



TOWN OF DIDSBURY AGENDA
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Held by ZOOM Meeting

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Delegation – Hope 4 MVC Kids Society
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	3.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Hope 4 MVC Kids is a registered charity and non-profit society with a mission of providing support to families of children in medical need within Mountain View County.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Hope 4 MVC Kids is run by volunteers, none of which get paid for their roles. The society was founded by Lisa Nicholson and co-founded by Suzanne Young.

The Hope 4 MVC Kids Society runs on determination, love and hope for local children and families that they get the support they need when they need it most!

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to thank Ms. Nicholson for attending the meeting and accept her presentation as information.

OR

A motion at Council's discretion.



Meeting Minutes of the Town of Didsbury
Regular Council Meeting
June 8, 2021
Held through ZOOM Meetings

The regular meeting of Council for the Town of Didsbury was held through ZOOM Meetings on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 commencing at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Mayor R. Hunter
Deputy Mayor B. Windsor
Councillor J. Baswick
Councillor C. Engel
Councillor D. Moore
Councillor E. Poggemiller

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer, E. Gorner
Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer, A. Riley
Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, C. Fox
Director of Community Services, N. Aasen
Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer, L. Smith

Regrets Councillor M. Crothers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. 276-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

DELEGATION/PRESENTATIONS

Council Compensation Committee

Res. 277-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to accept the report from the Council Compensation Committee as information and that the recommendations be referred to the Strategic Planning Committee for incorporation into the Council Remuneration Policy.

Carried

Res. 278-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore that the Council Compensation Committee be compensated at the per diem rate as per Council Remuneration Policy COUN 004.

Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Res. 279-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to approve the May 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried

Res. 280-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to approve the June 3, 2021 Special Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Carried

PUBLIC HEARINGS *No public hearings*

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Bylaw 2021-07 Amending Committees Bylaw 2020-11

- Res. 281-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to grant first reading to Amending Bylaw 2021-07 which amends the Committees Bylaw 2020-11, and that it be referred to the Policy & Governance Committee.

Carried

BUSINESS

Committee Plan for the Policy & Governance Committee

- Res. 282-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to approve the Committee Plan for the Policy & Governance Committee as presented.

Carried

Committee Plan for the Strategic Planning Committee

- Res. 283-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to approve the Committee Plan for the Strategic Planning Committee as presented.

Carried

Committee Plan for the Performance Evaluation Committee

- Res. 284-21 MOVED by Councillor Poggemiller to approve the Committee Plan for the Performance Evaluation Committee as amended to include grading on 23rd Street north of Buy Low.

Carried

Didsbury Economic Development Advisory Committee Recommendations

- Res. 285-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to refer exploration of installing a permanent structure covering the stage at Memorial Park, to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Carried

- Res. 286-21 MOVED by Councillor Poggemiller to have Administration update any existing fee and information guides to further assist future renters of Town facilities.

Carried

Playground Project – Capital Budget Request

CLOSED MEETING

- Res. 287-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to go into closed meeting at 6:46 p.m. in accordance with Division 2, Section 23 and 24 of the FOIP Act.

Carried

RECONVENE

- Res. 288-21 MOVED Deputy Mayor Windsor to reconvene from Closed Meeting to Open Meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Carried

- Res. 289-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to refer this item to the Strategic Planning Committee to gather further information, and explore in consideration of the outlying plan and bring back a recommendation to Council.

Carried

REPORTS

COVID-19 Update

Res. 290-21 MOVED by Councillor Poggemiller to accept the COVID-19 update for June 8, 2021 as information.
Carried

CAO Report

Res. 291-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to accept the Chief Administrative Officer's Report for June 8, 2021 as information.
Carried

Council Reports

Res. 292-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to accept the Council Reports for June 8, 2021 as information.
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

- Alberta Municipal Affairs - MSI funding Capital for 2021
- Town of High River – Proposed Alberta Coal Policy
- April 14, 2021 MPC Minutes
- Letters regarding Bill C-21 (changes to the Criminal Code & Firearms Act)
- Town of Redcliff – Support for the RCMP
- Policy & Governance Committee May 19, 2021 Meeting Notes

Res. 293-21 MOVED by Councillor Baswick to accept the correspondence and information items presented as information.
Carried

Res. 294-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor for Mayor Hunter to send a letter on behalf of Council to Mayor Snodgrass of the Town of High River endorsing support on the Town of High River's proposed Alberta Coal Restriction Policy.

Defeated

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Mayor Hunter thanked the Council Compensation Committee for their work and findings on remuneration for Council members. The Strategic Planning Committee will review their report and make additional recommendations to Council.
- Council is pleased with the 20th Street upgrade project which began in early June. While there is an inconvenience with doing these upgrades, when the project is complete it will enhance the south end of the 20th Street greatly.
- The Didsbury Memorial Complex Outlying Plan includes upgrades to the Jet's Playground. Some of these upgrades will require additional funds which would have an impact on the Capital Project Budget funding. Council referred this item to the Strategic Planning Committee to gather more information and explore this project in consideration of the outlying plan.
- Council is pleased with all the new developments in Didsbury, such as the new health centre in the downtown core which will enhance the look of the intersection of 20th and 20th as well as the construction taking place at the old AG Foods lands.

- Council is pleased with the announcement that the Provincial Government is moving forward with Stage 2 COVID-19 restrictions beginning June 10 and the Town will now be able to provide more services in recreation and culture.
- Council is pleased with the announcement on being able to move forward with Stage 2 COVID-19 restrictions beginning June 10 and being able to provide more services in recreation and culture.

QUESTION PERIOD

CLOSED MEETING

Res. 295-21 MOVED by Councillor Baswick to go into closed meeting in accordance with Division 2 Sections 16, 23, 24 and 25 of the *FOIP Act* at 8:02 p.m.

The following staff attended the closed meeting session with Council:

E. Gorner, Chief Administrative Officer

A. Riley, Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer

C. Fox, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure

L. Smith, Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer

RECONVENE

Res. 296-21 MOVED by Councillor Baswick to come out of closed meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Carried

Res. 297-21 MOVED by Councillor Engel to have administration explore the alternative development proposal for the old fire hall.

Carried

Res. 298-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor that a joint press release with the Didsbury Library Board be issued with regards to the CFEP grant application for the library expansion and renovation project.

Carried

Res. 299-21 MOVED by Councillor Poggemiller to amend the Council Calendar by removing the August 10, 2021 Regular Council meeting.

Carried

Res. 300-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to move forward on facility rentals as discussed.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Res. 301-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of June 8, 2021 at 9:28 p.m.

Carried

Mayor – Rhonda Hunter

Chief Administrative Officer – Ethan Gorner

Initials



Meeting Minutes of the Town of Didsbury
Special Council Meeting
June 18, 2021
Held through ZOOM Meetings

The regular meeting of Council for the Town of Didsbury was held through ZOOM Meetings on Tuesday, June 18, 2021 commencing at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor R. Hunter
Deputy Mayor B. Windsor
Councillor J. Baswick
Councillor D. Moore
Councillor E. Poggemiller

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer, E. Gerner
Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer, A. Riley
Director of Engineering & Infrastructure, C. Fox
Foreman – Public Works, A. Johnson
Manager of Legislative Services/Recording Officer, L. Smith

Absent: Councillor M. Crothers
Councillor C. Engel

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hunter called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. 302-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

CLOSED MEETING

Res. 303-21 MOVED by Councillor Deputy Mayor Windsor to go into closed meeting in accordance with Division 2 Sections 16, 23, 24 of the *FOIP Act* at 12:05 p.m.

RECONVENE

Res. 304-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore to come out of closed meeting at 12:52 p.m.

Carried

Res. 305-21 MOVED by Councillor Moore that Council approve a change of lighting style on the east side of 20th Street to the heritage style goose neck.

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Res. 306-21 MOVED by Deputy Mayor Windsor to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of June 18, 2021 at 12:53 p.m.

Carried

Mayor – Rhonda Hunter

Chief Administrative Officer – Ethan Gerner



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Amending Bylaw 2021-07
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	6.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 2021-07 is a Bylaw to amend Committees of Council Bylaw 2020-11.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The amendments in section 3.2 General Considerations. Changes are marked in red and strikethrough in the attached bylaw.

The Policy & Governance Committee reviewed the Bylaw at their June 16 meeting and are recommending Council grant second and third reading.

RECOMMENDATION *(2 separate motions)*

That Council grant second reading to Amending Bylaw 2021-07, which amends Committees Bylaw 2020-11.

AND

That Council grant third and final reading to Amending Bylaw 2021-07, which amends Committees Bylaw 2020-11.

TOWN OF DIDSBURY
BYLAW 2021-07
AMENDING COMMITTEES BYLAW 2020-11

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY TO AMEND THE COMMITTEES BYLAW 2020-11, THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Short Title**

1.1 The short title of this bylaw is the “Amending Committees Bylaw”.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Didsbury deems it necessary to amend the Committees Bylaw 2020-11.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Didsbury, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled enacts the following:

2. This Bylaw may be cited as the Committees Amending Bylaw No. 2021-07.
3. Bylaw 2020-11, being a bylaw to set Establish Council Committees for the Town of Didsbury, is hereby amended as follows:

Additions to Section 3.2 General Governance Committee Principles

- 3.2.1 These committees are comprised of up to a maximum of three (3) members of the Town of Didsbury Council.
- 3.2.2 The Mayor shall only be a member of the Committees to which the Mayor is appointed.
- 3.2.3 The CAO or designate shall attend these committee meetings to provide administrative support and advice, which may include other departmental representation as deemed necessary;
- 3.2.4 Meeting schedules shall be set by each committee;
- 3.2.5 The Chair shall be appointed at the discretion of Council;
- 3.2.6 Members of these committees will be appointed at the Organizational Meeting. Rotation of the committee members shall be appointed for a one year, two-year and three-year rotation for each committee.
- 3.2.7 **The governance committees shall undertake their work at the discretion of Council and facilitated by Administration, in accordance with the purposes and functions outlined below.**~~these committees will also consider any matters referred to them by~~
- 3.2.8 **To this end, for each committee term, the committees will draft a proposed committee plan that will be presented for approval by Council.**

4. This Bylaw shall take effect upon the final passing.

Read a first time on this 8th day of June 2021

Read a second time on this ____ day of ____ 2021

Read a third time on this ____ day of ____ 2021

Mayor Rhonda Hunter

Chief Administrative Officer Ethan Gorner



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Intermunicipal Development Plan Bylaw 2021-08
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	6.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 2021-08 is a Bylaw to adopt the Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) between the Town of Didsbury and Mountain View County. in accordance with section 631(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The proposed Mountain View County (County) and Town of Didsbury (Town) Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) included in is an update to the 2007 IDP between the County and the Town. If approved, the IDP that is attached to the Bylaw will replace the IDP adopted in 2007.

The purpose of the IDP is to document the policies and processes that the County and the Town have agreed upon to:

- Coordinate planning matters such as future land uses, change in municipal boundaries, environmental matters, transportation, and infrastructure planning; and
- Provide for ongoing dialogue, decision making, and, if necessary, resolution of any points of disagreement.

The IDP is related to the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) adopted by the Town and County as a separate document. Where the IDP addresses the “physical” aspects of planning between the two (2) municipalities, the ICF addresses the operational or service delivery aspects of the relationship between the Town and County.

Work to update the IDP started in 2019. It was undertaken to account for changes to the Municipal Government Act, changes to the long-range planning of the County and the Town, and the need to review an IDP that was 10+ years old. The update was prepared jointly by the County and Town staff and assisted by Urban Systems under the direction of the County and Town Council members appointed to the Intermunicipal Collaboration Committee (ICC). Over the course of the review, key topics were discussed at ICC meetings to achieve consensus on the approach to be taken. This included a review of a draft version of the IDP by the ICC and a public review process with a virtual Open House held on May 26th. Following the Open House, written responses received from landowners and Referral Agencies. All public comments that are received with regards to the proposed IDP will be made available prior to the Public Hearing. ICC reviewed the responses and agreed to some minor edits to policies to add clarity and are included in the Bylaw.

The IDP that is being presented for Council’s consideration of first reading is recommended for approval by the ICC.



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Key changes that have been made in comparison to the 2007 IDP are as follows:

- The area included in the IDP, and subject to its policies, has been updated. It excludes lands in the Town and includes only those lands in the County necessary to coordinate land uses, infrastructure and future urban expansion;
- The Intermunicipal Planning Commission and the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board for the IDP area have been eliminated in favour of focused discussion on planning policy decisions and Land Use Bylaw amendment decisions;
- Specific long-term land uses are not assigned in the IDP and are to be determined through the County's Municipal Development Plan;
- More direction has been added to assist in the evaluation of future annexations;
- Consideration of the appearance along entrance corridors in the IDP Economic Node within the Referral Area has been added; and
- Use of municipal water and/or wastewater services for development of lands in the County is no longer mandatory and the option to extend these services remains.

The IDP that is being proposed serves the long-term planning interests of the Town in a manner that is respectful of the County's land use planning efforts and vice versa. Processes will also be in place to talk through any unforeseen opportunities or issues that may emerge.

Mountain View County Council will consider first reading of their Bylaw (Bylaw No. 20/21) on June 23. If first reading of Bylaw No. 2021-08 is given, a Joint Public Hearing will be held along with joint advertising and referrals related to the proposed IDP and public hearing. The Joint Public Hearing is proposed to take place during a regular meeting on July 14, 2021 at 1 pm with Town Council and staff attending through in-person or electronic means. The intent of the joint hearing is to enable Town and County Councils to hear the same presentations regarding the proposed IDP.

