	5,000.00	20,244.06	404.88	6,000.00	6,207.68	103.46
2-31-00-511	SHOP-CLOTHING ALLOWANCES	2,000.00	1,992.53	99.62	2,000.00	289.98	14.49
2-31-00-512	SHOP - OP BULK FUEL	22,500.00	22,852.18	101.56	20,000.00	11,737.15	58.68
2-31-00-540	SHOP-POWER	1,200.00	(64.34)	(5.36)	800.00	315.99	39.49
2-31-00-541	SHOP-HEATING GAS	4,200.00	4,754.05	113.19	4,200.00	2,148.23	51.14
2-31-00-216	SHOP-FRT-COURIER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-210	SHOP-CLEAN UP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-02-510	OP - UNIT 12-86 CASE TRACTOR	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-12-510	OP - 2013 GMC - JERRY'S OLD	2,000.00	10.48	0.52	2,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-22-510	OP - DNU SOLD - BOBCAT 2011 SR220	2,000.00	1,390.78	69.53	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-31-510	OP - DNU SOLD 2003 CHEV 3/4TON	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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2-31-41-510	OP - DNU SOLD 1993 INTL 8100 DUMP	0.00	3,432.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-43-510	OP - 2005 INTL 4300 EXT CAB DUMP	3,000.00	5,092.11	169.73	3,000.00	105.22	3.50
2-31-51-510	OP - 2009 GMC3500 - FLAT DECK	2,000.00	17.23	0.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-52-510	OP - DNU CAT GRADER 120H	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-61-510	OP - 76 FD 8000 SANDER	2,000.00	173.99	8.69	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-62-510	OP- SOLD - 2017 INTL 4300 GARBAGE TRUCK	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-72-510	OP - 2015 JD 410 BACKHOE	5,000.00	17,435.70	348.71	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-73-510	OP - 2017 BOBCAT MINI E35	500.00	335.85	67.17	2,000.00	1,700.31	85.01
2-31-81-510	OP- DNU SOLD JD 1445 - MOWER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-85-510	OP- JD 5203 TRASH MOWER	2,000.00	671.72	33.58	2,000.00	149.38	7.46
2-31-99-510	OP-MISC EQUIP	0.00	1,964.09	0.00	0.00	3,473.42	0.00
2-32-01-110	STREETS-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-130	STREETS-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-200	STREETS-CONTRACTED	18,000.00	675.00	3.75	14,000.00	8,515.00	60.82
2-32-01-510	STREETS-GOODS	14,000.00	7,822.25	55.87	14,000.00	744.11	5.31
2-32-01-511	STREETS-GRAVEL	10,000.00	14,183.02	141.83	10,000.00	188.18	1.88
2-32-01-512	STREETS-SUPPLIES	0.00	2,086.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-513	STREETS-OIL	26,000.00	98,518.79	378.91	26,000.00	3,303.68	12.70
2-32-01-520	STREETS-EQUIP RENTALS	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-540	STREETS-LIGHTING	40,000.00	50,327.94	125.81	40,000.00	34,111.29	85.27
2-31-35-510	OP - 2014 FORD - BRADY	1,000.00	49.99	4.99	500.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-831	SHOP - LTD INTEREST	664.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-831	STREETS - 3RD STREET PROJ - LTD INT	1,264.97	2,096.14	165.70	1,264.97	738.10	58.34
2-31-00-513	SHOP - STIRLING SAFETY PROGRAM	0.00	1,081.21	0.00	1,000.00	150.00	15.00
2-31-00-514	SHOP - STIRLING BUILDINGS MAINT	0.00	1,729.51	0.00	0.00	1,577.40	0.00
2-31-00-112	SHOP - WAGES - SUMMER EMPLOYMENT	50,000.00	76,869.50	153.73	50,000.00	70,539.51	141.07
2-31-01-510	OP - 2021 FORD XLT SHANE	250.00	158.46	63.38	250.00	197.51	79.00
2-31-01-610	OP - 2021 FORD XLT MASON	250.00	777.78	311.11	250.00	1,043.48	417.39
2-31-35-710	TRF TO RES - CAPITAL - 40035710	20,000.00	25,000.00	125.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-132	SHOP - EMP CONTB SUMMER EMPLOYEE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-111	SHOP - OVERTIME	30,000.00	13,340.19	44.46	30,000.00	9,817.48	32.72
2-31-00-840	SHOP - ENMAX SOLAR - LTD INT	585.81	458.98	78.34	585.81	281.15	47.99
2-42-00-840	SEWER - ENMAX SOLAR GRND MOUNT - LTD INT	7,946.28	6,253.90	78.70	7,946.28	5,521.78	69.48
2-31-00-515	SAFETY - PPE & EQUIPMENT	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	41.93	1.39
2-32-01-530	STREETS - SIDEWALK REHABILITATION	10,000.00	12,219.01	122.19	20,000.00	2,376.55	11.88
2-31-13-010	OP - 2024 HV607 PLOW TRUCK	5,000.00	1,807.75	36.15	4,000.00	1,816.08	45.40
2-31-13-510	OP - 2024 TERRAIN	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	375.98	150.39
2-31-83-510	OP - 2023 JD Z994R MOWER	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-84-510	OP - 2024 JD Z994 DIESEL MOWER	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	44.87	17.94

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2-31-01-710	OP - 2025 CHEV 3500	0.00	4,238.43	0.00	250.00	342.08	136.83
2-31-21-510	OP - 2025 S76 BOBCAT	0.00	1,863.05	0.00	250.00	621.13	248.45
2-31-86-510	OP - 2024 JD Z720E ZTRAK MOWER	0.00	4.54	0.00	250.00	54.48	21.79
2-31-02-010	OP - GATOR	0.00	1,096.10	0.00	2,500.00	31.45	1.25
* TOTAL Operational Services		794,407.31	897,385.19	112.96	788,237.06	494,917.74	62.79
Environmental Services							
2-41-00-300	WATER PURCHASES (R I D)	14,000.00	11,003.20	78.59	14,000.00	12,297.60	87.84
2-41-00-510	WATER-GOODS	9,500.00	8,599.87	90.52	9,500.00	12,137.43	127.76
2-41-00-512	WATER-RURAL WEST	5,000.00	1,002.03	20.04	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-513	WATER-RURAL EAST	3,000.00	260.58	8.68	3,000.00	4,409.71	146.99
2-41-00-531	WATER-CHEMICALS	800.00	432.06	54.00	800.00	403.84	50.48
2-41-00-831	WATER-DEB (INTEREST)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-960	WATER - ADMIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-05-540	WATER-POWER (NEW FILTER PLANT)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-06-540	WATER-POWER (BULK STATION)	3,500.00	4,374.44	124.98	3,500.00	3,722.03	106.34
2-41-13-541	WATER-GAS (NEW FILTER PLANT)	3,500.00	2,972.86	84.93	3,500.00	1,217.29	34.77
2-41-00-520	WATER-EQUIP RENTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-10-541	WATER-GAS (BULK STATION)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-110	WATER-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-130	WATER-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-200	WATER-CONTRACTED	230,000.00	240,389.96	104.51	230,000.00	115,451.63	50.19
2-41-00-215	WATER-TELEMETER & TELEPHONE	500.00	2,661.64	532.32	500.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-250	WATER-EQUIP MAINT	30,000.00	2,830.50	9.43	30,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-251	WATER-BLDG MAINT	500.00	555.80	111.16	500.00	206.15	41.23
2-42-00-110	SEWER-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-120	SEWER - LIFT STN WKND DUTY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-130	SEWER-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-200	SEWER-CONTRACTED	10,000.00	7,700.00	77.00	10,000.00	13,062.79	130.62
2-42-00-215	SEWER-TELEPHONE	500.00	2,033.03	406.60	1,200.00	1,340.72	111.72
2-42-00-250	SEWER-EQUIP MAINT	1,370.73	1,288.50	94.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-251	SEWER-BLDG MAINT	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-260	SEWER-LAGOON LEASE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,432.46	0.00
2-42-00-510	SEWER-GOODS	1,500.00	339.57	22.63	1,500.00	2,559.79	170.65
2-42-00-520	SEWER-EQUIP RENTALS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-531	SEWER-CHEMICALS	4,100.00	0.00	0.00	4,100.00	2,735.00	66.70
2-42-00-540	SEWER-POWER (LIFT STATION)	(65,000.00)	(60,303.49)	92.77	(65,000.00)	(32,221.07)	49.57
2-42-00-541	SEWER-GAS (LIFT STATION)	2,500.00	988.37	39.53	2,500.00	560.64	22.42
2-42-00-831	SEWER - LIFT STATION - LTD INT	35,864.92	894.12	2.49	30,016.67	0.00	0.00

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2-42-00-960	SEWER - ADMIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-43-00-110	TRANSFER STATION-WAGES	9,295.00	9,303.84	100.09	9,295.00	6,495.84	69.88
2-43-00-130	TRANSFER STATION-EMP CONTB	700.00	474.80	67.82	700.00	148.13	21.16
2-43-00-200	TRANSFER STATION-CONTRACTED	0.00	2,460.06	0.00	0.00	1,506.29	0.00
2-43-00-215	TRANSFER STATION-RAYMOND CONTRACT	54,600.00	51,405.00	94.14	54,600.00	24,924.00	45.64
2-43-00-510	TRANSFER STATION-GOODS	500.00	5,606.48	1,121.29	500.00	30.00	6.00
2-43-00-540	TRANSFER STATION-POWER	1,200.00	1,341.03	111.75	1,200.00	1,037.68	86.47
2-43-00-541	TRANSFER STATION-HEATING GAS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-43-00-770	TRANSFER STATION-WASTE MGR FEE	40,832.74	40,832.74	100.00	42,067.35	42,067.36	100.00
2-43-00-831	GARBAGE TRUCK - LOAN (INTEREST)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-43-00-765	TRANSFER STATION - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-37-710	TRF TO RES - RURAL WATER 40037710	3,780.00	3,780.00	100.00	3,780.00	0.00	0.00
2-43-34-710	TRF TO RES - TRUCK 40034710	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Environmental Services		402,543.39	343,226.99	85.26	402,259.02	219,525.31	54.57
Community Services							
2-51-00-770	F C S S - GRANT	10,356.00	76,815.04	741.74	10,558.08	66,460.00	629.47
2-56-00-110	CEMETERY-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-56-00-130	CEMETERY-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-56-00-200	CEMETERY-CONTRACTED	0.00	387.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-56-00-510	CEMETERY-GOODS	1,500.00	2,461.50	164.10	2,000.00	4,502.91	225.14
2-56-00-770	CEMETERY-GRANTS (CEM COMM)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-62-00-510	TOURISM & ECONOMIC DEVELOP. COMMITTEE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-62-00-511	COMM SERV - APPRECIATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-62-00-512	COMM SERV - MARKETING	6,000.00	2,333.75	38.89	6,000.00	4,400.00	73.33
2-62-00-771	COMM SERV-GRANTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-63-00-510	FCSS - BLDG MAINTENANCE	10,000.00	1,220.77	12.20	10,000.00	568.07	5.68
2-72-21-110	LIONS HALL - WAGES	0.00	1,552.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-21-130	LIONS HALL - EMP CONTB	0.00	99.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-63-00-541	FCSS - UTILITIES	5,100.00	551.68	10.81	5,100.00	1,047.24	20.53
* TOTAL Community Services		32,956.00	85,421.91	259.20	43,658.08	76,978.22	176.32
Development Services							
2-61-00-151	MPC - MAPPING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-61-00-211	MPC-OTHER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-61-00-511	MPC-PERMIT FEES	0.00	387.10	0.00	0.00	379.50	0.00
2-66-00-210	SUB-DIV-PERMIT FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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2-66-00-220	SUB-DIV-ADVERTISING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-66-00-490	SUB-DIV-LAND PUR/SALE FEES	90,000.00	172,204.18	191.33	0.00	3,950.12	0.00
2-66-00-492	SUB-DIV-LAND DEB (INT)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-66-01-750	REQ-OLDMAN RIVER PLANNING	39,966.60	32,941.84	82.42	39,966.60	22,010.19	55.07
* TOTAL Development Services		129,966.60	205,533.12	158.14	39,966.60	26,339.81	65.90
Recreational Services							
2-27-00-110	MOSQ-WAGES	3,000.00	3,120.00	104.00	3,120.00	2,040.00	65.38
2-27-00-130	MOSQ-EMP CONTB	600.00	534.42	89.07	600.00	351.49	58.58
2-27-00-200	MOSQ-CONTRACTED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-27-00-510	MOSQ-GOODS	6,000.00	2,218.50	36.97	7,000.00	150.01	2.14
2-27-00-520	MOSQ-EQUIP-PURCHASE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-28-00-110	WEEDS-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-28-00-130	WEEDS-EMPR CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-28-00-200	WEEDS-CONTRACTED	7,000.00	5,534.71	79.06	7,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-28-00-511	WEEDS-OTHER EXP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-01-110	PARKS-WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-01-130	PARKS-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-01-200	PARKS-CONTRACTED SERVICES	6,500.00	6,466.85	99.49	6,500.00	12,396.93	190.72
2-72-01-251	PARKS-MAINTENANCE	14,000.00	21,269.95	151.92	24,000.00	(21,742.79)	(90.59)
2-72-01-510	PARKS-GOODS	3,000.00	9,125.04	304.16	3,000.00	15,899.71	529.99
2-72-01-511	PARKS- CENTENNIAL	1,500.00	1,834.21	122.28	1,500.00	500.91	33.39
2-72-01-540	PARKS-POWER	5,500.00	10,949.63	199.08	10,000.00	5,980.51	59.80
2-72-01-541	PARKS-GAS	2,000.00	3,199.78	159.98	3,000.00	1,994.33	66.47
2-72-10-110	POOL-SUPERVISOR REC COORDINATOR WAGES	29,365.44	34,032.52	115.89	32,350.97	25,957.22	80.23
2-72-10-111	POOL-LIFE GUARD WAGES	80,000.00	101,010.43	126.26	85,000.00	80,725.05	94.97
2-72-10-130	POOL-EMP CONTB	12,000.00	19,384.42	161.53	14,000.00	16,057.49	114.69
2-72-10-200	POOL-CONTRACTS & FEES	7,000.00	5,487.75	78.39	7,000.00	4,662.13	66.60
2-72-10-215	POOL-TELEPHONE	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-10-240	POOL - EVENTS EXPENSES	2,000.00	1,457.55	72.87	2,000.00	2,512.43	125.62
2-72-10-251	POOL - MAINTENANCE	115,000.00	118,016.80	102.62	85,000.00	60,721.64	71.43
2-72-10-510	POOL - GOODS	8,500.00	15,872.82	186.73	10,000.00	35,889.06	358.89
2-72-10-511	POOL - CONCESSION EXPENSES	6,500.00	13,173.63	202.67	10,000.00	12,808.80	128.08
2-72-10-513	POOL - CHEMICALS	8,500.00	6,784.25	79.81	8,500.00	8,853.34	104.15
2-72-10-540	POOL-POWER	5,000.00	10,095.55	201.91	7,000.00	5,394.57	77.06
2-72-10-541	POOL - GAS	6,800.00	8,927.08	131.28	8,200.00	4,299.68	52.43
2-72-10-831	POOL - POOL LOAN - LTD INT	5,644.09	2,976.08	52.72	3,046.94	825.08	27.07
2-72-20-541	LIONS HALL- UTILITIES	9,000.00	13,958.06	155.08	11,000.00	8,319.00	75.62
2-72-80-510	REC - COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE	14,000.00	33,588.49	239.91	15,500.00	18,923.36	122.08

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2-72-90-110	REC-HISTORICAL WAGES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-90-130	HISTORICA-EMP CONTB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-90-510	REC-HIST(MICHEL) EXPENSES	2,000.00	2,026.94	101.34	17,000.00	175.70	1.03
2-72-90-511	REC-HIST(MICHEL) UTILITIES	3,000.00	3,202.89	106.76	3,000.00	2,557.71	85.25
2-72-90-610	REC-HIST/KIOSK EXPENSE	2,000.00	6,008.06	300.40	2,000.00	2,041.27	102.06
2-72-90-770	TOUR - MORMON TRAIL COMMITTEE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-00-764	REC-LTD INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-80-511	REC - FIREWORKS	8,000.00	7,647.62	95.59	8,000.00	7,647.62	95.59
2-72-21-772	LIONS HALL - ENMAX SOLAR - LTD INT	1,717.44	1,213.71	70.66	1,717.44	1,263.67	73.57
2-72-21-773	LIONS HALL - ENMAX SOLAR FCSS - LTD INT	614.04	575.20	93.67	614.04	352.33	57.37
2-72-10-512	POOL - WHATS POPPIN	10,000.00	20,535.49	205.35	15,000.00	21,394.60	142.63
2-72-20-510	LIONS HALL - BLDG MAINTENANCE	15,000.00	14,265.33	95.10	15,000.00	4,174.08	27.82
2-72-11-710	TRF TO RES - RECREATON 40040710	5,000.00	5,000.00	100.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Recreational Services		405,741.01	509,793.76	125.65	431,649.39	343,126.93	79.49
Library Expenses							
2-74-00-100	LIBRARY - REQUISTIONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,000.00	34,000.00	100.00
* TOTAL Library Expenses		0.00	0.00	0.00	34,000.00	34,000.00	100.00
Loan Payments Principal							
2-23-00-772	EMERG.SERV. - ENMAX SOLAR FH - PRINCIPAL	1,189.82	1,301.75	109.40	1,189.82	889.76	74.78
2-23-00-832	EMERG SERV - FIRE BRUSH TRCK - PRINCIPAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-841	SHOP - ENMAX SOLAR - PRINCIPAL	1,348.48	1,475.31	109.40	1,348.48	1,008.37	74.77
2-32-01-832	STREETS - 3RD ST PROJ - PRINCIPAL	12,185.03	0.00	0.00	12,185.03	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-832	SEWER- LIFT STATION - PRINCIPAL	39,427.20	0.00	0.00	17,947.97	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-841	SEWER - ENAMX SOLAR GRND MNT - PRINCIPAL	17,994.18	19,686.50	109.40	17,994.18	11,771.82	65.42
2-72-10-832	POOL - POOL LOAN - PRINCIPAL	13,528.00	0.00	0.00	6,539.28	0.00	0.00
2-72-21-774	LIONS HALL - ENMAX SOLAR - PRINCIPAL	1,689.88	382.92	22.65	1,689.88	234.56	13.88
2-72-21-775	LIONS HALL - ENMAX SOLAR FCS - PRINCIPAL	1,125.00	1,230.72	109.39	1,125.00	841.20	74.77
* TOTAL Loan Payments Principal		88,487.59	24,077.20	27.21	60,019.64	14,745.71	24.57
Requisitions							
2-80-03-750	REQ-PUBLIC SCHOOL	301,339.02	353,378.78	117.26	381,775.15	176,689.39	46.28
2-80-04-750	REQ-SEPARATE SCHOOL	7,682.48	9,268.39	120.64	9,664.86	0.00	0.00

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General Ledger	Description	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 % Variance	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	2026 % Variance
2-80-07-750	REQ-SENIORS FDN	33,000.00	31,786.68	96.32	33,593.96	44,152.04	131.42
2-80-01-750	REQ-DESIGNED INDUSTRIAL	85.01	0.00	0.00	80.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Requisitions		342,106.51	394,433.85	115.30	425,113.97	220,841.43	51.95
** TOTAL OPERATIONAL EXPENSES		3,030,054.03	3,330,855.11	109.93	3,117,059.12	2,042,636.80	65.53
*** OPERATIONAL SURPLUS / DEFICIT		(133,844.40)	(120,898.87)	90.33	(396.30)	(941,048.70)	237,458.67
Capital Grants Revenue							
1-00-00-730	ATB LOAN PROCEEDS	549,888.00	600,000.00	109.11	504,413.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-740	GRANTS - MSI (CAPITAL)	428,130.00	428,130.00	100.00	390,667.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-742	GRANTS - FGTF/NDCC	76,046.00	117,811.00	154.92	120,697.00	120,697.00	100.00
1-00-00-743	GRANTS - OTHER COMM. GRANTS	0.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-744	GRANTS - BMTG (FORMERLY SIP)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-745	GRANTS - ACP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1-00-00-747	GRANTS - PROV OTHER (CAPITAL)	2,144,436.00	441,822.39	20.60	2,508,223.00	145,697.58	5.80
* TOTAL Capital Grants Revenue		3,198,500.00	1,592,263.39	49.78	3,524,000.00	266,394.58	7.56
Amortization							
2-12-00-765	ADM -AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-765	PROT SERV - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-765	OP SERVICES - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-765	STREETS - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-765	WATER - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-42-00-765	SEWER - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-01-765	LEISURE SERVICES - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-10-764	Pool Amortization	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-74-00-765	COMMUNITY SERV - AMORTIZATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Amortization		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Acquisitions							
2-12-00-762	ADM-TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-23-00-762	EMERG.SERV.-TFRS TO CAPITAL	141,000.00	158,457.86	112.38	15,000.00	0.00	0.00
2-31-00-762	SHOP-TFRS TO CAPITAL	117,500.00	162,186.11	138.03	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-32-01-762	STREETS-TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-41-00-762	WATER-TFRS TO CAPITAL	3,020,000.00	209,465.35	6.93	0.00	449,789.75	0.00
2-42-00-762	SEWER-TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	715,149.64	0.00	3,509,000.00	1,711.70	0.04
2-43-00-762	TRANSFER STATION-TRFS TO CAP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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General Ledger	Description	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 % Variance	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	2026 % Variance
2-56-00-762	CEMETERY-TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-66-00-200	SUB-DIV-CONTRACTED	0.00	14,089.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-01-762	PARKS-TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-10-762	POOL - TFRS TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-20-762	LIONS HALL - TRANSFER TO CAPITAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-72-90-762	REC - HIST - TRFS TO CAP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2-66-00-762	SUB-DIV-TFRS TO CAP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
* TOTAL Capital Acquisitions		3,278,500.00	1,259,348.21	38.41	3,524,000.00	451,501.45	12.81
**** TOTAL REV OVER EXP		(53,844.40)	(453,814.05)	842.82	(396.30)	(755,941.83)	190,749.89

*** End of Report ***



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: # Municipally Controlled Corporation – Annual Financial Statements

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	Celebrate Community:  Engagement & Pride 	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
 Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Section 75.2 (1) of Alberta’s Municipal Government Act states that “The council of each municipality that controls a corporation must ensure that the controlled corporation submits to the council the annual financial statements referred to in section 279 and any other reports prescribed by the regulations.”

Subsection (2) further states “A council must make available for public inspection the annual financial statements and any other reports that it receives from a controlled corporation under subsection (1).”

The Board of Directors of Ridge Utilities reviewed and approved unaudited interim financial statements for the 2025 fiscal year at an Annual General Meeting of the Board held on Wednesday, April 20, 2026. The final version of these financial statements and an annual report are provided as required by the Act.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that Council receive the submitted 2025 annual financial statements provided by Ridge Utilities Ltd. as information.

Proposed Motion(s):

Moved by Councillor _____ that Council receive the 2025 annual financial statements submitted by Ridge Utilities Ltd. as information in compliance with Section 75.2 (1) of Alberta’s Municipal Government Act with respect to municipally controlled corporations. Further moved that Council also accept the accompanying operations report of the corporation as information.

Ridge Utilities Ltd.

Financial Information
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December 31, 2025

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COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

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To: The directors of
Ridge Utilities Ltd.

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the balance sheet of Ridge Utilities Ltd. as at December 31, 2025, the statement of income and retained earnings for the year then ended, and note 1, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information ("financial information").

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

We performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, Compilation Engagements, which requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements. Our responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

We did not perform an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor were we required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

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COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT, continued

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.

Lethbridge, Alberta
August 6, 2026

Bridge LLP
Bridge LLP
Chartered Professional Accountants

Ridge Utilities Ltd.
Balance Sheet
As at December 31, 2025
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	2025	2024
<u>Assets</u>		
Current		
Cash	\$ 94,332	\$ 20,670
Accounts receivable	11,931	14,823
	106,263	35,493
Prudential Requirements (note 2)	353,100	286,500
Due from related party (note 3)	19,929	-
	\$ 479,292	\$ 321,993
<u>Liabilities and shareholder's equity</u>		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 375
GST payable	10,458	5,161
Income taxes payable	17,157	9,098
	27,615	14,634
Long-term liabilities		
Due to related party	-	34,213
Long-term debt (note 4)	181,600	127,500
	209,215	176,347
<u>Shareholder's equity</u>		
Share capital	100	100
Retained earnings (note 5)	269,977	145,546
	270,077	145,646
	\$ 479,292	\$ 321,993

Approved

Director _____

Director _____

See accompanying notes

Ridge Utilities Ltd.
Statement of Income and Retained Earnings
For the year ended December 31, 2025
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	2025	2024
Revenue	\$ 199,738	\$ 145,396
Expenses		
Advertising and promotion	30,725	47,265
Bad debts	345	660
Interest and bank charges	7,379	5,150
Meals and entertainment	190	461
Memberships	2,083	2,083
Office	12,495	297
Professional fees	1,400	2,062
Rent	4,000	4,000
Travel and automotive	1,041	1,280
	59,658	63,258
Income before income taxes	140,080	82,138
Income taxes	15,649	9,098
Net income	124,431	73,040
Retained earnings, beginning of year	145,546	72,506
Retained earnings, end of year	\$ 269,977	\$ 145,546

See accompanying notes

1. Basis of accounting

Recognition and measurement

The basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the balance sheet of Ridge Utilities Ltd. as at December 31, 2025 and the statement of income and retained earnings for the year then ended is on the historical cost basis and reflects cash transactions with the addition of the following:

Utility revenue
Long term debt
accounts payable and accrued liabilities
current income taxes payable as at the reporting date
accounts receivable

Balance sheet classification

Assets and liabilities are segregated between current and non-current. Current assets include those assets ordinarily realizable within one year from the date of the balance sheet. Current liabilities include amounts payable within one year from the date of the balance sheet and amounts received or due from customers or clients with respect to goods to be delivered or services to be performed within one year from the date of the balance sheet, if not offset against a related asset.

2. Prudential requirements

	2025	2024
AESO prudentials	\$ 27,596	\$ 14,055
AESO prudentials	13,074	7,000
Gas suppliers prudentials	9,398	6,171
ATCO wire territory/distributor prudentials	4,810	4,074
ENMAX wire territory/distributor prudentials	658	448
Fortis wire territory/distributor prudentials	122,143	82,747
Lethbridge wire territory/distributor prudentials	15,037	14,259
ALTA Gas wire territory/distributor prudentials	1,134	1,125
ATCO Gas South territory/distributor prudentials	28,532	27,677
Overage/(Shortfall)	60,457	35,346
Epcor wire territory/distributor prudentials	104	174
ATCO Gas North territory/distributor prudentials	428	143
Battle Rive territory/distributor prudentials	253	297
Hedged rate provider-Utility Net/distributor prude	76,916	87,400
Cardston territory/distributor prudentials	1,867	584
Equs	693	-
Utility net	(10,000)	5,000
Total Prudential Requirements	\$ 353,100	\$ 286,500

3. Due from/to related party

(a) Due from related party

	2025	2024
Due from/(to) Village of Stirling	\$ 19,929	\$ -

3. **Due from/to related party, continued**

The balances due from the related party is unsecured, non-interest bearing with no specific terms of repayment.

(b) Advances from related party

	2025	2024
Due from/(to) Village of Stirling	\$ -	\$ 34,213
Estimated principal repayments are as follows:		
	\$ -	

4. **Long-term debt**

	2025	2024
Utility net financing, no specific term of repayment	\$ 69,600	\$ 57,500
Customer line of credit, no specific term of repayment	112,000	70,000
Due beyond one year	\$ 181,600	\$ 127,500

5. **Retained earnings**

	2025	2024
Unrestricted retained earnings	\$ 88,577	\$ (8,354)
Restricted retained earnings (portion of prudential requirements)	181,500	154,000
Total retained earnings	\$ 270,077	\$ 145,646

Ridge Utilities Ltd. contributed \$181,500 towards prudential requirements (See Note #2). These prudential requirements are refundable if necessary, thus have been classified as equity.



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: **Ridge Utilities Ltd. – Resolution of the Sole Shareholder**

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
 Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

The Village of Stirling (a municipal corporation under the Municipal Government Act) is the sole shareholder in Ridge Utilities Ltd. (a municipally controlled corporation under the Business Corporations Act).

A number of corporate matters including: confirmation of corporate acts, nomination of directors and dispensing with appointment of the auditor require a resolution from the shareholder.

Bylaw #1 of Ridge Utilities Ltd. specifies that the Board of Directors of the municipally controlled corporation shall consist of a minimum of 2 and maximum of 4 directors who are selected from members of the Village of Stirling Council. The Board shall consist of a minimum of 3 and maximum of 7 directors but has currently been set at 6. (A resolution of the sole shareholder is required if this number is to be changed.) A further constraint in the bylaw also requires that a minimum of 3 directors must be residents of the Village.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the sole shareholder resolution as provided.

Proposed Motion(s):

Moved by Councillor _____ that Council, acting in its capacity as the sole shareholder of Ridge Utilities Ltd. (a municipally controlled corporation) approve the Resolution of the Sole Shareholder as proposed and ratify the appointment of the Board of Directors contained therein. Further moved that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor be authorized to sign the same.



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: Bylaw 586-26 Amending Bylaw 490-20 Intermunicipal Development Plan

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	 Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	 Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Council has before them the Bylaw which provides changes to the Confined feeding operations, per the map attached. This change would permit the current chicken farm to relocate to an area northeast of their present location and allow for their future growth and development. This information was presented to the IDP Committee in July, which Mayor Barton attended. As Council did not have any concerns related to the change the Oldman River Regional Services Commission crafted an amending bylaw for the requested changes. The County of Warner provided first reading to their Bylaw on August 11, 2026 (Attached for reference).

As this Bylaw requires a public hearing prior to second and third readings Administration would also suggest Council set a public hearing date.

Recommendation:

That Council provide first reading to Bylaw 586-26 Amending Bylaw 490-20 Intermunicipal Development Plan and through separate motion provide for a date of a public hearing on the proposed amendment.

Proposed Motion(s):

Moved by _____ to give first reading to Bylaw 586-26 Amending Bylaw 490-20 Intermunicipal Development Plan

Moved by _____ to set a public hearing for _____ to be held at 7:00 pm, at _____ and further direct Administration to advertise and provide notifications as required by legislation.

**VILLAGE OF STIRLING
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
BYLAW NO. 586-26**

BEING a bylaw of the Village of Stirling in the Province of Alberta, to amend Bylaw No. 490-20, being the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan.

WHEREAS the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling have received an application to amend the joint Intermunicipal Development Plan to remove portions of land located east of Highway 4 in portions of Section 28 and 33 6-19-W4M from the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area as illustrated on Map 5.

AND WHEREAS agricultural operators with an established presence in the region are seeking to expand and improve their existing poultry Confined Feeding Operation (CFO), located at SW 33-6-19-W4, onto lands located east of Highway 4 as the prevailing wind patterns in the area, predominantly from the west, reduce the likelihood of odour or operational impacts affecting the Village.

AND WHEREAS both the Councils of the County of Warner No. 5 and the Village of Stirling agree that it may be of mutual benefit to modify the CFO Exclusion Area in a uniform and consistent manner, using Highway 4 as the defining boundary.

AND WHEREAS each municipality must prepare a corresponding bylaw and provide for its consideration at a public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and subject to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 as amended, the Council of the Village of Stirling duly assembled hereby enacts the following:

1. Council shall amend the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan in consultation and as agreed to with the County of Warner No. 5.
2. Map 5 illustrating the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area of the plan shall be amended to remove all those lands located east of Highway 4 from the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area (as attached).
3. Bylaw No. 490-20 being the County of Warner No. 5 (Bylaw No. 959-20) and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan, is hereby amended.
4. This bylaw shall come into effect upon third and final reading thereof.

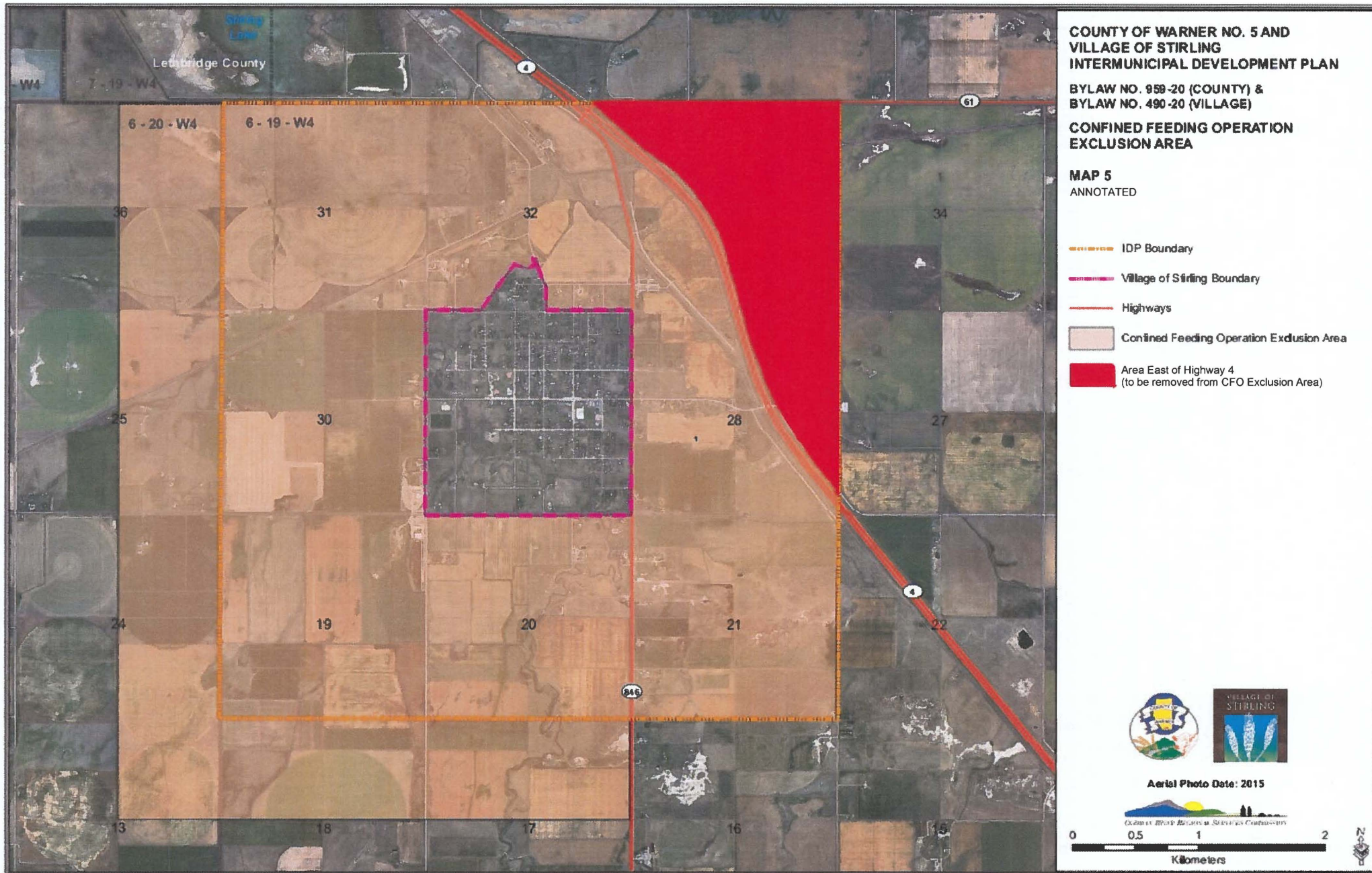
READ a **first** time this _____ day of _____, 2026.

