

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

August 26, 2025

The Town of Didsbury Council held a Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 in Council Chambers.

RCMP Multi-Year Financial Plan and First Quarterly Report

Council received a delegation for the Didsbury RCMP Detachment's Staff Sergeant Browne and Corporal Shane O'Neill who presented to Council the RCMP MYFP and First Quarterly Report.

Preparation and presentation of the MYFP is a requirement of the Town of Didsbury's Municipal Policing Service Agreement with the RCMP and assists in the budgeting process for the Town and K-Division.

Land Use Amending Bylaw

Council held three public hearings for three separate bylaws which all amended the Land Use Bylaw 2019-04. Following the conclusion of the public hearings, Council granted second and third reading to reach one. The bylaws will redesignate, or rezone, a series of properties as follows:

- Bylaw 2025-14 redesignated twenty-two properties in the Downtown Area from C3: Commercial District Core to RC: Residential/Commercial District. These properties currently host residential improvements and this rezoning would enable them to continue residential use, rather than restricting them to commercial development.
- Bylaw 2025-15 redesignated the property located at 2128 21 Avenue (next to the site of the former Didsbury High School) from IS: Institutional District to R2: Residential District General which will allow for residential development to occur on this property.
- Bylaw 2025-16 redesignated three lots 2101, 2105, and 2109 19 Avenue (the site of the former Didsbury Fire Hall) from R2: Residential District General to DC: Direct Control. The DC District provides for a great deal of flexibility in the type of development that can occur on the property with all development permits having to be approved by Council.

CAO Report

Council was presented with a hefty CAO Report which included quarterly financial reports, protective services reports, and action request reports as well as the development permits issued over the Council summer break, a summary report on the Economic Development Association of Canada, and some temporary level of service enhancements to the Mountain View Family Resource Network.

Regional Policing Committee

Legislative changes to the Police Act in late 2024 requires the Town to establish a Regional Policing Committee with fellow communities including High River and Langdon. Council is making a request to the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services to request approval to establish a municipal policing committee. This would enable the committee to focus solely on Town of Didsbury interests that are specific to our town and its safety requirements rather than spread interests across a vast geographical region.