RECOMMENDATION *(2 separate motions)*

That Council grant first reading to Bylaw 2021-08 Town of Didsbury and Mountain View County Intermunicipal Development Plan as contained in the agenda package.

AND

That Council hold an additional Council Meeting on July 14, 2021 and Joint Public Hearing for Town of Didsbury Bylaw 2021-18 and Mountain View County Bylaw 20/21 at 1:00 p.m.

ATTACHMENT 01

TOWN OF DIDSBURY BYLAW 2021-08

INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN BETWEEN TOWN OF DIDSBURY AND MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY

A BYLAW OF MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO ADOPT THE INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN BETWEEN THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY AND MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY.

SECTION 1 – SHORT TITLE

1.01 This Bylaw may be cited as the Town of Didsbury Intermunicipal Development Plan.

SECTION 2 - AUTHORITY

- 2.01 Section 631(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M-26 Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments, provides that two or more Councils of municipalities that have common boundaries must, by each passing a Bylaw, adopt an Intermunicipal Development Plan.
- 2.02 Notice of the proposed Bylaw and Public Hearing was given pursuant to Section 606(2) of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2.03 A Public Hearing was scheduled and held on July 14, 2021 at or after 1:00 p.m. pursuant to Section 692 of the *Municipal Government Act*.

SECTION 3 - ENACTMENT

- 3.01 Schedule “A” which forms part of this Bylaw shall constitute the provisions of the Intermunicipal Development Plan between Mountain View County and the Town of Didsbury as may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 4 - REPEAL OF BYLAW

- 4.01 Bylaw No. 2007-23 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5 - EFFECTIVE DATE

- 5.01 This Bylaw shall come into effect at such time as it has received third (3rd) reading and has been signed in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

Read a first time on this ____ day of ____ 2021

Read a second time on this ____ day of ____ 2021

Read a third time on this ____ day of ____ 2021

Mayor Rhonda Hunter

Chief Administrative Officer Ethan Gorner

Schedule "A"

MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY-DIDSBURY

Intermunicipal Development Plan



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1.0 Introduction

Background

Mountain View County (the County) and the Town of Didsbury (the Town) adopted an Intermunicipal Development Plan in 2007. Since 2007 much has changed with not only the local context, but also provincial planning legislation, defining new requirements for intermunicipal planning under the Municipal Government Act (MGA). This Intermunicipal Development Plan (the Plan) has been developed as a collaborative effort between the County and Town, establishing parameters for the mutually beneficial development of lands and coordination of infrastructure and service delivery in and around the Town.

Land use decisions made by the Town and County affect and influence each other. A lack of collaboration can lead to decisions that introduce potential conflict between urban and rural activities and minimize coordination of infrastructure and service delivery. A strong Intermunicipal Development Plan establishes positive relationships that are bolstered through consistent and open communication, providing opportunities to achieve mutually beneficial goals that improve the quality of life for citizens of the entire area.

Purpose

The purpose of the Plan is to collectively enable appropriate development and support the unique characteristics of both partners. This represents a cooperative framework for addressing matters of joint interest to the Town and County through a comprehensive plan and process that minimizes potential conflict between the partners.

The Plan is a formal, statutory plan and focused on land use and development decisions in the Plan Area. The Plan is a high-level planning document that guides future growth and development and is focused on setting clear expectations and agreements around:

- How development will proceed in the Plan Area
- How the partners will continue to work together
- How infrastructure requirements accommodate development in the Plan Area

Legislative Context

The Plan meets the legislative requirements as spelled out in the MGA, which provides the legislative framework for all Intermunicipal Development Plans in Alberta. The Plan complies with the following requirements outlined in the MGA:

- Future land uses within the area
- The manner of and the proposals for future development in the area
- The provision of transportation systems for the area
- Coordination of relevant intermunicipal programs and services related to the physical, social, and economic development of the area
- Accommodate environmental matters within the area
- A procedure to resolve any conflict between the partners

- A procedure to amend or repeal the plan
- Provisions relating to administration of the plan

The MGA also requires that any Intermunicipal Development Plan be consistent with any approved regional plan. The Plan Area is located within the Red Deer Regional Plan area, which is not yet complete. When the Regional Plan is adopted, the IDP will be reviewed to ensure consistency. Where any policy conflicts exist, this Plan will be amended.

The MGA identifies the Intermunicipal Development Plan as the highest order of municipal statutory plan and all other municipal plans affecting lands within the defined Plan Area shall be consistent with the policy direction contained in the Plan. The Plan has been created to guide all future planning initiatives, which will follow policy direction within this document.

Interpretation of the Plan

The Plan has a forty (40) year timeframe and reflects the current perspective on development conditions, which acknowledges there is sufficient opportunity to accommodate growth and development within the current boundary for the next twenty (20) years and the lands within the Fringe Area can accommodate projected growth requirements for an additional twenty (20) years. It is a living document that will be updated and adjusted over time to ensure it retains its relevance and remains reflective of the Plan Area.

The Plan is divided into multiple sections to simplify its use, but the Plan needs to be considered as a comprehensive whole to fully understand its application on the Plan Area. Any interpretation of the Plan must acknowledge its long-term nature and implementing the policy direction requires open communication between the partners.

The maps contained within the Plan are intended to provide support and aid the interpretation of the policies. Boundaries and locations denoted by symbols, as illustrated in **Figure 2**, are approximate and are not intended to define exact locations.

2.0 Strategic Direction

The Plan represents an agreement between the Town and County for lands within the Plan Area over the next 40 years and an opportunity to coordinate shared objectives for future development around the following principles that will serve to harmonize expectations between the partners.

Principles

1. Strengthening intermunicipal relationships with a commitment to working collaboratively through effective and ongoing coordination, and communication.
2. Respecting the autonomy of each other's decisions.
3. Acknowledging the importance of agricultural viability through promoting agricultural activity in the County.
4. Encouraging ongoing dialogue to understand the unique needs and aspirations of both municipalities and reduce potential conflicts.
5. Promoting orderly development patterns and the coordination of infrastructure requirements within the Plan Area, reinforcing the importance of locating developments, requiring municipal water and wastewater servicing, within the Town.
6. Respecting the diverse growth and development needs of each municipality, emphasizing the following:
 - a. Pursuing annexation only when there is a demonstrated need for boundary expansion based on mutually agreed upon growth projections and developable land supply within the current boundary.
 - b. Respecting the town's future expansion potential, prohibiting multi-lot subdivisions of those lands adjacent to the Town Boundary that exceed those limits included within this Plan.
7. Supporting economic development that strengthens the region.

Key objectives

1. Meet the requirements of the MGA.
2. Preservation and protection of Environmentally Significant Areas.
3. Provide local context for land use decisions.
4. Enable both parties to jointly consider the effects that any development in one municipality might have on the other.
5. Promote effectiveness, efficiency, and transparency in coordinating intermunicipal services, facilities, and infrastructure.

3.0 Plan Area

Establishing an effective Intermunicipal Development Plan requires defining a geographic area that reflects both the individual and mutual interests of the partners. The Plan Area is defined in **Figure 1** as:

- Fringe Area
 - The Fringe Area are those lands in the County that shall be set aside to accommodate the future growth of the Town over the next forty (40) years. These lands may be annexed into the Town to accommodate the need for residential, commercial, and industrial lands as the need emerges and can be justified based on the criteria highlighted in Section 4.0: Annexation policies.
- Referral Area
 - The Referral Area includes lands in the County that are not intended to accommodate the future Town expansion through annexation over the course of the forty (40)-year plan horizon. Planning applications in these areas shall be referred to the Town as defined in the IDP policies.
 - The Referral Area as identified in **Figure 1** includes lands that are defined as an Economic Node. An Economic Node is an area that is more suitable for commercial and industrial developments.

As part of the process to prepare the Plan, a review of the IDP Study Area was undertaken to identify land use, as well as physical and environmental features that represent constraints on future development opportunities, illustrated in **Figure 2**, which include:

1. Environmentally sensitive areas (i.e. wetlands, steep slopes, etc.) that limit development potential of the land.
2. Oil and gas facilities and pipelines, and their associated setbacks, that must be considered as part of any development application.
3. Development setbacks that are associated with existing sewage lagoon facilities that limit the type and intensity of development.

4.0 Land Use and Growth Management

Municipalities are tasked with the responsibility to determine future land use patterns for their jurisdictions under the MGA. Both the Town and County have adopted Municipal Development Plans (MDP) that identify future land uses and policies to guide development of their respective lands. Each municipality has a Land Use Bylaw (LUB) that is used to implement the policy direction through land use and development regulations.

Policies

The following general policies apply to the Fringe Area and Referral Area, as identified in **Figure 1**.

Agriculture

1. Respect the “right to farm” of agricultural operators to pursue activities associated with extensive agriculture without interference or restriction based on their impact on adjacent uses.
2. No new or expanded confined feeding operation shall be supported within the Fringe Area or the Referral Area as identified in **Figure 1**.
3. Land use policies in the IDP minimize conflict of future growth needs of the Town and agricultural uses are safeguarded from premature development.

Environment

1. Development proposed on lands identified as Environmentally Significant Areas shall require the appropriate level of environmental site assessment, biophysical analysis, and mitigation strategy in accordance with the County’s MDP, Policies and Procedures and Land Use Bylaw.
2. Development shall include the appropriate management of storm water runoff and drainage so that adjacent lands are not negatively impacted by changes in drainage volumes and patterns.
3. The Rosebud River is an important feature of the Didsbury area. The river and its tributaries create a natural greenspace corridor that should be preserved and enhanced for the enjoyment of the region. Through cooperation of the Town and the County, intermunicipal greenspaces and trail linkages may be created.
4. The topography, represented by the identified Environmentally Significant Areas in **Figure 2**, poses potential development constraints within the Town. Any future annexation proposal shall evaluate the suitability of these lands to determine the amount of “sufficient developable lands” capable of facilitating twenty (20) years of projected growth, as required under the “MGB Principles of Annexation” referenced in Annexation: Policy 7 of the Plan.

Infrastructure

1. The Town and County shall share information to ensure a safe and efficient transportation network can be developed and maintained to service the residents and businesses.
2. When subdivisions are approved, all right-of-way requirements will be secured to ensure that long-term transportation and utility plans can be implemented when warranted.

3. The Town and County acknowledge that the growth and expansion of the Town is dependent on the extension of water and wastewater services to development within the Town, and both municipalities agree to work together to ensure the corridors for these services are protected.
4. All future development in the County shall be required to have on-site water and wastewater servicing, except where connection to town services may be warranted under the following conditions:
 - a. The County and the Town mutually agree that the proposed development is a better fit in the County because of the land consumption needs; and
 - b. The County and the Town mutually agree to a written sub-agreement under the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework; and
 - c. The subject of the agreement meets the requirements of the Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission and Alberta Environment and Parks.
5. Notwithstanding the other policies only applies to Fringe Area and Referral Area, all future development in the Town shall be required to have municipal water and wastewater servicing, except under the following conditions:
 - a. The Town demonstrates that providing water and/or wastewater servicing to the proposed lands is not feasible from a financial or operations and maintenance perspective; and
 - b. The County mutually agrees that the location of the unserviced development within the Town meets the principles of the IDP and the development's servicing strategy is part of an approved Area Structure Plan.
6. The Town and County acknowledge that the development of the oil and gas industry has played an integral part in the development of the region. Both municipalities shall endeavour to work with the oil and gas industry to ensure that the orderly development of the Plan Area is not unduly restricted by the development of oil and gas infrastructure, including pipelines.
7. Notice of major infrastructure servicing proposed by one municipality shall be provided to the other.

Economic Development

1. Through the respective MDPs, the Town and County shall ensure that their combined land use patterns provide a suitable inventory of lands for commercial and industrial development. This includes a range of choice for potential activities relative to variable parcel sizes, access and visibility along major travel corridors, available municipal services, and levels of servicing.
2. Both municipalities shall work towards diversification of local economic sectors to increase employment opportunities and increase the size of the non-agricultural and non-residential assessment base.
3. The Town and County Administrations may bring forward to ICC development proposals located in the Town, Fringe Area or the Referral Area that benefit both municipalities that is not contemplated in the Plan's Land Use Policies and which may require a collaborative approach to servicing the subject properties due to unique circumstances that may include one or more of the following:

- a. servicing requirements of proposed developments;
 - b. servicing inefficiencies realized within the Town due to past annexation decisions or other planning decisions; or
 - c. proposals that would realize greater cost efficiencies through a collaboration.
4. The quarter sections on either side of Highway 2A and Highway 582 identified as an Economic Node within the Referral Area shall have special consideration for visual appearance. The County shall apply the County Land Use Bylaw and Business, Commercial and Industrial Guidelines when considering new development permit applications.

Land Use

The following land use policies apply to the IDP Fringe Area and the IDP Referral Area as identified in **Figure 1**. These policies identify future land use, subdivision and development opportunities and do not require landowners to develop.