READ a **second** time this _____ day of _____, 2026.

READ a **third** time and passed this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor – Scott Barton

Chief Administrative Officer – Scott Donselaar



**COUNTY OF WARNER
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
BYLAW NO. 1015-26**

BEING a bylaw of the County of Warner No. 5 in the Province of Alberta, to amend Bylaw No. 959-20, being the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan.

WHEREAS the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling have received an application to amend the joint Intermunicipal Development Plan to remove portions of land located east of Highway 4 in portions of Section 28 and 33 6-19-W4M as part of the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area as illustrated on Map 5.

AND WHEREAS agricultural operators with an established presence in the region are seeking to expand and improve their existing poultry Confined Feeding Operation (CFO), located at SW 33-6-19-W4, onto lands located east of Highway 4 as the prevailing wind patterns in the area, predominantly from the west, reduce the likelihood of odour or operational impacts affecting the Village.

AND WHEREAS both the Councils of the County of Warner No. 5 and the Village of Stirling agree that it may be of mutual benefit to modify the CFO Exclusion Area in a uniform and consistent manner, using Highway 4 as the defining boundary.

AND WHEREAS each municipality must prepare a corresponding bylaw and provide for its consideration at a public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and subject to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 as amended, the Council of the County of Warner No. 5 duly assembled hereby enacts the following:

1. Council shall amend the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan in consultation and as agreed to with the Village of Stirling.
2. Map 5 illustrating the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area of the plan shall be amended to remove all those lands located east of Highway 4 as forming part of the Confined Feeding Operation Exclusion Area (as attached).
3. Bylaw No. 959-20 being the County of Warner No. 5 and Village of Stirling (Bylaw No. 490-20) Intermunicipal Development Plan and any amendments thereto, is hereby amended.
4. This bylaw shall come into effect upon third and final reading thereof.

READ a **first** time this 11th day of August , 2026.

READ a **second** time this _____ day of _____, 2026.

READ a **third** time and passed this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Reeve – Randy Taylor

CAO – Shawn Hathaway



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: Subdivision Referral 2026-0-115

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	 Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Administration has added a subdivision referral from the County of Warner for a parcel located on Highway 52. The parcel is midway between the Town of Raymond and the access to Highway 846 and does not pose any impact on the Village of Stirling or any future growth pattern for the Village.

Administration's only consideration would be should we need an easement in place for our rural waterline infrastructure, that it be done and registered on the subdivided parcel as well.

Recommendation:

Administration would note the only recommendation would be to advise the Oldman River Regional Services Commission that we require an easement for our rural water infrastructure in the form as found in the applicant's rural water agreement.

Proposed Motion(s):

Moved by _____ to direct administration to communicate with the Oldman River Regional Services Commission that we require an easement for our rural water infrastructure in the form as found in the applicant's rural water agreement.



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION

DATE: August 19, 2026

Date of Receipt:

July 16, 2026

Date of Completeness:

July 22, 2026

TO: Landowner: Jonathan Hofer
Agent: Glen Hofer
Surveyor: Randall C. Smith, A.L.S.

Referral Agencies: County of Warner No. 5, Village of Stirling, Holy Spirit RC School Division, Westwind School Division No. 74, AltaLink, FortisAlberta, TELUS, Triple W Natural Gas Co-op Ltd., AB Health Services - South Zone, AB Environment & Protected Areas - J. Cayford, AB Transportation, AER, Canada Post

Adjacent Landowners: East Raymond Hutterian Brethren, Glen J. & Charlene F. Hofer, Brent G. Hofer, Robert Grbavac, Thomas & Marlene Hofer

Planning Advisor: Steve Harty 

The Oldman River Regional Services Commission (ORRSC) is in receipt of the following subdivision application which is being processed on behalf of the County of Warner No. 5. This letter serves as the formal notice that the submitted application has been determined to be complete for the purpose of processing.

In accordance with the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation, if you wish to make comments respecting the proposed subdivision, please submit them via email or mail no later than **September 7, 2026**. (Please quote our File No. 2026-0-115 in any correspondence with this office).

File No: 2026-0-115
Legal Description: NW1/4 12-6-20-W4M
Civic Address: 61041 Range Road 20-1
Municipality: County of Warner No. 5
Land Designation: Extensive Agriculture - AG
(Zoning)
Existing Use: Agricultural
Proposed Use: Country Residential
of Lots Created: 1
Certificate of Title: 931 153 427



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Proposal: To create a 2.84-acre (1.15 ha) parcel from an agricultural title of 78.96-acres (31.95 ha), for country residential use.

Planner's Preliminary Comments:

The purpose of this application is to create a 2.84-acre (1.15 ha) parcel from an agricultural title of 78.96-acres (31.95 ha), for country residential use. The parcel is located 2-miles east of the Town of Raymond, and immediately south of Highway 52.

The proposed parcel to be subdivided presently contains a yard. The yard is comprised of a dwelling, shop building, grain bins and some tree stands. The proposed parcel is rectangular in shape and includes a pan-handle on the south side (over 12m in width) to capture a driveway that extends to the west municipal road allowance to provide the physical access. The yard is setback approximately 176m to the east from the roadway. For servicing, the applicant indicates that the existing dwelling obtains water through the rural water line from Stirling that feeds into a cistern. An on-site individual sewage subsurface treatment field is used for septic servicing and it will remain within the confines of the lot once subdivided.

There are no abandoned gas wells or confined feeding operations (CFO) located in proximity of this proposal. The land is not located in an area identified by the province as having a Historical Resource Value or any wetlands as being present.

The application is eligible for subdivision consideration as a country residential subdivision from an agricultural parcel that will exceed 70-acres in size on the remnant title. The proposal complies with the criteria of the County of Warner's Land Use Bylaw and the parcel size exceeds the minimum 2.0-acre requirements. In rendering a decision on this application, the Subdivision Authority is hereby requested to consider the following:

- Any outstanding property taxes shall be paid to the County of Warner.
- The applicant or owner or both enter into a Development Agreement with the County of Warner, if required.
- That the applicant submits a final plan as prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor that certifies the exact location and dimensions of the parcel being subdivided as approved, acceptable for registration at Land Titles.
- That the applicant is responsible for meeting any conditions or requirements of Alberta Transportation with respect to the proximity to Highway 52.
- That any easement(s) as required by utility companies, or the municipality shall be established if deemed necessary.
- Consideration of referral agencies' comments and any requirements.



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RESERVE:

Municipal Reserve is applicable in accordance with section 663 of the MGA. The 10% Reserve is to be provided as a cash-in-lieu of land payment based on the reserve policy established at \$1,000 per acre.

If you wish to make a presentation at the subdivision authority meeting, please notify the County of Warner No. 5 Municipal Administrator as soon as possible.

Submissions received become part of the subdivision file which is available to the applicant and will be considered by the subdivision authority at a public meeting.



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**APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION
RURAL MUNICIPALITY**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Zoning (as classified under the Land Use Bylaw): <u>Extensive Agriculture - AG</u>	
Fee Submitted: <u>\$1500.00</u>	File No: <u>2026-0-115</u>
APPLICATION SUBMISSION	
Date of Receipt: <u>July 16, 2026</u>	Received By: <u>SM</u>
Date Deemed Complete: <u>July 22, 2026</u>	Accepted By: <u>SH</u>

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Registered Owner of Land to be Subdivided: JONATHAN DALE HOFER
Mailing Address: _____ City/Town: _____
Postal Code: _____ Telephone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____
Name of Agent (Person Authorized to act on behalf of Registered Owner): _____ Preferred Method of Correspondence: Email ☒ Mail ☐
Mailing Address: _____ City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____
Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____ Preferred Method of Correspondence: Email ☐ Mail ☒
Name of Surveyor: Wilde Bros Survey Ltd
Mailing Address: 43 North Broadway S City/Town: Raymond
Postal Code: T0K 2S0 Telephone: 403.752.0180 Cell: _____ Preferred Method of Correspondence: Email ☐ Mail ☐

2. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

- a. All/part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 12 Township 6 Range 20 West of 4 Meridian (e.g. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 36-1-36-W4M)
- b. Being all/part of: Lot/Unit _____ Block _____ Plan _____
- c. Total area of existing parcel of land (to be subdivided) is: _____ hectares 80 acres
- d. Total number of lots to be created: 1 Size of Lot(s): 3 acres
- e. Rural Address (if applicable): _____
- f. Certificate of Title No.(s): _____

3. LOCATION OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

- a. The land is located in the municipality of WARVER
- b. Is the land situated immediately adjacent to the municipal boundary? Yes ☐ No ☒
If "yes", the adjoining municipality is _____
- c. Is the land situated within 1.6 kilometres (1 mile) of the right-of-way of a highway? Yes ☒ No ☐
If "yes" the highway is No. HWY 52
- d. Does the proposed parcel contain or is it bounded by a river, stream, lake or other body of water, or by a canal or drainage ditch? Yes ☐ No ☒
If "yes", state its name _____
- e. Is the proposed parcel within 1.5 kilometres (0.93 miles) of a sour gas facility? Unknown ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒

3. LOCATION OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED (Continued)

- f. Is the land subject of the application, the subject of a licence, permit, approval, or other authorization granted by any of the provincial agencies or regulatory bodies listed below?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Provincial agencies and regulatory bodies:

- ☐ Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB)
- ☐ Alberta Energy Regulator (AER)
- ☐ Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)
- ☐ Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB)
- ☐ Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB)

If 'yes', please describe: _____

- g. Is the land subject of the application, the subject of a licence, permit, approval, or other authorization granted by the Minister or granted under any Act the Minister is responsible for under section 16 of the Government Organization Act*?

Yes ☐ No ☒

*The Minister is responsible for the following Acts:

- ☐ Alberta Environmental Protection Act
- ☐ Alberta Land Stewardship Act
- ☐ Alberta Public Lands Act
- ☐ Alberta Surveys Act
- ☐ Alberta Water Act

If 'yes', please describe: _____

4. EXISTING AND PROPOSED USE OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

Describe:

- a. Existing use of the land Farm land + primary residence
- b. Proposed use of the land Primary residence

5. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

- a. Describe the nature of the topography of the land (flat, rolling, steep, mixed) Flat
- b. Describe the nature of the vegetation and water on the land (brush, shrubs, tree stands, woodlots, sloughs, creeks, etc.)
a few tree stands
- c. Describe the kind of soil on the land (sandy, loam, clay, etc.) clay loam
- d. Is this a vacant parcel (void of any buildings or structures)? Yes ☐ No ☒
If "no", describe all buildings and any structures on the land. Indicate whether any are to be demolished or moved.
House, shop, 2 bins
- e. Is there a Confined Feeding Operation on the land or within 1.6 kilometres (1 mile) of the land being subdivided? Yes ☐ No ☒
- f. Are there any active oil or gas wells or pipelines on the land? Yes ☐ No ☒
- g. Are there any abandoned oil or gas wells or pipelines on the land? Yes ☐ No ☒

6. WATER SERVICES

a. Describe existing source of potable water:

Onsite Well ☐

Offsite Well ☐

Cistern ☒

Water Source for Cistern: Treated water from Stirling Treatment Plant.

Other ☐

b. Describe proposed source of potable water

Onsite Well ☐

Offsite Well ☐

Cistern ☒

Water Source for Cistern: Treated water from Stirling Treatment Plant

Other ☐

7. SEWER SERVICES

a. Describe existing sewage disposal:

Sub-surface treatment field ☒

Treatment Mound ☐

Open Discharge ☐

Lagoon ☐

Holding Tank ☐

Other ☐

Year Installed 1994

b. Describe proposed sewage disposal:

Sub-surface treatment field ☒

Treatment Mound ☐

Open Discharge ☐

Lagoon ☐

Holding Tank ☐

Other ☐

Year Installed 1994

8. REGISTERED OWNER OR PERSON ACTING ON THEIR BEHALF

I, Jonathon Hofer, hereby certify that

☒ I am the registered owner

☐ I am authorized to act on behalf of the registered owner

and that the information given on this form is full and complete and is, to the best of my knowledge, a true statement of the facts relating to this application for subdivision approval.

Signed: Jon Hofer Date: July 16 / 2026

9. RIGHT OF ENTRY

I, Jonathon Hofer do ☒ / do not ☐ (please check one) authorize representatives of the Oldman River Regional Service Commission or the municipality to enter my land for the purpose of conducting a site inspection and evaluation in connection with my application for subdivision. This right is granted pursuant to Section 653(2) of the Municipal Government Act

Jon Hofer
Signature of Registered Owner(s)

Personal information collected on this form is collected in accordance with Section 653 of the Alberta Municipal Government Act. This information may also be shared with appropriate government/other agencies and may also be kept on file by those agencies. The application and related file contents will become available to the public and are subject to the provisions of the Access to Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act.

ENCUMBRANCES, LIENS & INTERESTS

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REGISTRATION

NUMBER DATE (D/M/Y) PARTICULARS

(DATA UPDATED BY: CHANGE OF NAME 201004296)

131 053 473 05/03/2013 AMENDING AGREEMENT
AFFECTS INSTRUMENT: 111298050

161 251 583 21/10/2016 AMENDING AGREEMENT
AFFECTS INSTRUMENT: 111298050

201 004 297 08/01/2020 AMENDING AGREEMENT
AFFECTS INSTRUMENT: 111298050

231 351 324 15/11/2023 UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY
GRANTEE - THE VILLAGE OF STIRLING.

TOTAL INSTRUMENTS: 006

THE REGISTRAR OF TITLES CERTIFIES THIS TO BE AN
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TITLE REPRESENTED HEREIN THIS 30 DAY OF JUNE,
2026 AT 02:52 P.M.

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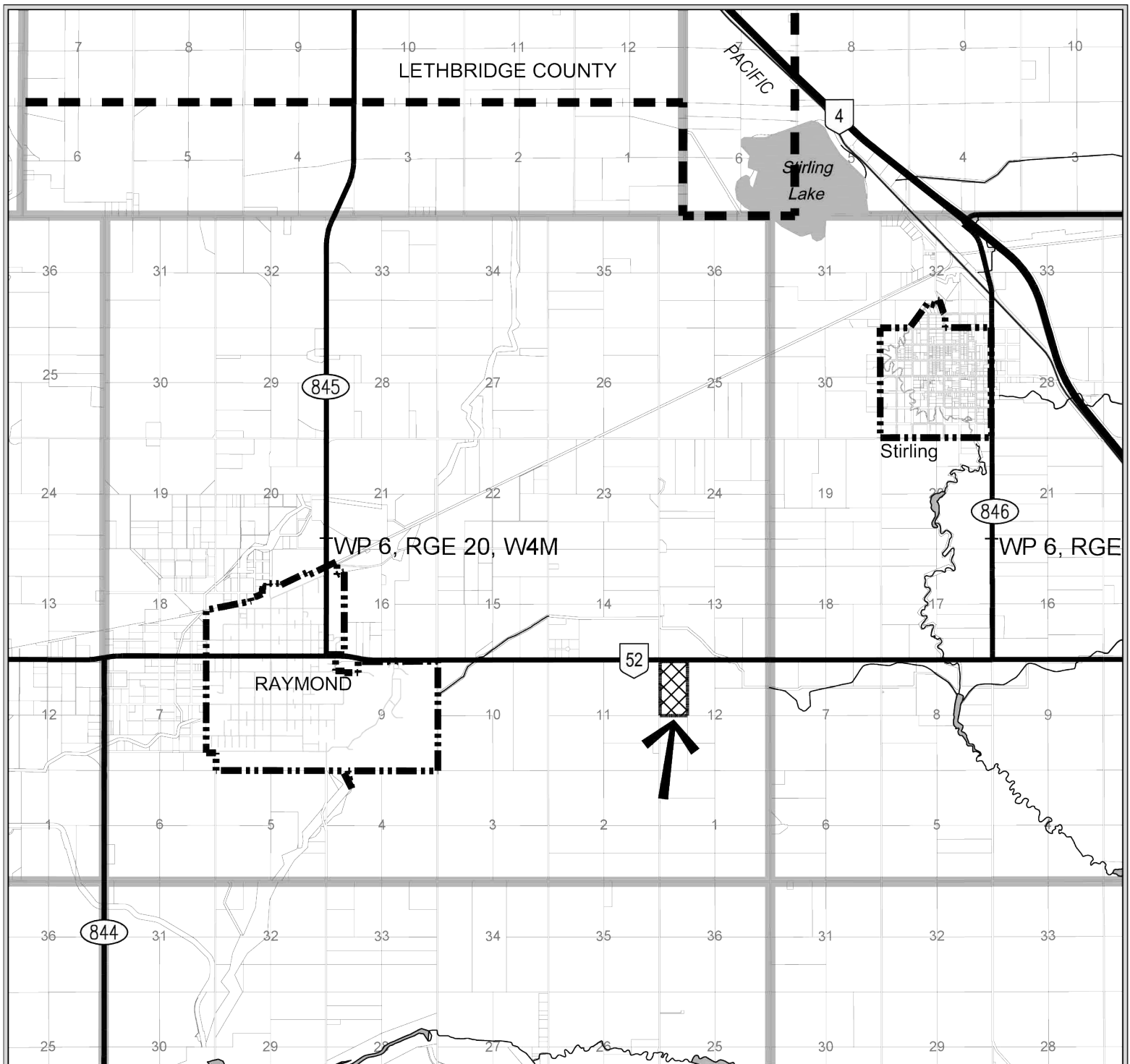
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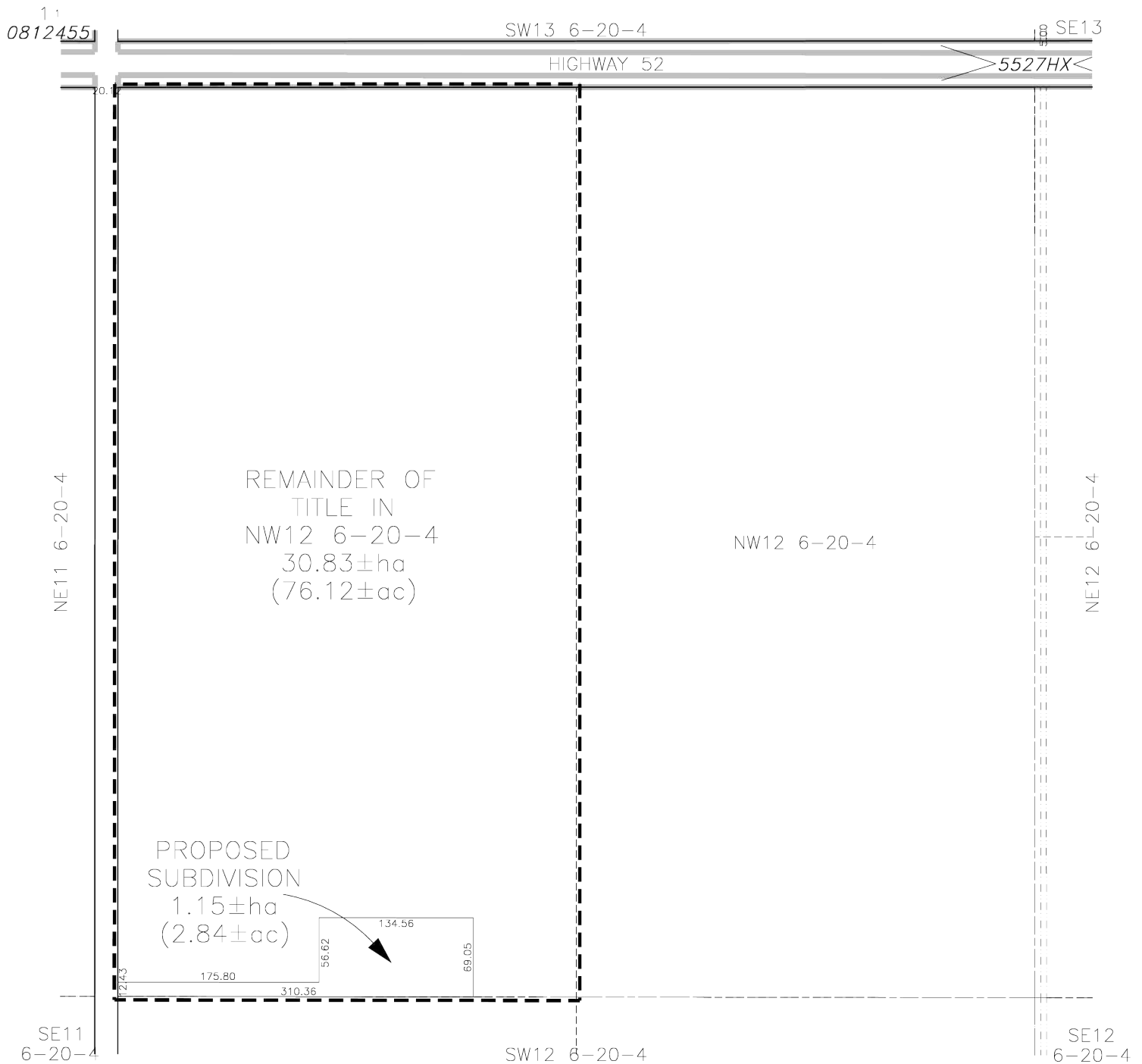


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 PORTION OF NW 1/4 SEC 12, TWP 6, RGE 20, W 4 M
 MUNICIPALITY: COUNTY OF WARNER NO. 5
 DATE: JULY 23, 2026
 FILE No: 2026-0-115



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STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: 2027 Atco Franchise Fee

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	 Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
 Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Administration is bringing forward the Atco Franchise Fee to be set by Council prior to October 23, 2026, as is required by the Alberta Utilities Commission. The Village has historically maintained the franchise fee at a twelve percent (12%) rate, noting there are usually slight fluctuations from year to year.

The past trends for our natural gas franchise fee from previous years is captured below:

Year	Estimated Fee	Actual Collected
2025	\$21,871.00	\$27,837.39
2024	\$27,349.00	\$27,583.66
2023	\$30,419.00	\$26,130.95
2022	\$20,000.00	\$25,885.74
2021	\$19,000.00	\$24,022.22

The current estimated franchise fee based off maintaining the franchise fee rate at 12% is for a revenue of \$28,000.00 in 2027. (See attached document)

Administration believes the rate could be held flat as raising the rate will not be any substantial impact on operating dollars.

Council has the option to raise or lower the franchise fee rate.

Lowering the rate will impact the overall requirement for taxation to make up any lost dollars and by raising the rate there would need to be a substantial increase for it to affect the operating budget. Per the advertising requirements set out by the AUC, the Municipality would have to advertise the changes and accept public feedback for consideration of the change.

Recommendation:

Administration would recommend no change to the 2027 Atco Franchise Fee.

Proposed Motion(s):



STIRLING

Moved by _____ to direct Administration to advise ATCO Gas the 2027 Franchise Fee will remain at the 12% valuation.

August 25, 2026

Village of Stirling
PO Box 360
Stirling, AB
T0K 2E0

Attention: Mr. Scott Donselaar, Chief Administrative Officer

Re: Natural Gas Franchise Fee Estimate for 2027 - Stirling

As per the Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement between ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO Gas) and the Village of Stirling, ATCO Gas pays the Village of Stirling a franchise fee. The franchise fee is calculated as a percentage of ATCO Gas' revenue derived from the delivery tariff and is collected from gas customers within Stirling.

The franchise agreement requires that we provide ATCO Gas' total revenues derived from the delivery tariff within Stirling for 2025 and an estimate of total revenues to be derived from the delivery tariff within Stirling for 2027. The chart below provides this information as well as an estimate of your franchise fee revenue for the 2027 calendar year.

ATCO's Delivery Tariff Revenue in 2025	ATCO's Estimated Delivery Tariff Revenue for 2027	Your Current Franchise Fee Percentage	Your Estimated Franchise Fees for 2027
\$ 227,480.97	\$ 235,000	12.00%	\$ 28,000

Please note that the estimated delivery tariff revenue for 2027 can be impacted by changes in customer operations and weather. Additionally, ATCO has utilized forecast 2027 delivery rates; however, they have not yet been approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC). ATCO commits to providing updated franchise fee revenue forecasts at a future date should there be material impacts related to any update of these forecast assumptions.

Under the franchise agreement, the Village of Stirling has the option of changing the franchise fee percentage for 2027. If you are considering changing the franchise fee in 2027, please contact us as soon as possible to learn about the process. The franchise fee change process is regulated by [AUC Rule 029](#), which prescribes the required process, timelines, and public notice requirements. We will guide you through the process and will file the application with the AUC for approval. A request to change the franchise fee must be made in writing to ATCO Gas by October 23rd, 2026.

Finally, to support cash flow planning and financial management we have attached a franchise fee payment schedule showing the anticipated payment dates for 2027.

We trust you will find this information useful. Should you have any questions or require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me at Dan.Magnan@atco.com.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D Magnan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter "D" being large and stylized.

Dan Magnan
Senior Manager, Lethbridge Operations
ATCO Gas & Pipelines Ltd.

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd.
2027 Anticipated Franchise Fee Payment Schedule

Franchise Fee Month	Anticipated Payment Date
January 2027	March 1, 2027
February 2027	March 31, 2027
March	April 29, 2027
April	May 28, 2027
May	June 29, 2027
June	July 30, 2027
July	August 27, 2027
August	September 29, 2027
September	October 29, 2027
October	November 29, 2027
November	December 30, 2027
December	January 28, 2028



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: 2027 Fortis Franchise Fee

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	 Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
 Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Administration is bringing forward the Fortis Franchise Fee to be set by Council prior to November 13, 2026, as is required by the Alberta Utilities Commission. The Village has historically maintained the franchise fee at a twelve percent (12%) rate, noting there are usually slight fluctuations from year to year.

The past trends for our natural gas franchise fee from previous years is captured below:

Year	Estimated Fee	Actual Collected
2025	\$62,049.00	\$61,760.39
2024	\$58,863.00	\$63,434.05
2023	\$54,739.00	\$57,444.38
2022	\$53,338.00	\$59,758.74
2021	\$42,000.00	\$51,294.65

The current estimated franchise fee based off maintaining the franchise fee rate at 12% is for a revenue of \$62,020.00 in 2027. (See attached document)

Administration believes the rate has the potential to increase operating dollars if raised by 2% or more but would recommend holding the rate flat.

Council has the option to raise or lower the franchise fee rate.

Lowering the rate will impact the overall requirement for taxation to make up any lost dollars and by raising the rate there would need to be a substantial increase for it to affect the operating budget. Per the advertising requirements set out by the AUC, the Municipality would have to advertise the changes and accept public feedback for consideration of the change.

Recommendation:

That Council not raise or lower the 2027 Fortis Franchise Fee.

Proposed Motion(s):



STIRLING

Moved by _____ to direct Administration to advise Fortis the 2027 Franchise Fee will remain at the 12% valuation.

Municipal Code	Municipality	Rate Category	2026 Transmission January to June Actuals	2026 Distribution January to June Actuals	2026 Franchise Fee Revenue January to June Actuals	12 Months Transmission (ESTIMATED)	12 Months Distribution (ESTIMATED)	12 Months Franchise Fee (ESTIMATED)	Proposed Transmission Change	Proposed Distribution Change	Transmission Including Proposed Change (ESTIMATED)	Distribution (FortisAlberta) Including Proposed Change (ESTIMATED)	D&T Including Proposed Changes (ESTIMATED)	D&T & Franchise Fee @ CURRENT Franchise Fee with Proposed Changes (ESTIMATED)	Franchise Fee Revenue at the NEW Franchise Fee Percentage (ESTIMATED)
03-0000	Stirling	11 - Residential Service	60,403.32	127,234.74	23,596.48	\$ 138,807	\$ 254,469	\$ 47,193	1.84%	1.84%	\$ 141,361	269,151.72	\$ 400,512	\$ 449,574	\$ 48,091
03-0000	Stirling	31 - Street Lights	420.49	19,409.06	2,538.59	\$ 841	\$ 38,818	\$ 5,079	1.84%	1.84%	\$ 856	39,512.32	\$ 40,389	\$ 45,235	\$ 4,847
03-0000	Stirling	38 - Yard Lighting Service	70.08	1,006.06	129.82	\$ 152	\$ 2,012	\$ 260	1.84%	1.84%	\$ 155	2,045.16	\$ 2,204	\$ 2,469	\$ 264
03-0000	Stirling	41 - Small General Service	8,844.11	18,079.74	3,230.87	\$ 17,688	\$ 36,159	\$ 6,462	1.84%	1.84%	\$ 18,014	38,824.81	\$ 54,838	\$ 61,419	\$ 6,591
03-0000	Stirling	61 - General Service	5,983.04	3,290.18	1,112.79	\$ 11,966	\$ 6,580	\$ 2,226	1.84%	1.84%	\$ 12,186	6,701.45	\$ 18,000	\$ 21,154	\$ 2,267
			\$ 84,727	\$ 169,929	\$ 30,619	\$ 169,454	\$ 338,040	\$ 61,219			\$ 172,572	\$ 344,259.49	\$ 516,832	\$ 578,851	\$ 62,020

2026 Current Franchise Fee		12.00%
Franchise Fee Cap		20%
2026 Estimated Revenue		\$ 61,219
2027 Estimated Franchise Fee Revenue if your Franchise Fee remains the same		\$ 62,020
Franchise Fee Calculator Changes:		
Yellow area is to calculate different franchise fee.		
2027 Proposed Franchise Percentage		12.00%
2027 Estimated Franchise Fee Revenue if your Percentage is changed		\$ 62,020
Difference in Franchise Fees Collected from 2026 to 2027 with Proposed D&T Rate Changes.		\$ 801



Franchise Fee Estimating Tool is For Information Purposes Only
 This tool is designed for the municipalities to estimate the monthly charges based on a sample fee.

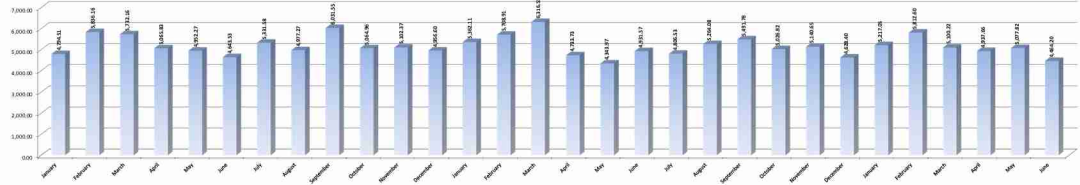
Consumption 625 kWh
 Billing Period 30 Days

Existing (Current) Typical Residential Customer Monthly Costs				
<u>Rate 11 (Effective Jan.1, 2026) Distribution Tariff Estimated Rate Filing) Based on Current 12% Franchise Fee</u>				
Delivery Service Charge				
All kWh Delivered	\$	0.076037	625 kWh	\$47.52
Basic Daily Charge		1.034442	30 Days	\$31.03
				<u>\$78.56</u>
Current Franchise Fee		12.00%	\$9.43	
		GST 5.0%	\$4.40	
				<u><u>\$92.38</u></u>
Current Annual Franchise Fee Costs: \$9.43 * 12 = \$113.12				

Proposed Residential Customer Monthly Costs				
<u>Rate 11 (Proposed January 2027 Estimated Distribution Tariff) Based on NEW 12% Franchise Fee</u>				
Delivery Service Charge				
All kWh Delivered*	\$	0.077436	625 kWh	\$48.40
Basic Daily Charge*		1.053476	30 Days	\$31.60
				<u>\$80.00</u>
Estimated Proposed Franchise Fee		12.00%	\$9.60	
		GST 5.0%	\$4.48	
				<u><u>\$94.08</u></u>
Proposed Annual Franchise Fee Cost: \$9.6 * 12 = \$115.2				
* Includes estimated Rate changes.				

Month		Franchise Fee (\$)
January	5,754.51	
February	5,488.16	
March	5,719.16	
April	5,585.83	
May	5,562.77	
June	5,563.53	
July	5,331.58	
August	5,577.27	
September	5,211.55	
October	5,584.98	
November	5,152.37	
December	5,556.63	
January	5,362.11	
February	5,778.31	
March	5,318.55	
April	5,473.73	
May	5,363.37	
June	5,381.57	
July	5,456.53	
August	5,261.98	
September	5,451.18	
October	5,528.82	
November	5,145.65	
December	5,525.43	
January	5,217.06	
February	5,412.80	
March	5,109.32	
April	5,587.86	
May	5,577.54	
June	5,454.20	
2024 Total		\$ 65,486.39
2025 Total		\$ 65,755.30
2026 YTD Total		\$ 30,465.51

Franchise Fee Revenue January 2024 - June 2026



Site Count		Rate Category			
		2023	2024	2025	
1A - Residential Service		405	406	425	
1B - Retail Light		1	1	1	
1C - Total Light		1	1	1	
1D - Retail General Service		20	20	20	
1E - General Service		0	0	0	
Grand Total		426	428	426	

Historical Comparison		Rate Category			
		2023	2024	2025	
1A - Residential Service		\$ 228,806	\$ 229,206	\$ 272,509	
1B - Retail Light		\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	
1C - Total Light		\$ 31	\$ 31	\$ 31	
1D - Retail General Service		\$ 4,631	\$ 4,631	\$ 4,631	
1E - General Service		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
1F - Grand Total		\$ 233,469	\$ 233,869	\$ 277,171	
Grand Total		\$ 233,469	\$ 233,869	\$ 277,171	

Light Site		Rate Category			
		2023	2024	2025	
1A - Residential Service		\$1,837	\$1,886	\$1,536	
1B - Retail Light		\$502	\$576	\$671	
1C - Total General Service		\$131	\$135	\$100	
1D - General Service		\$188	\$188	\$181	
Grand Total		\$4,558	\$4,805	\$3,488	

	Distribution
11 - Residential Service	1.84%
31 - Street Lights	1.84%
38 - Yard Lighting Service	1.84%
41 - Small General Service	1.84%
61 - General Service	1.84%
	Transmission
11 - Residential Service	1.84%
31 - Street Lights	1.84%
38 - Yard Lighting Service	1.84%
41 - Small General Service	1.84%
61 - General Service	1.84%



STIRLING

Council Meeting – September 2, 2026

Agenda Item: ABmunis 2026 Resolution Book

Strategic Alignment:

Build Community: Infrastructure & Amenities 	 Celebrate Community: ?  Engagement & Pride	Enhance Community:  Development & Economy
Financial Sustainability: \$ Responsible Financial Management		

Background Information:

Mayor Barton requested this be added to the agenda for Council Consideration.

