



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 in Council Chambers at 1606-14 Street.

- Third and final reading was given to 2024 Tax Rate Bylaw 2024-05. The 2024 residential tax rate was approved at 7.156, and the non-residential rate was approved at 8.811. Both tax rates were decreased from 2023. Property tax notices will be mailed within the next working week and payment of taxes is due August 31, 2024.
- The Budget at Glance document, which will be included with your tax notice, provides an overview of where your tax dollars go, it outlines key 2024 capital and operating projects, other investments into our community and reserves, and also explains the tax impact on an average household for 2024 compared to 2023. It will also be available on the Town's website.
- The updated Multi Year Capital Plan (MYCP) was approved for the 2025 to 2029 period. The MYCP is a planning tool that identifies priority equipment and infrastructure investments and projects and is a starting point for the upcoming annual budgeting process.
- The updated Multi Year Capital Plan was approved with Council approved changes, including the following 2024 roadworks projects—Border Paving Ltd for \$472,530.47, consisting of:
 - 20 Avenue Mill and Overlay for \$171,202.90
 - 15 Avenue Mill and Overlay for \$74,038.53
 - Co-op Road Surface Works for \$227,289.04
- Council approved the 2024 Economic Development Marketing Plan. The key objectives cater to three goals:
 1. Business retention
 2. Showcasing Didsbury as the place to live a quality life, visit, work, do business, and invest
 3. Unique tourism destination (a place to visit and revisit)

Council also approved \$40,030 from the Economic Development Reserve fund for the initiatives outlined in the plan.

- Congratulations to the Didsbury High School Symphonic Winds and Band Director, Kirk Wassmer, for achieving a gold standing at the MusicFest Nationals in Toronto, which is hosted by the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music. What an amazing accomplishment for our local high school musicians!