Fringe Area Policies

1. The Fringe Area shall be the priority area for future annexations by the Town. It is expected that the lands within the Fringe Area will be annexed to the Town in blocks (one or more quarter sections at a time) based on justified need for additional residential, commercial and industrial lands in accordance with the Annexation Policies of the IDP. The timing and identification of portions of the Fringe Area for future annexations shall be determined through consultations between the Town and County.
2. To preserve large blocks of land for efficient, economical design as part of a future urban area and to avoid impeding the ability of the Town to grow, subdivision and development in the Fringe Area shall be limited.
3. Changes in land use designation and/or subdivision of lands identified as Fringe Area on **Figure 1** shall only be considered to facilitate a “first parcel out” from a quarter section, resulting in a maximum number of two (2) titles per quarter-section.

Referral Area Policies

1. The lands in the County that are identified as Referral Area on **Figure 1** are not intended to accommodate Town growth within the 40-year time frame of the IDP but are of interest due to the impact that development on these lands may have on the Town.
2. Planning matters such as proposed changes in land use and subdivision within the Referral Area shall be referred to enable coordination of planning and servicing decisions.
3. Minimizing the amount of land taken out of agricultural production shall be the primary focus in the Referral Area.
4. Changes in land use designation and/or subdivision of lands identified as Referral Area on **Figure 1** shall only be considered to facilitate low-density development that shall not exceed a maximum number of four (4) titles per quarter-section and shall comply with the applicable policies of the County’s MDP, as amended from time to time.

5. Changes in land use designation and/or subdivision of lands identified as Economic Node within the Referral Area, shall only be considered where supported by an approved Concept Plan or ASP.

Annexation

When this Plan is approved, the Town has a land supply within its boundary to accommodate a minimum of twenty years of growth. The Plan acknowledges that growth rates and development pressures for both the Town and County will vary over time, but it is important to provide direction for any planned transition of lands within the Plan Area from one jurisdiction to another.

1. The County recognizes and agrees that annexation of lands from the County by the Town to provide additional land for Town growth shall be needed from time to time.
2. The Town recognizes that future annexation applications shall be guided by the need to expand current boundaries based on a diminishing supply of developable land.
3. Either municipality may put forward an annexation proposal.
4. Where annexation is proposed by either municipality, efforts shall be made to ensure that affected landowners, meaning those whose land is proposed to be transferred to the Town or the County's jurisdiction, are notified prior to the public.
5. Annexation proposals shall be reviewed by the ICC prior to submission of a Notice of Intent to the respective Councils and the Municipal Government Board.
6. The Town and County shall endeavour to reach an intermunicipal agreement on the annexation prior to submitting the annexation to the Municipal Government Board.
7. In evaluating the appropriateness of an annexation proposal, the Town and County agree that the Principles of Annexation, established by the Municipal Government Board - Board Order No. MGB 123/06 (as modified), shall be considered and documented in a supporting report.

5.0 Plan Administration and Implementation

Effective implementation is dependent on ongoing and proactive communication and strong relationships. This section provides clarity on the agreed upon processes, roles, and timelines for collaboration.

Policies

Intermunicipal Cooperation Committee

1. The Intermunicipal Cooperation Committee (ICC) formed under the Town of Didsbury and Mountain View County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Master Agreement shall be the primary forum for discussing matters relating to the IDP and shall conduct their meetings and decision making based on protocols and processes outlined in the Master Agreement.
2. The mandate of the ICC with respect to the IDP shall include discussion and consideration of the following:
 - a. Making recommendations to both Councils on intermunicipal matters related to land use planning that are referenced to the ICC by either municipality.
 - b. Monitoring the progress of the IDP.
 - c. Reviewing any proposed annexations.
 - d. Reviewing any proposed amendments to the IDP.
 - e. If necessary, assisting with the resolution of disputes in accordance with the IDP policies.

Plan Adoption and Authority

1. The Plan shall be adopted by bylaw by the Town and County in accordance with the MGA.
2. As noted in the legislative context, the IDP shall take precedence over all other statutory plans and policies, including the MDP and LUB, and both the Town and County shall ensure that their respective statutory plans comply with the principles set out in this Plan.
3. The Town and County shall each bear responsibility for the administration and decisions on all statutory plans and LUB amendments falling within their own jurisdiction. Each municipality shall act as the Approving Authority within their own municipal boundaries.

Plan Review and Amendment

1. The ICC shall authorize Administration to proceed with a review on ten (10)-year intervals, or on an as-needed basis as mutually determined by both Councils.
2. An amendment to the IDP may be proposed by either municipality. Any proposed amendment should first be presented to the Administration of the other municipality to facilitate review. If the receiving municipality determine there is merit, the proposed amendment shall be forwarded for discussion at an ICC meeting. All such proposed amendments shall not take affect unless adopted by both the Town and County through bylaw.

3. Upon adoption of the Red Deer Regional Plan, the ICC will review any potential impacts and discuss amendments necessary for compliance.
4. Following the conclusion of any annexation process or change in municipal boundaries, the IDP map and text impacted by the change in municipal boundaries shall be amended.

Procedure to Repeal

1. If either municipality deems the current IDP is no longer workable or not in their interests, the municipality may initiate the process to repeal the current IDP.
2. The following procedure to repeal the current IDP shall be applied:
 - a. The municipality wishing to repeal the current IDP shall give the other municipality written notice of its intention to repeal its bylaw adopting the current IDP.
 - b. Within thirty (30) days of the date of written notice being forwarded to the other municipality, an ICC meeting shall be convened at which meeting the municipality initiating the repeal process shall provide its reasons for doing so.
 - c. Following the ICC meeting, the municipality initiating the repeal process may either withdraw its intention to repeal the current IDP by giving written notice to the other municipality or the two municipalities may agree to proceed with an option as identified by the Municipal Government Act.

6.0 Referrals and Circulation Process

The mutual referral of planning and development applications, policy plans, and other relevant studies is essential to the proper administration of this Plan and for effective coordination of planning across municipal boundaries. This requires establishing a process for the referral of plans, amendments, and applications within the Plan Area.

Policies

1. Notwithstanding that the policies of the IDP only apply to the lands contained within the IDP Area, the Town agrees to refer planning matters to the County when lands are adjacent to the County boundary or as required in the Town's Land Use Bylaw or when development is considered under Infrastructure policy 5a and 5b. The matters to be referred shall include:
 - a. Subdivision applications when not located within an area structure plan.
 - b. Land use bylaw amendments and redesignations.
 - c. New area structure plans or amendments to an existing area structure plan.
 - d. New area redevelopment plans or amendments to an existing area redevelopment plan.
 - e. Amendments to the Town's Municipal Development Plan.
 - f. Discretionary use development permit when not within an existing area structure plan or redevelopment plan
2. The County agrees to refer planning matters that apply to lands within the IDP Area as shown on **Figure 1** to the Town. The matters to be referred shall include:
 - a. Subdivision applications.
 - b. New area structure plans or amendments to an existing area structure plan.
 - c. New area redevelopment plans or amendments to an existing area redevelopment plan.
 - d. New Concept Plans or amendments to an existing Concept Plan.
 - e. Amendments to the County's Municipal Development Plan where the lands subject to the amendment is within the Fringe Area or Referral Area as shown on **Figure 1**.
 - f. Discretionary use development permits within the Fringe Area or Referral Area as shown on **Figure 1**.
3. Circulations shall be sent to each Administration with the expectation that comments shall be provided from an administrative perspective. Each municipality shall offer comments from the perspective of specific implications that have a high likelihood of affecting their own planning efforts around land uses, development, and infrastructure and compliance with the IDP policies. General observations and advice on issues that have no bearing on the planning efforts of the commenting municipality shall be avoided.
4. The Administration receiving the circulation shall be given at least 21 calendar days to submit their comments and shall make their comments in writing within the 21-calendar day period, except for discretionary use development permits that shall be circulated at least 14 calendar

days. The CAO of the municipality sending the referral may agree to an extension of the review period and where an extension is provided it shall be communicated in writing.

5. When issues are raised through the referral and circulation process, they shall be addressed using the process steps described below. While these steps are underway, the municipality having jurisdiction over the matter shall not proceed with making a decision.

Step 1:

Once an issue is identified, the Administration of the municipality having jurisdiction shall provide the other municipality's Administration with all available information concerning the matter.

Step 2:

The Administration of the commenting municipality shall evaluate the matter and provide written comments to the other municipality.

Step 3:

Every attempt shall be made to discuss the issue with the intent of arriving at a mutually acceptable resolution.

Step 4:

If an agreement or understanding on how to approach the issue is reached, the Administration of the commenting municipality shall indicate same to the Administration of the other municipality in writing. If no agreement can be reached, the matter shall be referred to each Council to determine if the dispute resolution process is to be used. This step shall not apply to referrals of subdivision applications and discretionary use development permits.

7.0 Dispute Resolution

Both Partners acknowledge the preference to avoid and minimize disputes, however despite the best efforts of both municipalities, it is understood that disagreements may arise.

Policies

1. The Town and County agree that disputes relating to matters covered by the IDP shall be restricted to the following:
 - a. Lack of agreement on any proposed amendment to the IDP.
 - b. lack of agreement on any proposed statutory plan, land use bylaw or amendment to either located within or affecting the IDP Area.
 - c. Lack of agreement on an interpretation of the IDP.
2. Lack of agreement on the matters listed above is restricted to a statutory plan, land use bylaw or amendment to either where first reading of a bylaw is given by one Council and which the other Council deems to be inconsistent with the policies of this IDP or detrimental to their planning interests as a municipality.
3. A dispute on a matter not listed above may be referred to the appropriate authority or appeal board that deals with that issue.
4. The dispute resolution process of the IDP may only be initiated by Town Council or County Council.
5. Dispute Resolution will align with Step 1 (Negotiation) and Step 2 (Mediation) of the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Master Agreement held between the two parties. If mediation does not resolve the dispute, the Municipality may proceed with the Bylaw adoption process allowing the other Municipality to appeal to the Municipal Government Board at their discretion.
6. The municipality initiating a dispute may withdraw their objections at any time. The municipality initiating the dispute shall provide written confirmation that the dispute is withdrawn to the other municipality.
7. Both municipalities agree that time shall be of the essence when working through the dispute resolution process.