Recommendation:

Proposed Motion(s):

2026 Resolutions Book



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About Resolutions

Alberta Municipalities (ABmunis) conducts an annual resolutions process. This enables Regular Members¹ to bring forward common issues and solutions and seek member approval. Approved resolutions direct ABmunis' Board of Directors advocacy positions on those issues, opening conversations with the Government of Alberta or other organizations and governments.

ABmunis' resolution process is guided by our [Resolutions Policy](#).

How to use this Resolutions Book

Each elected official of a Regular Member municipality who registers for ABmunis' Convention has the right to vote on each resolution at ABmunis' Convention. If one or more members of your council are attending this year's [Convention & Trade Show](#) in Edmonton on September 23 - 25, 2026, then we encourage you to:

1. Read this book to understand how the resolution session will run at Convention.
2. Review each resolution before you attend Convention and seek clarity if needed.
3. Make time to discuss each resolution with your council colleagues so that your elected delegates at Convention understand your councils perspectives when debating, and voting in the resolution session.

Note: During the Convention resolution session, each elected official votes individually. Therefore, your council member(s) can choose to vote in accordance with the majority position of your council or their own personal view, if different.

What process led to these resolutions being presented at ABmunis' Convention?

All Regular Members had the opportunity to submit a resolution to ABmunis before May 31, 2026. The municipality was responsible for writing the resolution and having it approved by their council and approved by a second council from a municipality of a different population size.

Each resolution was reviewed by ABmunis' Municipal Governance Committee and Board of Directors to ensure each resolution met the criteria outlined in our [Resolutions Policy](#). For example, a resolution must:

- Address a concern affecting municipalities on a regional or provincial level,
- Not involve a conflict between individual municipalities, citizens, or promote individual businesses,
- Not direct one or more municipalities to take a specific course of action, and
- Not create a perception that ABmunis is partisan or create potential risks for ABmunis.

If a resolution met the criteria of our Resolution Policy, it has been published in this Resolutions Book for all Regular Members to consider and vote on at ABmunis' 2026 Convention.

¹ A [Regular Member](#) is any city, town, village, summer village, specialized municipality, or other designated municipality in Alberta that has an active membership with ABmunis. References to 'member' generally refers to Regular Members.

Can we still submit a resolution?

Yes, but only for emergent issues that:

1. Arose just prior to, or after May 31, 2026, such that members could not submit the resolution in time; and
2. Have a critical aspect of concern to municipalities that must be addressed before the 2027 Convention.

Emergent resolutions must be submitted before 12:00 p.m. on September 22, 2026. If you are considering an emergent resolution, please consider submitting as early as possible to help ensure a smooth process for ABmunis and all members during Convention. [Instead of submitting an emergent resolution](#), ABmunis' members may also consider bringing forward issues at ABmunis' Spring 2027 Municipal Leaders' Caucus or request action by contacting ABmunis' Board of Directors. Any questions about emergent resolutions may be emailed to resolutions@abmunis.ca.

How do I participate in the Resolution Session?

The 2026 resolution session will take place on Thursday, September 24, 2026, as part of ABmunis [2026 Convention & Trade Show](#). The session will follow the process set out in sections 36 to 63 of the [Resolutions Policy](#).

Who can speak to a resolution?

Elected representatives of a Regular Member municipality can speak to resolutions. A representative of an Associate Member (e.g. municipal districts and counties) may speak to a resolution if there is a motion from the floor, or at the discretion of the Chair.

How to speak to a resolution

After each resolution is introduced by the mover, the Chair will call for a speaker who wishes to speak in opposition, seek clarification, or propose an amendment.

Attendees wishing to speak to a resolution will be invited to go to microphones clearly marked for those wishing to speak in favour or in opposition. Speakers will have ninety (90) seconds to speak. Except for the mover of the resolution, a representative may not speak more than once on each resolution.

If no member rises to speak in opposition, seek clarification, or propose amendment, the Chair will declare debate closed and the spokesperson from the moving municipality will be allowed one (1) minute to close debate.

How to propose an amendment to a resolution

ABmunis will only consider amendments to the active clause of the resolution (*It is therefore resolved that...*). If you are concerned that information in the whereas clauses or background section of a resolution is incorrect, please email resolutions@abmunis.ca with relevant sources that ABmunis can use to verify the correct information.

To support an efficient resolution process, members are encouraged to propose an amendment to a resolution only when it materially changes the intent or direction given to ABmunis. Please avoid proposing amendments that deal with minor issues like grammar, tone, or sentence structure. ABmunis will understand the primary intent of each resolution and will adjust our advocacy as needed.

Notifying the Mover and ABmunis

ABmunis encourages members to discuss the proposed amendment with the moving municipality² prior to Convention, or as early as possible and notify ABmunis (resolutions@abmunis.ca) at the same time. This is a courtesy to the mover and enables ABmunis to be prepared to present the proposed amendment visually on the screen to help all attendees during the voting process and avoid delays in the Convention schedule.

² The contact information for the moving municipality is listed at the end of each resolution in this Resolutions Book.

Seconders for an Amendment

Unless it is deemed a “friendly amendment” the mover of the amendment must have a seconder from another municipality.³

Submitting an Amendment

Members are strongly encouraged to submit the proposed amendment in writing at least one day prior to the resolution session. It must be presented with your name, title, municipality, and the resolution title, along with the exact wording of the proposed amendment.

If prior to the Resolutions Session

Email resolutions@abmunis.ca.
This helps avoid delays during the resolution session.

If during the Resolutions Session

Hand-deliver your proposed amendment in writing to both the ABmunis staff sitting in the audio booth at the back of the room and to the Resolution Session Chair on stage.

How to vote

Approximately one week prior to Convention, elected officials from Regular Member municipalities who are registered for Convention will receive an email with voting credentials from Data on the Spot. This email should be saved for use during Convention.

The email from Data on the Spot will be similar to this:

You are registered to vote during the ABmunis Convention, taking place September 23-25. Below, you will find your login instructions for the vote.

There is a test vote that is open now. Please check your credentials and cast a vote on the test question as soon as possible so that we can be sure you received your credentials.

If you need any assistance, please contact: credentials@dataonthespot.com.

To vote, please visit: <https://www.dataonthespot.app/>.

Then enter:

Registered email - *****

Password - *****

Please note that these are only the voting credentials. Further information will be sent out by Alberta Municipalities prior to Convention.

Regards,
Alberta Municipalities

When you receive this email from Data on the Spot, we ask that you **complete the test vote as soon as possible** to ensure that your credentials are activated. The same login information will be used during the elections of ABmunis' Board of Directors.

If you do not receive an email from Data on the Spot on the Spot by September 18, 2026, please check your email's junk folder first and then email credentials@dataonthespot.com with your name and municipality.

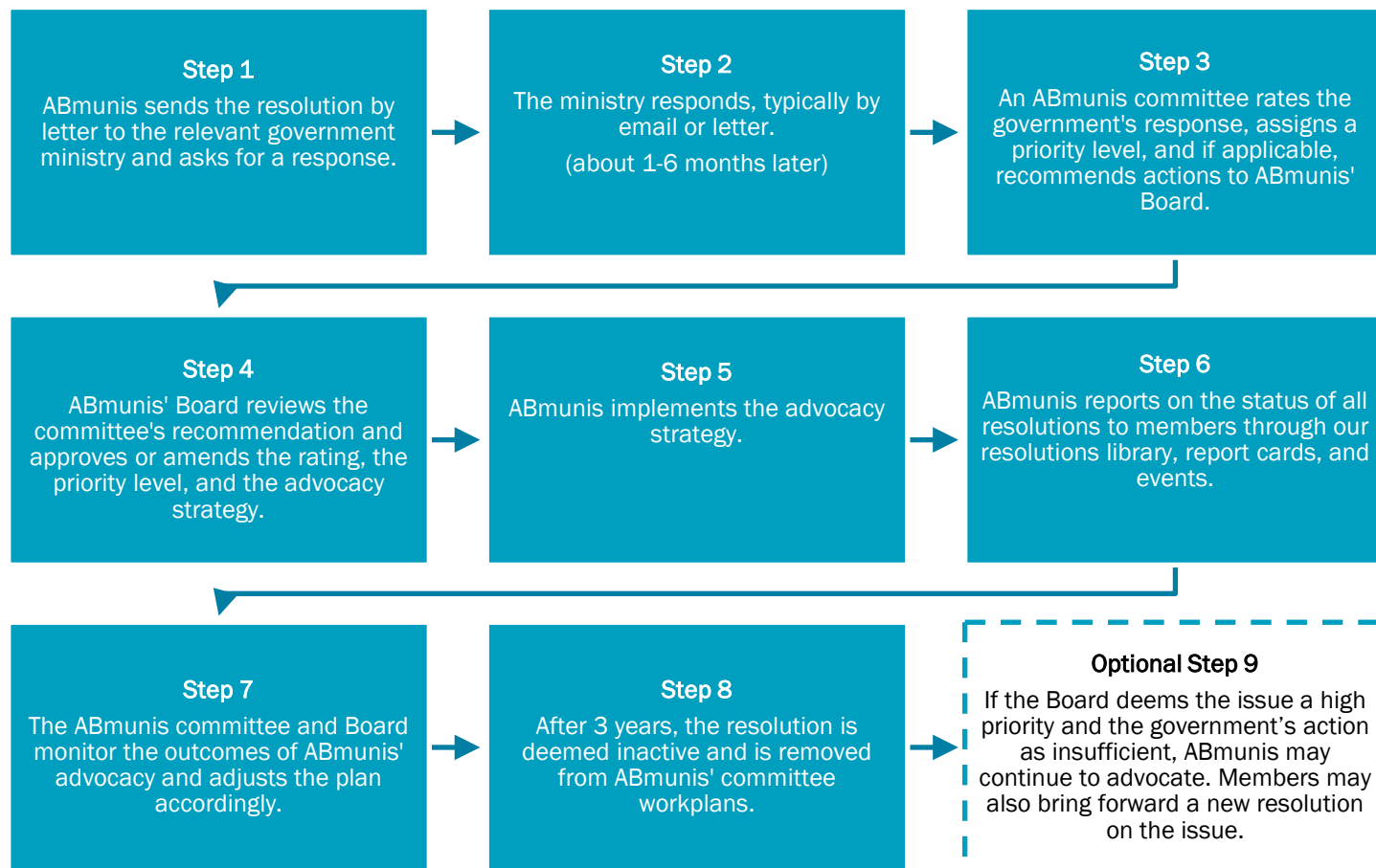
³ Per section 4 of ABmunis' Resolutions Policy, a “friendly amendment” is defined as an amendment that is so simple or uniformly acceptable that it can be adopted by unanimous consent during debate. This eliminates the necessity for a formal amendment process including seconding, debating, and voting.

Bring an electronic device to vote

Bring a laptop, smartphone, or other device that is internet enabled to the resolution session. You will be asked to log in to the Data on the Spot website to vote. When instructed by the Resolution Session Chair, you will follow the steps on your device to vote. After you have cast your vote, you will receive confirmation that your vote has been counted. Once the vote result is posted, we will move on to the next resolution.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact resolutions@abmunis.ca.

What happens after members adopt a resolution?



Are some resolutions given more priority?

Yes. ABmunis assigns a low, medium, or high priority to each resolution based on the criteria in our [Advocacy Prioritization Policy](#). The priority level assigned to a resolution will determine the level of effort ABmunis takes to advocate on the issue.

ABmunis' Actions

Send a letter(s)
 Monitor outcomes
 Collaborate with other organizations
 Conduct research
 Meet with a minister(s) or senior official
 Strike an ad hoc working group
 Meet with the Premier
 Engage media
 Conduct a social media campaign
 Support members to take specific actions
 Other initiatives

Low Priority	Medium Priority*	High Priority*
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*may involve a combination of the listed actions

Status of previous resolutions

Since 2009, ABmunis has posted all member resolutions in our online [Resolutions Library](#), which shows:

- the resolution,
- the response and any actions by the government,
- ABmunis' rating on whether the intent of the resolution has been met,
- ABmunis' rating on the priority of the issue, and
- ABmunis' actions to advocate for the issue.

The status of resolutions can also be viewed through ABmunis' annual [resolution report cards](#).

Tips from past councils

- When voting on a resolution, consider the following questions:
 - Is this issue important enough that ABmunis should invest its time and resources on the issue?
 - Is ABmunis the best organization to add value to this issue?
 - If the issue doesn't apply to my community, can I still support it because municipalities in Alberta will generally benefit if ABmunis is successful in its advocacy?
 - Would advocacy on this issue have unintended consequences for municipalities?
- If you plan to speak to a resolution, take time to practice your remarks to be under 90 seconds so your microphone isn't cut off during your address. The timer starts as soon as you introduce yourself at the microphone.
- Each resolution has been brought forward by a council of your peers. If you don't agree with the resolution, keep an open mind as to why they brought it forward and focus your energy on questioning the policy, without criticizing the council bringing it forward, or the people it impacts.

2026 RESOLUTIONS

Category B: Issues Related to ABmunis' Strategic Initiatives

B1: Balancing Incentives Between Locum and Community-Based Physicians & Other Healthcare Workers to Support Family Practice

Moved by: Town of Hinton
Seconded by: Town of Swan Hills

WHEREAS timely and reliable access to primary health care is essential to the health, safety, and well-being of all Albertans, and the absence of stable primary care contributes to increased emergency department use and poorer health outcomes;

WHEREAS Alberta's healthcare workforce includes both locum and community-based physicians and other healthcare workers, with locums providing important short-term coverage but not intended to replace ongoing, continuous primary care;

WHEREAS locum physicians are provided with flexible, short-term practice opportunities without long-term service commitments, while community-based physicians provide ongoing clinical services, manage administrative responsibilities and maintain continuity of care, creating differences that can discourage permanent community-based practice;

WHEREAS municipalities across Alberta, particularly in rural and remote regions, continue to face challenges recruiting and retaining committed family physicians and other healthcare workers, resulting in service disruptions, clinic instability and increased reliance on locum coverage;¹

WHEREAS ongoing recruitment and retention challenges increasingly require municipalities to divert limited local resources to physician attraction and retention initiatives;² and

WHEREAS strengthening incentives for physicians and other healthcare workers willing to commit to rural residents could increase attraction and retention, therefore supporting workforce stability, continuity of care and the long-term sustainability of local health systems.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review and amend physician and other healthcare worker incentive frameworks to reduce disparities between locum and community-based physicians and other healthcare workers.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to support community-based family physician practice in rural and underserved communities, to strengthen continuity of care and ensure stable access to primary health services for all Albertans.

BACKGROUND:

Access to stable primary health care is fundamental to the health, safety, and economic sustainability of Alberta communities. Family physicians provide longitudinal care that supports prevention, chronic disease management, and appropriate use of emergency and acute care services. When residents are unable to access a regular family physician, pressures shift to emergency departments and neighbouring communities, increasing system strain and undermining public confidence in essential services.

Alberta's healthcare workforce includes both locum and community-based physicians and other healthcare workers, each serving an important role. Locum healthcare workers provide critical short-term coverage during periods of absence or transition. However, locum practice is designed to be temporary and does not require long-term patient

¹ Alberta Medical Association, [AB's Family Medicine Crisis](#)

² Alberta Municipalities, [Attraction and Retention Strategy for Rural Health Care Professionals \(2024\)](#)

attachment, clinic management responsibilities, or sustained community presence.³ In contrast, permanent, community-based physicians provide ongoing clinical care, -long-term patient relationships, oversee administrative responsibilities, and ensure clinic continuity. These roles support continuity of care and health system stability, but they also involve greater workload, risk and long-term commitment.

Current incentive structures can unintentionally make short-term locum practice more attractive by offering flexibility without equivalent incentives for sustained community-based practice. Evidence suggests that comprehensive, community-based care is increasingly perceived as unrewarded and unsustainable and further suggests that without a course correction, we risk creating a healthcare system in which continuity is the exception rather than the norm.⁴ Alberta municipalities continue to. ⁵

The Government of Alberta has invested in physician recruitment, training and compensation, including more than \$7 billion in the 2026–27 budget⁶. The province has also offered the Rural and Remote Family Medicine Resident Physician Bursary, which is now fully allocated. However, the bursary was not limited to permanent, community-based practice; recipients could commit to a single community, move between communities or practise as locums in eligible communities.⁷

Incentives for physicians and other healthcare workers fall under provincial jurisdiction as part of health service delivery. However, municipalities are increasingly compelled to respond to local physician shortages. Across Alberta, smaller and more remote communities are increasingly offering municipally funded subsidies and incentives for physicians.⁸ These expenditures place pressure on local budgets and property taxpayers, divert resources from core municipal responsibilities, and result in misaligned incentives between municipalities to attract and retain permanent, community-based physicians.

To keep incentives fair and sustainable, Alberta should review and amend physician and other healthcare worker incentive frameworks to reduce disparities between locum and community-based physicians. Where locum physicians receive benefits including no overheads paid for weekend coverage, travel honoraria, and accommodations⁹, community-based physicians could be incentivized by general reduced overhead costs and relocation and accommodation subsidies. Additionally, the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences suggests that financial incentives could be part of a larger, comprehensive strategy to improve the attractiveness of rural practice settings ¹⁰.

Addressing these disparities aligns with provincial objectives to strengthen primary care, improve patient attachment, and reduce avoidable pressure on emergency services. It also aligns with Alberta Municipalities' strategic priorities related to community well-being, sustainable service delivery, and appropriate alignment of responsibilities between orders of government.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

While ABmunis does not currently have a position on the specific issues raised in this resolution, access to health care is one of ABmunis' strategic priorities. It further aligns with a [2024 resolution](#) on the attraction and retention strategy for rural health care professionals.

³ Alberta Medical Association, [Information for Locum Physicians](#)

⁴ Okpalauwaekwe et al. BMC Primary Care, [To stay or leave: an integrative review of factors, personas, and recommendations for retaining family physicians in Canada](#)

⁵ CBC, [Hinton ER doctor shortage puts strain on region, local leaders say](#)

⁶ CTV, [Alberta government announces \\$7.7B investment into physician recruitment in 2026-27 budget](#)

⁷ Rural and Remote Family Medicine Resident Physician Bursary, [Rural and Remote Family Medicine Resident Physician Bursary](#)

⁸ Alberta Municipalities, [ABmunis in the News: Q3, 2024](#),

⁹ Alberta Medical Association, [Information for Locum Physicians](#)

¹⁰ Canadian Academy of Health Sciences, [Canada's Health Workforce: Pathways Forward](#)

If this resolution is approved, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

Prior to the vote at ABmunis' Convention, any questions about this resolution may be directed to:

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B2: Further Strengthening Governance and Funding Models for Seniors' Lodge Accommodations

Moved by: City of Edmonton
 Seconded by: Town of Rocky Mountain House

WHEREAS municipalities have a legislated mandate under the *Alberta Housing Act* to fund the annual deficit for the previous fiscal year and capital and operating reserve requisitions of Housing Management Bodies (HMBs) providing seniors' lodge accommodations;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta's Seniors Lodge Program Review Panel Final Report (2025) identified systemic issues including aging infrastructure, significant deferred capital maintenance, and inconsistent funding models that threaten the long-term sustainability of seniors' housing;

WHEREAS the amendments through Bill 28 Municipal Affairs and Housing Statutes Amendment Act to the *Alberta Housing Act* as well as the concurrent amendments to the local Ministerial Orders have collectively eroded municipal oversight, specifically by removing mandatory financial reporting and budget approval mechanisms, while maintaining municipal funding obligations and the resulting fiscal impacts unaddressed;

WHEREAS without strengthened legislative mechanisms for municipalities to approve budgets and align them with local requirements, both orders of government face increased financial risk, potentially leaving taxpayers as the sole backstop for escalating HMB deficits that municipalities can no longer effectively monitor;

WHEREAS the Rural Municipalities of Alberta have identified similar concerns regarding insufficient provincial funding leading to increased requisitions on the municipal property tax base for both operational and capital costs; and

WHEREAS previous Alberta Municipalities resolutions regarding affordable housing funding models and capital support are set to expire, necessitating a renewed and aligned advocacy effort to address the growing deferred maintenance and financial pressures on municipalities.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities:

1. Advocate to the Government of Alberta to ensure that regulations and Ministerial Orders resulting from the 2026 legislative amendments mandate meaningful municipal governance participation on seniors' lodge boards, including the formal right to review and approve HMB operating and capital budgets before requisitions are finalized;
2. Advocate to the Government of Alberta to provide an update on the negotiation of a new province-wide funding agreement that ensures the mandatory capital and operating reserves required by the amended *Alberta Housing Act* are not funded primarily through municipal requisitions, but through a sustainable provincial contribution that reflects the Province's primary responsibility for social housing; and
3. Explore opportunities to align advocacy efforts with the Rural Municipalities of Alberta to ensure a unified municipal voice in addressing the shared challenges of HMB requisitions and the long-term viability of the seniors' lodge system.

BACKGROUND:

In July 2025, the Government of Alberta released the [Seniors Lodge Program Review Panel Final Report](#), emphasizing the need for predictable, long-term capital funding streams and stronger municipal-provincial alignment. While the 2026 amendments to the *Alberta Housing Act* actioned structural recommendations from the review panel's report regarding mandatory capital reserves (Recommendation 4), critical recommendations regarding the reform of funding models to target an equitable share of costs based on the respective fiscal capacity of other orders of government to prevent the shifting of greater deficits onto municipalities (Recommendation 3) and the establishment of a transparent three-year rolling capital plan (Recommendation 5) remain largely unaddressed.

Consequently, these legislative changes modernized the requirement for reserves without establishing the commensurate municipal oversight authority or the provincial funding levels necessary to manage the resulting fiscal impacts. This has created a mandate gap where municipalities are obligated to fund reserves and deficits without a formal legislative right to approve the budgets that drive those costs.

Recent municipal budget data shows a sharp rise in mandatory HMB requisitions for operating and capital funding across communities of all sizes, illustrating that this is a systemic provincial challenge rather than a localized one. For instance, the City of Edmonton's 2026 budget discussions highlight that Greater Edmonton Foundation Seniors Housing identified a \$4.7 million capital funding shortfall for high-priority projects that could not be met by existing reserves. Similar pressures are seen in mid-sized and smaller communities across Alberta.

A [November 2024 Auditor General report](#) found over \$1 billion in deferred maintenance across the province's affordable housing portfolio. The [Alberta Seniors & Community Housing Association \(ASCHA\)](#) has repeatedly warned that chronic capital underfunding places the financial sustainability of the entire program at risk and threatens the safety of vulnerable seniors. While recent provincial commitments toward lodge modernization are appreciated, they address only a fraction of the total need identified by housing providers.

This resolution seeks to reinforce the 2025 Review Panel's recommendations by ensuring that "equitable funding" and "good governance" are translated into legislative protections. By strengthening the ability of municipalities to vet budgets and align them with local growth, this advocacy aims to support our seniors' housing partners in securing a stable, transparent financial future that does not place an undue burden on the municipal property tax base.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

This resolution aligns with ABmunis strategic priority of affordable housing and homelessness, and ABmunis position on the recommendations in the Senior's Lodge Program Review Panel's final report and recommendations. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

Prior to the vote at ABmunis' Convention, any questions about this resolution may be directed to:

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B3: Derelict Non-Residential Tax Subclass

Moved by: City of Edmonton
Seconded by: Town of Peace River

WHEREAS derelict non-residential properties impose increased costs on municipalities due to factors such as higher demands on bylaw enforcement, public safety risks, and the potential for arson;

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) currently restricts the ability of municipalities to create a non-residential derelict tax subclass, preventing them from using a property tax lever to encourage remediation of these properties;

WHEREAS some municipalities have authority to create derelict non-residential tax subclasses, but the utility of this authority is limited by the requirement that properties must be unoccupied for a year before being assessed as derelict, and by the constraint of the 5:1 tax rate ratio, which may disallow a tax rate high enough to motivate owners to act; and

WHEREAS expanding subclassing authority to all municipalities through an MGA amendment would provide a valuable tax tool to address derelict properties and aligns with the goals of Alberta Municipalities' Property Taxes Reimagined initiative.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend Sections 297 and 358.1 of the *Municipal Government Act* to allow all municipalities the option to create a derelict subclass under Class 2 Non-Residential property.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT such an amendment include an exemption from the 5:1 tax rate ratio limit, or include a higher ratio limit, for a derelict non-residential tax subclass, to ensure municipal councils have the necessary flexibility to set a deterrent tax rate.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to remove the requirement that a property be unoccupied for a year before it can be assessed into a derelict non-residential tax subclass.

BACKGROUND:

Derelict non-residential properties are properties that contain a fully or partially constructed non-residential improvement, where the improvement shows serious signs of neglect, is dilapidated, falling into significant disrepair, or is unusable for its intended purpose, but does not include properties that are actively undergoing renovation, construction or demolition. Municipalities that can currently create a derelict non-residential subclass are permitted to define "derelict" for their own purposes.

Derelict non-residential properties have a direct impact on municipal costs, since these properties typically require higher levels of service from bylaw enforcement, fire rescue, and other municipal services. For example, fires often begin in derelict buildings as the unhoused population seek shelter and warmth in unmonitored structures with no utilities. In Edmonton, there have been several fires started in derelict buildings, causing significant property damage to the derelict structure as well as neighbouring structures.

Derelict properties also reduce quality of life for residents living nearby. In presentations to Edmonton's City Council, residents have described living in a state of fear and heightened tension due to concern about the risks of fire and illegal activities in nearby derelict structures. A survey conducted in 2024 found that 83 per cent of Edmontonians strongly agreed that the presence of derelict properties negatively affects the overall quality of life in a neighbourhood. Surrounding non-residential properties are also impacted as the dereliction discourages patronage of their businesses.

Tax subclasses have been an effective tool to address dereliction. In 2023, Edmonton created a derelict tax subclass for residential properties that has demonstrated significant success. Of the 202 properties identified as derelict in the first year of the subclass, 62 were demolished or remediated by the end of the year. Several other municipalities have also created derelict residential tax subclasses, including the City of Wetaskiwin and the Town of Ponoka.

The *Municipal Government Act* currently prevents municipalities from creating a non-residential derelict tax subclass, restricting the use of property tax as a lever to encourage remediation. While Edmonton and Calgary do have authority to establish derelict non-residential subclasses, this authority is unnecessarily constrained by the requirement that properties must be unoccupied for a year before they can be assessed as derelict. This requirement makes it difficult to administer a derelict non-residential subclass, since a property owner may be able to demonstrate a minimal degree of occupation without addressing the dereliction, thereby largely defeating the objectives of the subclass.

The success of a derelict subclass depends on a municipality's ability to impose a higher tax rate on derelict properties. Section 358.1 of the MGA sets a maximum tax rate ratio of 5:1 (highest non-residential rate to lowest residential rate), which limits the ability of some municipalities to impose a high enough tax rate on derelict non-residential properties to incentivize the owner to address the dereliction.

This resolution aligns with the core principles of Alberta Municipalities' Property Taxes Reimagined initiative, which advocates for a fairer fiscal framework and more effective tax tools for local governments. By establishing a derelict non-residential tax subclass, municipalities can better address the mismatch between responsibilities and revenues by creating a targeted mechanism to disincentivize urban blight and encourage the redevelopment of underutilized properties. This approach supports Alberta Municipalities' ongoing advocacy for increased municipal autonomy and targeted fiscal tools to address municipal priorities, including community safety.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES' COMMENTS:

As mentioned in the background section, this resolution aligns with ABmunis' broader work on [Property Taxes Reimagined](#) to ensure municipalities have adequate financial tools to address local needs. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

Prior to the vote at ABmunis' Convention, any questions about this resolution may be directed to:

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B4: Modernization of Municipal Investment Authorities Under the Municipal Investment Regulation

Moved by: City of Grande Prairie
 Seconded by: Village of Duchess, City of Lacombe

WHEREAS Alberta municipalities are authorized under the Municipal Government Act to invest in accordance with provincially prescribed regulations;

WHEREAS the Municipal Investment Regulation¹ establishes a prescriptive investment framework that limits the range of eligible investment instruments available to most municipalities, effectively restricting portfolios to fixed-income investments and limiting opportunities to enhance long-term investment returns in support of municipal financial sustainability;

WHEREAS many municipalities in Alberta have developed significantly in financial capacity, governance maturity, and access to professional investment management, including:

- Established investment policies;
- Oversight by senior financial officers and committees; and
- Access to external advisors and institutional investment services;

WHEREAS modern public sector investment practices increasingly emphasize a “prudent investor” approach, which enables diversification within a strong governance and risk management framework rather than relying solely on a prescriptive list of allowable investments²; and

WHEREAS enhancing investment flexibility for municipalities can support long-term financial sustainability and reduce reliance on property taxation.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the Municipal Investment Regulation to expand investment authorities available to municipalities by implementing a scalable, capacity-based framework that includes:

- **Direct Governance-Based Authority:** Extending broader investment eligibility to municipalities that demonstrate independent capacity through a prudent-investor policy, professional oversight, and robust risk-reporting practices;
- **Pooled and Collaborative Authority:** Permitting municipalities to access expanded, diversified asset classes for a policy-defined portion of municipal funds without extensive internal administrative requirements, provided such investments are made through approved, municipally geared pooled funds, collaborative arrangements, or institutional services; and
- **An Opt-In Mechanism:** Providing a clear designation process subject to Ministerial approval or defined criteria that allows municipalities to choose the tier of investment authority that best matches their local governance capacity, financial needs, and strategic goals.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT any amendments to the Municipal Investment Regulation maintain appropriate safeguards to ensure:

- preservation of capital,
- prudent risk management, and
- transparency and accountability to Council and the public.

¹ [Alberta Regulation 149/2022 – Municipal Investment Regulation](#)

² [Municipal Government Act Section 250 – Investments](#)

BACKGROUND:

Under the *Municipal Government Act*, the Municipal Investment Regulation³ governs how Alberta's municipalities may invest public funds. While the regulation was modernized in recent years, it continues to apply a largely prescriptive approach for most municipalities, limiting investments primarily to highly conservative instruments.

At the same time, the regulation provides expanded investment authority to select large municipalities, including the City of Calgary, City of Edmonton, and the City of Medicine Hat, allowing access to a broader range of asset classes and investment strategies. This has created an uneven regulatory environment across the province.

Even a limited exposure to equities, real assets, and pooled, diversified portfolios has been shown to produce materially higher long-term returns than portfolios focused exclusively on AAA-rated fixed-income investments^{4,5}. Over extended time horizons, equities have historically outperformed government bonds, real assets such as real estate have outperformed bonds on a risk-adjusted basis, and blended portfolios have consistently outperformed fixed income alone. Evidence indicates that even a modest allocation of total municipal reserves to diversified investments can outperform a fully fixed-income, AAA-focused portfolio over the long term, typically generating an additional 2–3 percentage points in annual returns. Higher long-term returns support improved fiscal sustainability, reduce pressure on property taxation, and strengthen overall municipal financial positions.

Canadian public-sector pension plans provide a well-established example of how long-term public funds can be responsibly managed through diversified investment portfolios. Rather than relying exclusively on low-risk, fixed-income instruments, these plans invest across a broad mix of asset classes, including equities and real assets, within strong governance frameworks to achieve sustainable long-term returns while managing risk. This diversified approach has been essential to maintaining fiscal sustainability over multi-decade horizons and mitigating inflation risk. The experience of public-sector pensions demonstrates that appropriate governance, oversight, and pooling of funds can allow public institutions to prudently enhance returns beyond those achievable through AAA-rated investments alone.

In Saskatchewan, recent legislative and policy changes have enabled municipalities to improve the management of municipal reserves through pooled and diversified investment structures⁶. In partnership with the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, Saskatchewan municipalities may now invest a limited portion of unappropriated reserves through SUMAInvest, a provincially approved pooled investment program overseen by professional investment managers. This framework allows municipalities to access diversified portfolios, including equities, real assets, and fixed income, while maintaining governance safeguards, investment limits, and transparency requirements. Saskatchewan's approach demonstrates that limited, well-governed diversification of municipal reserves can be implemented without replacing provincial funding programs or compromising fiscal oversight.

Most municipalities now operate with significantly greater financial complexity than when earlier regulatory frameworks were established. Many manage substantial reserve balances and capital funds, supported by experienced finance teams, robust governance structures, and access to professional investment expertise.

The current regulatory limitations:

- constrain diversification opportunities,
- expose municipalities to inflationary erosion of reserve values, and
- limit the ability to achieve risk-adjusted returns comparable to institutional standards.

³ [Alberta Regulation 149/2022 – Municipal Investment Regulation](#)

⁴ [CESifo Working Papers 11634-2025 January 2025 \(Private Investment and Public Investment: Total Rates of Return and Global Balances in the OECD\)](#)

⁵ [CIBC Asset Management – 2025 Long-term Annualized Capital Market Expected Returns](#)

⁶ [SUMAInvest Booklet April 2026](#)

Modernizing the regulation to reflect a governance- and capacity-based model, rather than a size-based distinction, would align Alberta with leading public sector investment practices. Such an approach would allow municipalities to responsibly enhance investment performance while maintaining strong safeguards for public funds.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS

This resolution aligns with ABmunis' broader work on [Property Taxes Reimagined](#) to develop solutions for municipalities to have adequate revenue streams and tools to address local needs. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

Prior to the vote at ABmunis' Convention, any questions about this resolution may be directed to:

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B5: Provincial Alternative Revenue Optimization Program to Support Productivity, Workforce Readiness, and Industrial Competitiveness

Moved by: City of Grande Prairie
Seconded by: Town of Crossfield

WHEREAS Alberta municipalities of all sizes and types are experiencing sustained infrastructure cost escalation, significant capital delivery pressures and labour competition and challenges driven by inflation, population and industry growth, and increased demands on core municipal services regardless of the municipal assessment mix;

WHEREAS municipalities play a direct role in enabling provincial economic outcomes by providing the infrastructure, land use planning, housing readiness, utilities, roads, and emergency services that support multiple industries, such as agriculture, forestry, energy development, manufacturing, and workforce mobility;

WHEREAS the municipal property tax system remains the primary revenue tool for local governments, despite being designed to fund local services rather than to efficiently reflect regional or province-wide economic activity and productivity benefits;

WHEREAS productivity-enabling infrastructure and services often generate economic and fiscal benefits beyond municipal boundaries, including benefits to provincial revenues, trade activity, labour force participation, and investment attraction;

WHEREAS the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) and other existing municipal funding programs alone cannot address all structural fiscal pressures arising from municipalities' role in enabling provincial economic productivity and growth across regions; and

WHEREAS continued reliance on property taxation to support these outcomes risks increasing residential tax pressure, constraining investment readiness, and exacerbating regional tensions between communities with differing assessment compositions.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to explore and collaboratively develop an additional, provincial revenue optimization program, separate from and in addition to the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) and existing municipal revenue sources, that:

- a) Supports Alberta's economic productivity and competitiveness, including agriculture, forestry, energy, manufacturing, logistics, and workforce participation, through investments in trade-enabling, housing-enabling, and workforce-supporting municipal infrastructure and services;
- b) Aligns funding to municipalities and regions where there is demonstrated economic activity, service demand, or productivity outcomes that extend beyond municipal boundaries or are not fully reflected within local tax bases;
- c) Recognizes municipalities as delivery partners for provincial economic objectives, including labour force attraction and retention, housing enablement, transportation connectivity, utilities, and public safety, where municipal investment is required to support provincial growth and competitiveness;
- d) Provides predictable, transparent, and formula-based funding, allowing municipalities to incorporate revenues into long-term capital planning, asset management, and service sustainability; and
- e) Is developed collaboratively with Alberta Municipalities, Mid-sized Mayors Caucus, rural municipal partners, and the Government of Alberta, ensuring regional equity, economic neutrality, and alignment with Alberta's provincial productivity and economic development priorities.

BACKGROUND:

Alberta municipalities of all sizes and geographies are experiencing sustained financial and operational pressures arising from inflationary cost escalation, population change, labour competition and challenges, and aging municipal

infrastructure. These pressures affect urban, rural, and specialized municipalities alike, regardless of assessment composition or growth trajectory.

Municipalities play a critical role in enabling Alberta's economic productivity by providing the infrastructure, services, and land use outcomes that support industry, agriculture, forestry, energy development, manufacturing, logistics, and the mobility and retention of the provincial workforce.

- Transportation corridors, local roads, and bridges that connect regional supply chains, trade routes, and work sites;
- Utilities, servicing capacity, and land-use readiness that enable housing delivery, industrial development, and workforce mobility;
- Emergency services, policing, fire protection, and transit systems that support workforce participation and community safety;
- Community and social infrastructure—such as recreation facilities, health-adjacent services, and social supports—that underpin labour attraction, retention, and regional livability.

These investments generate economic and fiscal benefits that extend beyond municipal boundaries, contributing to provincial productivity, competitiveness, and revenue growth, while the associated costs remain largely borne at the municipal level.

At present, the municipal property tax system remains the primary revenue tool available to local governments. While property taxation is appropriate for funding local services, it was not designed to efficiently capture or reflect the broader economic benefits generated by productivity-enabling infrastructure and services that extend beyond municipal boundaries. Continued reliance on property taxation alone risks increasing residential tax pressure, constraining investment readiness, and reinforcing regional tensions between municipalities with differing assessment bases. Even with population and assessment growth expanding municipal revenues over time, the type, timing and pace of growth often does not align with the infrastructure and service costs required to enable provincial economic activity. Municipalities must fund roads, utilities, emergency services, housing-enabling infrastructure, and community supports in advance of or disproportionately to revenue realization, frequently resulting in sustained fiscal pressure even in growing communities.

British Columbia provides an example of a long-standing, productivity-focused funding model through the Peace River Agreement¹, which evolved from the original Fair Share Agreement established in 1994. Under this negotiated, multi-year framework, the Province of British Columbia reinvests a portion of provincial resource revenues into municipalities and regional districts that provide infrastructure and services supporting economic activity occurring largely outside municipal boundaries. The Peace River Agreement recognizes the role of local governments as service delivery partners for provincial resource development and economic growth, while providing predictable, formula-based funding that supports long-term capital planning, infrastructure investment, and community sustainability without reallocating municipal tax capacity.

Many municipal investments that support workforce participation, trade corridors, industrial operations, and regional service provision generate provincial and regional benefits that are not fully aligned with municipal revenue capacity. Addressing these structural challenges through alternative, productivity-focused revenue mechanisms could strengthen Alberta's economic competitiveness while maintaining regional equity and municipal fiscal sustainability.

Crucially, this proposed program is not designed to redistribute existing wealth or create competitive imbalances between neighboring communities. Rather, it recognizes that industrial growth creates localized and regional cost pressures that do not align neatly with municipal borders. By establishing a provincial revenue-sharing mechanism to fund these pressures, the Province can ensure that no municipality is forced to subsidize provincial economic growth through local residential property tax increases. This approach fosters regional collaboration by removing the fiscal friction often caused by mismatched service-delivery and tax-assessment boundaries.

¹ [Peace River Agreement | City of Fort St. John](#)

There is an opportunity for the Government of Alberta and municipalities to collaboratively explore alternative revenue optimization approaches that focus on value creation, economic growth, and shared outcomes for all Alberta Municipalities.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES' COMMENTS:

This resolution generally aligns with ABmunis work on municipal finances and infrastructure funding. For example, the current phase of the Property Taxes Reimagined project is to identify and develop solutions for municipalities to have adequate revenue streams and tools to address local needs. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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B6: Budget Surplus and Municipal Infrastructure Investment

Moved by: City of Airdrie, City of Leduc, City of Lethbridge, Town of Cochrane, Town of Okotoks

Seconded by: Town of Coalhurst, Town of Crossfield, Town of Grimshaw, Town of Hinton, Town of Nanton, Town of Vegreville, Village of Duchess

WHEREAS municipalities across Alberta face critical infrastructure challenges including aging water and wastewater systems, deteriorating roads, bridges and community facilities, and insufficient capacity to accommodate population and economic growth, while operating with limited revenue tools and constrained capital budgets;

WHEREAS infrastructure project costs continue to rise due to inflation, further eroding municipal capital budgets and making it increasingly difficult for municipalities to address infrastructure needs through traditional funding mechanisms;

WHEREAS infrastructure is a shared responsibility between provincial and municipal governments, with municipalities owning and maintaining close to 60 per cent of Alberta's public infrastructure¹, including essential systems that support the province's economic prosperity and community sustainability;

WHEREAS water and wastewater infrastructure, roads, bridges, recreation and other community facilities require substantial capital investment to ensure public health, safety, economic development, and quality of life with many Alberta communities facing immediate needs for system upgrades, capacity expansion, and asset replacement;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has recorded a year-end surplus in 13 of the last 25 provincial budgets², creating opportunities for strategic one-time investments in municipal infrastructure without compromising ongoing program funding or fiscal sustainability; and

WHEREAS Alberta's current *Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act*³ legislates that 50 per cent of surpluses must be used towards debt repayment and allows for the remaining 50 percent to be applied to debt repayment, the Heritage Savings Trust Fund or to one-time initiatives, at the sole discretion of the province.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the Government of Alberta to commit to creating a framework, used during provincial surpluses, to allocate a portion of the surplus to critical municipal infrastructure projects.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the framework prioritizes projects based on demonstrated need and readiness for construction, with funding distributed through a transparent application process, and in alignment with provincial and municipal strategic priorities.

BACKGROUND:

Infrastructure challenges affect municipalities of all sizes across Alberta, from major urban centers experiencing rapid population growth to smaller rural communities managing aging systems and facilities with limited tax bases. During budget surplus years, a commitment to additional funding for municipal infrastructure investment would mean more support for critical projects that may have otherwise been deferred. Since 2000, Alberta has recorded a year-end surplus in 13 provincial budgets⁴, demonstrating recurring opportunities to establish a pathway for one-time investments, in addition to the funding already provided to municipalities by the province.

¹ ABmunis website (2026, April). [Infrastructure](#).

² Government of Alberta website (2026, April). [Budget documents](#).

³ Government of Alberta Open Data Resources (2026, April). [Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act](#).

⁴ Government of Alberta website (2026, April). [Budget documents](#).

A legislated portion of budget surplus addresses diverse needs by creating a funding mechanism that responds to provincial fiscal capacity while supporting both provincial and municipal infrastructure priorities in a meaningful way. With municipalities owning and maintaining almost 60 per cent of Alberta's public infrastructure, the need for sustainable capital funding is critical. Large urban centers face pressure to expand water and wastewater treatment capacity and build new roads to accommodate population increases. Medium-sized municipalities experience similar growth pressures while managing aging infrastructure that require replacement and adding new community amenities. Smaller rural communities struggle to maintain basic infrastructure systems and facilities with limited tax bases. **Allocating a portion of budget surpluses to municipal infrastructure investment would ensure that periods of strong economic performance translate directly into improved public assets across all community types.**

Even modest surpluses could generate substantial investment in one-time municipal infrastructure initiatives. For example, with a provincial budget surplus of \$1 billion, a 25 per cent allocation would yield approximately \$250 million for one-time infrastructure projects. Alberta's actual 2023–24 surplus of \$4.3 billion, could have generated approximately \$1.075 billion for infrastructure projects and the 2024–25 surplus of \$8.3 billion, approximately \$2.075 billion, using the same 25 per cent allocation. These amounts demonstrate meaningful contributions to addressing Alberta's growing infrastructure deficit, enabling municipalities to undertake major shovel-ready projects that could otherwise require decades of incremental funding accumulation.

A focus on one-time investments in near-term, municipal capital budget approved projects, in addition to existing funding programs, enables municipalities to address high priority capital needs. Quick allocation of funding to shovel-ready projects ensures economic stimulus benefits and timely infrastructure improvements. This resolution directly supports many of the Government of Alberta's objectives by ensuring that infrastructure capacity is well-maintained and keeps pace with growth and economic activity and the change could be easily incorporated within the current fiscal framework legislation.

The resolution also aligns with Alberta Municipalities' strategic priorities by advocating for sustainable infrastructure funding mechanisms that enable municipalities to maintain and expand essential services while reducing reliance on property taxation for major capital projects.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

This resolution generally aligns with ABmunis work on municipal finances and infrastructure funding. For example, the current phase of the Property Taxes Reimagined project is to identify and develop solutions for municipalities to have adequate revenue streams and tools to address local needs. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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B7: Broadening Scope of Off-Site Levies

Moved by: Town of Cochrane

Seconded by: Town of Penhold

WHEREAS section 648 of the *Municipal Government Act* authorizes municipalities to impose off-site levies on new development to recover a portion of growth-related infrastructure costs;

WHEREAS the scope of infrastructure eligible for off-site levies remains limited and does not fully reflect the capital infrastructure required to support growth and complete communities;

WHEREAS population growth creates demand for additional municipal capital infrastructure, including but not limited to outdoor recreation amenities, municipal operations facilities, and transit infrastructure required to deliver services to expanding communities;

WHEREAS when growth-related infrastructure costs cannot be recovered through off-site levies, municipalities must rely on general taxation or other funding sources, resulting in existing taxpayers subsidizing infrastructure required for new development; and

WHEREAS municipalities require flexible and modern legislative tools to ensure that growth-related infrastructure costs are shared fairly, transparently, and in a manner that supports desired and livable communities.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the *Municipal Government Act* to broaden the scope of infrastructure eligible for off-site levies to better reflect the full range of growth-related infrastructure required to support new development, where municipalities can demonstrate a clear connection between growth and the infrastructure required, in a manner that maintains transparency, predictability, and fairness for municipalities, developers, and residents.

BACKGROUND:

Municipalities across Alberta are experiencing sustained growth and increasing demand for infrastructure to support new communities. Off-site levies have, and continue to be, a key tool that allow municipalities to recover a portion of growth-related capital costs. However, under the current framework in the *Municipal Government Act*, the scope of infrastructure eligible for recovery remains too restrictive.

While the *Municipal Government Act* enables recovery of core infrastructure such as water, wastewater, stormwater, roads, transportation infrastructure, community recreation facilities, fire halls, police stations, and libraries, it does not fully capture the range of infrastructure required to support growth.

As communities expand, municipalities must invest in additional infrastructure to deliver services and support complete communities. This includes:

- outdoor recreation infrastructure (e.g. sports fields, courts, and community-use amenities);
- transit infrastructure (e.g. fleet storage, transit hubs, and supporting facilities);
- municipal operations facilities (e.g. public works yards and fleet maintenance facilities); and
- other capital infrastructure required to deliver municipal services to growing communities.

These investments are often directly driven by growth. Where growth-related infrastructure falls outside current off-site levy eligibility, municipalities must fund these investments through general taxation, reserves, or other sources. As a result, existing taxpayers often bear a disproportionate share of the costs required to support new development, effectively subsidizing growth. This misalignment can create financial pressure for municipalities and undermine the principle that growth should contribute to the infrastructure it necessitates. Expanding eligibility would help correct this imbalance by better aligning costs with the drivers of growth.

This challenge affects municipalities across Alberta, particularly those experiencing sustained or rapid growth. Municipalities experiencing growth face increasing pressure to align infrastructure funding with development while maintaining financial sustainability.

ABmunis previously raised this issue through [a resolution](#) calling on the Government of Alberta to expand the scope of off-site levies. While subsequent amendments have broadened eligibility in certain areas, the current framework still does not fully reflect the range of infrastructure required to support growth.

Broadening the scope of off-site levy eligibility would provide municipalities with a more complete tool to align infrastructure funding with growth. It supports a “growth pays for growth” approach and improves transparency in how costs are allocated.

Municipalities would continue to demonstrate a clear connection between development and the infrastructure being funded, ensuring levies remain appropriate and justifiable, while expanded eligibility would provide greater flexibility within a framework that maintains accountability.

This approach aligns with provincial objectives to support housing and community growth. Providing municipalities with effective infrastructure funding tools supports timely development, reduces long-term financial pressures, and helps build desirable, livable communities across Alberta.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

As noted in the background section, ABmunis has long advocated for an expanded scope of off-site levies to enable municipalities to recover growth-related infrastructure costs. Over the past 18 months, ABmunis has actively engaged with the Government of Canada to ensure the integrity of the off-site levy framework is respected in federal funding programs and has secured support from the Government of Alberta in advancing this position. ABmunis has also advocated against the introduction of regulatory restrictions on off-site levy provisions within the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA). While limited restrictions were introduced through Bill 28, they did not go as far as initially proposed. In addition, ABmunis is currently developing a tool and guide to support municipalities in the effective use of off-site levies. Overall, this resolution aligns with ABmunis’ ongoing advocacy efforts to strengthen the off-site levy model and supports our broader commitment to protecting and enhancing municipal autonomy.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis’ Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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B8: Expanded Grant Eligibility for Water Infrastructure

Moved by: Town of Stettler
Seconded by: City of Camrose

WHEREAS the costs associated with the construction, maintenance, and upgrading of municipal water systems in Alberta have risen significantly due to inflation, material costs, and labor shortages;

WHEREAS municipalities face limited fiscal capacity and a constrained property tax base, making it increasingly difficult to fund large-scale water projects without provincial and federal government support;

WHEREAS many municipalities function as regional hubs for essential services such as hospitals, schools, libraries, commercial amenities, and recreation, resulting in increased infrastructure demand beyond what is support by their local tax base;

WHEREAS growth pressures, including annexation and development of previously unserved areas, are further increasing demand for municipal water infrastructure and associated financial responsibilities;

WHEREAS municipalities are required to comply with evolving provincial and federal regulatory standards and are increasingly impacted by climate-related pressures, including drought, necessitating significant and ongoing investment in water supply, storage, and system resilience;

WHEREAS current water funding programs do not consistently reflect these cumulative pressures and may limit eligibility based on project structure rather than demonstrated regional service demand and opportunities to maximize return on investment; and

WHEREAS more predictable and inclusive eligibility for provincial water funding would support proactive, long-term infrastructure planning and reduce reliance on reactive or emergency investments.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the expansion of eligibility criteria under the Water for Life funding framework, or successor water infrastructure programs, to include single municipalities that function as regional service hubs and provide services to populations that extend beyond their municipal tax base.

BACKGROUND:

Municipalities across Alberta face ongoing challenges of securing sufficient funding to provide, maintain, and upgrade essential water services. Current challenges are being further impacted due to growing drought concerns, inflationary costs, increased demand, and [population](#). The current criteria of Water for Life funding risks limiting the impact by prioritizing projects based on technical eligibility rather than the broader project benefit and the ability to implement proactive infrastructure solutions before crisis occurs. A careful review of eligibility, allocation, and the criteria used to determine priorities is needed to ensure the existing water and wastewater funding truly support projects that maximize public value and benefit.

Impacts of Rising Costs

Due to rising inflation, local governments are constantly exploring ways to minimize the financial burden on taxpayers, frequently relying on grant funding to help offset costs. From 2020 to 2025 the Town of Stettler saw a 25% increase in asphaltting tenders and a 40% increase in 150 mm watermain replacement tenders from 2021 to 2024. Stettler isn't isolated in these figures. Municipalities across Alberta are facing the same reality of steadily increasing demand for services alongside rapidly rising capital and operating costs. Inflation in construction material, utilities, and labour has significantly outpaced growth in municipal revenues, meaning the municipal tax dollar now delivers substantially less purchasing power than in previous years.

At the same time, Alberta's accelerated population growth has not been matched by proportionate provincial funding. In 2009 municipalities were receiving approximately \$635 in [provincial funding](#) per person, compared to about \$327 per person (adjusting for inflation) in 2023.

Regional Hubs

The current structure of Water for Life funding, which requires multi-municipal partners or regional system participation, presents a barrier for municipalities that independently serve as a regional service hub. In Minster Dreesen's response to the Rural Municipalities of Alberta's [Resolution 9-25S](#) he said that the Water for Life funding "reflects a strategic focus on sustaining Alberta's regional water and wastewater systems, ensuring long term resiliency, and access to safe, reliable water services" and that the focus is to "allocate limited funding toward projects which provide the greatest return on investment for entire regions". The structure of the program currently neglects to address communities that act as regional hubs, providing services for a population that far exceeds their municipal tax base.

While Stettler's population during the 2021 federal census was 5,695 a [growth study](#) completed in 2007 establishes a market population of 42,000, stretching from Lacombe all the way to the Saskatchewan border. Further, in Stettler's most recent [Commercial Market Analysis](#), it was noted that while the Town of Stettler only accounts for 47.9% of the population in the immediate trade area, 80% of jobs are within the Town of Stettler municipal borders and serviced by municipal water systems.

Risks of Disruption

Municipalities are working to act proactively, rather than reactively, but the available funding and programs offered by the Government of Alberta include strict eligibility criteria preventing funding for projects that would deliver the highest long-term value and return on investment for Albertans. This challenge is underscored by high-profile water main failures in the last 5 years in communities across Alberta including Calgary, Beiseker, Cochrane, and Three Hills.

Drought and water scarcity lead to further challenges for municipalities. While municipalities are expected to proactively protect their water systems and prepare for droughts, the reality is that capital projects to address these challenges are often high-cost, high-risk, and time sensitive.

This is further compounded by the challenges municipalities face in bringing annexed lands up to full urban community standards. Where previously unserved areas are incorporated into municipal boundaries, significant investment is required to extend water infrastructure. This work is critical not only for equitable service delivery, but also for public safety, including reliable emergency response through hydrant access for fire protection.

Ensuring funding is accessible allows municipalities to implement critical projects when needed rather than deferring them due to budgetary constraints, protecting both the municipality and the border region they serve.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not have a position and has not previously considered a resolution specifically advocating for changes to grant eligibility criteria for water infrastructure funding. However, numerous past resolutions have consistently called for increased availability, predictability, and sustainability of funding for municipal water and wastewater infrastructure, for example, the [2023 resolution](#) for adequate provincial infrastructure funding.

The current resolution aligns with these established concerns, particularly regarding funding pressures, growth-related demand, and the need for long-term planning certainty. If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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B9: Limiting the Use of Fresh Water in Hydraulic Fracturing

Moved by: Town of Rimbey
 Seconded by: Town of Sylvan Lake

WHEREAS the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) and Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) currently permit the use of fresh water for hydraulic fracturing operations;

WHEREAS Alberta Environment and Protected Areas' mandate is to protect and enhance Alberta's environment and ecosystems to ensure a sustainable future for all Albertans;

WHEREAS the AER is issuing Temporary Diversion Licences (TDLs) for the withdrawal and use of fresh water by industry;

WHEREAS existing water allocation and priority frameworks under the *Water Act* do not consistently account for cumulative effects, local water security risks, or drought conditions when TDLs are issued for industrial activities, creating concerns for municipalities and agricultural water users; and

WHEREAS TDLs are not subject to appeal, and opportunities for public input, including Statements of Concern, are not consistently available prior to water withdrawals occurring.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review current policies and regulatory frameworks governing the use of fresh water in hydraulic fracturing, with the goal of reducing reliance on fresh water sources in drought stressed regions.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta work with industry, municipalities, and other stakeholders to support and accelerate the development and adoption of alternative water sources for hydraulic fracturing, including saline water and recycled produced water.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta evaluate the current roles and responsibilities of the Alberta Energy Regulator and Alberta Environment and Protected Areas with respect to water allocation decisions under the *Water Act*, to ensure clarity, transparency, and alignment with water management objectives.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta improve transparency in the Temporary Diversion License approval process by ensuring that supporting information used in decision-making is publicly accessible and that opportunities for municipal and public awareness and input are enhanced.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta assess opportunities to strengthen oversight and consistency in the application of legislation, policy, and directives related to Temporary Diversion Licences, including those involving alluvial aquifers.

BACKGROUND:

Water is a finite and increasingly stressed resource in Alberta, particularly during periods of drought and low precipitation that have become more frequent in recent years. Municipalities across the province are responsible for ensuring reliable access to potable water for residents, as well as supporting agricultural producers who depend on consistent water supplies for food production and economic sustainability.

Hydraulic fracturing operations can require significant volumes of water, a portion of which is sourced from fresh surface water and shallow groundwater systems through Temporary Diversion Licences (TDLs). While TDLs are intended to be short-term in nature, their cumulative impact on watersheds, particularly in smaller or already stressed basins, can be substantial. Municipalities have raised concerns regarding the lack of transparency, limited

public engagement, and absence of an appeal mechanism associated with TDL approvals.

Currently, the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) is authorized to issue TDLs for energy resource activities under the *Water Act*. This dual role, both regulating industry and making water allocation decisions, has raised concerns among municipalities regarding the adequacy of environmental oversight and the prioritization of water use. Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA), as the department mandated to manage and protect water resources, may be better positioned to provide independent and consistent oversight of water allocation decisions.

Municipal governments are increasingly expected to manage the local impacts of water scarcity, including implementing water restrictions, investing in infrastructure, and responding to public concerns about water security. At the same time, municipalities have limited authority to influence industrial water use decisions made at the provincial level.

In addition, advances in technology and industry practices have demonstrated that alternatives to the use of fresh water in hydraulic fracturing, such as the use of saline water, recycled produced water, or other non-potable sources, are viable and increasingly common. Encouraging or requiring a transition to these alternatives would reduce pressure on freshwater systems while allowing resource development to continue.

Ensuring that water allocation decisions are transparent, science-based, and prioritize essential human and agricultural needs is critical to maintaining public trust and long-term sustainability. Providing opportunities for public input and access to information used in decision-making would further strengthen accountability.

For these reasons, municipalities are seeking changes to provincial policy and legislation to better protect freshwater resources, improve transparency in water allocation decisions, and ensure that the governance framework reflects the importance of water as a shared and essential resource.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not have an established position on limiting the use of fresh water in hydraulic fracturing, and no previous resolutions have directly addressed this issue. However, ABmunis has identified related concerns around water security, cumulative effects, and transparency in water allocation decisions in our water management policies and 2025 submission to the province on water availability.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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B10: Police Fines and Penalties Revenue Sharing

Moved by: Town of Mundare
 Seconded by: Town of Hanna

WHEREAS section 162(2) of the Traffic Safety Act states: “Subject to subsection (4), fines and penalties imposed under this Act in respect of contraventions occurring in a municipality for which policing services are required to be provided under section 4(5) or (6) of the *Police Act* belong to the municipality that is required to provide the policing services”;

WHEREAS section 162(3) of *Traffic Safety Act* states: “Subject to subsection (4), fines and penalties imposed under this Act in respect of contraventions for which informations are laid or violation tickets are issued under the Provincial Offences Procedure Act or notices of administrative penalty are issued under the Provincial Administrative Penalties Act by peace officers employed by a municipality belong to that municipality”;

WHEREAS as of April 1, 2020, municipalities/municipal districts/counties receiving policing services under the Provincial Police Services Agreement (PPSA) are required to pay a portion of policing costs;

WHEREAS the changes to the Police Funding Model (PFM) will cause a financial burden on the PPSA municipalities;

WHEREAS the intent of Section 162 of the *Traffic Safety Act* is that fines should be distributed on the basis of who pays for the policing; and

WHEREAS despite the intent of the *Traffic Safety Act*, PPSA Municipalities do not receive a share of the fines and penalties.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the Government of Alberta to amend section 162 of the *Traffic Safety Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter T-6 to distribute fines and penalties under the Act to those municipalities receiving policing services under the Provincial Police Services Agreement at the same percentage that these municipalities pay for policing.

BACKGROUND:

Prior to October 31, 2005, Section 162 of the *Traffic Safety Act* stated:

Disposition of fines and penalties (*in effect prior to October 31, 2005*)

162(1) Subject to subsection (2), any fine or penalty imposed under this Act belongs to the Crown in right of Alberta.

(2) Any fine or penalty imposed under this Act in respect of an offence occurring in

- (a) a municipality that is an urban area, belongs to that municipality,
- (b) a municipal district or Metis settlement, other than on a highway designated as a primary highway pursuant to the *Public Highways Development Act*, belongs to the municipal district or Metis settlement, and
- (c) an Indian reserve, other than on a highway designated as a primary highway or a highway designated as a secondary road pursuant to the *Public Highways Development Act*, belongs to the band.

- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(c), “band” and “reserve” mean a band and reserve as defined in the *Indian Act* (Canada).

After October 31, 2005, the *Traffic Safety Act* was changed so that traffic fines were distributed based on the “who pays for policing model”.

Municipalities that are not policed under the PPSA, and municipalities that pay for a community peace officer, receive 60% of the specified fines/penalties that are issued in the municipality under the *Traffic Safety Act*, whereas the province receives 40%.

This proposed resolution, as of 2030-2031, would mean PPSA municipalities receive 18% of total fines and penalties collected in their boundaries, whereas the province would receive 72%.

There are 278 municipalities included in the PPSA. These municipalities are paying a portion of the policing costs but do not receive any portion of the fines/penalties issued in the municipality.

Based on estimates received from the Government of Alberta:

- The Town of Mundare (population 858) will see a 188% increase from 2025-2026 (\$43,500) to 2030-2031 (\$125,500).
- The Town of Hanna (population 2,394) will see a 157% increase from 2025-2026 (\$173,112) to 2030-2031 (\$443,838).

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

This resolution aligns with ABmunis strategic priority related to policing and the ongoing advocacy on the Police Act regulations and the renewed police funding model. It is a renewal of a 2022 resolution calling for the same actions.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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2026 RESOLUTIONS

Category C: Other Issues of Potential Interest to Municipalities

C1: Regulation of Personal Micromobility Devices (i.e. e-scooters) through the Alberta Traffic Safety Act

Moved by: City of Spruce Grove
Seconded by: Village of Irma

WHEREAS the *Alberta Traffic Safety Act* provides the legislative and regulatory framework governing the use of motorized vehicles on roadways, sidewalks, and pathways in Alberta;

WHEREAS personal micromobility devices, including e-scooters, electronic skateboards, hoverboards, e-bikes, and segways, are increasingly used as a mode of transportation within municipalities;

WHEREAS the Province of Alberta has enabled the operation of commercial/rental e-scooter share programs through regulatory exemptions, and several municipalities have implemented pilot programs to authorize and manage their use;

WHEREAS the *Traffic Safety Act* does not currently establish a clear legal framework for the operation of privately owned micromobility devices on public infrastructure, limiting municipalities' ability to effectively regulate their use;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has the authority to establish regulations under the *Traffic Safety Act* and has undertaken consultation regarding the regulation of personal micromobility devices; and

WHEREAS the absence of a defined provincial framework creates challenges related to enforcement, public understanding, and safety, including concerns related to speed limits, age restrictions, mandatory helmet use, particularly for youth, and clear definitions of where devices can operate.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the *Traffic Safety Act* and its associated regulations to establish a clear and consistent provincial framework for the operation and use of personal micromobility devices, while providing municipalities with autonomy for bylaw enforcement within their jurisdiction as needed.

BACKGROUND:

The *Traffic Safety Act* establishes the legislative framework governing the use of vehicles on roadways, sidewalks, and pathways across Alberta. However, the Act has not kept pace with the rapid emergence and adoption of personal micromobility devices (PMDs), such as e-scooters, e-bikes, hoverboards, and other small electric mobility options.

Municipalities across Alberta have participated in provincially authorized pilot programs for shared e-scooter services. Through these pilots, municipalities have developed a range of approaches to managing these programs, including designated parking areas, speed restrictions, operating zones, and safety requirements, reflecting local priorities and infrastructure considerations. While these programs have demonstrated the benefits of micromobility, they have also highlighted gaps in the current legislative framework, particularly with respect to privately owned devices.

As personal micromobility devices become more widely available for individual purchase, safety and enforcement challenges are increasing. Key considerations include how to regulate speed, ensure helmet use, and clearly define where PMDs are permitted to operate. While shared fleet operators have the ability to implement technological controls such as speed limiting and geofencing, no comparable mechanisms exist for privately owned devices. This creates inconsistent enforcement environments and increases the risk of unsafe or non-compliant use.

The absence of a clear, province-wide regulatory framework has also resulted in varied approaches across municipalities. While this reflects local flexibility, it may also contribute to confusion among users regarding acceptable practices and expectations as they move between communities.

The Government of Alberta has been engaging stakeholders on the regulation of personal micromobility devices, beginning late-2025. This work is expected to inform potential amendments to the *Traffic Safety Act* and associated regulations, with legislation anticipated as early as fall 2026. As a participant in this process, Alberta Municipalities has expressed support for enabling PMDs (based on the existing [resolution](#) from the City of Calgary that expires in fall 2026) and emphasized the importance of ensuring that any new regulatory framework both enhances safety and respects municipal autonomy.

As part of this work, there is an opportunity for the province to provide greater clarity while maintaining local flexibility. The development of a provincial best-practices guide could support municipalities in implementing consistent and effective approaches to PMD regulation. Such a guide could outline recommended speed limits, helmet requirements, and appropriate riding zones, enabling municipalities to adopt approaches suited to their local context while promoting safe and consistent use across Alberta.

A coordinated provincial framework, supported by best practices and developed in collaboration with municipalities, would help ensure that PMDs are used safely, consistently, and in alignment with local needs and priorities.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

As noted above, ABmunis has previously provided feedback to the Province on stakeholder engagement related to this issue and has emphasized the importance of clear regulatory frameworks that enable municipalities to determine whether and how PMDs operate within their communities. This resolution aligns with the advocacy advanced through the City of Calgary's resolution, which is set to expire in 2026, and would support the continuation of that work. While the issue does not currently align with ABmunis priority strategic initiatives, it is consistent with ABmunis' support for municipal autonomy, local decision-making, and the ability of municipalities to address community needs through appropriate regulatory tools.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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C2: Family Support for Children with Disabilities Transparency and Timely Access

Moved by: Town of Sylvan Lake
 Seconded by: Town of Nanton

WHEREAS the Family Support for Children with Disabilities (FSCD) program is intended to provide timely, needs based supports to children with disabilities and their families across Alberta;

WHEREAS families across Alberta report prolonged wait times for FSCD services and limited communication regarding application status and anticipated timelines;

WHEREAS extended delays in accessing FSCD supports can contribute to employment disruption, financial hardship, missed developmental opportunities for children, and increased strain on families;

WHEREAS timely FSCD supports help children participate more fully in community life while supporting family stability and parental workforce participation;

WHEREAS in 2022, the Government of Alberta discontinued routine public reporting of FSCD wait list data that had shown how many approved or eligible families were awaiting services; and

WHEREAS transparency, timely communication, and accessible information are fundamental to equitable and accountable public service delivery.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to improve transparency, communication, and timeliness within the Family Support for Children with Disabilities (FSCD) program by:

1. Reinstating routine public reporting on FSCD wait list volumes and average wait times at key stages of the process;
2. Ensuring families awaiting FSCD supports receive clear, proactive communication regarding application status and expected next steps;
3. Allocating targeted, time-limited resources to reduce existing FSCD backlogs so approved supports can be accessed within reasonable timelines; and
4. Establishing transparency and timeliness as core operational standards within the FSCD program.

BACKGROUND:

Municipal leaders across Alberta hear from families facing significant delays and limited communication within the FSCD program. While municipalities do not administer FSCD, the effects of delayed access are felt locally through reduced workforce participation, increased pressure on community-based supports, and broader impacts on community wellbeing.

A 2024 Inclusion Alberta survey of 746 families across 81 electoral divisions reported that families waited an estimated three years after applying to access the full range of FSCD services, including average waits of approximately 7.5 months for an eligibility decision and a further 10 months before initial supports began. The same survey reported that 58 percent of families experienced negative impacts while going without required supports, including employment disruption, financial hardship, and missed developmental opportunities.

The discontinuation of routine public reporting on FSCD waitlist data in 2022 reduced transparency and made it more difficult for families, municipalities, and communities to understand system pressures and anticipated timelines.

This resolution does not prescribe a specific service delivery model. It focuses on practical governance level improvements to transparency, communication, and timeliness that would improve accountability and reduce uncertainty for families while broader system improvements are pursued.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not currently have a position on this specific issue. If this resolution is approved, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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C3: Alignment of Municipal Fiscal Year with Provincial and Federal Budget Cycles

Moved by: City of Red Deer
Seconded by: Town of Penhold

WHEREAS municipalities rely on funding, grants, and policy direction from provincial and federal governments to support municipal operations, infrastructure, and service delivery;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta and Government of Canada operate on a fiscal year of April 1 to March 31, which differs from the fiscal calendar used by municipalities;

WHEREAS differences in fiscal year timing create challenges for municipalities in financial planning, budgeting, forecasting, reporting, and aligning priorities with other orders of government; and

WHEREAS aligning municipal fiscal years with provincial and federal fiscal calendars would improve coordination, transparency, responsiveness to funding opportunities, and long-term financial planning.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend relevant legislation and regulations to change the municipal fiscal and budget cycle to align with the provincial and federal fiscal calendar of April 1 to March 31.

BACKGROUND:

Municipalities operate within a broader intergovernmental environment where provincial and federal funding programs, policy decisions, and budget cycles influence local planning and service delivery.

The proposed resolution identifies fiscal year alignment as a potential mechanism to improve coordination between municipalities and other orders of government. The differences in fiscal timing may contribute to:

- challenges in aligning approved municipal budgets with funding announcements;
- the need for mid-year budget adjustments and reforecasting; and
- timing pressures in implementing funded programs and capital projects.

These potential benefits form the basis of the proposed resolution and reflect a broader interest in improving coordination across orders of government. Aligning municipal fiscal years with provincial and federal budget cycles (April 1 to March 31) may offer benefits, including:

- improved ability to align budgets with confirmed funding announcements;
- enhanced multi-year financial planning; and
- greater coordination across shared priorities and programs.