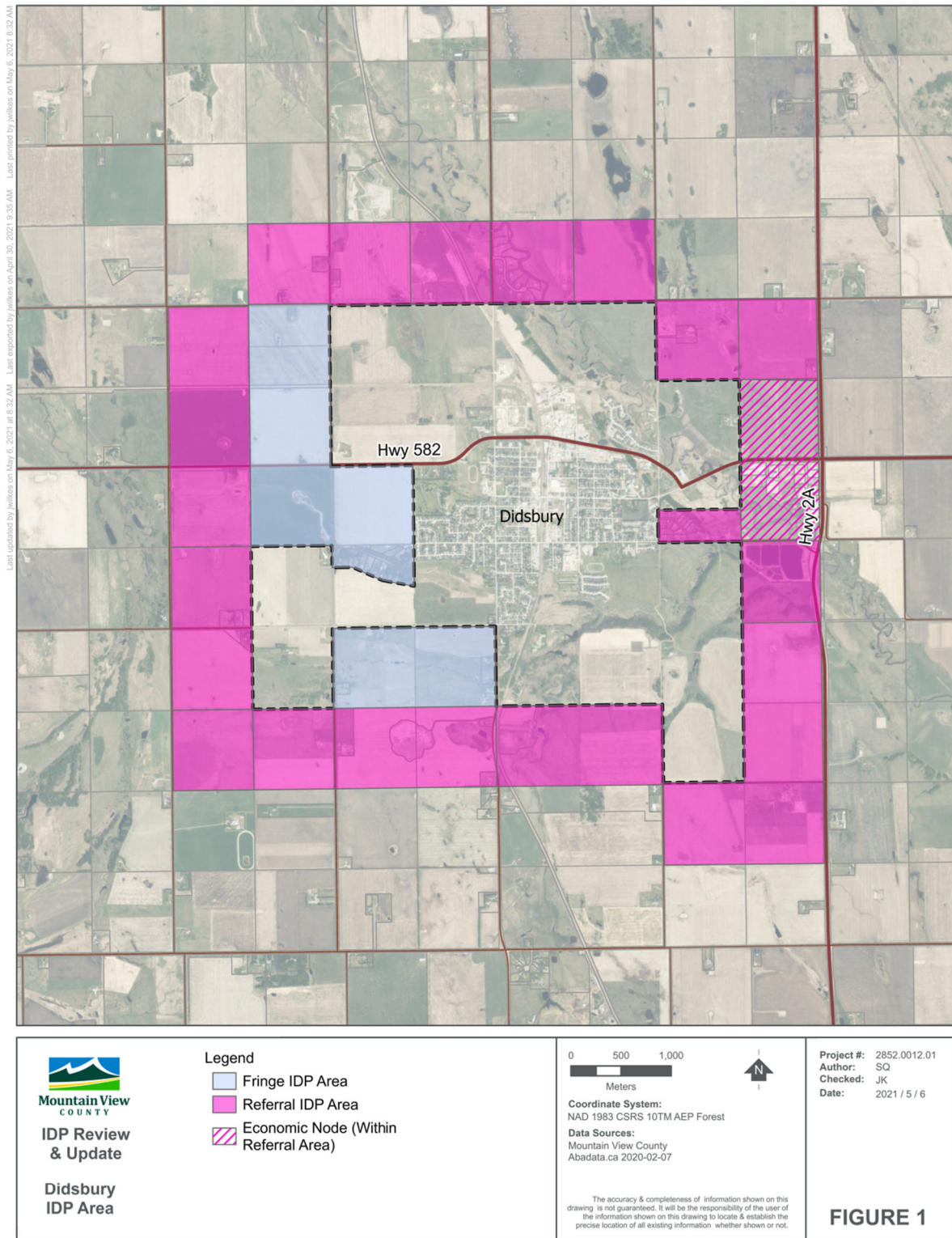


Figure 1: IDP Plan Area

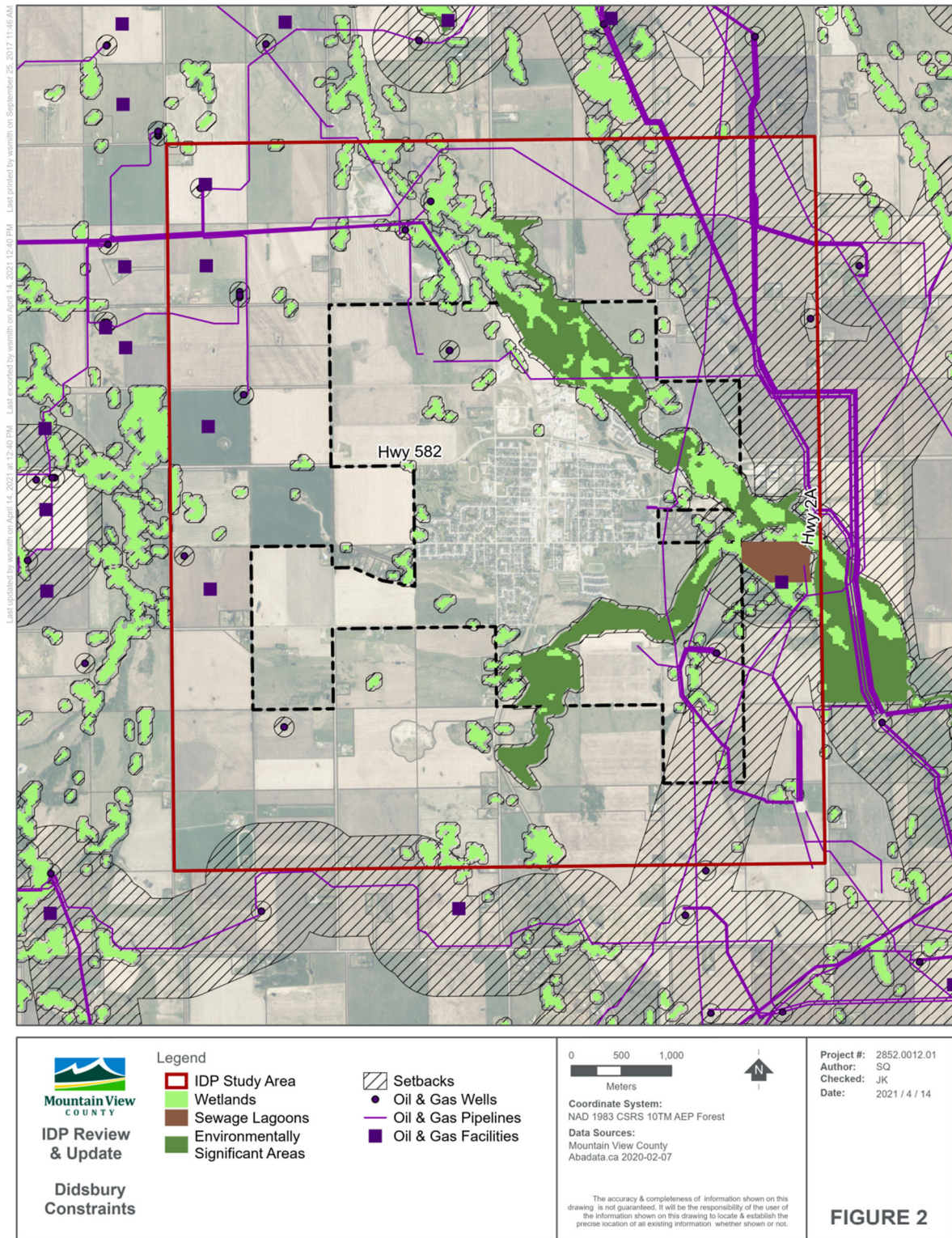


Figure 2: IDP Constraints



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Asset Management Policy
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	ACAO/CFO
AGENDA ITEM	6.3

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

At the June 23, 2020 RCM, Council moved to support Administration's application to apply for the Asset Management Capacity Building Cohort program from RMA, AUMA and IAMA, therefore committing Town resources to participate in the cohort. The application was successful and the program began in early 2021.

Members of the Senior Leadership, including Amanda Riley, Nicole Aasen and Craig Fox were part of the Capacity Building Cohort program which was hosted by Urban Systems and included online sessions on January 13-15, 2021, March 25 – 30, 2021 and June 14, 2021.

Several topics were covered including:

- Building blocks of asset management,
- Developing and communicating an asset management strategy,
- Developing an asset management policy.

There has also been the formation of an Administrative Asset Management Steering Committee endorsed by the CAO.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Administration has drafted an Asset Management Policy (attached) for Council's consideration. This policy includes an asset management framework which requires input from Council.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Infrastructure and Asset Management

RECOMMENDATION

That Council refer the Asset Management Policy to the Strategic Planning Committee for framework considerations and further development of the policy.

Town of Didsbury
draft Asset Management Policy
June 14, 2021

Policy Statement

To provide the framework for the development of the Town's Asset Management System that supports the delivery of sustainable municipal services through the management of its assets while considering the impacts on both current and future residents. Council, through their annual budgeting process, prioritizes Asset Management and makes available resources for the implementation of the Asset Management System.

Purpose

To develop an Asset Management System that provides a structured approach for the development, coordination and control of asset-related activities across their life cycle. An asset is defined as anything that will create value for the organization, not necessarily just tangible capital assets.

The focus of the asset management system at the Town of Didsbury is the understanding and management of value and risk to the Town to support the levels of service required to achieve its organizational objectives and being *The Place to Grow*.

Council Objectives

1. Make informed decisions, identifying all revenue and expenses (including operating, maintenance, renewal, replacement and decommissioning) associated with asset decisions, including additions and deletions.
2. Define and articulate asset performance, maintenance and replacement standards and outcomes.
3. Consider the growth and infrastructure requirements of the Town to ensure future generations can enjoy the same strong, vibrant community.
4. Consider principles detailed in Town's Strategic and Statutory Plans.
5. Prioritize options for sustainable infrastructure.
6. Prioritize stakeholder engagement, when applicable, including local taxpayers and organizations, regional municipalities, Provincial and Federal organizations.
7. Include Asset Management System as part of annual review of Multi-Year Capital Plan.

Administrative Objectives

1. Establish an Asset Management Steering Committee that will be led by the Directors of the Town of Didsbury.
2. Develop, maintain and implement Asset Management Plans. Asset management plans are defined as a tactical plan for managing the Town's assets to deliver an agreed level of service and may include:
 - Develop and maintain an asset registry of all physical assets.
 - Determine and maintain replacement value of assets.
 - Determine and maintain the condition of assets and their expected service life.

- Determine comprehensive cost of ownership of each asset including capital, operational, maintenance and decommissioning costs.
 - Establish optimum asset renewal and replacement strategies that are informed through the use of life cycle costing and risk analysis.
 - Evaluate risks as part of the decision-making process.
 - Define level of service and integrate into multi-year financial plans.
3. Ensure organizational accountability and responsibility for asset inventory, condition, use and performance.
 4. Consider sustainability in the design, renewal and replacement of assets.
 5. Routine review and updates of the Asset Management System.
 6. Provide annual Asset Management System update to Council as part of the budgeting process.

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 23, 2021
SUBJECT	Awarding of DHS Scholarships
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	7.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

To recognize the contributions made by local youth to the Town of Didsbury, Council may award an annual High School Scholarship to a high school student who resides within the Town and is graduating in the current academic year and is attending an accredited post-secondary institution in the upcoming academic year.

Three applications have been received prior to the due date.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

To be eligible for the Award, the student must be a resident of the Town of Didsbury and be in their final year of high school;

Candidates must maintain a good academic standing in their high school programs;

The Award will be presented to a graduating Grade 12 student who demonstrates a good attitude, who is involved in extra-curricular activities, shows enthusiasm and initiative, has demonstrated involvement in voluntary community activities and exhibits leadership qualities.

The selection decision is based on the following principles:

- Youth involvement in local community contributes to the success of the community;

- Youth involvement will translate into future involvement and leadership in the community;

- Youth need to be encouraged and recognized for contributions to the community.

The amount of monies for High School Scholarship Award(s) will be \$1500.00.

Council has the option to award the funds to all three applicants and split funds evenly, or to choose a candidate they feel deserves the award in an amount within the budget.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority 5. An Informed & Engaged Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to award the 2021 High School Scholarship as follows:



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Memorial Complex Outlying Plan Update
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Community Services
AGENDA ITEM	7.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

On March 9, 2021 Council endorsed the ranking of the elements of the Outlying Plan (below) for inclusion into the Multi Year Capital Plan, which will guide the implementation of amenities and updates on the grounds of the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Please see the approved ranking below:

#	Element	Discussion
1	Skatepark	Approved as part of 2021 capital budget.
2	Jet's Playground	Approved as part of 2021 capital budget; sees the relocation of fitness equipment that currently exists beside park to Memorial Park.
3	Jet's Ball Diamond	Current demand for a diamond exists; eliminates Hill Development (several sledding hills exist in community elsewhere).
4	Dog Park	Current demand for dog park exists; eliminates 5-0 club walkway improvements.
5	4 Season Washroom/ Picnic Shelter	Ranked quite high in public survey and by Council.
6	Parking lot and road improvements (south side)	Improvements to drainage currently required; would like to retain the parking adjacent to arena.
7	Multi-Court System (Tennis, Pickleball, Basketball and Volleyball)	The layout of the Outlying Plan allows for inclusion in proposed location; interest from public.
8	Additional parking (north side)	Required by addition of court system and demand from the building currently.
9	Pathways construction/landscaping	Functions to tie entire Outlying Plan together.
	Spray Park	To be included if done as a community driven initiative.

Based on current construction of the skatepark and the playground on the site, Council directed the Strategic Planning Committee (Resolution #289-21) to review some minor updates to the Memorial Complex Outlying Plan, at their June 16, 2021 meeting.

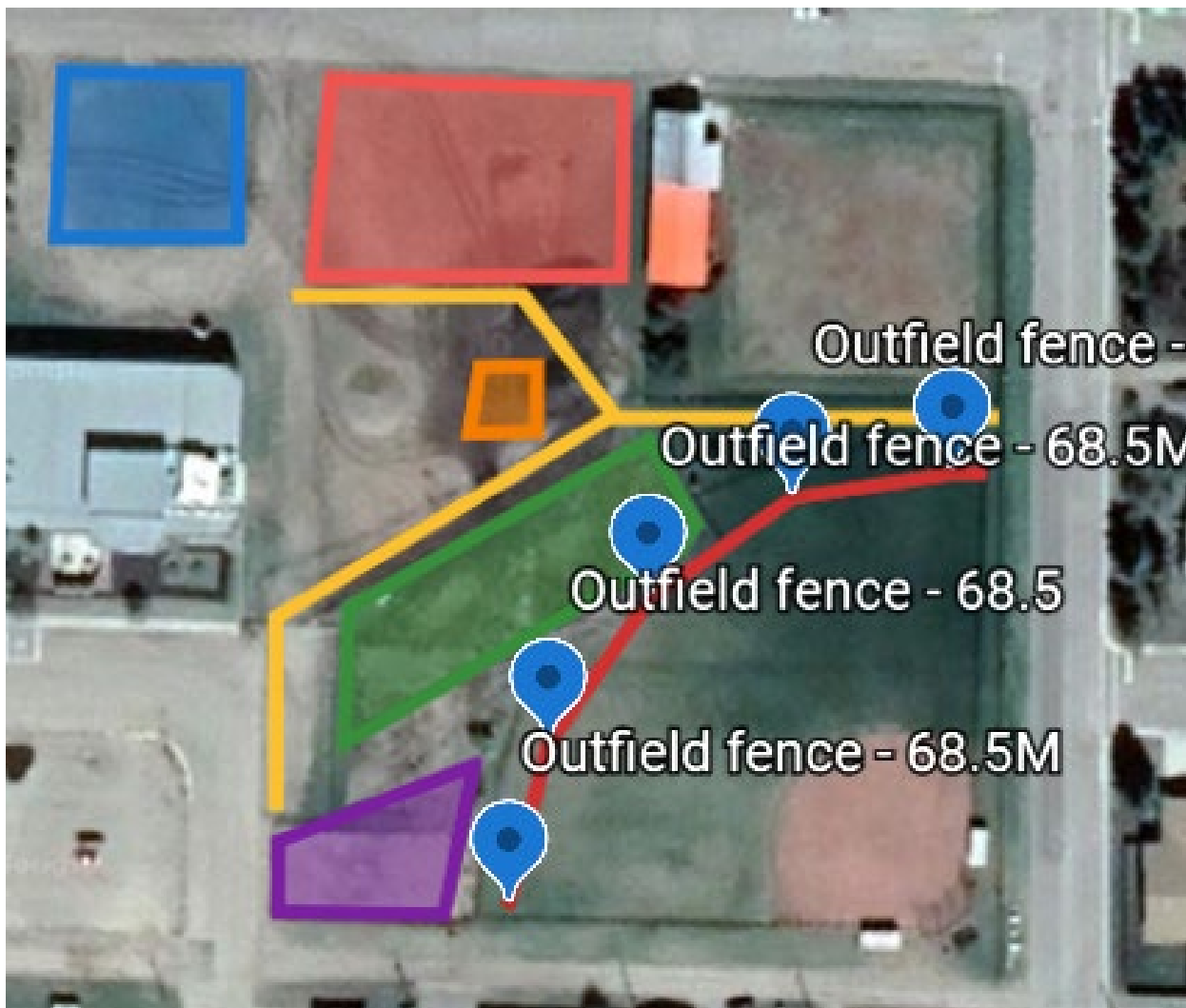
The Committee was presented with an updated diagram of the site, shown below:



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Items identified on the plan include:

- Plotting of new ball diamond outfield to meet regulations (68.5M) from backstop in **RED**.
- Potential pathway system in **YELLOW**
- Location of skatepark in **GREEN**
- Playground location in **PURPLE**
- Potential expanded parking in **BLUE**
- Potential court systems in **LIGHT RED**
- Potential washroom/picnic shelter in **ORANGE**



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Please note the following items discussed by the Committee:

- Placement of the expanded parking lot, pathway system, court systems and washroom/picnic shelter are conceptual at this time. Actual design drawings, site conditions, underground utilities and surveys will determine actual locations once construction phases begin on these future projects.
- Construction for the skatepark has begun and the ideal placement was identified by New Line Skateparks to ensure proper drainage; the ability to effectively tie-in to our stormwater system; to accommodate the size and design while avoiding underground utilities; and to work within the \$350,000 project budget.
- Although the adjusted skatepark design/location encroaches on the ball diamond slightly, the ball diamond will remain regulation size for softball up to U19 level. Regulation for a U19 diamond requires 68.5M from the centre of the backstop to the outfield fence. Currently the outfield measures 78M, so moving the fence to the 68.5M regulation can be accommodated on the site. This allows for all current use that occurs on the diamond (girls softball club and school use) to continue. Committee recommends to Council moving the outfield fence to meet U19 (male and female) softball regulations.
- Fencing will need to be raised to 8 feet around the west side of the outfield, to ensure safety for all users of the skatepark and playground. Additionally, the Strategic Planning Committee recommends to Council the installation of 8 foot fencing along the north outfield to protect uses of a future pathway that is intended to run between the dog park and the ball diamond.
- The future pathway system has been adjusted slightly, removing a section of pathway that would run between the skatepark and ball diamond to the south, due to space constraints. Removal of this section of pathway from the plan is recommended by the Committee, as well.
- Committee recommends to Council the location of the Jets Playground (purple) as shown on the above diagram. This location offers adequate site lines to this facility from both the front of the Complex and the parking, which is essential for safety of users. Additionally, this location will allow for the repurposing of existing fencing from the old skatepark.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Council is being asked to approve the minor amendments to the Memorial Complex Outlying Plan, as described above.



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Additional considerations around the implementation of some Outlying Plan elements are also for Council's consideration and will be addressed in a subsequent agenda item regarding the Multi-Year Capital Budget.

1. Drainage issues and deterioration of the parking lot and road causing accessibility problems require this project to be undertaken as soon as possible. Therefore, the parking lot and road improvements are being recommended for 2022, a year ahead of the 4 Season Washroom and Picnic Shelter.
2. Pathways and landscaping are being proposed in two phases between other Outlying Plan Elements, in 2022 and 2023, to ensure accessibility and beautification of the Outlying Plan during the project phases. Through a two-phased approach, pathways will be installed to serve completed elements of the plan (skatepark and playground) and then the remaining pathways will be installed upon completion of future elements (court systems, washroom/picnic shelter, and future parking lot). Landscaping around elements that have reached completion will occur in each phase, ensuring a finished, appealing product for our users.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Healthy Active Living, Infrastructure and Asset Management

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the Didsbury Memorial Complex Outlying Plan as amended.



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE

June 22, 2021

SUBJECT

Playground Project – Capital Budget Request

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Community Services

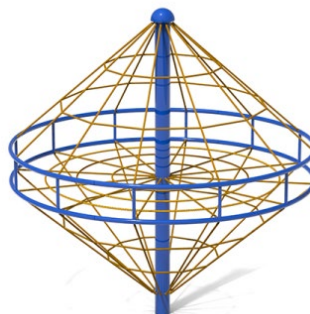
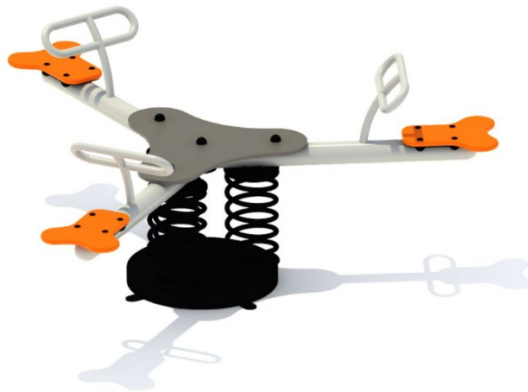
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BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

As part of their 2021 Capital Plan, Council approved \$80,000 for the replacement of the Jets Playground, located at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Scheduled for installation near the end of August, this project will see new and different equipment being offered to our community youth and families.

In an effort to engage our community youth in this project, the Community Services department provided both Ross Ford Elementary School and Westglen School with an opportunity for students to participate in a Pick a Playground initiative. Although only Westglen School chose to participate, the feedback from the 144 participating students was unanimous in the types of equipment they would like to see in our community. This equipment will be unique and offers interest to youth ages 5 years and on. Additionally, the students identified the need for benches, picnic tables and quiet spaces to hang out with friends and family as being important to this project.





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At their June 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, Council referred this item to the Strategic Planning Committee (Resolution # 289-21) for discussion. This item was then presented at the June 16, 2021 Strategic Planning Committee meeting for discussion and recommendations.



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As is the case with most construction projects occurring in 2021, we are facing substantial cost increases relative to building materials, shipping and the playground equipment itself. As the Jets Playground is one of the busiest playgrounds in the community, and will become a focal point of the memorial Complex Outlying Plan, Administration is requesting an increase to the capital budget for this project.

The original Capital Business Case saw an investment of \$70,000 for the playground equipment and the remaining \$10,000 to be used for dirtworks, fencing and other construction materials. The actual cost for the playground equipment, including shipping, is \$77,715.00, leaving a shortfall for the additional project components.

Administration has worked to reduce costs for the project through the repurposing of gravel, black dirt, fill and fencing (wherever possible) that was realized through the demolition of both the old skatepark and the old Jets Playground. However, additional fencing and gravel will be required above what is currently stockpiled onsite.

The SPC requested Administration review the costing on the playground and that the additional project costs be funded by the parks vehicle and equipment replacement reserve. Revised costing include:

- The cost for supervision/ final inspection from a licensed playground installer, valued at \$2500
- Fencing is estimated at \$12,000 for installation and the replacement of some materials that had originally been planned to reutilize. Fencing costs also includes changing the ball diamond outfield fencing to an 8 foot height along the north and west sides of the site.

Considering the additional costs, as above, Administration is requesting an additional \$17,000 for this project. This will provide a small contingency (\$2500) for any unforeseen additional costs that might arise.

		TOTAL \$
Revised Project Costs		
Playground equipment	\$ 77,715.00	
Dirtworks, gravel, etc	\$ 2,285.00	
Playground inspection	\$ 2,500.00	
Fencing	\$ 12,000.00	
Contingency	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 97,000.00
Approved Project Budget		\$ 80,000.00
Additional budget request		\$ 17,000.00

The project was initially funded by the parks vehicle & equipment reserve. There is room to fund the additional request.



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Parks Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Reserve		
2020 year end balance		\$ 80,293.00
2021 reserve transfer		\$ 50,000.00
Jets playground (original)		\$ (80,000.00)
		\$ 50,293.00
Jets playground additional request		\$ 17,000.00
Projected 2021 year-end balance		\$ 33,293.00

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Healthy, Active Living; Infrastructure and Asset Management

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the amendment of the 2021 capital budget as follows:

- Increase the approved project cost for the Didsbury Memorial Complex Outlying Plan – Jet's Playground project by \$17,000 to \$97,000 and that the increase be funded from the parks vehicle & equipment replacement reserve.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

Vision: *The Place to Grow.*

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE June 22, 2021
SUBJECT Multi-Year Capital Plan
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT ACAO/CFO
AGENDA ITEM 7.4

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

A Multi-Year Capital Plan (MYCP) is required to be prepared under the MGA and must include the Town's anticipated capital additions for a period of at least 5 years (not including the current year). This Plan must be reviewed by Council annually. A Plan should include a brief description of the project, the anticipated year of the project and projected funding sources, but it is not required for the Plan to balance.

The MYCP should inform the annual budget. Changes to the MYCP throughout the year must be reviewed and accepted by Council.

On March 9, 2021 Council endorsed the ranking of the elements of the Outlying Plan (below) for inclusion into the Multi-Year Capital Plan.

#	Element	Discussion
1	Skatepark	Approved as part of 2021 capital budget.
2	Jet's Playground	Approved as part of 2021 capital budget; sees the relocation of fitness equipment that currently exists beside park to Memorial Park.
3	Jet's Ball Diamond	Current demand for a diamond exists; eliminates Hill Development (several sledding hills exist in community elsewhere).
4	Dog Park	Current demand for dog park exists; eliminates 5-0 club walkway improvements.
5	4 Season Washroom/ Picnic Shelter	Ranked quite high in public survey and by Council.
6	Parking lot and road improvements (south side)	Improvements to drainage currently required; would like to retain the parking adjacent to arena.
7	Multi-Court System (Tennis, Pickleball, Basketball and Volleyball)	The layout of the Outlying Plan allows for inclusion in proposed location; interest from public.
8	Additional parking (north side)	Required by addition of court system and demand from the building currently.
9	Pathways construction/landscaping	Functions to tie entire Outlying Plan together.
	Spray Park	To be included if done as a community driven initiative.

The Strategic Planning Committee, as part of their Committee Plan (Approved by resolution 283-21) reviewed the revised draft Multi-Year Capital Plan with the Outlying Plan elements included, on June 16, 2021.



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DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Administration recognizes that the Outlying Plan Elements that are included in the revised Multi-Year Plan are in a different order than those approved at the March 9, 2021 RCM. Operationally there are some reasons for presenting the plan in this order including:

1. Drainage issues and deterioration of the parking lot and road causing accessibility problems require this project to be done as soon as possible. Therefore, the Parking lot and road improvements are being recommended for 2022, a year ahead of the 4 Season Washroom and Picnic Shelter.
2. Pathways and landscaping are being proposed in two phases between other Outlying Plan Elements, in 2022 and 2023, to ensure accessibility and beautification of the Outlying Plan during the project phases.

The remaining Elements remain in the order endorsed by Council in early 2021.

The revised Multi-Year Capital Plan is attached.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Infrastructure & Asset Management

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the revised Multi-Year Capital Plan as information.

Town of Didsbury Multi-Year Capital Plan (2020 - 2026)							
Planned Capital Additions	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Administration - Infrastructure							
AG Foods Building	990,000						
Didsbury Municipal Library Expansion and Renovation			2,000,000				
Protective Services - Machinery & Equipment							
Municipal Enforcement Vehicle			65,000		65,000		
Rescue 230			680,000				
Command 310				85,000			
Emergency Backup Generator			50,000				
Public Works & Utilities - Machinery & Equipment							
Solar Crosswalk (20 Ave/16 St)	20,000						
Replacement truck - plow/salt/sander	107,500						
Backhoe						130,000	
Emergency Backup Generator - Southridge Sewage Lift Station		28,000					
Skid Steer Replacement	50,000	54,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	60,000
Fleet Truck Replacement			60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	65,000
Public Works & Utilities - Infrastructure							
15 Avenue Stormwater Main Extension	1,053,594						
Pedestrian Connectivity - Shantz	150,000						
Pedestrian Connectivity - High School	222,406						
Pedestrian Connectivity - Memorial Park	74,000						
Westhill Place Sanitary Service Line Replacement	94,000						
20 Street (15 Ave to 17 Ave) Stormwater and Surface works		626,202					
21 Street (15 Ave to 20 Ave) Stormwater and Surface works							
Phase 1 Design		30,000					
Phase 2 Tender/Construction			1,050,000				
Phase 3 Construction				880,000			
Street Lighting Continuity Annual Program		120,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
East Reservoir Construction							
Land Acquisition	200,000						
Phase 1 Design/Tender	175,000						
Phase 2 Construction			2,970,000				
Phase 3 Construction				1,015,000			
Co-op Road (15 Ave to 19 St) Storm, Water and Surface works							
Phase 1 Design/Tender			120,000				
Phase 2 Construction				680,000			
Highway 582/23 St Intersection							
Phase 1 Design/Tender				195,000			
Phase 2 Construction					1,105,000		
16 Street (15 Ave - 20 Ave) Water, Wastewater and Surface works							
Phase 1 Design/Tender					332,250		
Phase 2 Construction						1,882,750	
20th Avenue (20 St - 23 St) Surface works and Beautification							
Phase 1 Design/Tender						225,000	
Phase 2 Construction							1,275,000
21 Street (20 Ave - 24 Ave) Water and Surface works							
Phase 1 Design/Tender							210,000
Pedestrian Continuity Annual Program			80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Communications							
Website							40,000
Cemetery - Infrastructure							
Columbarium Niche			30,000				
Recreation & Parks - Infrastructure							
Arena Floor and Board Replacement	1,450,000						
MPR/Lobby - roof		160,000					
Playground Updates			55,000	55,000	60,000	35,000	
Refinish pool basin			100,000				
MPR Stage Upgrades			15,000				
Complex entrance lobby, pool lobby, MPR floor replacement				95,000			
Train Station exterior painting				75,000			
Curling lower lobby floor replacement					50,000		
Main lobby washroom upgrades						40,000	
Recreation & Parks - Machinery & Equipment							
Floor Scrubbing Machine	8,500						
Mower Replacements	45,000			80,000			35,000
Scoreclock replacement			15,000				
Zamboni					110,000		
Radiant heater upgrades						60,000	
Didsbury Memorial Complex Outlying Plan							
Skatepark		350,000					
Jet's Playground Update		80,000					
Parking lot and road improvements (south side)			400,000				
Pathway construction & landscaping - phase 1			150,000				
4 Season Washroom/Picnic Shelter				150,000			
Multi-Court System (Tennis, Pickleball, Basketball, Volleyball)				260,000			
Pathway construction & landscaping - phase 2				150,000			
Additional parking (north side)					80,000		
Total Planned Capital Additions	4,640,000	1,448,202	7,975,000	3,995,000	2,077,250	2,647,750	1,845,000