A recent 2024 study published by the C.D. Howe Institute further highlights the importance of fiscal alignment and long-term financial coordination across governments. The report notes that timing differences between municipal and senior government budget cycles can create planning inefficiencies, reduce predictability for local governments, and complicate the implementation of infrastructure and funding programs. The study also emphasizes the increasing financial pressures municipalities face in managing infrastructure, service delivery, and long-term capital planning within an evolving intergovernmental funding environment. While municipalities across Canada operate under different legislative and fiscal structures, the report identifies improved fiscal coordination and planning alignment as important considerations in supporting sustainable municipal financial management.¹

¹ C.D. Howe Institute, Mind the Gap: Canada's Municipal Infrastructure Challenge, April 2025. Available at: https://cdhowe.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Commentary_681-1.pdf

The proposed resolution is intended to support further discussion and advocacy regarding fiscal coordination between municipalities and other orders of government. As municipalities continue to manage increasingly complex financial and infrastructure responsibilities, improved alignment of fiscal and budget cycles may contribute to more effective long-term planning, coordination, and implementation of shared priorities and funding programs.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not currently have an established policy position on this issue.

Changing the timing of the fiscal year for municipalities would impact other processes such as assessment valuation dates, tax deadlines for Albertans and businesses, and provincial reporting systems. It would also impact time demands on professions like assessors, engineers, and auditors. Research would be required to determine the costs associated with changing both municipal and provincial processes and systems, which could be significant. In turn, this research would require an investment of time and resources by ABmunis. If this resolution is approved, ABmunis would have to consider our ability, in relation to other priorities, to effectively engage the Government of Alberta, municipalities and related professionals to understand the benefit and costs.

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C4: Strengthening Auditor Reporting of Financial Irregularities in Municipal Financial Statements

Moved by: Town of Penhold
 Seconded by: Town of Sylvan Lake

WHEREAS municipal councils rely on audited financial statements as a primary accountability tool to support transparent decision-making, public trust, and sound stewardship of municipal funds;

WHEREAS auditors may identify financial irregularities during municipal audits, such as unexplained variances, misclassifications, procurement or contract anomalies, weak internal controls, or unusual reserve transactions, that are not always clearly, consistently, or plainly communicated to municipal councils or the public;

WHEREAS current Canadian auditing standards and practices may result in such irregularities being communicated in highly technical language or dispersed throughout audit documents, making it difficult for elected officials and the public to readily understand potential financial risk or governance implications; and

WHEREAS clearer, more standardized, and plain-language reporting of significant audit findings would improve transparency, strengthen financial oversight, reduce long-term financial risk, and reinforce public confidence in municipal governance.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities urge the Government of Alberta to work with the appropriate professional bodies, including the Chartered Professional Accountants of Alberta (CPA Alberta), to strengthen professional standards, guidance, and training requirements so that auditors clearly and explicitly report significant financial irregularities identified during municipal audits.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities requests the Government of Alberta encourage CPA Alberta to develop a standardized, plain-language Municipal Audit Executive Summary to accompany municipal audited financial statements, outlining key information for council and public understanding, including but not limited to:

- the municipality's overall financial position;
- observations related to investments and major infrastructure assets;
- the status and flexibility of municipal reserves;
- findings related to fraud risk, compliance, and internal controls;
- identification of material financial or governance risks; and
- comments on the municipality's financial health.

BACKGROUND:

Municipalities are often the largest financial organizations within their communities, managing significant public funds, major infrastructure assets, complex procurement processes, and long-term debt and reserve strategies. Despite this responsibility, many municipalities, particularly small and mid-sized ones, operate with limited financial staff, constrained internal controls, and increasing exposure to financial complexity and risk.

External audits play a critical role in supporting municipal accountability and governance. However, auditors only may identify financial irregularities, such as unexplained variances, questionable journal entries, procurement anomalies, reserve movements, or control weaknesses, that do not meet the strict threshold of a "material misstatement" but still represent meaningful governance, compliance, or risk concerns. When these matters are not clearly disclosed, councils may lack timely and complete information needed to identify issues early and take corrective action.

All Alberta municipalities are impacted, as every municipality is required to obtain an annual external audit. A clear, consistent, and plain-language reporting format from audit firms will restore confidence, with clarity on the financial health of their community.

This in turn will prevent that brave council representative from having to ask the question, “So...is our municipality in a good financial position?”.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not currently have a position on this particular issue.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis’ Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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C5: Door-to-Door Solar Sales

Moved by: City of St. Albert

Seconded by: Town of Jasper, Town of Rocky Mountain House, Town of Westlock

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta's Clean Energy Improvements Regulation enables municipalities to establish Clean Energy Improvement Programs (CEIP) that provide for the financing of specific residential and commercial energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades, including insulation, heating and cooling systems, and solar photovoltaic panels (solar PV);

WHEREAS CEIP participation is contingent upon compliance with specific program requirements, including the use of approved contractors and eligible energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades and products;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta introduced consumer protection measures in 2017 to restrict door-to-door sales of specific "household energy products," including furnaces, water heaters, windows and air conditioners;

WHEREAS these restrictions do not include solar PV systems, resulting in solar PV contractors being exempt from the door-to-door sales prohibitions that apply to other contractors that deliver CEIP-financed products for Albertans; and

WHEREAS this regulatory gap has contributed to misinformation being shared regarding CEIP eligibility and financing terms, contributing to consumer confusion and financial misunderstanding, and placing additional administrative burden on municipalities delivering CEIP programs.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to enhance regulatory oversight for door-to-door solar PV sales, and to engage with Alberta Municipalities and the solar PV industry to protect consumers from misinformation regarding municipal CEIP programs.

BACKGROUND:

The Government of Alberta's Clean Energy Improvements Regulation came into force in January 2019, which allowed for the implementation of Alberta Municipalities' Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP). CEIP is an innovative financing tool that enables residential and commercial property owners in municipalities that pass a clean energy improvement tax bylaw to access long-term financing to fund energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades, and to pay it off over long-term through their property tax bill.

As of 2026, 29 municipalities are running active CEIP programs across Alberta, with over 1,000 projects being completed and \$125 million in financing being made available. Upgrades such as insulation, windows/doors, heat pumps, and solar PV installations are some of the eligible products covered by CEIP. This injection of funding into the home upgrade market has boosted economic activity and financial opportunities in the home contracting trades; over 675 Albertan contractors have been designated as "CEIP Qualified Contractors," which include electricians, plumbing & HVAC contractors, and solar PV contractors among others.

However, regulatory gaps within the Consumer Protection Act have created an uneven playing field among CEIP contractors and increased the risk of misinformation regarding program eligibility and financing terms. Of particular relevance is the fact that certain door-to-door sales activities were banned by the Government of Alberta in 2017, however this ban only applied to the following specific "household energy products":

- Furnaces
- Natural gas and electricity energy contracts
- Water heaters

- Windows
- Air conditioners
- Energy audits

Although this ban covers the majority of contractors that deliver CEIP upgrades, it does not cover solar PV contractors, meaning these contractors do not have the same restrictions and can engage in door-to-door sales activities.

In addition to the consequences of creating an uneven playing field for CEIP contractors, this regulatory gap also creates financial strain on municipalities, as many municipalities with CEIP programs have needed to direct more staff resources to handling resident inquiries and complaints regarding information provided to them by solar PV contractors performing unsolicited door-to-door sales.

This resolution seeks to ensure solar PV contractors are subject to comparable consumer protection standards as other home energy contractors participating in CEIP programs. This will protect Alberta consumers, support fair market conditions, and reduce associated administrative burdens on municipalities that must correct misinformation on CEIP program criteria and eligibility.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not currently have an established policy position on this issue.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy would be recommended to the ABmunis' Board by the relevant policy committee(s) within the context of related priorities and positions.

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C6: Restoring Provincial Support for Perpetual Conservation Easements

Moved by: Town of Cochrane
Seconded by: Town of Innisfail

WHEREAS conservation easements have historically been used in Alberta as a voluntary land stewardship tool to protect ecologically significant areas, agricultural lands, and natural heritage features;

WHEREAS perpetual conservation easements provide long-term certainty for landowners, municipalities, and conservation organizations seeking to preserve lands with environmental, agricultural, or cultural value;

WHEREAS municipalities rely on long-term land-use planning to manage growth, infrastructure, and environmental stewardship, which benefits from tools that provide lasting certainty on the use of land;

WHEREAS recent shifts in provincial policy, through the newly created Private Land Conservation Program, have reduced support for perpetual conservation easements based on the principle that land should remain available for future use; and

WHEREAS time-limited conservation tools can provide flexibility in land use but may not be suitable in all circumstances, particularly where long-term or permanent conservation outcomes are desired.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to restore policy support under the Private Land Conservation Program for perpetual conservation easements as a voluntary land stewardship tool, ensuring municipalities, landowners, and conservation organizations have access to this option where locally supported and aligned with environmental, agricultural, or community planning objectives.

BACKGROUND:

Perpetual conservation easements have long been used in Alberta as a mechanism to conserve lands of environmental, agricultural, and cultural importance. These easements are voluntary agreements between landowners and qualified organizations that restrict certain types of development in order to protect identified values on the land.

A change to the Land Trust Grant Program, now known as the [Private Land Conservation Program](#), has reduced support for perpetual easements, based on a preference for maintaining future land-use flexibility. While this approach emphasizes adaptability by allowing for term easements of up to 50 years, it may limit the ability of municipalities and landowners to secure long-term conservation outcomes where there is strong local support to do so.

Perpetual conservation easements would be voluntary and landowner-initiated. They would not restrict options on other properties. This resolution is about preserving choice for municipalities. Time-limited easements provide flexibility, while perpetual easements provide certainty. Municipalities and landowners should have access to both tools to reflect local priorities and the nature of the land being protected.

For municipalities, conservation easements can support broader land-use planning objectives, including protecting natural areas, maintaining agricultural viability, and preserving community character. They can also complement growth management by directing development to appropriate areas while conserving lands that provide ecological or cultural benefits.

Restoring provincial support for perpetual conservation easements does not require mandating their use. Rather, it would ensure that municipalities, landowners, and conservation partners retain access to this tool as one option among many. This approach respects local decision-making and property rights while enabling communities to pursue conservation outcomes that reflect their priorities.

This issue is relevant to municipalities across Alberta, particularly those experiencing growth pressures alongside the need to protect natural and agricultural landscapes. Providing access to a full suite of voluntary land-use tools supports balanced, locally informed decision-making.

The proposed resolution aligns with Alberta Municipalities' broader interests in supporting responsible land-use planning, environmental stewardship, and ensuring municipalities have the tools needed to manage growth effectively.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis does not have an established policy position specific to restoring provincial support for perpetual conservation easements, and no previous resolutions have directly addressed this issue.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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C7: Remediation of Contaminated Properties

Moved by: Town of Vermilion
Seconded by: Village of Marwayne

WHEREAS there are numerous contaminated and derelict properties throughout Alberta which are left abandoned by property owners each year, often accompanied by unpaid property taxes;

WHEREAS contaminated and derelict properties negatively affect property owners and municipalities;

WHEREAS previous grant funding from the Government of Alberta was not adequate to remediate properties and is no longer available;

WHEREAS applicable acts and regulations do not properly distinguish between current owners and original polluters, and further do not completely prevent the original polluter from evading their remediation responsibilities; and

WHEREAS municipalities face the dilemma of either seizing these properties through unpaid taxes and therefore inheriting the liability; or allowing the continued contamination of lands and accumulation of unpaid taxes.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review relevant legislation to enable the differentiation between current and former owners with respect to liability for contaminated properties; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to reinstate an adequately funded grant program to facilitate the remediation of contaminated properties.

BACKGROUND:

The Town of Vermilion, along with many neighbouring municipalities, continues to face a growing and significant challenge related to contaminated and environmentally compromised properties. In many cases, property owners have failed or refused to take responsibility for the remediation and cleanup of these sites, while also neglecting to pay municipal property taxes associated with the properties.

Despite enforcement efforts by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas, including the issuance of Environmental Protection Orders, municipalities are finding that compliance remains extremely limited. Property owners are either unwilling to undertake the required remediation work or, in some instances, cannot be located at all. As a result, contaminated properties are being left abandoned within communities, creating ongoing environmental, financial, and public safety concerns.

This issue places an increasingly unfair burden on municipalities and local taxpayers, who are left to manage the long-term impacts of derelict and contaminated sites without the necessary authority, resources, or financial support to adequately address them.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis has considered issues related to contaminated properties and brownfield redevelopment through previous resolutions, including the [2012 resolution](#) on abandoned energy infrastructure and the [2021 resolution](#) on creating jobs through remediating and redeveloping brownfields. These recognize the financial and regulatory challenges municipalities face in addressing contaminated sites.

If this resolution is passed, it will be forwarded to the Government of Alberta for response. Further advocacy will be determined by ABmunis' Board based on input from ABmunis' relevant policy committee within the context of ABmunis' priorities and positions.

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C8: Equitable Provincial Charitable Gaming Model

Moved by: City of St. Albert
Seconded by: Town of Edson

WHEREAS charitable organizations provide a valuable service across Alberta and their sustainability is of utmost importance to Alberta society;

WHEREAS charitable organizations that experience financial instability may impact municipalities through increased requests for funding, or subsequent community reliance on municipalities to provide services that can no longer be sustainably delivered by charitable organizations;

WHEREAS Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis (AGLC) helps to ensure the sustainability of charitable organizations through revenue generation made possible by volunteer charitable casino events, known as Alberta's Charitable Gaming Model¹;

WHEREAS Alberta's Charitable Gaming Model was responsible for over \$422.8 million in revenue raised by thousands of Alberta charitable organizations in 2024-25²;

WHEREAS previous reviews of Alberta's Charitable Gaming Model conducted by the Government of Alberta and AGLC have articulated that an inequitable model for the disbursement of casino revenues to charities currently exists, and that the frequency of revenue generating opportunities varies greatly based on location;

WHEREAS the AGLC initiated a charitable gaming review in 2019-2021 and published a "What We Heard Report"³ Since, then no substantive action has been taken to address the issues identified in the review.

WHEREAS Since the latest review, the gaming landscape has evolved with the introduction of the province's iGaming Strategy for online gaming⁴ and Play Alberta.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta and AGLC to implement mechanisms to improve the sustainability of charities, including but not limited to, a more equitable and transparent provincial Charitable Gaming Model, funding from online gaming, or funding from other AGLC-administered sources.

BACKGROUND:

Under Alberta's current Charitable Gaming Model⁵, adopted in 2003, charitable groups may be licensed by the AGLC to conduct charity casinos in coordination with licensed private casino facilities as a revenue generating opportunity. These revenues are critical for charitable organizations' sustainability and ability to provide services to communities across Alberta.

There are 19 casino facilities⁶ located throughout Alberta, each of which belongs to a "casino region." Charities are generally assigned to their nearest casino facility. While charities located within Edmonton and Calgary and charities that provide province-wide services are permitted to receive a license for a casino event in Edmonton or Calgary casino facilities.

¹ <https://aglc.ca/gaming/charitablegaming/albertas-charitable-gaming-model>

² <https://aglc.ca/gaming/charitablegaming/albertas-charitable-gaming-model>

³ https://aglc.ca/sites/aglc.ca/files/aglc_files/CGR-What_We_Heard.pdf

⁴ <https://www.alberta.ca/albertas-igaming-strategy>

⁵ <https://aglc.ca/gaming/charitablegaming/albertas-charitable-gaming-model>

⁶ <https://aglc.ca/about-us/publications/quick-facts>

In a 2010 MLA Advisory Report⁷ on “Eligible Organizations’ Access to and Distribution of Proceeds from Licensed Casino Events,” it was identified that inequities exist because:

- There is a long waiting period to hold casino events across the province because there are more charitable organizations than there are possible casino events—waiting times vary from 16 months to 34.5 months depending on the region.
- Amongst casino regions, charitable proceeds can vary among regions, from an average high of \$77,486 to \$18,011.

Despite this report, inequities continued to persist over the subsequent decade. From 2019 through to 2021, AGLC surveyed over 3,800 organizations and conducted targeted stakeholder engagement with 90 charitable organizations and casino representatives as part of their Charitable Gaming Review. Input consistently showed concern that the current charitable gaming model results in regional disparities in wait times for casino events and the amount of proceeds earned from those events, and that these disparities are exaggerated by higher costs for rural charities such as increased transportation costs. There were a wide variety of recommendations looking at what types of organizations should have access to casino revenue, how revenues should be distributed and how regional boundaries could be adjusted.

Since this report was published, neither AGLC nor the Government of Alberta have implemented policy changes to action any of the above-mentioned recommendations.

Furthermore, the landscape of gaming has changed since this report; in 2020, AGLC launched Play Alberta, a provincially-regulated online gaming platform. Play Alberta generated \$37 million in revenue its first year, and has now grown to generate \$270 million in revenue for 2025. This new revenue stream did not exist when AGLC conducted the Charitable Gaming Review referenced above and serves as an example that while the gaming industry has evolved and changed, Alberta’s Charitable Gaming Model has not.

The increased emphasis on this issue in recent years – reflected in two historic resolutions approved by Alberta Municipalities members (with 88% member support in 2018, and 92% member support in 2022)⁸ as well as resolutions approved by Rural Municipalities of Alberta⁹ – creates a strong foundation for Alberta Municipalities to continue advocating on this issue to the Government of Alberta and AGLC with the support of a diverse range of municipalities.

The City of St. Albert hopes that this advocacy will advance the long-standing recommendations for a more equitable and transparent provincial Charitable Gaming Model, that improves access to revenues for charities throughout Alberta. Since last bringing forward this resolution in 2022, online gaming has grown significantly, and this may present alternative revenue sources to sustainably fund Alberta charitable organizations as well.

⁷ <https://doczz.net/doc/1097736/proceeds-to-charities-from-licensed-casino-events>

⁸ AB Munis Resolutions:

- <https://www.abmunis.ca/advocacy-resources/resolutions-library/gamingcasino-funds>
- <https://www.abmunis.ca/advocacy-resources/resolutions-library/equitable-provincial-charitable-gaming-model>
- <https://www.abmunis.ca/advocacy-resources/resolutions-library/equitable-provincial-charitable-gaming-model-0>

⁹ RMA Resolutions:

- <https://rmalberta.com/resolutions/18-02f-casino-opportunities-for-charitable-organizations/>
- <https://rmalberta.com/resolutions/20-16f-casino-opportunities-for-charitable-organizations/>
- <https://rmalberta.com/resolutions/13-17f-aamdc-advisory-committee-to-support-the-alberta-gaming-and-liquor-commission-in-reviewing-charitable-gaming-in-alberta/>
- <https://rmalberta.com/resolutions/12-23s-casino-opportunities-for-charitable-organizations/>

The following table outlines the wait times and revenues each casino-region received as of December 31, 2024¹⁰.

Casino Region	2024 Wait Time for Key Events (Months)	2024 Annualized Return (product of wait times and proceeds)
Calgary	20	\$49,281
Calgary-Rural	36	\$21,494
Camrose	40	\$ 5,760
Edmonton	22	\$42,730
Fort McMurray	17	\$20,852
Grande Prairie	28	\$16,459
Lethbridge	33	\$12,898
Medicine Hat	17	\$12,967
Red Deer	34	\$10,484
St. Albert	31	\$ 7,379

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS

Members passed similar resolutions in 2009, 2018, and 2022, ABmunis does not currently have a position on this issue.

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¹⁰ <https://aglc.ca/gaming/charitable-gaming/distribution-revenue>

C9: Strengthening Alberta Municipalities' voice to the Province by Increasing the Resolution Voting Threshold

Moved by: Town of Penhold
Seconded by: Strathcona County

WHEREAS the Alberta Municipalities' (ABmunis) Resolutions Policy No. AP002 sets the process for members resolutions during the annual ABmunis convention.

WHEREAS the Resolutions Policy currently requires a simple majority of votes cast (50% plus one) for a resolution to be adopted;¹

WHEREAS resolutions adopted with narrow margins may not clearly represent the collective position of Alberta's members, which can reduce the effectiveness and credibility of ABmunis' advocacy with provincial and federal governments; and

WHEREAS increasing the voting threshold for resolutions would ensure that only those resolutions with substantial and demonstrable member support are advanced, thereby strengthening ABmunis' advocacy focus and improving alignment with its strategic priorities;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities conduct member engagement on Resolution Policy No. AP002 to identify areas for improvement to the resolution process, including exploring the potential benefits of increasing the voting threshold required for the adoption of resolutions from a simple majority (50% plus one) to a two-thirds (66%) majority of votes cast, representing at least two-thirds of its members.

BACKGROUND:

The ABmunis' Resolution Policy No. AP002 is intended to establish a clear and consistent process for resolutions that align with ABmunis broader advocacy initiatives. ABmunis mission is to be the voice of urban municipalities and provide visionary leadership, solutions-based advocacy, and service excellence on behalf of over 260 municipalities who are facing a variety of complex issues.

The Resolution Policy sets out the process for:

- The call of resolutions,
- Requirements of movers and seconders,
- Researching, writing, and submitting resolutions,
- The process for emergent resolutions,
- ABmunis Review of resolutions,
- The process of the resolution session during convention, including the introduction and debate of resolutions, amendments, and voting, and
- The action on adopted resolutions following convention.

To ensure clarity in the Resolutions Policy, member engagement is important to gain insights on where the resolution process could be improved. For example, the Resolution Policy establishes the voting threshold for resolutions to be approved as a simple majority (50% plus one of votes cast).

¹ [Alberta Municipalities, Resolutions Policy No. AP002, approved December 19, 2024.](#)

According to ABmunis, between 2017 and 2025, its members adopted 162 votes on resolutions based on the 50% plus one threshold. If a two-thirds majority were required for those votes to be successful, it would have reduced the number of successful resolutions to 146.

Raising the voting threshold would ensure that ABmunis resolutions reflect strong, broad-based member support. This would result in fewer endorsed resolutions and provide clearer direction to the Board, staff, and provincial and federal decision-makers on where there is true municipal consensus.

A review of other provincial municipal associations shows that approaches to resolution voting thresholds vary, with some organizations maintaining a simple majority while others employ higher or supermajority requirements to strengthen mandate clarity:

Association	Voting Threshold	Relevant Policy
ABmunis	50%+1	abmunis.ca/resources/policies
Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)	60%	rmalberta.com/advocacy/resolutions/
Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA)	50%+1	suma.org/advocacy/resolutions
Union of BC Municipalities	50%+1	ubcm.ca/resolutions/resolutions-process

Provincial municipal associations take differing approaches to resolution voting, with most using a simple majority while some implement higher thresholds to reinforce stronger consensus and mandate clarity.

ALBERTA MUNICIPALITIES COMMENTS:

ABmunis uses the [Advocacy Prioritization Policy](#) to establish a process that engages and serves our members in addressing priority issues within ABmunis capacity. The policy is used to assign a level of priority to each resolution, which determines the level effort ABmunis invests in advocating on the issue.

If this resolution passes, ABmunis will engage with members to provide information, review and make any required amendments to the Resolutions Policy. This engagement will be a significant undertaking, requiring additional ABmunis resources to engage with members and outline options for consideration.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

Prior to the vote at ABmunis' Convention, any questions about this resolution may be directed to:

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2026 RESOLUTIONS

Emergent Resolutions

E1: Investing in Prevention: Strengthening FCSS and Community Well-Being

Moved by: City of Red Deer
Seconded by: Alberta Municipalities Board

WHEREAS Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) was established in April 1966 and has, for 60 years, operated through a unique 80/20 cost-sharing partnership between the Government of Alberta and municipalities, expanding to include Métis Settlements in 1981;

WHEREAS FCSS supports more than 200 programs in over 300 municipalities and Metis settlements across Alberta and is often the only community-based social serving agency physically present in rural, small and remote communities;

WHEREAS FCSS is locally driven and focused on prevention, addressing social challenges before they escalate into crisis, yet stagnant provincial funding, increasing complexity and population growth along with changes within Alberta's broader social service and income support systems have left these programs struggling to meet demand and responding to needs that fall outside their traditional mandate;¹

WHEREAS on June 2, 2026, the Government of Alberta moved FCSS from the Ministry of Assisted Living and Social Services (ALSS) to the Ministry of Arts, Culture, and the Status of Women creating potential challenges for alignment with Alberta's broader preventative social services system;

WHEREAS the former Minister of ALSS had encouraged and facilitated discussions across the ministry from Preventative Community Services to Continuing Care to explore complementary community prevention programming that could help address the increasing complexity and demands, and the ministry transfer may hinder progress on these discussions;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta for:

- long-term, sustainable, needs-based funding for complementary community prevention services to expand access to early intervention and practical community supports; and
- continued collaboration between FCSS and the broader social service and prevention systems to ensure a strong and effective continuum of care.

BACKGROUND:

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is Alberta's primary community-based prevention program. For 60 years, it has helped municipalities and Métis Settlements address social challenges before they become crises. However, communities are facing growing and more complex needs while provincial FCSS funding has remained relatively unchanged for the past decade. For example, between 2022 and 2024 homelessness in the City of Red Deer grew by 235 percent, and in 2024 one in nine of the calls that the City's social diversion team responded to was for a lack of access to basic needs.² Many rural, remote, and smaller communities have limited access to provincially funded social services, requiring residents to travel to neighbouring communities or regional centres for support. This can increase demand on service providers and municipal supports in those communities, while highlighting broader gaps in Alberta's prevention and social service system. As a result, municipalities are increasingly being asked to respond to needs that fall outside FCSS's mandate and available resources.

Communities across Alberta are experiencing increased demand for social supports and more complex social challenges. FCSS programs report growing needs related to housing instability, mental health, addictions, social isolation, food insecurity, and financial pressures. Many individuals and families require support for multiple issues

¹ See: Alberta Municipalities, June 2026, [FCSS Advocacy Toolkit](#).

² Red Deer & District FCSS, [Trends in Review 2025: A Review of Social Trends in the Red Deer and District Area](#), p. 2-10.

at the same time, increasing pressure on local service providers and municipalities. Examples from both rural and urban communities show significant increases in demand for FCSS services, referrals, and support requests. For example, in 2023 the Kneehill Regional FCSS noted a general increase in referrals to Alberta Supports and local food, clothing and furniture banks, housing supports and mental health supports³ and in 2024 provided 23,795 service hours which is about a 22 percent increase over their benchmark.⁴ The City of Edmonton found in 2024 individuals accessing supports were facing multiple challenges at once: mental health, addiction, instable housing and financial difficulties which required more intensive and integrated support.⁵ Based on discussions among municipalities, these specific examples represent the experience of many communities throughout Alberta.

Municipalities' concerns about changes to Alberta's social and income support systems reflect broader concerns about growing service gaps, growing demand for local supports, and the resulting pressure on municipalities and community-based programs such as FCSS. FCSS programs are increasingly being asked to help residents navigate gaps in Alberta's broader social service system. In many communities, FCSS has become the first-place residents turn when they cannot access other supports.⁶ While FCSS plays an important prevention role, many of these needs fall outside its mandate or require services that FCSS is not permitted to fund directly.⁷ Transportation, case management, hands on service coordination, outreach, and practical supports are common examples of services that can prevent crises but may not fit within existing FCSS funding rules.

Municipalities and FCSS programs have identified opportunities for additional needs-based, prevention-focused investments that would complement, rather than replace, FCSS. Expanding access to practical community supports and early intervention⁸ services could help address emerging needs before they escalate, improve residents' quality of life, and reduce pressure on more costly health and social service systems. One potential model is [Healthy Aging Alberta](#), which has demonstrated success in providing early intervention and community-based supports for older adults. Similar complementary programming could be adapted to serve Albertans of all ages and help address prevention-related gaps that municipalities and FCSS programs have consistently identified.

ABmunis is advocating for additional provincial investment in FCSS (See: [ABmunis FCSS Advocacy Toolkit](#)). During discussions with the former Minister of ALSS, opportunities were identified to explore complementary prevention programming that could address gaps not currently met through FCSS while strengthening outcomes for Albertans.

The Government of Alberta's June 2026 transfer of FCSS to the Ministry of Arts, Culture and Status of Women has created uncertainty about how these discussions and FCSS connections to Alberta's broader prevention and social service systems will continue. Municipalities remain committed to FCSS's locally driven prevention model and believe continued collaboration across ministries, service systems, municipalities, and community organizations is essential to ensure Albertans can access the right support at the right time.

This issue is being raised as an emergent resolution because the transfer of FCSS occurred after the resolutions deadline. There is a risk that momentum toward increased FCSS funding, recognition of FCSS's role within Alberta's continuum of care, and exploration of complementary prevention programming could be lost if this issue is not addressed urgently.

³ Kneehill Regional FCSS, [Annual Report 2023](#), p. 3.

⁴ Kneehill Regional FCSS, [Counselling Report to Municipalities 2025](#), p. 3.

⁵ City of Edmonton, [2024 Family and Community Support Services Annual Report](#), p. 9.

⁶ See: University of Alberta and RMA, 2023, [Understanding and Responding to the Challenges Faced by FCSS Programs in Rural Alberta](#), pp. 1-37.

⁷ University of Alberta and RMA, 2023, p. 12.

⁸ The definition of early intervention in the Government of Alberta often means addressing an issue at an early stage, after the issue has surfaced or presented itself, but before full blown crisis. These interventions tend to be intensive and directed at specific individuals experiencing significant adversity. See: Government of Alberta, March 2019, [Well-being and Resiliency: A Framework for Supporting Safe and Healthy Children and Families](#), p. 22.

RESOLUTION CONTACT:

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Category	Resolution	Title	Moved By	Seconded By	Active Clause(s)	Council Position	Council Rationale / Comments	Delegate Direction	Source Pages	Review Status
B	B1	Balancing Incentives Between Locum and Community-Based Physicians & Other Healthcare Workers to Support Family Practice	Town of Hinton	Town of Swan Hills	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review and amend physician and other healthcare worker incentive frameworks to reduce disparities between locum and community-based physicians and other healthcare workers. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to support community-based family physician practice in rural and underserved communities, to strengthen continuity of care and ensure stable access to primary health services for all Albertans.				pp. 7-9	Not Reviewed
B	B2	Further Strengthening Governance and Funding Models for Seniors' Lodge Accommodations	City of Edmonton	Town of Rocky Mountain House	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities: - Advocate to the Government of Alberta to ensure that regulations and Ministerial Orders resulting from the 2026 legislative amendments mandate meaningful municipal governance participation on seniors' lodge boards, including the formal right to review and approve HMB operating and capital budgets before requisitions are finalized; - Advocate to the Government of Alberta to provide an update on the negotiation of a new province-wide funding agreement that ensures the mandatory capital and operating reserves required by the amended Alberta Housing Act are not funded primarily through municipal requisitions, but through a sustainable provincial contribution that reflects the Province's primary responsibility for social housing; and - Explore opportunities to align advocacy efforts with the Rural Municipalities of Alberta to ensure a unified municipal voice in addressing the shared challenges of HMB requisitions and the long-term viability of the seniors' lodge system.				pp. 10-11	Not Reviewed
B	B3	Derelict Non-Residential Tax Subclass	City of Edmonton	Town of Peace River	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend Sections 297 and 358.1 of the Municipal Government Act to allow all municipalities the option to create a derelict subclass under Class 2 Non-Residential property. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT such an amendment include an exemption from the 5:1 tax rate ratio limit, or include a higher ratio limit, for a derelict non-residential tax subclass, to ensure municipal councils have the necessary flexibility to set a deterrent tax rate. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to remove the requirement that a property be unoccupied for a year before it can be assessed into a derelict non-residential tax subclass.				pp. 12-13	Not Reviewed
B	B4	Modernization of Municipal Investment Authorities Under the Municipal Investment Regulation	City of Grande Prairie	Village of Duchess; City of Lacombe	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the Municipal Investment Regulation to expand investment authorities available to municipalities by implementing a scalable, capacity-based framework that includes: - Direct Governance-Based Authority: Extending broader investment eligibility to municipalities that demonstrate independent capacity through a prudent-investor policy, professional oversight, and robust risk-reporting practices; - Pooled and Collaborative Authority: Permitting municipalities to access expanded, diversified asset classes for a policy-defined portion of municipal funds without extensive internal administrative requirements, provided such investments are made through approved, municipally geared pooled funds, collaborative arrangements, or institutional services; and - An Opt-In Mechanism: Providing a clear designation process subject to Ministerial approval or defined criteria that allows municipalities to choose the tier of investment authority that best matches their local governance capacity, financial needs, and strategic goals. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT any amendments to the Municipal Investment Regulation maintain appropriate safeguards to ensure: - preservation of capital, - prudent risk management, and - transparency and accountability to Council and the public.				pp. 14-16	Not Reviewed

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B	B5	Provincial Alternative Revenue Optimization Program to Support Productivity, Workforce Readiness, and Industrial Competitiveness	City of Grande Prairie	Town of Crossfield	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to explore and collaboratively develop an additional, provincial revenue optimization program, separate from and in addition to the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) and existing municipal revenue sources, that: a) Supports Alberta’s economic productivity and competitiveness, including agriculture, forestry, energy, manufacturing, logistics, and workforce participation, through investments in trade-enabling, housing-enabling, and workforce-supporting municipal infrastructure and services; b) Aligns funding to municipalities and regions where there is demonstrated economic activity, service demand, or productivity outcomes that extend beyond municipal boundaries or are not fully reflected within local tax bases; c) Recognizes municipalities as delivery partners for provincial economic objectives, including labour force attraction and retention, housing enablement, transportation connectivity, utilities, and public safety, where municipal investment is required to support provincial growth and competitiveness; d) Provides predictable, transparent, and formula-based funding, allowing municipalities to incorporate revenues into long-term capital planning, asset management, and service sustainability; and e) Is developed collaboratively with Alberta Municipalities, Mid-sized Mayors Caucus, rural municipal partners, and the Government of Alberta, ensuring regional equity, economic neutrality, and alignment with Alberta’s provincial productivity and economic development priorities.				pp. 17-19	Not Reviewed
B	B6	Budget Surplus and Municipal Infrastructure Investment	City of Airdrie; City of Leduc; City of Lethbridge; Town of Cochrane; Town of Okotoks	Town of Coalhurst; Town of Crossfield; Town of Grimshaw; Town of Hinton; Town of Nanton; Town of Vegreville; Village of Duchess	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the Government of Alberta to commit to creating a framework, used during provincial surpluses, to allocate a portion of the surplus to critical municipal infrastructure projects. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the framework prioritizes projects based on demonstrated need and readiness for construction, with funding distributed through a transparent application process, and in alignment with provincial and municipal strategic priorities.				pp. 20-21	Not Reviewed
B	B7	Broadening Scope of Off-Site Levies	Town of Cochrane	Town of Penhold	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the Municipal Government Act to broaden the scope of infrastructure eligible for off-site levies to better reflect the full range of growth-related infrastructure required to support new development, where municipalities can demonstrate a clear connection between growth and the infrastructure required, in a manner that maintains transparency, predictability, and fairness for municipalities, developers, and residents.				pp. 22-23	Not Reviewed
B	B8	Expanded Grant Eligibility for Water Infrastructure	Town of Stettler	City of Camrose	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the expansion of eligibility criteria under the Water for Life funding framework, or successor water infrastructure programs, to include single municipalities that function as regional service hubs and provide services to populations that extend beyond their municipal tax base.				pp. 24-26	Not Reviewed
B	B9	Limiting the Use of Fresh Water in Hydraulic Fracturing	Town of Rimbey	Town of Sylvan Lake	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review current policies and regulatory frameworks governing the use of fresh water in hydraulic fracturing, with the goal of reducing reliance on fresh water sources in drought stressed regions. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta work with industry, municipalities, and other stakeholders to support and accelerate the development and adoption of alternative water sources for hydraulic fracturing, including saline water and recycled produced water. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta evaluate the current roles and responsibilities of the Alberta Energy Regulator and Alberta Environment and Protected Areas with respect to water allocation decisions under the Water Act, to ensure clarity, transparency, and alignment with water management objectives. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta improve transparency in the Temporary Diversion License approval process by ensuring that supporting information used in decision-making is publicly accessible and that opportunities for municipal and public awareness and input are enhanced. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Alberta assess opportunities to strengthen oversight and consistency in the application of legislation, policy, and directives related to Temporary Diversion Licences, including those involving alluvial resources.				pp. 27-28	Not Reviewed
B	B10	Police Fines and Penalties Revenue Sharing	Town of Mundare	Town of Hanna	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate for the Government of Alberta to amend section 162 of the Traffic Safety Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter T-6 to distribute fines and penalties under the Act to those municipalities receiving policing services under the Provincial Police Services Agreement at the same percentage that these municipalities pay for policing.				pp. 29-30	Not Reviewed

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C	C1	Regulation of Personal Micromobility Devices (i.e. e-scooters) through the Alberta Traffic Safety Act	City of Spruce Grove	Village of Irma	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend the Traffic Safety Act and its associated regulations to establish a clear and consistent provincial framework for the operation and use of personal micromobility devices, while providing municipalities with autonomy for bylaw enforcement within their jurisdiction as needed.				pp. 32-33	Not Reviewed
C	C2	Family Support for Children with Disabilities Transparency and Timely Access	Town of Sylvan Lake	Town of Nanton	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to improve transparency, communication, and timeliness within the Family Support for Children with Disabilities (FSCD) program by: 1. Reinstating routine public reporting on FSCD wait list volumes and average wait times at key stages of the process; 2. Ensuring families awaiting FSCD supports receive clear, proactive communication regarding application status and expected next steps; 3. Allocating targeted, time-limited resources to reduce existing FSCD backlogs so approved supports can be accessed within reasonable timelines; and 4. Establishing transparency and timeliness as core operational standards within the FSCD program.				pp. 34-35	Not Reviewed
C	C3	Alignment of Municipal Fiscal Year with Provincial and Federal Budget Cycles	City of Red Deer	Town of Penhold	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to amend relevant legislation and regulations to change the municipal fiscal and budget cycle to align with the provincial and federal fiscal calendar of April 1 to March 31.				pp. 36-37	Not Reviewed
C	C4	Strengthening Auditor Reporting of Financial Irregularities in Municipal Financial Statements	Town of Penhold	Town of Sylvan Lake	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities urge the Government of Alberta to work with the appropriate professional bodies, including the Chartered Professional Accountants of Alberta (CPA Alberta), to strengthen professional standards, guidance, and training requirements so that auditors clearly and explicitly report significant financial irregularities identified during municipal audits. FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities requests the Government of Alberta encourage CPA Alberta to develop a standardized, plain-language Municipal Audit Executive Summary to accompany municipal audited financial statements, outlining key information for council and public understanding, including but not limited to: • the municipality's overall financial position; • observations related to investments and major infrastructure assets; • the status and flexibility of municipal reserves; • findings related to fraud risk, compliance, and internal controls; • identification of material financial or governance risks; and • comments on the municipality's financial health.				pp. 38-39	Not Reviewed
C	C5	Door-to-Door Solar Sales	City of St. Albert	Town of Jasper; Town of Rocky Mountain House; Town of Westlock	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to enhance regulatory oversight for door-to-door solar PV sales, and to engage with Alberta Municipalities and the solar PV industry to protect consumers from misinformation regarding municipal CEIP programs.				pp. 40-41	Not Reviewed
C	C6	Restoring Provincial Support for Perpetual Conservation Easements	Town of Cochrane	Town of Innisfail	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to restore policy support under the Private Land Conservation Program for perpetual conservation easements as a voluntary land stewardship tool, ensuring municipalities, landowners, and conservation organizations have access to this option where locally supported and aligned with environmental, agricultural, or community planning objectives.				pp. 42-43	Not Reviewed
C	C7	Remediation of Contaminated Properties	Town of Vermilion	Village of Marwayne	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to review relevant legislation to enable the differentiation between current and former owners with respect to liability for contaminated properties; and FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta to reinstate an adequately funded grant program to facilitate the remediation of contaminated properties.				pp. 44-45	Not Reviewed

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C	C8	Equitable Provincial Charitable Gaming Model	City of St. Albert	Town of Edson	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta and AGLC to implement mechanisms to improve the sustainability of charities, including but not limited to, a more equitable and transparent provincial Charitable Gaming Model, funding from online gaming, or funding from other AGLC-administered sources.				pp. 46-48	Not Reviewed
C	C9	Strengthening Alberta Municipalities' voice to the Province by Increasing the Resolution Voting Threshold	Town of Penhold	Strathcona County	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities conduct member engagement on Resolution Policy No. AP002 to identify areas for improvement to the resolution process, including exploring the potential benefits of increasing the voting threshold required for the adoption of resolutions from a simple majority (50% plus one) to a two-thirds (66%) majority of votes cast, representing at least two-thirds of its members.				pp. 49-50	Not Reviewed
E	E1	Investing in Prevention: Strengthening FCSS and Community Well-Being	City of Red Deer	Alberta Municipalities Board	IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT Alberta Municipalities advocate to the Government of Alberta for: • long-term, sustainable, needs-based funding for complementary community prevention services to expand access to early intervention and practical community supports; and • continued collaboration between FCSS and the broader social service and prevention systems to ensure a strong and effective continuum of care.				pp. 52-54	Not Reviewed

COUNCIL BRIEFING SHEET

2026 Alberta Municipalities Resolutions

Meeting Date:

Prepared For:

Council

Prepared By:

Administration

Purpose:

To review the active clauses of the 2026 Alberta Municipalities resolutions and establish Council direction for voting delegates.

Recommended Process

1. Review each active clause on the Council Review sheet.
2. Select a Council Position and record the rationale or concerns.
3. Confirm Delegate Direction where Council wishes to provide direction.
4. Update Review Status to track completion.

Source

2026 ABmunis 2026 Resolutions Book — Version 1, July 29, 2026 (source document supplied by the user).

Review Progress

Total Resolutions	20	Council Reviewed	0	Direction Confirmed	0
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Chief Administrative Officer Report Village of Stirling



STIRLING

Purpose of a Municipality – MGA Section 3

3. The purposes of a Municipality are

- (a) to provide good government,
 - (a.1) to foster the well-being of the environment,
 - (a.2) to foster the economic development of the municipality,
- (b) to provide services, facilities or other things that, in the opinion of Council, are necessary or desirable for all or a part of the Municipality,
- (c) to develop and maintain safe and viable communities, and
- (d) to work collaboratively with neighboring municipalities to plan, deliver and fund intermunicipal services.

Our Mission

To facilitate the things, that in the opinion of Council, are necessary or desirable for all or part of the Municipality and to maintain a safe, vibrant and welcoming community.

Council's Strategic Vision

Our plan focuses on these main themes:

Pillar 1: Financial Sustainability

Action Item 1.1 Review of External Boards, Commissions and Agencies

May 20, 2026 – provided a review of solid waste management which included the Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission, providing a break down of revenues; expenses and potential forecasting on future expenses and options.

Action Item 1.2 Internal Audit – Operational Review

Materials and data have been collected and will be correlated for submission during June Council Meetings.

June 3rd I put together a report providing a direct comparison of the Village in way of staffing; finance; and mill rates. The report also looked at growth in the Village and inflation factors in relation to budget as compared to the Audited financial statements and census details.

Action Item 1.2 Internal Audit – Job Descriptions

Materials have been provided on Policy HR02-24 Payroll and Benefits Policy, along with the job descriptions for each position currently with the Village whether filled or unfilled. Policy recommendations were tabled around the operating hours requested by Council on the June 17th, 2026 meeting.

Pillar 2: Build Community

Action Item 2.5 Decisions on Underutilized Assets

I have engaged David Cocks to provide draft conceptual designs for the entirety of the building which houses FCSS. The direction was to make the space able to be utilized by two groups with as even split as possible of the space. Design plans for the current layout were provided to Cocks for reference.

Pillar 3: Celebrate Community

Pillar 4: Enhance Community

Operational Priorities 2026

Capital Priorities 2026

Potable Water Project – Tender for phase one (Collapsing water treatment plant; construction of new building to house equipment necessary for distribution; repairs to reservoir) to be issued February 13, 2026. Work to commence by May 2026.

- Contractor Bid Meeting Occurred February 24, 2026 – Acting Operations Director Barton was present and reported no significant questions n project scope were raised.
- March 18th the contract was awarded to Porter Tanner for Phase one of the project – Water treatment plant relocation and Potable Water Reservoir Upgrades
- April 16th Contractor Start up meeting held with Village of Stirling; MPE and Porter Tanner. Construction at the reservoir site to occur early May.
- June 2026 Porter Tanner has started construction work at the reservoir site.
- August 2026 Porter Tanner has the new treatment facility in place and is preparing for bypassing water to address the reservoir. The Village will be on direct pressure when this occurs.
- Tentative commissioning of the facility with reservoir is slated for October 2026.
- Valve replacement on the mainline will commence in 2026 and be completed spring of 2027.

Matters not related to Council's Strategic Plan

- **Water Meters**
 - We are moving towards a cellular read water meter, which we have been informed will reduce our failure rate of the older readers, enable them to be read by activating the reader at the office, and provide more accurate reads as the mechanical components which fail are no longer used to provide the reading. We will be making the changes to meters as they age out or fail.
 - The first install has occurred and the meter is reading accurately. We can get data by the minute off the program interface.

Meetings Attended

- ✓ August 10 virtual meeting with Faustino Tobia of Utilitynet and Partners to discuss new rates.
- ✓ August 11 telephone meeting with ORRSC CAO Tracy Thomas
- ✓ August 19 virtual meeting with Dale Peters from Catalist to discuss options
- ✓ August 19 meeting with Jason Edwards on a Commercial Development proposal
- ✓ August 20 virtual meeting with Karlie Nelson AMSC on CEIP program
- ✓ August 20 meeting with Gavin Nummi MPE to discuss water project pricing
- ✓ August 20 meeting and Bridge City Accountants to review RUL Financials and pick up financial materials
- ✓ August 20 meeting with Porter Tanner and MPE to receive project update and update on schedules



ORRSC

OLDMAN RIVER REGIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION
PLANNING & GIS FOR STRONG COMMUNITIES

SUBDIVISION APPLICATION DECISION

Our File: 2026-0-088
Your File: 26060Vis

NOTICE DATE: August 11, 2026

TO: C.A. Visser Farms Ltd., Randall C. Smith, A.L.S., William Vis, County of Warner No. 5, Village of Stirling, B. Brunner - ORRSC, Holy Spirit RC School Division, Westwind School Division No. 74, AltaLink, FortisAlberta, TELUS, ATCO Gas, ATCO Transmission, Triple W Natural Gas Co-op Ltd., AB Health Services - South Zone, Raymond Irrigation District (RID), AB Environment & Protected Areas - J. Cayford, AB Transportation, AER, Canada Post, CPR

RE: LSD 11 and 14 within NW1/4 28-6-19-W4M / County of Warner No. 5

DECISION: APPROVED ON CONDITION
(See attached resolution for conditions)

DECISION DATE: August 11, 2026

Your subdivision application has been **Approved on Condition**, and a copy of the decision is attached. We advise that it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all conditions of approval have been met. This process will require coordination between yourself, your surveyor, ORRSC and your municipality.

The subdivision may be finalized following the required 14-day appeal period as outlined below. If no appeals have been filed within the specified time period, you may proceed with the finalization. You have **one year from the approval date** to finalize your subdivision. If you are unable to finalize the subdivision within this time frame please contact ORRSC in order to request a possible time extension. A minimum extension fee of \$375.00 will be required.

RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, the applicant, government departments, and local authorities have a right to appeal the decision, any conditions, or the reserve requirement of the subdivision **within 14 days of receipt of this notice** to the appropriate appeal board. The date of receipt of the decision is deemed to be 7 days from the date the decision is mailed. The appeal may be commenced by providing a written statement of the grounds of appeal to:

Land and Property Rights Tribunal - Subdivision Appeals Case Manager

2nd Floor, Summerside Business Centre
1229 – 91 Street SW, Edmonton, Alberta T6X 1E9
lprt.appeals@gov.ab.ca

The appeal board must receive your notice of appeal within 21 days of the date of this letter informing you of the subdivision authority's decision. **There are no fees for appeals filed to the Land & Property Rights Tribunal.**



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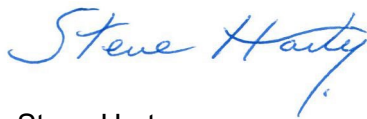
In order for your surveyor to register your subdivision at the Land Titles Office, they must receive an "Endorsement" document from our office. ORRSC will provide the Endorsement upon receipt of the following:

- **Finalization fee** – pay to ORRSC the finalization fee of \$250 for each new lot to be created by the subdivision.
- **Fulfilling the Conditions** – ensure that all the conditions of your approval have been met (*refer to attached Resolution*) and provide the Oldman River Regional Services Commission documented evidence to that effect.
- **Surveyor's package** which includes the Plan of Survey, signed consents, etc. (or your separation of title document as prepared by your lawyer or surveyor).

After endorsement, we will return the documents to your surveyor who will register them with the Land Titles Office.

Should you require any further clarification please contact ORRSC at (403) 329-1344 or visit our website at www.orrsc.com for more details regarding the finalization process.

Yours truly,



Steve Harty
Senior Planner

SH/jm

Enclosure



(403)-329-1344
1-844-279-8760



3105 16 Avenue North
Lethbridge, AB T1H 5E8



subdivision@orrsc.com
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RESOLUTION

2026-0-088

County of Warner No. 5 **Agricultural** subdivision of LSD 11 and 14 within NW1/4 28-6-19-W4M

THAT the Agricultural subdivision of LSD 11 and 14 within NW1/4 28-6-19-W4M (Certificate of Title No. 091 336 272 +3), to subdivide a fragmented/cut-off 63.75-acre (25.80 ha) agricultural title and create parcels 14.53 and 49.22 acres (5.881 & 19.95 ha) respectively in size for agricultural use; BE APPROVED subject to the following:

RESERVE: The 10% reserve requirement, pursuant to Sections 666 and 667 of the Municipal Government Act, be provided as money in place of land on the 14.53-acres at the market value of \$2,000 per acre with the actual acreage and amount (approx. \$2,906) to be paid to the County of Warner be determined at the final stage, for Municipal Reserve purposes.

CONDITIONS:

1. That, pursuant to Section 654(1)(d) of the Municipal Government Act, all outstanding property taxes shall be paid to the County of Warner No. 5.
2. That, pursuant to Section 655(1)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant or owner or both enter into and comply with a Development Agreement with the County of Warner No. 5 which shall be registered concurrently with the final plan against the title(s) being created.
3. That the applicant provides an access easement to be registered for the benefit of the 14.53 acre parcel across the two adjacent parcels to the north, the SW 33-6-19-W4 (C of T 021216046) and Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 0713342 (Co of T 251143835+001), to provide continued legal access to Range Road 196 (Highway 846) to the northwest. The easement is to be registered concurrently with the subdivision.
4. That any easement(s) as required by utility companies, or the municipality shall be established if deemed necessary.

REASONS:

1. The proposed subdivision is consistent with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan and complies with both the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw.
2. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied that the proposed subdivision is suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended pursuant to Section 9 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation.
3. It is recognized a historical landfill (C05/080) owned by the Village of Stirling, comprised of approximately 6-acres, is located within the ¼-section (NW 28-06-19-W4M); however, it is determined that the provincially mandated setbacks do not apply to a subdivision for agricultural use.
4. The Subdivision Authority is satisfied the proposal conforms to the policies for a fragmented/cut-off parcel subdivision for land situated within the County and Village of Stirling Intermunicipal Development Plan (IMDP) boundary, and the Village of Stirling has not provided any objections to the proposal.

INFORMATIVE:

- (a) Municipal Reserve is not applicable on the application with respect to sections 663(b) of the Municipal Government Act on the 49.22 acre parcel.
- (b) That a legal description for the proposed parcel be approved by the Surveys Branch, Land Titles Office, Calgary.

- (c) The applicant/owner is advised that other municipal, provincial or federal government or agency approvals may be required as they relate to the subdivision and the applicant/owner is responsible for verifying and obtaining any other approval, permit, authorization, consent or license that may be required to subdivide, develop and/or service the affected land (this may include but is not limited to Alberta Environment and Protected Areas, Alberta Transportation, and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.)

- (d) Thank you for including TELUS in your circulation.

At this time, TELUS has no concerns with the proposed activities.

- (e) Thank you for contacting FortisAlberta regarding the above application for subdivision. We have reviewed the plan and determined that no easement is required by FortisAlberta.

FortisAlberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange installation of electrical services for this subdivision through FortisAlberta. Please have the developer contact 310-WIRE (310-9473) to make application for electrical services.

Please contact FortisAlberta land services at landserv@fortisalberta.com or by calling (403) 514-4783 for any questions.

- (f) Triple W Natural Gas Co-op Ltd. has no objection.

- (g) Alberta Health Services – Kristen Dykstra, Public Health Inspector:

“Thank you for the opportunity to comment on File No. 2026-0-088. Alberta Health Services – Environmental Public Health (AHS-EPH) reviews and provides comment on land use applications from a public health perspective.

It is understood that the purpose of this application is to subdivide an agricultural parcel to create two smaller parcels for agricultural use. The application identified a historical landfill (C05/080) owned by the Village of Stirling, which is approximately 6-acres located within the ¼-section (NW 28-06- 19-W4M).

AHS-EPH has reviewed the application, and has the following comments:

- While the application notes a historical landfill (C05/080) within the ¼-section (NW 28-06- 19-W4M), it states the extent of the landfill has not been formally captured. The appropriate regulatory agency should review the application to ensure it meets required setbacks. If the land is being used for the agricultural purposes of producing food for human consumption, there may be a potential contamination concern.

AHS-EPH has no concerns at this time. We do not foresee any new public health problems being created as a result of the above noted subdivision provided that the applicant complies with all pertinent regulations, by-laws, and standards.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.”

- (h) Alberta Transportation – Leah Olsen, Development/Planning Technologist:

“This will acknowledge receipt of your circulation regarding the above noted proposal. The subdivision application would be subject to the requirements of Sections 18 and 19 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation (The Regulation), due to the proximity of Highway(s) 61, 846, 4

Transportation and Economic Corridors offers the following comments with respect to this application:

The requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation are not met. The department anticipates minimal impact on the highway from this proposal. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors grants approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation.

The requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation are not met. There is no direct access to the highway and there is sufficient local road access to the subdivision and adjacent lands. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors grants approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation.

Further, should the approval authority receive any appeals in regard to this application and as per Section 678(2.1) of the Municipal Government Act and Section 7(6)(d) of the regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors agrees to waive the referral distance for this particular subdivision application. As far as Transportation and Economic Corridors is concerned, an appeal of this subdivision application may be heard by the local Subdivision and Development Appeal Board provided that no other provincial agency is involved in the application

Transportation and Economic Corridors has the following additional comments and/or requirements with respect to this proposal:

1. The department expects that the municipality will mitigate the impacts of traffic generated by developments approved on the local road connections to the highway system, pursuant to Policy 7 of the Provincial Land Use Policies and Section 618.4 of the Municipal Government Act

Please contact Transportation and Economic Corridors through the [RPATH Portal](#) if you have any questions, or require additional information”

(i) Alberta Energy Regulator:

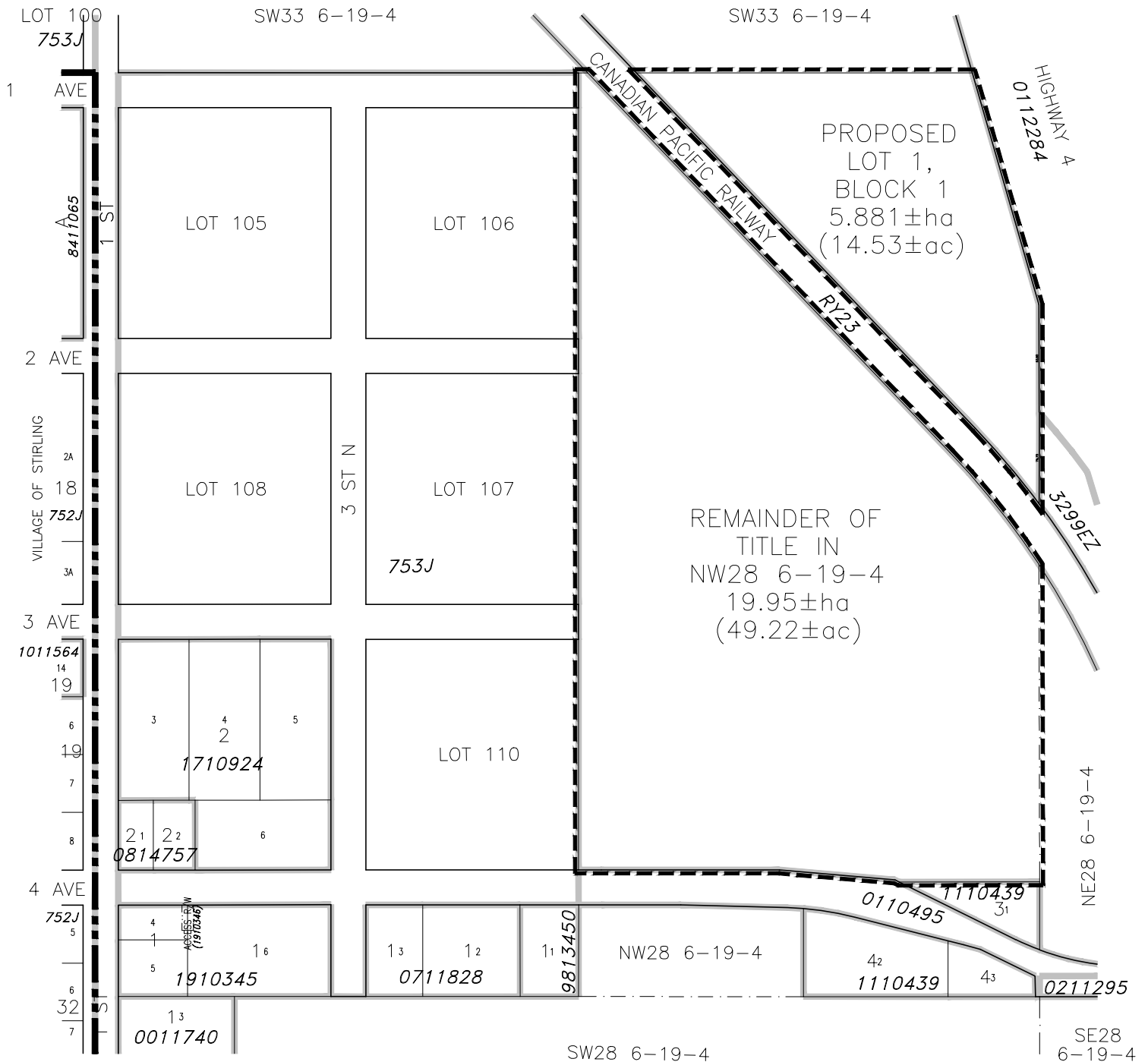
“There is no setback associated with the proposed application.”

(j) ATCO Gas has no concerns.

(k) ATCO Transmission wishes to confirm we have no conflict as we have no high-pressure pipelines in the proposed area.

NOTE: ATCO Distribution [Gas] will reply under separate email.

Thank you for allowing ATCO to review your proposal and provide feedback.



SUBDIVISION SKETCH

See tentative plan of subdivision by Wilde Bros. Surveys Ltd., file no. 26060Vis

NW 1/4 SEC 28, TWP 6, RGE 19, W 4 M

MUNICIPALITY: COUNTY OF WARNER NO. 5

DATE: JUNE 19, 2026

FILE No: 2026-0-088



APPROVED

- ☒ Approved
- ☐ Approved subject to revised parcel configuration

Approved Subdivision is subject to the conditions listed in the Approval Letter attached.

Steve Hardy
Oldman River Regional Services Commission



OLDMAN RIVER REGIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 11, 2026; 6:00 pm

ORRSC Boardroom (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building.

Attendance

Executive Committee

Christopher Northcott, Chair
Neil Sieben, Vice Chair
Evan Berger
Randy Bullock
David Cody
Brad Schlossberger
Dean Ward

Staff

Tracy Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer
Raeanne Keer, Executive Assistant
Stephanie Sayer, Accounting Clerk

Chair Northcott called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the June 11, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee approves the April 11, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, as amended.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations at this meeting.

5. ACTION ITEMS

There were no Action Items at this meeting.

6. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

6.1 Subdivision Activity

R. Keer presented the May 2026 Subdivision Activity Report, highlighting the high number of applications and proposed lots, with the year-to-date revenue.

There was no motion as this was for information purposes only.

6.2 Financial Report – March 2026

S. Sayer presented the Financial Reports as of March 31, 2026

Moved by: Evan Berger

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Financial Reports as of March 31, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

6.3 Financial Report – April 2026

S. Sayer presented the Financial Reports as of April 30, 2026.

Moved by: Dean Ward

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Financial Reports as of April 30, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

Moved by: Randy Bullock

THAT the Executive Committee moves into Closed Session in accordance with Section 22 and 29 of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED AT 6:11 PM

R. Keer left the meeting at 6:12 PM

7. CLOSED SESSION

7.1 Revised Organizational Chart

Section 29: Advice from Officials of the *Access of Information Act*

Pursuant to section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Agenda Item 7.1 Revised Organizational Chart: T. Thomas and S. Sayer.

7.2 Salary Grid Implementation

Section 29: Advice from Officials of the *Access of Information Act*

Pursuant to section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Agenda Item 7.2 Salary Grid Implementation: T. Thomas and S. Sayer.

7.3 2027 Budget Deliberations

Section 29: Advice from Officials of the *Access of Information Act*

Pursuant to section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Agenda Item 7.3 2027 Budget Deliberations: T. Thomas and S. Sayer.

S. Sayer left the meeting at 7:00 PM.

7.4 Personnel Discussion

Section 22: Confidential Evaluations of the *Access of Information Act*

Pursuant to section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Agenda Item 7.4 Confidential Evaluations: T. Thomas.

Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee moves into Open Session.

CARRIED AT 7:50 PM

Moved by: Neil Sieben

THAT the Executive Committee approves the revised Organizational chart, as presented.

CARRIED

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee approves the salary grid, as presented.

CARRIED

8. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Committee members reported on various projects and activities in their respective municipalities.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Evan Berger

THAT the Executive Committee closes the meeting.

CARRIED AT 8:33 PM



CHAIR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2026; 6:00 pm

ORRSC Boardroom (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building.

Attendance

Executive Committee

Christopher Northcott, Chair
Neil Sieben, Vice Chair
Evan Berger
Randy Bullock
David Cody
Brad Schlossberger
Dean Ward

Staff

Tracy Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer
Stephanie Sayer, Accounting Clerk

Chair Northcott called the Special meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the June 24, 2026 Special Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED

Moved by: Randy Bullock

THAT the Executive Committee moves into Closed Session in accordance with Section 29 of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED AT 6:07 PM

2. CLOSED SESSION

2.1 Municipal Membership

Section 29: Advice from Officials of the *Access of Information Act*

Pursuant to section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Agenda Item 2.1 Municipal Membership: T. Thomas and S. Sayer.

Moved by: Neil Sieben

THAT the Executive Committee moves into Open Session.

CARRIED AT 7:36 PM

Moved by: Dean Ward

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to prepare and send letters to Lethbridge County and the Town of Coalhurst, as discussed by the Executive Committee

CARRIED

Moved by: Evan Berger

THAT the Executive Committee directs Administration to prepare a letter for the Chair of the Board to send to Lethbridge County and the Town of Coalhurst, requesting the opportunity for representatives of the Executive Committee to attend the next available Council meeting, or another Council meeting in the near future, to discuss matters related to their withdrawal from ORRSC.

CARRIED

3. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Randy Bullock

THAT the Executive Committee closes the meeting.

CARRIED AT 7:38 PM



CHAIR



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



The theme for 2024-2026 World Suicide Prevention Day is “Changing the Narrative on Suicide”. The aim is shifting from a culture of silence and stigma to one of openness, understanding, and support. Suicide is not inevitable. It is preventable and must be prevented.

Let's change the narrative by talking openly about suicide and suicide prevention, show compassion, offer support, and listen without judgment.

Am I at Risk of Suicide?

Many kinds of emotional pain can lead to thoughts of suicide. The reasons for this pain are unique to each one of us, and the ability to cope with the pain differs from person to person. However, some of the more common warning signs can include:

- Withdrawing from friends and social activities.
- Lost interest in activities that you were interested in or enjoyed doing.
- Feeling hopeless, having no reason to live, feeling like a burden to others, and/or feeling trapped.
- Trauma: Having experienced recent trauma or a life crisis such as a death of a loved one, divorce or break-up, diagnosis of a major illness, and/or loss of a job.

Suicidal ideation isn't always like flipping a switch. Thoughts may come on gradually over weeks or months. There is no shame in seeking help. Talking to a loved one, counsellor, or therapist about such thoughts is the first step to overcoming them, strengthening mental well-being, and moving toward recovery.

Need help now? Call or text 9-8-8 (Suicide Crisis Helpline) anywhere in Canada, 24/7. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, call 911.

FCSS Counsellors can support residents to navigate life's challenges. For more information about FCSS counselling services or to book an appointment, please visit our website at www.fcss.ca or call (587) 370-3728.



Michael Fedunec
Counselling Services Supervisor

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**MINUTES OF THE CHIEF MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING HELD
JUNE 10, 2026, AT THE TOWN OF MAGRATH.**

Members Present:

Wayne Harris – Cardston County
Tim Court – Town of Cardston
Derek Barons – Village of Warner (Zoom)
Brian Wickhorst – Village of Glenwood
Tanya Smith – Village of Coutts (Zoom)

Travis Seaborn – Town of Magrath
Brian Eakett – Town of Raymond
Larry Liebelt – Town of Milk River
Mike Hegedus – Village of Hill Spring

Others Present:

Marian Carlson – SEO
Suzanne Pierson – Secretary/Treasurer

Lee Beazer – Operator

Commenced at 4:30 pm

Larry Liebelt in the Chair.

AGENDA

Travis Seaborn moved to approve the agenda. Carried

MINUTES

Brian Eakett moved that the minutes of May 13, 2026, board meeting be adopted as presented. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The SEO advised that the insurance company has written off the Walking Floor Trailer.

26-18 Travis Seaborn moved to purchase the most inexpensive trailer and take up to \$60,000 from the Depreciation Account. Carried

NEW BUSINESS

The SEO reported that a committee meeting regarding the Raymond Transfer Station redevelopment took place on Monday, June 8, 2026. Some items that were brought forward were concerns over not looking at a regional transfer station and what depreciation funds are available for the project. The next committee meeting will be held on June 22, 2026.

The SEO advised that Murray Millward, CAO of the Cardston County, was wanting the Commission to allow Sage to bring garbage to the Landfill free of charge as the Town of Cardston is no longer picking up the business waste. The SEO will clarify with the Town of Cardston why the waste is not being picked up.

Brian Eakett moved to approve the SEO's report.

Carried

The Operator reported that 958.325 tonnes of waste were delivered to Landfill in April 2026 and 938.89 tonnes were delivered in May 2026. The year-to-date is 3,264.215 tonnes.

The Operator advised that he is concerned about the size of the wood pile at the Landfill. He is wondering if the pile should be shutdown, or a charge implemented for the wood received to pay for the wood chipping company to come once a year. The SEO has meet with a company and has asked for a quote and to come make a presentation to the board. The board would like the pile burned one more time at the Landfill. The policy will be revised to implement a fee for wood brought to the Landfill.

Wayne Harris arrived at 5:05 p.m.

The new semi-truck has been ordered and the estimated date of arrive is August 25, 2026. The SEO is working to get the funding finalized.

Tim Court moved to approve the Operator's report.

Carried

Financial Statement

The Financial Statement for May 31, 2026, was reviewed.

Wayne Harris moved to accept the May 31, 2026, Financial Statement.

Carried

Approval of Bills

Bills for May 2026 were reviewed.

Brian Eakett moved to approve the bills for May 2026.

Carried

The Secretary/Treasurer presented the 2025 year-end Financial Statement.

26-19 Tim Court moved to approve the 2025 year-end Financial Statement.

Carried

The Secretary/Treasurer presented the 2026 year-to-date budget for the board to review.

26-20 Mike Hegedus moved to reduce the amount to transfer to Reserves by \$20,649.13.

Carried

Travis Seaborn moved to approve the year-to-date budget as of May 31, 2026.

Carried

The board discussed changing the signing authority since Tim Court is replacing Gerry Selk for the Town of Cardston.



26-21 Wayne Harris moved to add Tim Court to the signing authority and remove Gerry Selk. All other signing authorities will remain the same. The minutes will be approved via email. Carried

The SEO presented the quotes that have been received for the purchase of the skid steer.

26-22 Brian Wickhorst moved to purchase a T595 skid steer from Chinook Equipment. Carried

The board reviewed the summer meeting schedule.

26-23 Travis Seaborn moved to have the next board meeting held August 12, 2026. Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Mike Hegedus moved the meeting to be adjourned.

Adjournment at 5:38 p.m.

The next Commission board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. in the Town of Magrath.

Larry Liebelt

Chairman

Signature: 
Larry Liebelt (Jun 15, 2026 17:07:36 MDT)
Email: liebelt@milkriver.ca

From: [Chief Mtn Solid Waste](#)
To: [Scott Donselaar](#)
Subject: Re: Policy on Fees - Landfill Wood Waste
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2026 11:29:49 AM

Hi Scott

We don't necessarily want to have the ratepayers bring it directly to the landfill, but they could on the days we're open if you choose not to have a pile at your transfer station. If you don't burn the branches, etc. then the pile could be hauled to the landfill.

Marian Carlson

SEO

Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission

Email: chiefmountainsolidwaste@gmail.com

Phone: (403) 625-0201

On Wed, Aug 19, 2026 at 11:00 AM Scott Donselaar <cao@stirling.ca> wrote:

Hey Marian,

We currently have a branch collection pile that we transport to a private burn pit. Would this policy then replace that process to have people drive it directly to the spring coulee land fill, should we decide to go in that direction?