Funding Sources	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Reserves	1,958,800	271,119	730,000	327,500	345,000	325,000	140,000
Grants	2,445,000	801,458	2,880,000	880,000	880,000	880,000	880,000
External Transfers	175,000	319,625	340,000	42,500	-	-	-
Sales proceeds	49,200	48,500	51,500	51,500	51,500	51,500	56,500
Annual Tax Levy (operating budget)	12,000	7,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Borrowing	-	-	3,420,000	1,010,000	-	-	-
Total Planned Capital Additions	4,640,000	1,448,202	7,975,000	3,995,000	2,077,250	2,647,750	1,845,000
Unfunded projects	-	-	(550,000)	(1,680,000)	(797,250)	(1,387,750)	(765,000)

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Council in Chambers
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	7.5

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

With the opening up of restrictions in the province, Administration was asked to bring back a plan for Council to start meeting in Council Chambers. Administration has also received a lot of public interest in being able to continue to watch Council meetings online with positive feedback with the functionality of the Zoom system.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Below are 4 options for Council to consider for returning to in-person meetings:

Option 1

Return to Council Chambers as per the previous practice, and in accordance with current AHS public health orders.

This format would require no additional work or funds and can be held immediately.

Option 2

Return to Council Chambers as per the previous practice (laid out above in option 1) with the addition of providing a live video stream of the meeting facilitated by our communications department.

The concern with this is the quality of sound and video as the meeting would be streamed from a 'wide-out' vantage point and capturing the sound system in the chambers, which would not be the same quality of sound or video of the previous 'zoom' meetings.

Option 3

Return to Council Chambers with Council and Administration, open to the public as well, with all Council members participating at their designated place on a computer via Zoom that is available to the public. The Zoom would function similarly as before however with the utilization of the chamber sound system and each individual computer on mute.

Administration would look at enhancing the central sound system, however at this point, there is uncertainty as to how well the sound would work in this scenario.

Option 4

Continue with holding Council Meetings through ZOOM Meetings.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to go with Option __ for Council Meetings.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Wynonna Honorary
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Office of the Mayor
AGENDA ITEM	7.6

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Mayor Hunter has been in discussions with Keep Alberta Rolling (KAR), Brock Skretting, to pursue and explore naming Wynonna Earp, the character, and Melanie Scrofano, the actor, as honorary citizens of Didsbury. KAR has been very engaged and positive about this initiative, stating it would be an honor for the creator (Beau Smith) and by Emily Andras, Developer, for Wynonna to be identified and recognized as Didsbury's honorary citizens. Discussion has included creating a "destination" for "Earpers" from around the world to come visit Purgatory (Didsbury), Wynonna's home town.

The Wynonna Earp television series has garnered a huge following of "Earpers," many of whom declare to come visit Didsbury once the pandemic is over to explore "Purgatory," the home of Wynonna Earp. The "Earp Square in Purgatory" streamed from downtown Didsbury in April, a campaign to "Bring Wynonna Home," was viewed by "Earpers" from around the world.

Wynonna Earp has involved Didsbury as a preferred filming location and a tourist destination for a television series watched around the world.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Wynonna Earp is a supernatural Western horror television series. Developed by Emily Andras, the Canadian-American program is based on the comic book series by Beau Smith. Melanie Scrofano plays the character, the great-great-granddaughter of legendary lawman Wyatt Earp. In the series, Wynonna returns to her hometown of Purgatory, near the Canadian Rockies, where she battles revenants, the reincarnated outlaws that Wyatt killed.

Critical response to the series was positive. *E! Entertainment Television* named *Wynonna Earp* the "Best New Show" of 2016. It was chosen by *Variety* as one of the 20 best new series of 2016. In its annual "Best of TV" highlight, *Collider* named *Wynonna Earp* the "Best New Sci-Fi" show of 2016. Maureen Ryan of *Variety* named *Wynonna Earp* one of the best television shows of 2017.

Filming of the series took place in 2016 through 2019 in Calgary. Locations included Bridgeland, Inglewood, and Heritage Park. Didsbury was used as the setting for the series' small town of Purgatory.

Although the series was cancelled on Syfy, Eric Volmers of the *Calgary Herald* reported that Seven24 Films was "in discussions with American broadcasters" and hoped to "keep this remarkable show going", while fans of the series had mounted an international campaign for a fifth season.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve Mayor Hunter continuing talks with Brock Skretting, Keep Alberta Rolling, to secure the opportunity to recognize Wynonna Earp, the character, and Melanie Scrofano, the actor, as Honorary Citizens of the Town of Didsbury.

Awards and nominations

Aurora Awards

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2018	Best Visual Presentation – <i>Wynonna Earp</i> Season 2	Emily Andras and Brad Wright	Nominated

Canadian Screen Awards

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Best Writing in a Dramatic Series	Emily Andras (episode: "Purgatory") (Channel (Broadcaster): CHCH (Channel Zero))	Nominated
	Best Achievement in Make-Up	Joanne Jacobsen, Jo-Dee Thomson (episode: "Diggin' Up Bones")	Nominated
	Best Costume Design	Jennifer Haffenden (episode: "Keep the Home Fires Burning")	Nominated
	Best Original Music Score for a Series	Robert Carli and Peter Chapman (episode: "House of Memories")	Nominated
	Best Visual Effects	Geoff Scott, William Garrett, Sarah Wormsbecher, Eric Doiron, Nathan Larouche, Anthony DeChellis, Lon Molnar (episode: "I Walk the Line")	Nominated
	Best Cross-Platform Project – Fiction (Digital Media)	Wynonna Earp Interactive, Daniel Dales, Jarrett Sherman, Alex Lalonde, Jordy Randall, Emily Andras (Production Company: Digital Howard Inc.)	Won
2018	Best Writing, Drama Series	Emily Andras (episode: "I Hope You Dance") (Channel (Broadcaster): Space (Bell Media))	Nominated
	Best Cross-Platform Project, Fiction	Wynonna Earp Digital, Daniel Dales, Jarrett Sherman, Alex Lalonde, Emily Andras, Jordy Randall, Tom Cox (Production Company: Digital Howard Inc.)	Won
2019	Best Lead Actress, Drama Series	Melanie Scrofano	Nominated
	Best Photography, Drama	Gavin Smith (episode: "Undo It")	Nominated
	Best Sound, Fiction	Mark Shnuriwsky, Janice Ierulli, Matthew Hussey, Sid Lieberman, Michael Markiw, Mike Woroniuk, Paul Shubat (episode: "War Paint")	Nominated
	Best Production Design or Art Direction, Fiction	Ingrid Jurek, Cathy Cowan, Amber Humphries (episode: "Daddy Lessons")	Nominated
	Best Costume Design	Jennifer Haffenden (episode: "War Paint")	Nominated

	Best Visual Effects	Lon Molnar, Giancarlo Derchie, Mike Duffy, Che Spencer, Anthony De Chellis, Mike Kwan, Frank Calero, Michael Enzbrunner, Parastu Rezaie, Mark Ferguson (episode: "War Paint")	Nominated
	Best Achievement in Hair	Jo-Dee Thomson (episode: "Blood Red and Going Down")	Nominated
	Best Achievement in Make-Up	Joanne Jacobsen (episode: "War Paint")	Won

[Dragon Awards](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Best Science Fiction or Fantasy TV Series	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Nominated

[GLAAD Media Award](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Outstanding Drama Series	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Nominated
2019	Outstanding Drama Series	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Nominated
2021	Outstanding Drama Series	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Nominated

[People's Choice Awards](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2018	Sci-Fi/Fantasy Show of 2018	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Won
2020	Sci-Fi/Fantasy Show of 2020	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Won

[Rockie Awards](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Sci-Fi, Fantasy and Action	<i>Wynonna Earp</i>	Nominated

[Rosie Awards](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Best Dramatic Series	Tom Cox and Jordy Randall, Producers, SEVEN24 Films	Won
	Best Performance by an Alberta Actor	Peter Skagen (episode: "Leavin On Your Mind")	Nominated
		Shaun Johnston (episode: "Landslide")	Nominated
	Best Overall Sound (Drama Over 30 Minutes)	Michael Playfair, Robert "Arjay" Joly, Steve Forst, & Paul Shubat (episode: "I Walk the Line")	Nominated
	Best Production Designer/Art Director	Trevor Smith (episode: "Two-Faced Jack")	Nominated

	Best Costume Designer	Jennifer Haffenden (episode: "She Wouldn't Be Gone")	Nominated
	Best Make-Up & Hair Artist(s)	Joanne Jacobsen, Jo-Dee Thomson, Gunther Schetterer & Linda Nelson (episode:"Diggin Up Bones")	Nominated

[WGC Screenwriting Awards](#)[\[edit\]](#)

Year	Category	Nominee	Result
2017	Best Script from a Rookie Series	Alexandra Zarowny (episode: "Bury Me With My Guns On")	Won



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021 Brownfield Beautification
SUBJECT	Legislative Services
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	7.7
AGENDA ITEM	

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Mayor Hunter has received information from Suncor regarding the property they own on 20th Avenue that is a Brownfield site.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

This property has been vacant for several years and. Council and Administration have been seeking ways to improve the presentation and seek viable uses for this piece of land that is situated in a highly visible area on our main avenue through town.

The Suncor representative has advised that they are open to discussion with municipalities to explore options for uses of the land in a lease situation. There are a variety of uses that have been realized in many municipalities on brownfields that create an enhanced presentation and creative opportunities to beautify the area and create/identify uses that would be beneficial to a community.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority 4. Healthy Safe Living

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to approve Administration to explore uses with Suncor for the Brownfields lands and that options be brought back to Council.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Christmas Light Project
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	7.8

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The Performance Evaluation Committee has been discussing Christmas Lights including installing electrical outlets to the light standards on 20th Avenue.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The cost of supplying electrical outlets to the light standards on 20th Avenue is approximately \$52,000.

At the June 17, 2021 Performance Evaluation Committee Meeting, the committee agreed that the installation of power to the poles is required to have any kind of illuminated decorations going forward, and therefore are recommending that Council approve to have power installed to all the light standards on 20th Street using the Economic Development Reserve budget.

The expected reserve balance is as follows:

Economic Development & Tourism Reserve		
2020 year end balance		74,617
Proposed Christmas Light project		(52,000)
Projected 2021 year end balance		22,617

The decorations can be done in a phased in approach and included in future years' budget.

Of note, Fortis is very busy this time of year and the timelines of this project is dependent on Fortis' availability.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to approve the installation of electrical outlets to the light standards along 20th Avenue for up to \$52,000 and that it be funded from the economic development reserve.



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	COVID Update
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	8.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Administration will provide an update on COVID-19.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the COVID-19 update for June 22, 2021 as information.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Chief Administrative Officer's Report
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	8.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The Chief Administrative Officer provides Council with a regular report for Council's review and information.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Please see attached.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority 2. An Informed & Engaged Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to accept the Chief Administrative Officer's report for June 22, 2021 as information.



CAO Report – June 22, 2021

1. May Action Requests & Summary (Finance Services)

Please find attached the Detail Report and Summary for the May Action requests.

2. Status of MAMP Grant Application (ACAO/CFO)

At the September 8, 2020 RCM, Council granted support to Administration's application to the FCM Municipal Asset Management Program ("MAMP") grant for the development of an Asset Management Plan for the Town's Pathways, Play Structures and Parks. There was an overwhelming amount of applications received, and FCM just recently reviewed our application.

Due to the amount of time which had passed the application was sent back to Administration to adjust project timelines and make other recommended adjustments. Administration received notice that the application meets MAMP's eligibility criteria and is ready to proceed to the second step of review. The funding decision is expected within the next 8 weeks.

3. 2021 Capital Project Update (Community Services)

Didsbury Skatepark – Construction on the new Didsbury Skatepark is well underway! Preliminary excavation on the site was completed in early June. On June 14, 2021, New Line Skateparks (NLS) arrived on site to begin the detailed construction work. This project is anticipated to run between 10-12 weeks (weather dependent) and is expected to reach construction completion around the third week of August. Final landscaping will then commence and we are hoping to open the skatepark for use in early to mid-September.