Have a good week!!

Scott

From: Chief Mtn Solid Waste <chiefmountainsolidwaste@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2026 7:07 PM
To: Scott Donselaar <cao@stirling.ca>
Subject: Policy on Fees - Landfill Wood Waste

Hi Scott

Find attached a letter outlining the new policy passed by the Commission regarding wood waste at the landfill. If you have any questions please let me know.

Marian Carlson

SEO

Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission

Email: chiefmountainsolidwaste@gmail.com

Phone: (403) 625-0201



Chief Mountain

Regional Solid Waste Services Commission

P.O. Box 1711, Cardston, Alberta T0K 0K0 Phone: 403-653-2703 Fax: 403-653-2704

August 18, 2026

Mr. Scott Donselaar

CAO

Village of Stirling

Box 360

Stirling, AB

T0K 2E0

Email: cao@stirling.ca

Dear Scott:

Re: Policy on Fees – Landfill Wood Waste

Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission approved the above noted policy at our last board meeting on August 12, 2026. The Commission is excited to offer an area for wood to be placed at the Landfill until it can be chipped and reused. The cost associated with offering this service is \$45/tonne for municipalities and ratepayers.

Enclosed is a copy of the policy for you to review, please feel free to share this information with your citizens. If you have any questions, please contact me at (403)625-0201.

Yours truly,

Marian Carlson

SEO

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Encl: 1

CHIEF MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES COMMISSION

POLICY ON FEES – LANDFILL WOOD WASTE

Category: Finance

Title: Fees – Landfill Wood Waste

Date Approved: August 12, 2026

**Date Reviewed/
Revised:**

Purpose: To allow Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Services Commission to set the fee for the public and municipalities to dispose of wood at the Landfill Site

Statement: A charge on the weight of the wood will be established by motion of the board.

The Operator will have each customer complete and sign a Landfill Waste Disposal Credit Card Agreement (Schedule F7A) before the disposal of wood. The public user must pay by Etransfer or debit/credit card at the time of delivery. Any public user whose payment does not clear will be refused access to the Landfill Site until the account is cleared.

Participating municipalities within the Commission can be billed and the payment is due within 30 days. There will be a 2% penalty applied to overdue accounts.

The Operator and all other staff will adhere to the following guidelines when accepting wood waste at the Landfill Site:

- All loads must be weighed upon entering and exiting the Landfill Site.
- Loads must contain wood only
- All wood must be placed in the designated area
- A wood chipping contractor will come as necessary to chip all wood within the designated area
- Wood chips will be used first at the Landfill Site and then made available to participating municipalities

2027 Population Numbers for Chinook Arch Regional Library System Membership Fee

As Published in the 2025 Municipal Affairs Population List

Municipalities	2025 Population
Arrowwood	188
Barnwell	978
Barons	313
Cardston	3724
Cardston County	4856
Carmangay	308
Champion	351
Claresholm	3804
Coaldale	8771
Coalhurst	2869
Coutts	224
Cowley	216
Crowsnest Pass	5695
Fort Macleod	3297
Glenwood	272
Hill Spring	168
Improvement District No. 4 Waterton	550
Lethbridge	106,550
Lethbridge County	10,120
Lomond	178
Magrath	2,481
Milk River	824
Milo	111
Nanton	2,167
Nobleford	1,438
Picture Butte	1,930
Pincher Creek	3,622
Pincher Creek No. 9	3,240
Ranchland No. 66	110
Raymond	4,199
Stavely	544
Stirling	1,164
Taber MD	7,447
Taber	8,862
Vauxhall	1,286
Classification: Public	

Vulcan	1,769
Vulcan County	4,262
Warner	364
Warner County No. 5	4,290
Willow Creek No. 26	6,081
Total	209623

Blood 148 (On-Reserve and Off Reserve)	4106
Piikani 147	1490

Library Boards	184909
Rural Population	24714
Total	209623

Source : 2025 Municipal Affairs population list

URL: [https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/daab9fce-c2f6-49d1-a433-](https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/daab9fce-c2f6-49d1-a433-375b2b7aee24/resource/c0f21c0d-f82a-41d9-ba8d-6a1075f70467/download/ma-municipal-affairs-population-list-2025.pdf)

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From: [Carolyn Schinkel](#)
To: [Abe Tinney](#); [Amanda Nilsson](#); [Angie Jensen](#); [Angie Lucas](#); [Anthony Burdett](#); [Arlos Crofts](#); [Cris Burns](#); [Cynthia Vizzutti](#); [Dacia Sundquist](#); [Derrick Krizsan](#); [Derrin Thibault](#); [Jeff Shaw](#); [Joseph Hutter](#); [Kalen Hastings](#); [Keith Davis](#); [Kelly Lloyd](#); [Kelly McLeod](#); [Kim Fath](#); [Kurtis Pratt](#); [Larry Baran](#); [Lloyd Brierley](#); [Lori Rolfe](#); [Neil Smith](#); [Nels Petersen](#); [Nikki Holloway](#); [Patrick Thomas](#); [Roland Milligan](#); [Scott Donselaar](#); [Town of Magrath](#); [Village of Cowley](#); [Wendy Hingley](#)
Cc: [Robin Hepher](#); [Dothlyn McFarlane](#)
Subject: Chinook Arch Library Board - 2027 Population Numbers
Date: Friday, August 14, 2026 11:02:18 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[2027 Population Numbers For Chinook Arch Membership Fee.pdf](#)

Good morning,

We hope this email finds you well. We recognize that you and your Council are currently engaged in budget planning for the 2027 fiscal year. We would like to provide Council with an update on the Chinook Arch municipal member levy.

At its April meeting, the Chinook Arch Library Board voted in favour of a proposed increase to the municipal member levy, from \$7.76 to \$8.17 per capita, returning the levy to its 2020 rate. However, in accordance with the Chinook Arch System Agreement, for the levy increase to take effect, “two thirds of members councils representing two thirds of the System’s total service population must approve the increase with a resolution of Council”.

This request was presented to and subsequently declined by the City of Lethbridge Council. As Lethbridge’s population provides a veto under the approval formula, the proposed increase could not proceed. As a result, Chinook Arch will not be submitting the levy increase request to the remaining member municipalities.

The 2027 Population Number for Chinook Arch Regional Library System Membership

Fees is attached for your budget planning process. We hope this information will assist you with both the municipal levy and your library’s Board membership fee in Chinook Arch Regional Library System.

Municipal Fee Per Capita	Library Board Fee per Capita
\$7.76	\$3.57

We are always available to answer any questions you may have regarding the System Agreement, or the role of Chinook Arch Regional Library System in supporting public library services in Southern Alberta. Please feel free to contact Robin Hepher at rehopher@chinookarch.ca .

Sincerely,

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BOARD REPORT



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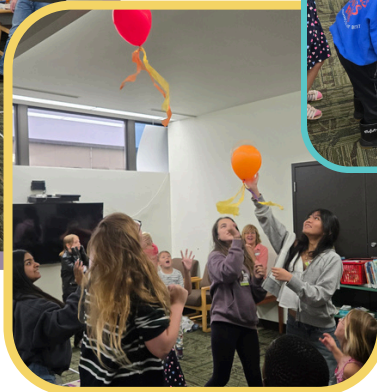
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Alberta Libraries Act and Regulation - Update

The Government of Alberta recently passed changes to the Alberta Libraries Act and Regulation. The changes to the Regulation, passed by Ministerial Order on June 29, 2026, will require all Alberta libraries to restrict access to certain materials based on age. Materials meeting the government's criteria must be kept in an area that is physically separate from other library resources, and where staff can control access to said materials. Library boards will be required to have policies and procedures in place by January 1, 2027. Chinook Arch will be assisting member library boards in addressing the significant challenges associated with complying with the Regulation.

Summer Fun with the Summer Reading Program Coordinators

The 2026 Summer Reading Program Coordinators have had a busy summer! Jayden and Steele travelled across the Chinook Arch region and hosted a variety of programs with aquatic themed stories, games, and crafts. They also organized and ran the Summer Reading Book Bingo filled with fun tasks for readers to complete!



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26 libraries visited

45 programs delivered



Over 600 book bingo entries received

Board Members Present

Corry Walk - Village of Arrowwood
Jane Johnson - Village of Barnwell
Belinda Rempel - Village of Barons
LeGrande Bevans - Cardston County
Blanche Anderson - Village of Carmangay
Judy Perkin - Village of Champion
Brad Schlossberger - Town of Claresholm
Jason Beekman - Town of Coaldale
Lori Harasem - Town of Coalhurst
Stephen A. Pain - Village of Coutts
Doreen Glavin - Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
Jim Monteith (Treasurer) - Town of Fort Macleod
Suzanne French - Village of Hill Spring
Al Beeber - City of Lethbridge
Marie Logan (Vice Chair) - Village of Lomond
Darryl Christensen (Chair) - Town of Magrath
Dorothy Fraser - Town of Milk River
JoAnne LeBlanc - Village of Milo
Amanda Bustard - Town of Nanton
Melissa Jensen - Town of Nobleford
Philip Mack - Town of Picture Butte
Mark Barber - Town of Pincher Creek
Kate Kindt - Town of Raymond
Chelsey Hurt - Town of Stavely
Naomi Wiebe - Town of Taber
Tamara Miyanaga - Taber MD
Marilyn Forchuk - Town of Vauxhall
Lorraine Kirk - Town of Vulcan
Doug Logan - Vulcan County
Derek Baron - Village of Warner
David Nilsson - Warner County
Barbara Clay - ID of Waterton
Maryanne Sandberg - Willow Creek MD

Regrets

Tim Court - Town of Cardston
Kevin Slomp - Lethbridge County
Allan Quinton - LPL Resource Centre

Not Present

John Doney - Village of Glenwood
Tony Bruder - Pincher Creek MD
Stacey Maynes - Village of Stirling

2027 Operating Budget

In April, the Board passed a resolution to increase the Chinook Arch municipal levy to \$8.17 per capita from \$7.76. In order for the increase to take effect, it must be approved by two thirds of member councils representing two thirds of the total service population. As part of its 2027 budget deliberations, the City of Lethbridge declined the levy request, meaning that the two thirds population threshold cannot be met. The member levy for all member municipalities for 2027 will therefore remain at \$7.76. Letters will be sent to member municipalities informing them of their expected fees for 2027. For most members, it is expected that the fee will be unchanged from the current year.

Policies Approved

The board reviewed and approved the following policies. All board policies are reviewed once every three years, or as necessary. All policies can be found on the Chinook Arch website at <https://chinookarch.ca/about-us/board-policies>.

- Information Technology
- Artificial Intelligence
- Grievance Procedures
- Continuing Education, Board Members
- Continuing Education, Staff
- Records Management Schedule

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Note

All persons making use of this consolidation are reminded that it has no legislative sanction, that amendments have been embodied for convenience of reference only. The official Statutes and Regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the law.

Regulations

The following is a list of the regulations made under the *Libraries Act* that are filed as Alberta Regulations under the Regulations Act

	Alta. Reg.	<i>Amendments</i>
Libraries Act		
Libraries	141/98	282/99, 251/2001, 193/2003, 172/2007, 68/2008, 180/2013, 134/2018, 90/2024, 158/2025, 176/2026

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HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Definitions

1 In this Act,

- (a) “basic information service” means basic information service as defined in the regulations for the purposes of this Act;
- (b) “board” means a municipal library board, intermunicipal library board or library system board;
- (c), (d) repealed 2024 c7 s7;
- (e) “council” means

- (i) in the case of a city, town, municipal district, village, summer village or specialized municipality, the council;
 - (ii) in the case of a school authority, the board of trustees of school divisions under the *Education Act*,
 - (iii) in the case of a Metis settlement, the settlement council,
 - (iv) in the case of an improvement district, the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act*, or
 - (v) in the case of a special area, the Minister responsible for the *Special Areas Act*;
- (e.1) “intermunicipal agreement” means an agreement described in section 10;
- (f) repealed 2024 c7 s7;
- (f.1) “intermunicipal library board” means an intermunicipal library board established or continued under Part 1, Division 2;
- (g) “library system” means a library system established, or a regional library continued, as a library system under Part 2;
- (h) “library system board” means a library system board established or continued under Part 2;
- (i) “Minister” means the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for this Act;
- (j) repealed 2024 c7 s7;
- (k) “municipal library” means a library that provides public library services under the control and management of a municipal library board or an intermunicipal library board;
- (k.1) “municipal library board” means a municipal library board established or continued under Part 1, Division 1;
- (l) “municipality” means municipality as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*;
- (m) “public library” means a municipal library or library system;
- (n) repealed 2024 c7 s7;
- (o) “school authority” means a school division.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s1;2006 c5 s2;2012 cE-0.3 s275;2024 c7 s7

Part 1 Municipal and Intermunicipal Library Boards

Division 1 Municipal Library Boards

Application

2 This Division applies to every municipal library board maintained in whole or in part by property taxes and

- (a) established under this Division, or
- (b) established or continued under section 3 as it read before the coming into force of this Division.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s2;2006 c5 s3;2024 c7 s7

Establishment and name

3(1) The council of a municipality may, by bylaw, establish a municipal library board.

(2) The council shall forward a copy of a bylaw made under subsection (1) to the Minister.

(3) On being established, the municipal library board is a corporation and shall be known as the “(Name of municipality) Library Board”.

(4) A municipal library board established under this Act prior to the coming into force of this section is continued with the name “(Name of municipality) Library Board”.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s3;2006 c5 s4;2024 c7 s7

Members

4(1) A municipal library board shall consist of not fewer than 5 and not more than 10 members appointed by the council of the municipality.

(2) A person who is an employee of a municipal library board is not eligible to be a member of that board.

(3) Not more than 2 members of the council of the municipality may be members of the municipal library board at the same time.

(4) A member of a municipal library board is eligible to be reappointed for only 2 additional consecutive terms of office, unless at least 2/3 of the whole council of the municipality passes a resolution stating that the member may be appointed as a member for more than 3 consecutive terms.

(5) Appointments to a municipal library board shall be for a term of up to 3 years.

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (5), the term of office of a member continues until a successor is appointed or the member is reappointed in accordance with subsection (4).

(7) Any vacancy on a municipal library board that reduces or will reduce the number of members of the board to a number less than 5 shall be filled by the council of the municipality as soon as reasonably possible.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s4;2024 c7 s7

Budget

(1) Each year a municipal library board shall prepare a budget and an estimate of the money required during the next fiscal year to provide library services to the public.

(2) The budget and estimate shall be submitted to the council of the municipality by the date specified by the council.

(3) The council of the municipality may approve the estimate under subsection (1) in whole or in part.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s8;2006 c5 s5;2024 c7 s7

Financial records

6 A municipal library board shall

- (a) create and maintain complete and accurate financial records of the board's operations,
- (b) have a person who is not a member of the board and whose qualifications are satisfactory to the council of the municipality review the financial records each calendar year and prepare a financial report in a form satisfactory to the council, and
- (c) submit the financial report to the council of the municipality immediately after the report is completed.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s9;2006 c5 s6;2024 c7 s7

Library building and equipment

(1) When money is required for the purpose of acquiring real property for the purposes of a building to be used for the provision of public library services or for erecting, repairing, furnishing or equipping a building to be used for the provision of public library services, the council of the municipality may, at the request of the municipal library board, take all necessary steps to furnish the money requested or the portion of it that the council considers expedient.

(2) Money approved by the council under subsection (1) may be borrowed by the council under the authority of a bylaw and on the security of debentures.

(3) The provisions of the *Municipal Government Act* or the *Education Act*, as the case may be, governing

- (a) the passing of bylaws for borrowing money,
- (b) the issue and form of debentures, and
- (c) the assessment, levy and collection of money necessary to meet the indebtedness incurred by the issue of debentures

apply to the borrowing of money under subsection (2).

RSA 2000 cL-11 s10;2012 cE-0.3 s275;2024 c7 s7

Dissolution

8(1) If a municipal library board fails to provide library services in accordance with the regulations for a period of 2 years, the council of the municipality may make an ex parte application to the Court of King's Bench for an order declaring the municipal library board dissolved.

(2) An order dissolving a municipal library board vests in the municipality all the property of the municipal library board, and the council through its proper officers may take possession of the vested property and dispose of it in any manner the council considers advisable.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s12;AR 217/2022;2024 c7 s7

Division 2 Intermunicipal Library Boards

Application

9 This Division applies to every intermunicipal library board maintained in whole or in part by property taxes and

- (a) established under this Division, or
- (b) continued under this Division.

2024 c7 s7

Establishment

10(1) The council of a municipality may, by bylaw, authorize the municipality to enter into an agreement that meets the requirements of the regulations with up to 3 other municipalities respecting the establishment of an intermunicipal library board to provide library services to the residents of the municipalities.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the number of municipalities with which a municipality may enter into an agreement may exceed 3 where each of the municipalities is located within the existing boundaries of the same municipal district.

(3) The council of each municipality that is a party to the agreement shall forward a copy of the bylaw passed by that council and the agreement described in subsection (1) to the Minister.

(4) On receipt of the bylaws and the agreement under subsection (3), the Minister may, by order, establish an intermunicipal library board.

(5) An intermunicipal library board established under subsection (4) is a corporation with the name set out in the ministerial order.

(6) An intermunicipal library board established under this Act before the coming into force of this section is continued as an intermunicipal library board under this Division.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Joining and withdrawing from intermunicipal agreements

11(1) After an intermunicipal library board has been established under section 10, the council of a municipality may, by bylaw, subject to the regulations and the terms of the intermunicipal agreement in respect of that board, authorize the municipality to be

- (a) added as a party to the intermunicipal agreement if the agreement is between
 - (i) no more than 3 municipalities, or
 - (ii) any number of municipalities located within the existing boundaries of the same municipal district as the municipality,

or

- (b) removed as a party to the intermunicipal agreement.

(2) If the Minister is satisfied that the council of a municipality has met the requirements of the regulations and the agreement, the Minister may, by order, add or remove the municipality as a party to the intermunicipal agreement.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s35;2006 c5 s12;2024 c7 s7

Members

12(1) An intermunicipal library board consists of the members appointed to the board by the council of each municipality that is a

party to the intermunicipal agreement respecting that board in accordance with the intermunicipal agreement.

(2) A person who is an employee of an intermunicipal library board is not eligible to be a member of that board.

(3) A member of the intermunicipal library board is eligible to be reappointed for only 2 additional consecutive terms of office, unless at least 2/3 of the whole council that appointed the member passes a resolution stating that the member may be appointed as a member for more than 3 consecutive terms.

(4) Appointments to an intermunicipal library board shall be for a term of up to 3 years.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (4), the term of office of a member continues until a successor is appointed or the member is reappointed in accordance with subsection (3).

(6) Any vacancy on an intermunicipal library board that reduces or will reduce the number of members of the board to a number less than 7 shall be filled in accordance with the intermunicipal agreement as soon as reasonably possible.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Budget

12.1 Each year an intermunicipal library board shall, before the date specified in the intermunicipal agreement respecting that board, submit to each municipality that is a party to the agreement a budget and an estimate of the money required during the next fiscal year to provide library services to the public, including the amounts to be paid by each municipality in accordance with the agreement.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Financial records

12.2 An intermunicipal library board shall

- (a) create and maintain complete and accurate financial records of the board's operations,
- (b) have a person who is not a member of the intermunicipal library board and whose qualifications are approved in accordance with the intermunicipal agreement review the financial records each calendar year and prepare a financial report in the form required by the intermunicipal agreement, and
- (c) submit the financial report to the council of each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement immediately after the report is completed.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Division 3 General

Validity of proceedings

12.3 No resolution, bylaw, proceeding or action of any kind of a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board may be held invalid or set aside for the reason that any person whose election to council has been judged invalid acted as a member of the board.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Board duties

12.4 A municipal library board or an intermunicipal library board, subject to any enactment that limits its authority, has full management and control of the municipal library established by the board and shall, in accordance with the regulations, organize, promote and maintain comprehensive and efficient library services in the municipality or municipalities it serves and may cooperate with other boards and libraries in the provision of those services.

2006 c5 s9;2024 c7 s7

Dissolution, amalgamation or annexation of municipality

12.5(1) If the Lieutenant Governor in Council makes an order under the *Municipal Government Act* dissolving a municipality, that order is deemed to dissolve any municipal library board established by that municipality and to pass to the municipality, immediately prior to the dissolution of the municipality, all the rights, assets and liabilities of the municipal library board.

(2) If the Lieutenant Governor in Council makes an order under the *Municipal Government Act* dissolving a municipality that is a party to an intermunicipal agreement respecting an intermunicipal library board, that order is deemed to remove the municipality from the agreement and, where no agreement regarding the rights, assets and liabilities of the board can be reached among the municipalities remaining party to the intermunicipal agreement, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make any order the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers appropriate in respect of the disposition of the rights, assets and liabilities of the board.

(3) When under subsection (2) a municipality is removed from an intermunicipal agreement respecting an intermunicipal library board that is between no more than 2 municipalities, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by order, dissolve the board and may make any order the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers appropriate in respect of the disposition of the rights, assets and liabilities of the board.

(4) When an amalgamation of municipal authorities has been initiated under Part 4 of the *Municipal Government Act* and no

agreement can be reached among those municipal authorities regarding the rights, assets and liabilities of a municipal library board or an intermunicipal library board, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by order, dissolve the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board and may make any order the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers appropriate in respect of the disposition of the rights, assets and liabilities of the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board.

(5) When an annexation of land from one municipal authority to another municipal authority has been initiated under Part 4 of the *Municipal Government Act* and no agreement can be reached between the municipal authorities regarding the rights, assets and liabilities of

- (a) a municipal library board established by the municipal authority from which the land is to be annexed, or
- (b) an intermunicipal library board that is the subject of an intermunicipal agreement to which the municipal authority from which the land is to be annexed is a party,

the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by order, dissolve the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board and may make any order the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers appropriate in respect of the disposition of the rights, assets and liabilities of the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board.

2006 c5 s7;2024 c7 s7

Part 2 Library Systems

Library system

13 Subject to this Act and the regulations, a municipality, improvement district, special area, Metis settlement or school authority,

- (a) on entering into and becoming a party to an agreement that contains provisions on terms required by regulations, with one or more municipalities, improvement districts, special areas, Metis settlements or school authorities, and
- (b) on complying with the regulations,

may request the Minister to establish a library system.

1983 cL-12.1 s19;1998 c19 s7

Library system board

14(1) On receipt of a request referred to in section 13, the Minister may

- (a) establish a library system board, and
- (b) prescribe the boundaries of the library system,

and when the Minister does so the parties to the agreement described in section 13 become members of the library system.

(2) On being established, the library system board is a corporation and shall be known as the “(Name of region) Library Board”.

(2.1) A library system board established or continued under this section prior to the coming into force of this subsection is continued with the name “(Name of region) Library Board”.

(3) Repealed 2024 c7 s7.

(4) The agreements referred to in section 13 that have been entered into under the *Libraries Act*, RSA 1980 cL-12, are continued under this Act, as modified by this Act.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s14;2024 c7 s7

Joining an existing library system

15 A municipality, improvement district, special area, Metis settlement or school authority may, in accordance with the regulations, become a member of a library system by complying with the terms of the agreement referred to in section 13, becoming a party to the agreement and receiving the approval of the Minister.

1983 cL-12.1 s21;1998 c19 s8

Appointment

16 A library system board consists of

- (a) one member for each municipality, Metis settlement and school authority that is a member of the library system who is appointed by the council of the municipality, Metis settlement or school authority,
- (b) one member for each improvement district that is a member of the library system, who is appointed by the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act*,
- (c) one member for each special area that is a member of the library system, who is appointed by the Minister responsible for the *Special Areas Act*, and
- (d) any additional members appointed in accordance with the regulations.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s16;2024 c7 s7

System board duties

17 The library system board, subject to any enactment that limits its authority and the agreement described in section 13, has full management and control of the library system and shall, in accordance with the regulations and in cooperation with other boards, organize, promote and maintain comprehensive and efficient library services and may

- (a) borrow from time to time for the purpose of defraying its operating expenses an amount not exceeding 50% of the amount expended by it during its immediately preceding fiscal year;
- (b) fix fees for the use of library services by residents of a municipality within the boundaries of the library system that does not receive library services from the library system board.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s17;2024 c7 s7

Budget

18(1) The library system board shall, on or before a date specified by each municipality, improvement district, special area and school authority that is a party to the agreement described in section 13, submit to each of them a budget and an estimate of the money required during the ensuing fiscal year to operate and manage the library system, including the amounts to be paid by each of them.

(2) Budget approval and compliance with the amounts to be paid by each party to the agreement described in section 13 shall be in accordance with the terms of that agreement.

1983 cL-12.1 s24

Restriction of authority

19 Notwithstanding this Part, if a municipal library has been established in a municipality and is receiving library services from the library system board, the authority of the library system board and the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board is limited by the terms of any agreement described in section 10 or 13.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s19;2006 c5 s10;2024 c7 s7

20 Repealed 2024 c7 s7.

Annual grants

21(1) If an improvement district or a special area is a party to an agreement described in section 13,

- (a) the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act*, in the case of an improvement district, or

- (b) the Minister responsible for the *Special Areas Act*, in the case of a special area,

may, in addition to all other rates and assessments assessed and levied for the purposes of an improvement district or special area, assess and levy from year to year a special annual rate on the assessed value of all property liable to taxation in the improvement district or special area for the purposes of the library system board and shall, on behalf of the improvement district or special area, make an annual grant, from the money derived from the special annual rate, to the library system board with respect to its budget under section 18.

- (2) If a school authority is a party to an agreement described in section 13, the school authority may make an annual grant to the library system board with respect to its budget under section 18.

1983 cL-12.1 s27

Withdrawal from the library system agreements

22 At any time after the expiration of 3 years from the date that the party entered into the agreement, a party to an agreement described in section 13 may, by giving 12 months' notice, withdraw from the agreement.

1983 cL-12.1 s28

Dissolution of a library system board

23(1) If a library system board fails to provide library services in accordance with the regulations for 2 years, the majority of the parties to the agreement described in section 13 may join in making an application to the Court of King's Bench for an order declaring the library system board dissolved.

(2) The Court, in the order dissolving the board, shall vest the property of the library system board in the Minister or in the councils of the parties to the agreement described in section 13 severally or in common as it considers just, or make any other disposition of the property that it considers just in the circumstances and the Minister and the councils may then take possession of the property and dispose of it as considered advisable by them, in accordance with any terms or conditions in the order.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s23;AR 217/2022

Borrowing for library system boards

24 A municipality or a school authority that is a party to an agreement described in section 13 may, with the approval of the Minister, borrow money to acquire real property for the purposes of a building to be used as the headquarters of a library system or for erecting, repairing, furnishing and equipping a building to be used

as the headquarters of a library system, and section 7(2) and (3) apply to the borrowing of the money.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s24;2024 c7 s7

Parts 3 and 4 Repealed 2024 c7 s7.

Part 5 General

Board member disqualification

31(1) A person is disqualified from remaining a member of a board if the person fails to attend, without being authorized by a resolution of the board to do so, 3 consecutive regular meetings of the board.

(2) If a member of a board is disqualified from remaining a member under subsection (1), the person is deemed to have resigned the person's seat on the board.

1983 cL-12.1 s35

Chair of board

32 A board shall elect a chair and any other officers it considers necessary from among its members.

1983 cL-12.1 s36

Meetings

33(1) A board shall meet at least once every 4 months and at any other times it considers necessary.

(2) If the regulations require a library system board to have an executive, that executive must meet at least once every 3 months and at any other times it considers necessary.

1983 cL-12.1 s37;1998 c19 s13

Record of meetings

34(1) All minutes, resolutions and bylaws of a board shall be signed by the chair or a person acting for the chair.

(2) Minutes, resolutions and bylaws signed under subsection (1) shall be admitted in evidence as proof, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, of their contents without proof of the signature or official character of the person appearing to have signed them.

(3) A board shall store all minutes, resolutions and bylaws of the board in a secure physical or electronic location.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s34;2024 c7 s7

35 Repealed 2024 c7 s7.

Safety and use of library facilities

36(1) A board may pass bylaws for the safety and use of the library, including

- (a) the terms and conditions under which
 - (i) the public may be admitted to the building,
 - (ii) public library property may be used or borrowed by members of the public, and
 - (iii) borrowing privileges may be suspended or forfeited;
- (b) notwithstanding subsection (3), fees to be paid by members of the public for
 - (i) the issuance of library borrowing cards,
 - (ii) the use of those parts of the building not used for the purposes of the public library,
 - (iii) photocopying and printing services,
 - (iv) receiving information in a printed, electronic, magnetic or other format, and
 - (v) receiving, on request, a library service not normally provided by a public library;
- (c) penalties to be paid by members of the public for abuse of borrowing privileges.

(2) The *Regulations Act* does not apply to bylaws passed under subsection (1).

(3) A bylaw or part of a bylaw that requires a member of the public to pay a fee or charge for any of the following is invalid:

- (a) admittance to any portion of a building used for public library purposes;
- (b) using library resources on library premises;
- (c) borrowing library resources, in any format, normally lent by the library;
- (d) acquiring library resources through inter-library loan;
- (e) consultation with members of the library staff;

- (f) receiving basic information service.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s36;2024 c7 s7

Bylaw transmission

37(1) A municipal library board, on passing a bylaw under section 36, shall forthwith forward a copy of the bylaw to the council of the municipality.

(2) An intermunicipal library board, on passing a bylaw under section 36, shall forthwith forward a copy of the bylaw to the council of each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement respecting that board.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s37;2006 c5 s13

Bylaw invalidated

38 The council of a municipality may disallow a bylaw passed by a municipal library board it has appointed.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s38;2024 c7 s7

Inspection

39(1) In this section, “library service point” means a facility that provides public library services under the control and management of a board.

(2) The Minister may appoint a person as an inspector to conduct an inspection for the following purposes:

- (a) to inspect any matter relating to the management, administration or operation of a public library;
- (b) to determine if a board is complying with this Act and the regulations.

(3) An inspector may, in the course of an inspection,

- (a) inspect the public library property that may be accessed, used or borrowed by members of the public at a library service point,
- (b) inspect the provision of public library services at a library service point,
- (c) examine and make copies of the records of a board that are relevant to the purpose of the inspection, and
- (d) require an employee of a board to
 - (i) give a written or oral reply to a question that is relevant to the purpose of the inspection, or

- (ii) provide any other information requested by the inspector that is relevant to the purpose of the inspection.
- (4) An inspection must be conducted during regular business hours.
- (5) An inspector shall, while conducting an inspection, carry identification in the prescribed form and present it on request.
- (6) After completing an inspection, the inspector shall make a report to the Minister and provide a copy of the report to the board.
- (7) On receiving the inspector's report, the Minister may make any order that the Minister considers appropriate.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s39;2024 c7 s7;2026 c10 s2

Regulations**40** The Minister may make regulations

- (a) respecting the establishment, maintenance, operation and management of public libraries;
- (b) respecting the acquisition, provision, management, maintenance and disposition of library materials and facilities by public libraries;
- (b.1) respecting the access to and the use and borrowing of public library property by members of the public, including regulations restricting access, use and borrowing based on age;
- (c) respecting the planning for, and provision and management of, library services;
- (d) governing the filing, by boards, of returns and reports, and their contents;
- (e) respecting the inspection of public libraries;
- (f) prescribing the form of identification for persons authorized to inspect public libraries;
- (g) providing for the making of any surveys by boards that the Minister considers necessary or advisable for the purpose of obtaining information to assist in the formulation of policies respecting matters to which this Act relates;
- (g.1) governing the matters required to be dealt with in agreements described in section 10;

- (h) prescribing conditions to be complied with by any municipality, Metis settlement or school authority prior to its association with a library system;
- (i) governing the matters required to be dealt with in agreements described in section 13 and the requirements and procedure to establish or expand a library system;
- (j) respecting the disposition and transfer of library assets by municipal library boards desirous of disposing of them to library system boards on entering into agreements described in section 13;
- (j.1) respecting the dissolution of intermunicipal library boards;
- (k) subject to section 16, governing appointments to library system boards and the terms of office of their members;
- (l) repealed 2024 c7 s7;
- (m) defining basic information service for the purposes of this Act.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s40;2006 c5 s14;2024 c7 s7;2026 c10 s2

Guidelines

40.1(1) The Minister may issue guidelines respecting the interpretation or application of a regulation made under section 40(b.1).

(2) The Minister shall make guidelines issued under subsection (1) publicly available in a manner the Minister considers appropriate.

2026 c10 s2

Offence

41(1) Any person who wilfully contravenes any bylaw under section 36 is guilty of an offence.

(2) A person who wilfully retains any book, record, film or other library property from any public library established and conducted under the authority of this Act is guilty of an offence.

(3) A person who obstructs an inspector in the performance of the inspector's duties under section 39 is guilty of an offence.

RSA 2000 cL-11 s41;2026 c10 s2

Disposition of fines

42(1) Any fine or penalty imposed pursuant to an offence under section 41(1) inures to the benefit of the board whose bylaw was contravened.

(2) Any fine or penalty imposed pursuant to an offence under section 41(2) inures to the board having the management or control of the property in respect of which the offence was committed.

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- 1** In this Regulation,
 - (a) “Act” means the *Libraries Act*;
 - (b), (b.1) repealed AR 90/2024 s2;

- (b.1) “intermunicipal agreement” means an intermunicipal agreement under section 12.2 of the Act;
- (c) “library resources” means any material, regardless of format, that is held in a library’s collection and includes books, periodicals, audio recordings, video recordings, projected media, paintings, drawings, photographs, micromaterials, toys and games, kits, CD-ROMs and electronic databases;
- (d) “library service point” means a library service point as defined in section 39(1) of the Act;
- (d.1) “Public Library Network” means the provincial resource sharing network administered by the Public Library Services Branch;
- (e) “resource sharing” means making available to other libraries the library resources owned by a board, the information contained in those resources and the staff expertise required to locate and make available the information or the library resources.

AR 141/98 s1;172/2007;68/2008;90/2024;176/2026

Definition for Act

2 For the purposes of the Act, “basic information service” means public access to current and accurate information and assistance with making use of information, communication technology and library resources.

Part 1 Boards Generally

Reports of bylaws

3(1) Every board shall file with the Minister a report that contains a copy of any bylaw passed by the board under section 36 of the Act.

(2) A report under subsection (1) shall be filed

- (a) within one year of the board’s establishment, and
- (b) after the passage of any bylaw passed by the board one year or more after the board’s establishment.

AR 141/98 s3;251/2001;90/2024

Reports of policies

4(1) Every board shall file with the Minister a report that contains a copy of any policy established by the board under section 7.

(2) A report under subsection (1) shall be filed

- (a) by a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board within 2 years of the board's establishment, and
- (b) by a library system board within 3 years of the board's establishment.

(3) When a board revises a policy established by the board under section 7, the board shall file with the Minister a report that contains a copy of the revision.

AR 141/98 s4;172/2007;90/2024

Meetings open to public

5(1) Every meeting of a board is open to the public.