Didsbury Jets Playground – The equipment for the Didsbury Jets Playground is now ordered, after a successful Pick a Playground initiative with Westglen School students. This playground will offer fun for children ages 5-12+ years through unique equipment that was chosen by the students. Delivery of equipment is anticipated in late August, with installation to occur at the beginning of September. Changes to fencing on the site will occur once the skatepark projects reaches completion, and landscaping will follow. We expect to open this playground for community use in mid-September.

MPR + Lobby Roof Replacement – This capital project will see the replacement of the SBS Torch-On roof systems at the Memorial Complex, plus the addition of a slope package to the MPR roof. This project was awarded to Cooper Roofing and is expected to reach completion in late July/early August (weather dependent). Supplies have been delivered to site and we anticipate Cooper Roofing to begin construction this week.

4. Community Clean-up (Corporate Services)

Community Cleanup week ran from June 7 – June 12, and successfully served 61 members of the community. Residents purchased Landfill, Appliance Day or Curbside tickets to take part in keeping Didsbury clean!

The Public Works department assisted 16 households in removing old, no longer functioning appliances, and 13 households requiring extra assistance in removing unwanted household items. 10 members of the community registered for free Pitch-In Kits and claimed specific areas of Didsbury to clean such as Main Street, other areas Downtown, Memorial Park, and Valarosa Park.

5. Capital Projects Update (Engineering & Infrastructure)

Grader

Procurement has occurred and we are eagerly awaiting its arrival this fall. Operator training is being planned to ease the transition into the new technology. Contractors continue to support the Town's grading activities as needed.

20th Street Stormwater and Surface Works

Underground infrastructure has been installed and concrete replacement has begun. Additional signage has been placed to support traffic to impacted businesses.

23rd Street & Hwy 582

Alberta Transportation has approved the Traffic Accommodation Plan for the installation of the pedestrian activated solar crossing signals and zebra stripped pedestrian crossing markings on Highway 582. The installation will be managed by Westcan and is anticipated to be completed in the coming weeks. Fortis' installation of an overhead streetlight, to enhance pedestrian visibility, is also due to be installed within the next few weeks.

16th Street & Hwy 582

The roadside development permit has not been submitted at this time; however, Alberta Transportation has indicated they are open to upgrading the existing signage to pedestrian activated solar crossing signals. AT was also receptive to re-grading the ditch to simplify the remediation of the drainage issue near the intersection. AT did suggest this crossing is the last pedestrian crossing they will be allowing across the highway. A permit will be applied for as time permits.

21st Street Deep Utility Replacement, Stormwater and Surface Works

No progress at this time.

Operations

Since budget approval, the department has refined our sidewalk removal and replacement locations along with asphalt rehabilitation areas. The department is in the process of preparing the requests for proposals for the various scope packages as time permits. Asphalt restoration works began along 20th Street, as well as along 17th, 19th and 20th Avenue during the weekend of June 12th and 13th. Restoration activities will conclude in a few weeks. Pothole filling and routine maintenance is ongoing.

Water

The department began our municipal lead testing program as mandated by our Code of Practice and in accordance with Alberta Health Drinking Water Standards. Recently, the allowable lead concentration was reduced and testing protocols were revised. Historically, the Town tested annually for lead along with many other parameters in accordance with our Code of Practice. Recent changes require samples from the taps within the home. The Town began asking residents to request sampling kits and provide water samples for testing. Response has been good and we continue to seek participation.

Background

The Mountain View Regional Water Service Commission delivers high quality drinking water to several municipalities throughout the central Alberta region. They monitor every parameter prescribed in their Code of Practice. The potable water is pumped great distances and is stored in reservoirs before being delivered through the municipal system to the consumer's taps. The new lead testing program takes into account all the potential contact sources from the raw water source to the tap. The key difference is the new program includes in-home sampling and testing. The department is confident in our water provider and our distribution system. The new program is intended to help homeowners identify internal infrastructure which may be negatively impacting their water quality.

Wastewater treatment maintenance

The department has contracted a company to provide primary treatment cell sludge accumulation depths (bathymetry) and prepare a proposal for remediation activities.

Deer Coolie pathway and cemetery improvements

The scope of work is being finalized and repairs are anticipated to coincide with road rehabilitation works. Trees were installed behind the existing brick entrance sign this spring. The trees were relocated to the cemetery from the recreation grounds to facilitate the skatepark's construction. Other trees were relocated to the Valarosa Lift Station space to enhance the landscape.

2021 ACTION REQUESTS LISTING											
MONTH	PW - SIDE WALKS	PW - STREETS	PW - OTHER	PW - PROPERTY	ME - ANIMALS	ME - VEHICLES	ME - PROPERTY	CS - REC	PARKS PROPERTY	ADMIN - UTILITIES	TOTAL
May	I	III III	I	III	II	II	IIII	I	I	I	
	1	8	1	3	2	2	4	1	1	1	24

PW	1 SIDEWALK	Walkway sidewalk at Julia Place is breaking up
	8 STREETS	18th Ave back alley needs fixing, Garbage in alley at 24 Ave, Need for barricades, Paving south end of 23St & patching/paving 7th Ave west to Town boundary, RR2.0 is dusty, Potholes at Westpoint Bay and 23St - 13 Ave, Metal post protruding at Valarosa Court, Road to Golf Course needs gravel
	1 OTHER	Town Vehicle Concerns
	3 PROPERTY	Underground structure discovered in property, Sani-dump area messy, Headstones in Cemetery
ME	2 ANIMALS	Dog attack, Cats entering vacant building
	2 VEHICLES	Speeding down 20th Street, U-haul in alley
	4 PROPERTY	Gutter issue with neighbour, Gutter issue, Unsightly, Unsightly
CS	1 REC	Tennis court locked
CS	1 PARKS	Dying tree in yard
Admin	1 UTILITIES	High consumption

Action Requests May, 2021

<u>Department</u>	<u>Previous Outstanding</u>	<u>Current Monthly Requests</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Total Outstanding</u>
Public Works		13	13	0
Municipal Enforcement		8	8	0
Waste Management				0
Community Services		2	2	0
Finance		1	1	0
Administration				0
Plan/Dev				0
Leg/Ec Dev				0
Totals	0	24	24	0



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Council Reports
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	8.3

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Council members will give a verbal and/or written report on any business or committee activity they have participated in.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority 2. An Informed & Engaged Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to accept the Council Reports for June 22, 2021 as information.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Correspondence & Information
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	9

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Correspondence received from other agencies and departments of the Town that may be of importance and interest, is being provided for Council's review and information.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Please find attached:

- Policy & Governance Committee June 2, 2021 Meeting Notes
- Strategic Planning Committee May 20, 2021 Meeting Notes
- Performance Evaluation Committee May 20, 2021 Meeting Notes
- Municipal Planning Commission May 12, 2021 Minutes
- Letters Supporting RCMP from Municipalities in Alberta
- Walk to Breathe – Town of Claresholm

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority 2. An Informed & Engagement Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council move to accept the correspondence and information items presented as information.



Policy and Governance Committee Meeting Notes
June 2, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
Held through ZOOM Meeting

Present:

Councillor Moore (Chair)
Councillor Crothers

Administration:

Ethan Gorner, Chief Administrative Officer
Nicole Aasen, Director of Community Services
Luana Smith, Legislative Services/Recording Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Moore called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

The committee through consensus accepted the agenda as presented.

3. REVIEW OF MEETING NOTES

The committee through consensus approved the meeting notes of May 19, 2021 as presented.

4. BYLAW/POLICY REVIEW

4.1 Amending Committees Bylaw 2021-07 [Res. 237-21]

The committee through consensus are recommending Bylaw 2021-07 be presented to Council for first reading at the June 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

4.2 Governance of Public Art [Res. 228-21]

Administration provided some information on the governance of public art in the Town to be able to bring back a policy on governance of public art in Didsbury.

The committee through consensus agreed for Administration to use the principles discussed to develop a draft policy which will be brought back to the committee for further review when ready.

5. UPCOMING ON DOCKET ITEMS

- Municipal Relief for Restaurants [Res. 195-21]
- Perpetual Care Cemetery Fees [Res. 228-21]

6. NEXT MEETING

June 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Policy & Governance Committee adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.



Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Notes
May 19, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
Held through ZOOM Meeting

Present:

Deputy Mayor Windsor (Chair)
Councillor Dorothy Moore (Vice-chair)
Mayor Hunter

Administration

Ethan Gorner Chief Administrative Officer
Amanda Riley Assistant CAO/Chief Financial Officer
Luana Smith Legislative Services/Recording Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Windsor called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

The committee through consensus accepted the agenda as presented.

3. REVIEW OF MEETING NOTES

The committee through consensus approved the meeting notes from the May 6 2021 Strategic Planning Committee as presented.

4. STANDING BUSINESS

4.1 Financial Planning – Nothing to report

4.2 Review of Development of Facilities and Infrastructure

4.2.1 Development of Committee Plan

The committee discussed items to be included in a Committee Plan which will be brought to Council for approval.

4.3 Review of Planning Documents and Plans – Nothing to report

4.4 Development and Review of an Asset Plan – Nothing to report

4.5 Prioritize Performance Based Budgeting – Nothing to report

5. NEXT MEETING

Due to the FCM Convention, the next meeting is tentatively set for June 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING

The committee through consensus went into closed meeting as per Division 2; Sections 23 and 24 of the FOIP Act at 2:05 p.m.

RECONVENE

The committee came out of closed meeting at 2:13 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Strategic Planning Committee adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.



Performance Evaluation Committee Meeting Notes
May 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
Held through ZOOM Meeting

Members

Councillor Poggemiller (Chair)
Councillor Engel (Vice-chair)
Councillor Baswick

Administration

Chief Administrative Officer Ethan Gorner
Manager of Legislative Services Luana Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Poggemiller called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The committee through consensus approved the agenda as presented.

3. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

The committee through consensus approved the April 15, 2021 Meeting Notes as presented.

4. BUSINESS ITEMS

4.1 Development of Committee Plan

The committee discussed items to include in the Committee Plan.

5. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 7 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Performance Evaluation Committee adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

**Minutes of the Town of Didsbury
Municipal Planning Commission Meeting
May 12, 2021**



Present: Chair S. Madge
Vice-Chair K. Phillips
Councillor M. Crothers
Councillor J. Baswick
Member-at-Large D. Loades,
Member-at-Large C. Dahl
Member-at-Large C. Martin
Development Officer K. Pickett
Recording Officer D. Porath
C. Fox, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure

Absent:

The meeting was held via Zoom Meetings.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by Chair Madge at 4:30 PM.

2. AGENDA

The agenda was presented for the Commission's approval:

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Crothers that the May 12, 2021 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: Moved by Member Dahl that the minutes of the April 14, 2021 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.a) Development Permits issued

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Crothers that issued Development Permits report be accepted as information.

Carried

6.b) DP 21-016

MOTION: Moved by Councillor Crothers that the Municipal Planning Commission approve DP 21-016 for a drive-through located at 2412 20th Street, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the nature of the development conforms to the approved site plan, building plans, and the principles set forth in the application.
2. That the development conforms to the approved storm-water management plan. Note: If the approved drainage plan fails to properly address the existing collection of storm drainage on and from this lot as determined by the Development Officer, an alternate

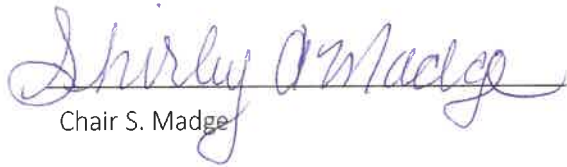
- drainage solution is required to be implemented to the satisfaction of the Development Officer at the developer's expense.
3. That the applicant/developer contact Alberta One Call to locate any utility lines prior to construction.
 4. That the development is engineered to and is constructed to properly connect to the approved municipal water and sewer services. Note, the developer is responsible for any associated costs and fees, including the engineering required for the connections from the house to the mainlines. The developer is also responsible for the cost of installation of any shallow utilities that may be required, including gas, electricity, telephone and cable.
 5. That the applicant/developer contact Public Works 24 hours prior to connection of municipal services for the arrangement of inspection.
 6. That a water meter be purchased from the Town of Didsbury and properly installed prior to occupancy. Further that the associated utility and tax accounts are properly set up with the town office prior to occupancy.
 7. The developer and the Town shall enter into a Service Agreement, acceptable to both parties. The Service Agreement will contextualize all the interfaces with the municipal infrastructure.
 8. The Developer and the Town shall enter into a Construction Agreement, acceptable to both parties. The Construction Agreement will contextualize how all the municipal infrastructure interfaces are constructed.
 9. That the developer obtains a Building Permit and any other applicable safety codes permits (i.e. electrical, plumbing, gas) in accordance with the Safety Codes Act. Note: The dwelling shall not be occupied until a final inspection has been completed and a Permit Services Report has been issued.
 10. That the landscaping conforms to an approved landscaping plan.
 11. That the Developer be responsible to provide fencing along parcel boundaries adjacent to residential areas to the satisfaction of the Development Authority.
 12. That proper unit numbers be affixed to each commercial unit prior to occupancy. Note: Developer and Administration to work together to determine unit addressing for the parcel.
 13. That refuse and garbage during construction shall be kept in appropriate containers and/or properly screened and placed in an approved enclosure until removed for disposal. The developer is responsible for all construction waste and garbage, and is financially responsible for the clean-up of the same.
 14. That the Development Officer may, by notice in writing, suspend a Development Permit where development has occurred in contravention to the terms and conditions of the permit and/or Land Use Bylaw.
 15. That if the development authorized by this development permit is not completed as per the requirements of the Land Use Bylaw such permit approval ceases and the permit is deemed void, expired and without effect, unless an extension to this period has been previously granted.
 16. That the applicant, landowner and/or operator obtains and adheres to a Roadside Development Permit from Alberta Transportation.
 17. That the offsite levies pertaining to this lot be paid in full.