(2) A person or group may make representations to a board at its meeting if the representations relate to the board and its programs.

Public inspection of minutes, resolutions and bylaws

6(1) Every board shall make its minutes, resolutions and bylaws available for inspection by any person

- (a) during the hours that the library service point is open to the public, if the board operates a library service point, or
- (b) during regular business hours or on request, if the board does not operate a library service point.

(2) A person who inspects minutes or a resolution or bylaw under subsection (1) may copy the minutes, resolution or bylaw according to the conditions and procedures established by the board.

AR 141/98 s6;90/2024

Policies

7(1) Subject to section 36 of the Act, every board shall establish policies with respect to the following:

- (a) confidentiality of user records, except where disclosure is required by law;

- (b) orientation and continuing education of board members and staff, including expenses for such orientation and continuing education;
- (c) finance, including designation of expenses for which board members and staff will be reimbursed, the form and manner in which those expenses shall be claimed and the appointment of signing officers for the board.

(2) Every board that operates a library service point shall, in addition to establishing policies under subsection (1), establish policies with respect to the following:

- (a) personnel, including job descriptions and performance appraisals for employees, qualifications for staff positions, working hours, conditions of employment and a grievance procedure;
- (b) selection, acquisition, purchase and disposition of library resources, including a policy respecting gifts and donations;
- (c) resource sharing, including participation in the Public Library Network and the conditions that apply to the acquisition of library resources and information from other sources, including inter-library loans and information in electronic databases;
- (d) provision of library resources to persons unable to use conventional print resources, including provision in co-operation with community agencies;
- (e) the terms and conditions under which library resources will be loaned to members of the public for use in a location other than the library;
- (f) hours of service at each library service point;
- (g) the terms and conditions for use of any areas of a building managed by the board that are not normally used for library purposes, including who may use those areas.

(3) A library system board shall also establish a policy with respect to the provision of municipal library services to any member municipality that does not have a municipal library board and shall ensure that bylaws under section 3 and policies under subsections (1) and (2) apply to those library services.

AR 141/98 s7;251/2001;90/2024

Some types of inspections

8 Without limiting the generality of section 39(2)(a) of the Act, a person appointed as an inspector may conduct an inspection

- (a) to determine the extent to which a board is meeting the requirement to provide comprehensive and efficient service as defined by that board,
- (b) repealed AR 176/2026 s3,
- (c) to determine the adequacy of accounting practices and financial controls,
- (d) to determine the use to which provincial grants are put, and
- (e) to assist a board in periodic reviews of its administrative practices, policies, library collections and any other matters on which a board may request advice.

AR 141/98 s8;251/2001;90/2024;176/2026

Identification of inspector

9 For the purpose of section 39(5) of the Act, the identification that an inspector shall carry is an identification card that bears the inspector's photograph and name and is accompanied by evidence of the inspector's appointment.

AR 141/98 s9;251/2001;90/2024;176/2026

When library service point may be in a school

9.1 A board shall not operate a library service point in a school unless

- (a) the board enters into an agreement with the school authority that sets out the responsibilities of the board and the school authority for the operation of the library service point, including the responsibilities of employees of the board and the school authority,
- (b) the board has its own bank account and signing officers, none of whom are employees of the school authority, and
- (c) in addition to any other hours that the library service point may be open to the public, the library service point is open to the public outside of the hours during which the school is in operation for regular classes, including being open during evenings or weekends, or both, and during the summer.

AR 90/2024 s8

Part 2 Repealed AR 90/2024 s9.**Part 3**
Municipal and Intermunicipal
Library Boards**Plan of service**

13(1) A municipal library board or intermunicipal library board shall, within 3 years of being established, develop and file with the Minister a plan of service with a mission statement and goals and objectives based on a needs assessment of the municipality or municipalities served by the board.

(2) A municipal library board or intermunicipal library board shall, at least every 5 years following the date on which the plan was previously filed, file a current plan of service with the Minister.

AR 141/98 s13;193/2003;172/2007;90/2024

Employment of professional librarian

14(1) Subject to subsection (3), the following shall, within 2 years of completing a plan of service under section 13(1), employ a graduate of a postgraduate library program in Canada or a person with equivalent qualifications from another country:

- (a) a municipal library board of any municipality with a population of 10 000 or more;
- (b) an intermunicipal library board that serves municipalities with a total population of 10 000 or more.

(2) Repealed AR 193/2003 s3.

(3) This section does not apply to any municipal library board or intermunicipal library board that does not operate a library service point.

AR 141/98 s14;251/2001;193/2003;172/2007;90/2024

Report to Minister

15 A municipal library board or intermunicipal library board shall annually complete and file with the Minister a report in a form and containing the information required by the Minister.

AR 141/98 s15;172/2007;90/2024

Requests by Minister

16(1) For the purpose of determining if a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board is complying with the Act and this Regulation, the Minister may, by written request, require a

municipal library board or intermunicipal library board to file with the Minister

- (a) copies of the minutes of any meeting of the board, and
- (b) copies of any agreement entered into by the board.

(2) For the purpose of obtaining information to assist in the formulation of policies respecting matters to which the Act and this Regulation relate, the Minister may, by written request, require a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board to make any survey that the Minister considers necessary or advisable.

AR 141/98 s16;172/2007;90/2024

17 Repealed AR 90/2024 s15.

Contents of intermunicipal agreement

17.1 An intermunicipal agreement shall, at a minimum, contain the following:

- (a) a formal indication of each municipality's desire to enter into the intermunicipal agreement;
- (b) a starting date for the intermunicipal agreement;
- (c) provision for a municipality to become a party to the intermunicipal agreement after the starting date for the agreement if
 - (i) no more than 3 municipalities enter into the agreement initially, or
 - (ii) the agreement is between any number of municipalities located within the existing boundaries of the same municipal district as the municipality;
- (d) provision for a municipality to be removed as a party to the intermunicipal agreement after the starting date for the agreement;
- (e) terms specifying the number of members of the intermunicipal library board each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal library agreement may appoint, including the number of members of council of each of the municipalities that may be appointed;
- (e.1) provision for the appointment of a total number of members to the intermunicipal library board of not fewer than 7 and not more than 15, of whom no more than 40% may be members of council of any municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement;

- (f) the annual date by which the intermunicipal library board must submit a budget and an estimate of the money required during the next fiscal year to each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement;
- (g) terms specifying how the intermunicipal library board must calculate the estimate of the money required during the next fiscal year and each municipality's share of that money, the date on which payment of the money becomes due from each municipality, and how the money is to be paid;
- (h) terms specifying the form of the financial report to be prepared under section 12.2 of the Act and setting out a process for the approval of the qualifications of the person who will review the financial records of the intermunicipal library board and prepare the financial report;
- (i) terms governing the process for amending and terminating the intermunicipal agreement;
- (j) details of the rights, assets and liabilities that each municipality that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement will transfer to the intermunicipal library board on the formation of the board;
- (j.1) details of the rights, assets and liabilities that a municipality that becomes a party to the intermunicipal agreement after the starting date of the agreement will transfer to the intermunicipal library board;
- (k) where the intermunicipal agreement is an agreement between 3 or more municipalities, terms respecting the transfer of the rights, assets and liabilities of the intermunicipal library board in the event that one of the municipalities withdraws from the agreement;
- (l) a procedure to be used to resolve or attempt to resolve any conflict between the municipalities that are parties to the intermunicipal agreement;
- (m) terms respecting the notice that a municipality must give to the intermunicipal library board and to the other municipalities that are parties to the intermunicipal agreement before making an application under section 17.2.
- (n) terms governing the process by which a bylaw passed by the intermunicipal library board may be disallowed.

AR 172/2007 s10;90/2024;158/2025

Dissolution of intermunicipal library board

17.2(1) The council of a municipality that is a party to an intermunicipal agreement may, by bylaw, authorize the municipality to apply to the Minister to dissolve the intermunicipal library board.

(2) An application to the Minister to dissolve an intermunicipal library board must contain a proposed winding-up plan that addresses the transfer of all of the rights, assets and liabilities of the intermunicipal library board.

(3) If complete applications to dissolve an intermunicipal library board are received

- (a) from one or both municipalities that are parties to an intermunicipal agreement that is between 2 municipalities, or
- (b) from a majority of the parties to an intermunicipal agreement that is between 3 or more municipalities,

the Minister may, by order, dissolve the intermunicipal library board and transfer the rights, assets and liabilities of the intermunicipal library board in accordance with the proposed winding-up plan or in any other manner the Minister considers appropriate if the municipalities cannot agree as to how the rights, assets and liabilities should be distributed.

AR 172/2007 s10;90/2024

Part 4 Library System Boards

Plan of service

18(1) In managing and controlling a library system, a library system board shall, within 4 years of being established, develop and file with the Minister a plan of service with a mission statement and goals and objectives based on an assessment of

- (a) the needs of the municipal library boards and intermunicipal library boards within the library system,
- (b) the library needs of those school authorities that are parties to an agreement referred to in section 13 of the Act, and
- (c) the need for public library service generally.

(2) A library system board shall, at least every 5 years following the date on which the plan was previously filed, file a current plan of service with the Minister.

(3) Repealed AR 90/2024 s18.

AR 141/98 s18;251/2001;193/2003;172/2007;90/2024

Employment of professional librarians

19(1) A library system board shall employ, for every 25 000 persons that it serves, a graduate of a postgraduate library program in Canada or a person with equivalent qualifications from another country.

(2) A calculation under subsection (1) of the number of persons that a library system board serves shall exclude the population of any municipality in which a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board employs a person under section 14.

AR 141/98 s19;172/2007;90/2024

Reports to Minister

20(1) A library system board shall annually complete and file with the Minister a report in a form and containing the information required by the Minister with respect to

- (a) the library system board, and
- (b) each library service point as specified by the Minister.

(2) Repealed AR 90/2024 s20.

AR 141/98 s20;90/2024

Requests by Minister

21(1) For the purpose of obtaining information to assist in the formulation of policies respecting matters to which the Act and this Regulation relate, the Minister may, by written request, require a library system board to make any survey that the Minister considers necessary or advisable.

(2) The Minister may, by written request, require a library system board to provide any information that the Minister considers necessary to undertake a systematic review of library services within the library system.

AR 141/98 s21;90/2024

Part 5 Completion of Library Systems

Definitions

22 In this Part,

- (a) “agreement” means an agreement referred to in section 13 of the Act;
- (b) “jurisdiction” means a municipality, an improvement district, a special area or a Metis settlement;
- (c) “resource centre” means a municipal library within a library system that the library system board designates as a resource centre.

AR 141/98 s22;251/2001

Library system membership

23 A jurisdiction or school authority shall not request the Minister to establish a library system under section 13 of the Act unless a minimum of 75% of the parties to the agreement are jurisdictions.

AR 141/98 s23;251/2001

Resolutions before membership

24(1) Before a jurisdiction that is not a party to an intermunicipal agreement becomes a member of a library system,

- (a) the municipal library board in the jurisdiction shall pass a resolution accepting service from the library system board and providing its recommendations to the jurisdiction’s council with respect to the agreement, and
- (b) the jurisdiction’s council shall pass a resolution assenting to the agreement.

(1.1) Before a jurisdiction that is a party to an intermunicipal agreement becomes a member of a library system,

- (a) the intermunicipal library board established by the intermunicipal agreement shall pass a resolution accepting service from the library system board for that jurisdiction and providing its recommendations to the council of each jurisdiction that is a party to the intermunicipal agreement with respect to the agreement, and
- (b) the jurisdiction’s council shall pass a resolution assenting to the agreement.

(2) Before a school authority becomes a member of a library system, it shall pass a resolution accepting service from the library system board on the terms and conditions prescribed by that board.

AR 141/98 s24;172/2007;90/2024

Contents of agreement

25(1) An agreement shall at a minimum contain the following terms:

- (a) a formal indication of the parties' desire to enter into an agreement;
- (b) a starting date for the agreement;
- (c) provision for parties to become members of the library system after the starting date;
- (d) terms setting out the powers and duties of the library system board;
- (e) provision for the establishment of an executive committee of not more than 10 persons when the number of members of the library system board is more than 20, and a statement of the powers and duties of that committee;
- (f) terms specifying how to calculate the estimate of the money required under section 18 of the Act, the date on which payment of the money becomes due and how the money is to be paid;
- (g) an explanation of the financial relationship between the library system board and the parties to the agreement;
- (h) an explanation of the financial relationship between the library system board and the municipal library boards and intermunicipal library boards;
- (i) terms setting out the services that the library system board will provide, including a commitment to make all library resources acquired by the board available to all residents served by the library system;
- (j) an explanation of the relationship between the library system board, the municipal library boards, the intermunicipal library boards and the board of the resource centre respecting the provision of library services, subject to section 19 of the Act;
- (k) provision for expansion of the library system to all jurisdictions within the prescribed boundaries;
- (l) repealed AR 90/2024 s23;
- (m) terms governing the method for amendment, extension and renewal of the agreement;

- (n) terms governing the notification municipal library boards and intermunicipal library boards are to receive of any amendment, extension or renewal of the agreement.

(2) An agreement shall be signed by the persons authorized by the councils to enter into the agreement and by the chairs of municipal library boards and intermunicipal library boards where they exist.

(3) to (5) Repealed AR 180/2013 s2.

AR 141/98 s25;251/2001;193/2003;172/2007;180/2013;
90/2024

Notice of withdrawal

26 If a party to an agreement gives notice of withdrawal under section 22 of the Act, the library system board

- (a) shall, not later than 90 days prior to the effective date of withdrawal, provide to that party's council and municipal library board or intermunicipal library board, if any, a written appraisal of the expected effects of that withdrawal on the provision of library services to the residents of that jurisdiction or school authority, and
- (b) may request a review by that party's council and municipal library board or intermunicipal library board, if any, of the notice of withdrawal.

AR 141/98 s26;251/2001;172/2007;90/2024

Request to Minister

27(1) A jurisdiction or school authority that wants to become a member of an existing library system shall forward to the Minister a request to that effect.

(2) Section 23 applies to an application under this section.

(3) The Minister shall not approve an application to join an existing library system unless a minimum of 75% of the parties to the agreement are jurisdictions.

28 Repealed AR 90/2024 s25.

Personal property of municipal and intermunicipal library boards

29 All personal property of a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board on the date on which a council signs an agreement affecting the board remains the property of the municipal library board or intermunicipal library board.

AR 141/98 s29;172/2007;90/2024

Real property of library system board

30 A library system board may not hold or own real property unless it is required for the purposes of administering the library system or for distribution of library resources.

Advisory committee

31(1) A member of a library system board who is appointed by the council of a jurisdiction that does not have a municipal library board or intermunicipal library board may receive any concerns respecting library service to that jurisdiction's residents from an advisory committee appointed by the council to transmit those concerns.

(2) If a council does not appoint an advisory committee, the library system board may appoint an advisory committee to act under subsection (1).

AR 141/98 s31;172/2007;90/2024

Library system board members

32(1) Repealed AR 90/2024 s28.

(2) An appointment under section 16(a) of the Act shall not exceed a term of 3 years.

(3) A council of a municipality, Metis settlement or school authority shall not appoint a member under section 16(a) of the Act to serve for more than 9 consecutive years without the approval of 2/3 of all the members of that council.

(4) Repealed AR 90/2024 s28.

(5) Subject to subsection (6), a council may, with respect to appointments under section 16(a) of the Act, appoint an alternate member to the library system board if its library system board member

- (a) is unable to attend a meeting of the library system board, and
- (b) has given notice to the library system board that an alternate member will attend.

(6) The alternate member shall not act in place of the library system board member at more than 2 consecutive meetings except by resolution of the library system board.

AR 141/98 s32;251/2001;90/2024

Appointment of additional members

33(1) Repealed AR 90/2024 s29.

(2) The board of a resource centre may, pursuant to section 16(d) of the Act, appoint one additional member to the library system board for a term not exceeding 3 years.

AR 141/98 s33;251/2001;90/2024

Library system boundaries

34(1) For the purposes of section 14(1)(b) of the Act, the boundaries of each library system are as set out in the Schedule to this Regulation.

(2) Notwithstanding the Schedule, the municipality of Swan Hills may join either the Peace or Yellowhead library systems.

AR 141/98 s34;282/99;251/2001;90/2024

Public Library Network

35 Every jurisdiction and school authority that is a member of a library system shall, for the purpose of managing its library services or public libraries, meet the requirements of the Public Library Network.

AR 141/98 s35;90/2024

Part 5.1

Access, Use and Borrowing of Library Resources

Definitions

35.1 In this Part,

- (a) “library computer” means a computer or other personal computing device that is
 - (i) located on library premises, and
 - (ii) provided by a board for use by the public;
- (b) “library gaming system” means a video game console designed primarily for use in playing video games that is
 - (i) located on library premises, and
 - (ii) provided by a board for use by the public;
- (c) “literary materials” means books, periodicals, comics, graphic novels and other literary or graphic materials;

- (d) “sexual act” means an activity or action of a distinctly sexual nature, including but not limited to
- (i) masturbation, including touching of a person’s own genitals or anus with a hand, finger, artificial sexual organ or other substitute for a sexual organ,
 - (ii) penetration of the penis into the vagina or anus,
 - (iii) contact of a sexual nature between the genitalia, mouth, hand, finger or other body part with the unclothed genitalia, pubic area, buttocks, anus or, if the person is female, breast of another person,
 - (iv) ejaculation onto or into another person, or
 - (v) the use of artificial sexual organs or substitutes for sexual organs on the clothed or unclothed genitalia, pubic area, buttocks, anus or, if the person is female, breast of another person,
- but does not include an activity or action that is not distinctly sexual in nature, such as physical contact related to medical conditions, examinations or treatment, actions or activities related to biological functions or processes, such as puberty, menstruation, pregnancy or breastfeeding, or actions or activities that may be related to sexual acts, such as kissing or hand-holding;
- (e) “video game” means a moving image that provides an interactive game of skill, dexterity or knowledge where the player of the game varies the nature or sequence of the visual images by operating a device, including a computer, video game console or other technology, that produces the images;
- (f) “video recording” means a motion picture, television program or other audiovisual recorded entertainment contained on a medium from which moving visual images may be produced;
- (g) “visual depiction” means a visual or graphic representation, such as a drawing or painting, an illustration, a photographic or digital image or a video recording.

AR 176/2026 s5

Restricted library resources — use or borrowing

35.2(1) Beginning on January 1, 2027, a board shall not allow a person 15 years of age or younger to use or borrow library

resources that contain a visual depiction of a sexual act unless the person's parent or guardian provides the board authorization for the person to use or borrow library resources of that kind.

(2) Subsection (1) applies with respect to only the following library resources:

- (a) literary materials;
- (b) video games;
- (c) video recordings.

AR 176/2026 s5

Restricted library resources — location and access

35.3(1) Beginning on January 1, 2027, a board shall keep library resources that contain a visual depiction of a sexual act

- (a) physically separate from other library resources, and
- (b) in a location where library staff can control and regulate access in accordance with subsection (5).

(2) Subsection (1) applies with respect to only the following library resources:

- (a) literary materials;
- (b) video games;
- (c) video recordings.

(3) Subsection (1) applies only when library resources are made available for use by or loan to members of the public.

(4) For greater certainty, subsection (1) does not apply when library resources are located in an area of a library's premises where

- (a) returned library resources are collected, or
- (b) library staff sort and prepare library resources for cataloguing, shelving or transportation.

(5) A board may allow only the following persons to access library resources that contain a visual depiction of a sexual act:

- (a) persons 16 years of age or older;

- (b) persons 15 years of age or younger whose parent or guardian has provided the board authorization for the person to use or borrow library resources of that kind.

AR 176/2026 s5

Policies re restricted library resources

35.4 For the purposes of sections 35.2 and 35.3, a board shall establish policies with respect to the following:

- (a) the methods by which the board shall determine
 - (i) the age of a person, and
 - (ii) whether a parent's or guardian's authorization has been received;
- (b) the process by which the board shall determine whether a library resource is subject to the access, use and borrowing restrictions.

AR 176/2026 s5

Policies re borrowing and use of technology

35.5 In addition to the policies established under sections 7 and 35.4, a board shall establish policies with respect to the following:

- (a) the issuance of library borrowing cards to persons 15 years of age or younger;
- (b) the use of a library computer to access the internet by persons 15 years of age or younger;
- (c) the use of a library computer or library gaming system to play a video game by persons 15 years of age or younger;
- (d) the methods by which the board shall determine, for the purpose of implementing the policies referred to in clauses (a) to (d), the age of a person.

AR 176/2026 s5

Policies re library service points in schools

35.6(1) This section applies only to a board that operates a library service point in a school.

(2) In addition to the policies required under sections 7, 35.4 and 35.5, a board shall, in a policy, establish a process for the following persons to request the board to review and to remove or impose, as the case may be, restrictions on the access, use and borrowing of a library resource in a library service point in a school:

- (a) a student enrolled in a school in which the board operates a library service point;
- (b) a parent or guardian of a student enrolled in a school in which the board operates a library service point;
- (c) an employee or member of the council of a school authority that operates a school in which a library service point operated by the board is located;
- (d) a member of the public with a direct connection to the school in which the library service point operated by the board is located;
- (e) a holder of a library borrowing card issued by the board.

(3) A board shall, in respect of each library service point it operates in a school,

- (a) regularly review the library resources available for use or loan at the library service point to ensure the board complies with this Regulation, and
- (b) provide to the Minister, on request, any information and reports on the library resources available for use or loan at the library service point.

AR 176/2026 s5

Compliance

35.7(1) A board shall, by no later than January 1, 2027,

- (a) establish the policies required under this Part, and
- (b) make the policies publicly available.

(2) A board shall, by no later than January 1, 2027, send the Minister written confirmation that it is in compliance with the requirements of this Part.

AR 176/2026 s5

Part 6 Repealed AR 90/2024 s32.

Part 7 Repeal

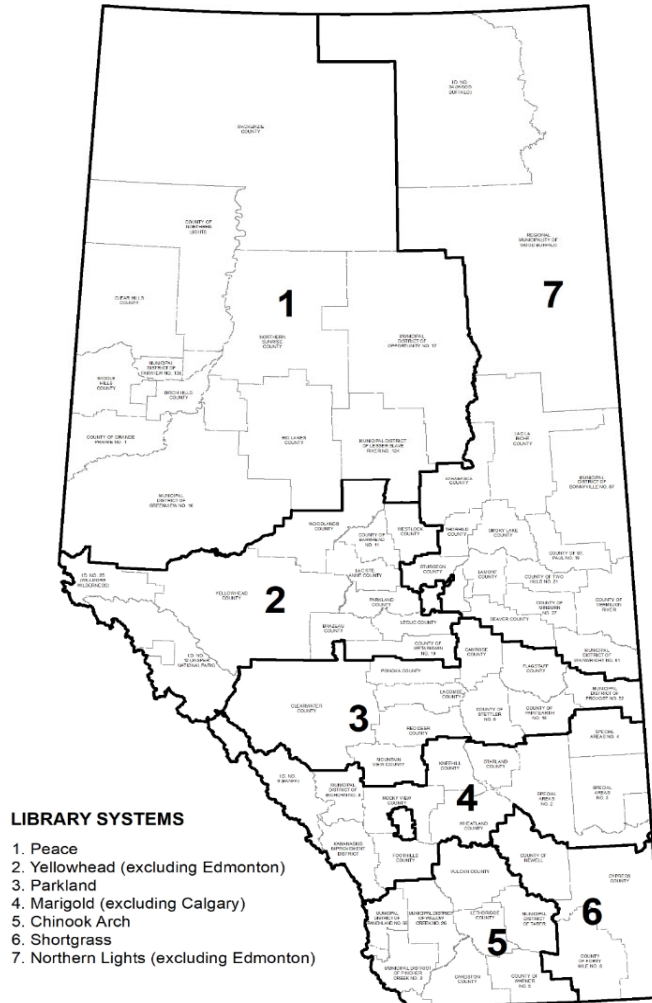
Repeal

47 The *Libraries Regulation* (AR 342/84) is repealed.

48 Repealed AR 134/2018 s3.

Schedule

BOUNDARIES OF LIBRARY SYSTEMS IN ALBERTA



AR 141/98 Sched;90/2024



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Kim Paxman
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Village of Stirling



STIRLING

From: Canadians for Safe Technology <info@c4st.org>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2026 7:25 PM
To: Office <office@stirling.ca>
Subject: Time Sensitive. Request to submit comments regarding proposed changes to cell tower siting process

Dear Mayor, Members of Council and the Municipal Administration,

I am writing on behalf of Canadians for Safe Technology (C4ST) to draw your attention to an ongoing public consultation by the federal government on proposed changes to the current telecommunications (cell) tower antenna siting process. It appears that many municipalities and other land-use authorities (LUAs) were not directly informed of this consultation which closes on September 22, 2026. Only a small number of LUAs submitted comments so far, while major telecommunications companies like Bell Mobility, Rogers and TELUS have submitted detailed comments and recommendations supporting ISED's recommendation and asking for more concessions.

This imbalance matters because the proposed changes would directly affect LUAs as the changes are heavily weighted to benefit the telecommunications companies, while shifting the responsibility and workload to LUAs such as municipalities.

C4ST has been involved in cell tower siting situations for more than a decade and has seen first-hand the valuable contributions local residents and the municipalities provide in influencing cell tower decisions, including identifying alternate, more suitable sites while still satisfying the cell tower proponent's connectivity goals. We hope you agree that your local role should be retained.

The public consultation we are referring to is, [Consultation on Amendments to the Tower Siting Process and Decision on Roaming, Tower Sharing and Annual Reporting Requirements for Terrestrial Licences](#). DGSO-001-26. May 2026.

The proposed changes were initiated because of the federal government [Red Tape Review](#). ISED states the proposed amendments are intended to "*reduce the regulatory and administrative burden on wireless communication operators*".

Reducing this "*burden*" for "*communication operators*," in effect, transfers the "*burden*" to LUAs such as municipalities and their constituents.

WHAT COULD CHANGE FOR YOUR MUNICIPALITY?

If ISED's proposed changes are adopted, there will be a significant reduction of municipal authority and local decision-making. For example:

- The revised [CPC-2-0-03](#) would impose a **one-size-fits-all process** across Canada. All locally created antenna-siting processes, protocols and policies would be eliminated. We believe 50 LUA's across Canada have created their own, local process for cell tower siting.
- **Municipalities would be excluded from involvement** in the ISED approval process **for new cell towers less than 15 metres in height**. This exclusion now applies to non-commercial users such as Amateur Radio Operators. The proposed amendment would extend this exclusion to broadcasters, third party- tower owners and telecommunications carriers such as Bell Mobility, Rogers and TELUS. The consequence is that these towers could be built almost anywhere if there is a "willing landlord." These excluded towers would not be entered into ISED's online portal because no LUA or public consultation would be required.
- For towers over 15 metres in height, LUAs such as municipalities would have **only 45 calendar days** to review proposals and consult residents, reduced from the current 120-day period. Failure to respond within that timeframe would result in **automatic approval** of the cell tower. The shortened timelines would make it much more difficult to identify and evaluate alternate sites, and for local elected officials and staff to become fully informed. Motivation for telecommunications companies to work collaboratively with LUAs to find an alternate site would be diminished.
- Municipalities would be **restricted to a narrow, federally prescribed set of reasons** when explaining a decision of non-concurrence (non-agreement).

The **Dispute Resolution Process** would favour the cell tower proponents because the onus will be on the LUA to trigger the process although it is the cell tower proponent who is seeking the concurrence (agreement).

Our summary of these and other key issues can be read [HERE](#).

Several telecommunications-industry respondents are requesting further concessions, such as more exemptions from local consultation, reduced or less visible public notification requirements, and stricter limits on the concerns municipalities may consider. Following are three quotes from July 16, 2026 submissions about reducing the timeframe for considering an application from 120 days to 30 or 45 days, as well as increasing the height of cell towers that would be **excluded entirely from municipality involvement and public notification and consultation as part of the approval process:**

Bell Mobility: *"We recommend that ISED adopt a 30-calendar day timeframe for LUA concurrence ."*

and *"... 15 metres . increase to 25 metres."*

Rogers: *" . supports a 30 calendar day timeline ."* and *" . support increasing the 15 metre threshold to 25 metres in height ."*

TELUS: *"Deemed concurrence should be the default: ISED should establish that an LUAs failure to respond within the 45-day window triggers "Deemed Concurrence," allowing proponents to proceed immediately to construction and deployment, " and "Extend the exclusion floor from 15 metres to 20 metres ."*

SUBMITTING A RESPONSE TO ISED'S PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND SENDING A MESSAGE TO MINISTER OF INDUSTRY MELANIE JOLY

Considering the magnitude of ISED's proposed amendments and the far-reaching local impacts, our recommendation to ISED is that no changes should be made to CPC-2-0-03 until a broad study is completed. This has been done before. In 2003/2004 the federal government held country-wide meetings gathering feedback from all stakeholders and made changes to CPC-2-0-03 based on the 34 recommendations in the 250-page report, [The National Antenna Tower Policy Review](#) (Townsend Report).

Although it seems clear that a proper comprehensive study should be conducted; we believe that is unlikely. Hence, it is important for municipalities to **submit a reply to ISED before September 22, 2026** in case such a study is not conducted and ISED does proceed with its changes. If these proposed changes are made to CPC-2-0-03, they will

be difficult to undo.

As far as we know, after this consultation there will be no further formal opportunities for municipalities to give input on what the revised CPC-2-0-03 would contain, so it is critical that municipalities and other LUAs make their preferences known now.

The first stage of the public consultation closed on July 16, 2026 with submissions made by telecommunications companies, municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and others.

The second stage, called Reply Comments, is open until September 22, 2026 and provides interested parties with an opportunity to review and respond to the comments already submitted.

Link to: [Comments received on Consultation on Amendments to the Tower Siting Process and Decision on Roaming, Tower Sharing and Annual Reporting Requirements for Terrestrial Licences.](#)

We encourage you to read the following [submissions](#):

- The Town of Penetanguishene, Ontario - provides concerns about the significant reduction of municipal and public involvement in decisions that have important local impacts;
- Mattamy Homes, based in Ontario and one of Canada's largest residential real estate developers - provides a post cell tower installation perspective and possible negative consequences for some businesses;
- Bell Mobility, Rogers and TELUS - these telecommunications companies want ISED to make more restrictive changes.

We urge you to consider making a submission to ISED regarding the above linked "Comments received" with your municipality's preferences and recommendations. As per ISED's instructions, send submissions to: spectrumoperations-operationsduspectre@ised-isde.gc.ca and include all of the following in the subject line:

Reply Comments to Comments received on Consultation on Amendments to the Tower Siting Process and Decision on Roaming, Tower Sharing and Annual Reporting Requirements for Terrestrial Licences. DGSO 001-26.

Also, please send your feedback and comments directly to the Minister of Industry, the Honourable Mélanie Joly: melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca

We would be glad to provide further information and assistance in any way we can.
Please email us at info@c4st.org

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

With best regards,
Frank Clegg, CEO
Canadians for Safe Technology

Link to our petition: https://c4st.org/eng/petition_ised.php

See our video [Canadians and Municipalities Must Have a Voice in Cell Tower Decisions](#)

La version française de ce courriel est disponible [ICI](#).

Canadians for Safe Technology (C4ST) is a national, non-profit, non-partisan, volunteer coalition of citizens and scientists, concerned about the health risks of wireless technology. Founded in 2012, C4ST is led by Frank Clegg, former President of Microsoft Canada, with the support of a volunteer Leadership Team. Together they collaborate with volunteer working groups and other non-governmental organizations, to raise awareness, to support communities who are concerned about proposed telecommunication tower applications that would negatively impact their community, and to meet with elected officials at all levels of government to share the state of the science and best practices from around the world.

From: [Melissa Barnes](#)
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Hello,

We are writing to follow up on the information we shared on July 14, 2026, regarding our Call to Action to the Government of Alberta.

With fall municipal conferences, Council meetings, and budget discussions approaching, now is an important time for municipalities to ensure their voices are part of the conversation on the future of policing and public safety in Alberta.

The National Police Federation (NPF) proudly represents nearly 20,000 RCMP Members serving across Canada and internationally, including over 3,100 who serve in Alberta. This initiative urges the Government of Alberta to pause further investment in an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service until a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study is completed. It also calls for evidence-based investments in policing, the justice system, mental health and addiction services, and community-based crime prevention.

A growing number of municipalities and stakeholders have already signed on in support of this Call to Action, and we would welcome the opportunity to include Village of Stirling among them.

If your municipality or stakeholder group is interested in participating, please reply to this email and provide your municipal logo no later than **September 30, 2026**. Participating organizations will be recognized in the final public release.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the initiative further, we would be pleased to arrange a presentation or meeting with you or members of Council.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope Village of Stirling will join us in advocating for transparent decision-making and practical investments that strengthen public safety for all Albertans.

Kind Regards,

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CALL TO ACTION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA

Dear Premier,

Albertans deserve safe and healthy communities where residents can rely on essential public safety, health, social, and justice systems. Provincial and municipal governments share responsibility for achieving these outcomes, and municipalities expect the Government of Alberta to be a transparent, accountable, and reliable partner in delivering them.

Municipalities are on the front lines of community safety, working closely with residents, businesses, and law enforcement partners every day. Despite this, municipalities have not been provided with a clear, transparent, and evidence-based plan outlining the full financial, operational, and public safety implications of establishing an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) or transitioning policing responsibilities away from the RCMP. No comprehensive feasibility study, detailed costing model, or long-term funding framework has been made available to inform municipal decision-making or public understanding.

At the same time, Alberta's existing policing and public safety systems are under increasing pressure. Challenges related to rural crime, mental health and addictions, and violent repeat offenders require immediate and sustained investment. Rather than diverting significant public funds towards the creation of a new police service, the Government of Alberta should prioritize strengthening and properly resourcing the systems already in place.

Policing reform must be guided by evidence, transparency, and public confidence. Decisions of this magnitude, affecting community safety, municipal budgets, and taxpayer dollars, must be made in partnership with municipalities and with the clear support of Albertans.

We, the undersigned, call on the Government of Alberta to:

- Cease further investment in and advancement of the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service as a replacement for RCMP municipal policing.
- Release a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study, including full lifecycle costing, governance structures, and operational impacts of any proposed policing model changes.
- Seek explicit public support before proceeding with any plan to replace or significantly restructure policing in Alberta.
- Strengthen Alberta's existing policing model by:
 - Increasing RCMP officer levels and resources in communities, while ensuring sustainable and predictable funding; and
 - Invest in the Alberta Sheriffs' existing mandate as a complementary public safety service, including targeted enforcement, rural crime initiatives, and court security.
- Strengthen the justice system by addressing bail reform challenges and repeat violent offending; increasing the number of Crown prosecutors and Provincial Court judges; and ensuring timely access to justice.
- Expand integrated public safety approaches, including police and mental health crisis teams, addiction supports, and community-based crime prevention initiatives that address root causes of crime.