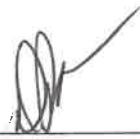
Carried

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Member Dahl that the May 12, 2021 Municipal Planning Commission meeting be adjourned at 4:47 PM.

Carried


Chair S. Madge



Recording Officer, D. Porath

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Gale Katchur
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June 8, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
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Government of Alberta
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RE: City of Fort Saskatchewan Support of the RCMP

Honourable Minister Madu,

City of Fort Saskatchewan City Council unanimously supports the RCMP as our City's law enforcement agency. This letter is in opposition of the Alberta Government's proposed provincial police force.

As the City of Fort Saskatchewan has a long-standing history and relationship with the RCMP, we have no desire to transition to a new model. We have an excellent working relationship with our Detachment and the Officer in Charge who consults council annually for our priorities for our community and provides regular and appropriate updates. Community challenges are addressed collaboratively and citizen respect and support for the RCMP remains high in Fort Saskatchewan. Our city has the longest serving police committee in the province which services as an additional community referent group for the RCMP. We find the RCMP to be progressive and receptive in meeting the needs of our city.

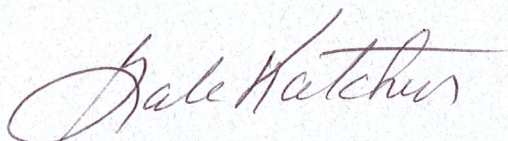
As Alberta looks at recovering from the pandemic economy, we strongly believe any efforts focused on a provincial police force are not what municipalities in Alberta need right now. The cost of a provincial police force is not something that municipalities can withstand and nor are we interested in exploring it any further. The City of Fort Saskatchewan currently pays 90 percent of our policing costs and we believe that investment serves our community well now and in the future. We believe the decision of our police force should remain at the local level.

The Alberta Police Federation Survey from October of 2020 found that replacing the RCMP is viewed as the least helpful measure tested to improve Alberta's place in Canada. Only 8 percent say replacing the RCMP helps a lot, only 6 percent support replacing the RCMP, and 81 percent of Albertans served by RCMP are satisfied with the service they receive.

The survey also stated that 70 percent of Albertans opposed replacing the RCMP with an expensive new provincial police force. We are with the majority of Albertans in stating that we have no interest in the creation of a new provincial police force.

In closing, we confirm our support of the RCMP and are opposed to any further exploration of a provincial police force.

Respectfully



Gale Katchur
Mayor of Fort Saskatchewan

cc: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
The Honourable Ric Mclver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Barry Morishita, President Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
Paul McLaughlin, President of Rural Municipalities Association
Rachel Notley, Leader of the Official Opposition
Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, MLA Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville



Town of Nanton

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June 9th, 2021

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Dear Honourable Minister:

RE: Town of Nanton Support for the RCMP

As similarly noted by many other municipalities in recent weeks, Council is disappointed by the Province of Alberta's reluctance to acknowledge the outcome of its own consultative process by continuing with apparent plans to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service. In this context, we add our support to those positions critical of such plans.

There is little doubt that those employed by either service would provide an acceptable level of police services to Albertans, but the rationale for a transition like this, and the costs it brings, is not at all clear. The local detachment model for small town and rural policing is hanging by a thread – would that be any different under an Alberta Provincial Police Service? Would it generate any more 'boots on the ground' in towns with a population of less than 5,000 or lead inexorably to the precise same urban hub centralization pressures that we are witnessing right now? *If effectively recruited and staffed, Nanton's RCMP detachment would serve the local area's needs perfectly well – the hub model of service delivery also deserves a chance to prove itself for regions of the Province where recruitment is really struggling.*

The Province's approach to funding the Rural Crime Initiative is arguably a greater threat to local services than the RCMP continuing as the provider of police services. The creation of the "Police Chargeback", which inexplicably lacks the fiscal transparency of a property tax requisition, will eventually hit our municipal tax base hard when the tax room generated by the 2020 cut to the Alberta Schools Foundation Fund requisition in Nanton shrinks further in 2022-23. Including this year, provincial requisitions and charges have represented 20-23 per cent of Nanton's overall property tax bill for the last three years. The journey toward 30 per cent likely begins next year when the Police Chargeback is again increased significantly. This charge has been introduced without evidence or guarantee of any improvement to police services in Nanton. *The Police Chargeback would presumably remain whether or not the RCMP remained the provider of police services in rural Alberta.*

You are encouraged to once again review the findings of the Fair Deal Panel's consultations and instead work with the RCMP to boost recruitment, retention and commitment to its detachments in such a way that makes the Police Chargeback look like a fiscally defensible fee for service in our communities.

Yours sincerely,
Town of Nanton



Jennifer Handley
Mayor

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cc: Roger Reid, MLA Livingstone Macleod
John Barlow, MP
AUMA President and Board
RMA President and Board
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Chief Superintendent Trevor Daroux
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June 4, 2021

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Honourable Kaycee Madu
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Dear Minister Madu

RE: Proposed Alberta Provincial Police Services

Red Deer County stands in solidarity with fellow municipalities across Alberta in our support of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) as the premier choice for our province's police force. In reviewing *the Fair Deal Panel: Report to Government*, it is with displeasure that Council notes the proposal did not consider current provincial challenges such as struggling economies and tighter budget realities. Please be advised that Council vehemently opposes the creation of an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS).

Council has concerns that the Alberta government would charge forward with a plan to replace the RCMP with APPS when the National Police Federation notes that a new provincial force would cost Alberta taxpayers at least \$112 million more a year than they are currently paying. Focused efforts should not be on causing further economic burden to County residents and ratepayers. The implementation of the Police Funding Model (PFM) in April 2020 has already stripped our municipality and many others of the opportunity for input and consultation powers with regard to local policing through the suspension of municipally-funded enhanced policing positions.

The Fair Deal Panel recommendation is to proceed with developing a proposal for a provincial police force, despite only 35% of Albertans believing it would contribute to the desired outcome of helping Alberta improve its position in the federation.

In addition, the 2020 Alberta Police Federation survey concluded that "replacing the RCMP is viewed as a *least helpful* measure tested to improve Alberta's place in Canada." Eighty-one percent of Albertans served by the RCMP are satisfied with the service they receive, and 70% of Albertans oppose replacing the RCMP with an expensive new provincial police service.

Honourable Kaycee Madu
June 4, 2021
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In closing, Red Deer County Council does not foresee where a new police force would improve efficiency or quality of life for our residents and ratepayers. In fact, as economic challenges remain coming out of a pandemic, changing out of the current system would only increase economic burden on our municipality and taxpayers in the Province of Alberta.

Red Deer County wholeheartedly appreciates our strong working relationships with all five (5) of our local RCMP detachments, recognizing the hard work over the years building trust and working relationships on the foundation of respect. We ask that the Government of Alberta reassess priorities and abandon the transition study through the Police Act review to focus efforts towards upgrades to the criminal justice and social support systems in the Province to achieve better outcomes.

There needs to be an opportunity for open dialogue between the Province and municipal stakeholders on this issue – we strongly encourage all efforts should be focused on working with the RCMP to achieve the desired community results all Albertans need.

Yours truly

RED DEER COUNTY



Jim Wood, Mayor

c Alberta Municipalities



May 25, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
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RE: Village of Milo Support for the RCMP

Dear Minister Madu,

This letter is presented as a token of support on behalf of the Village of Milo towards the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and also as a motion of opposition to the Provincial Government's recent proposal for an Alberta Provincial Police Force.

Upon review of information made available by AUMA it has become abundantly clear to our entire council that blindly forging forward would come at an enormous cost to our province, and specifically its residents. The newly established Police Funding Model has already delivered a hit to small rural urban municipal budgets with a relatively small impact felt in terms of day-to-day deliverables in our communities. Continuing with a Provincial Police Force would come at an exorbitant cost with no assurance with a benefit in service.

Just today, S&P Global Ratings has downgraded Alberta's credit rating from 'A+' to 'A' while cautioning that additional downgrades in the near future are very possible if new fiscal measures are not adopted in a post-COVID 19 Alberta. The exploration of an Alberta based Police Force was merely financial as there is no evidence suggesting a dissatisfaction with the quality of service offered by the RCMP to the magnitude that would warrant such an expense. To ask any and all residents of this province to fund such an ill-advised endeavor can only be viewed as an un-sound decision based on an act of ignoring facts, and more importantly, the voice of Albertans.

With the Provincial Government's reduction into MSI funding over the next few years and considering the infrastructure maintenance investments that all Canadian municipalities face over the coming years, local government budgets are already being stretched beyond their limits. Where exactly does the Provincial government envision the funding of a Provincial Police Service coming from? Undoubtedly, they will ask municipalities to pay, ultimately forcing local councils to play 'bad cop' by increasing municipal taxes in order to fund Provincial downloading. It is our opinion that the Provincial government needs to seriously re-evaluate its priorities.

The Village of Milo council stands with:



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- The 65% of respondents to the Fair Deal Panel survey that voiced opposition to a Provincial Police Force.
 - Town of Falher
 - The County of Paintearth No. 18
 - The County of St. Paul
 - Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
 - Town of Didsbury
 - Town of Magrath
 - Town of Edson
 - Village of Hill Spring
 - Town of Morinville
 - Town of Redcliff
 - Village of Rycroft
 - Any and all other citizens, municipalities, and organizations who have not voiced their opinions, yet.

The Provincial Government continually encourages (and legislatively mandates) that municipal governments work together in a cohesive manner, perhaps they should take a page from their own book rerouting the funds allocated for research of an Alberta Police Service towards building stronger relationships with the RCMP and with Federal Partners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Schroeder".

Scott Schroeder
Mayor

cc: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
The Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Rachel Notley, Leader of the Official Opposition
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May 4th, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
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Dear Minister Madu,
Re: Village of Caroline Support for the RCMP

Our council wishes to advise they do not in support of the Government of Alberta's Initiative to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS) as affirmed in the responses from many municipalities.

Council has concerns with the province establishing an APPS despite 65% of respondents indicating non-support. The costs of transitioning to an APPS are unknown and the increased operating costs will undoubtedly be borne by the communities. The municipalities are currently bearing a substantial amount of policing costs and are not willing to accept unknown additional increases that will be inevitable from a transition to an APPS. This cannot be done within a short time frame to offer expertise and services currently provided to Albertans by the RCMP.

Our Village developed a collaborative relationship with our local RCMP detachment over many years and is satisfied with the level of service and degree of responsiveness received and their involvement. Council encourages the Government of Alberta to abandon the transition study and continue efforts to work with the RCMP to achieve better outcomes.

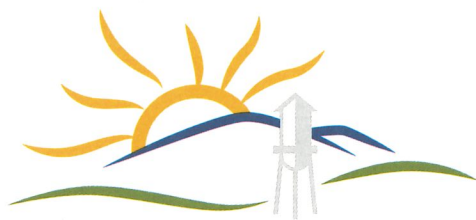
Yours Truly

Village of Caroline



Mayor John Rimmer

CC: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
The Honourable Jason Nixon, Minister of Environment & Parks
Mr. Curtis Zablocki, Commanding Officer for Alberta RCMP
AUMA Members
RMA Members



Claresholm

Where **Community** Takes Root

June 7, 2021

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

As many of you may know, my wife was a recipient of a Double Lung Transplant, which ultimately gave me more than 12 more great years with her in my life. I have recently become aware of a Province-Wide initiative called WALK TO BREATHE, and it hit close to home, in a very positive way.

One Alberta man is walking over 500km from Lethbridge to Edmonton, to raise Awareness and Funds for The Lung Association of AB & NWT – please read the full story at www.ab.lung.ca/walktobreathe .

This is his 2nd year with this initiative, and it's one that I, personally, will be supporting. IN FACT, I want to do more than I can from my Mayoral chair in Claresholm, by issuing a friendly Province-Wide Challenge to ALL Alberta municipalities and their overall communities. I encourage you to raise money and help battle the far-reaching, and devastating effects of Lung Disease for 1 in 5 Albertans, not to mention the toll it takes on family and friends. Watching another human being struggle to breathe is a very scary ordeal, and one that I know all too well.

I humbly ask for your participation in this challenge, from June 14th through to July 23, 2021, at which time, we see which community shall receive exclusive bragging rights as Alberta's 'COMMUNITY that CARES'.

While lighthearted in this challenge, it is a very important cause, and I hope to spearhead some strong participation across the province . . .

- ✓ Send to your Council members and discuss ways to participate in your town
- ✓ Involve Local Business
- ✓ Organize local fundraisers
- ✓ Involve your local media to help promote
- ✓ Share on Social Media

Your consideration and participation is a BREATH of FRESH AIR for all Albertans. I thank you, and I look forward to the challenge.

Please call with any questions at 403-652-6870. You may also reach out to the organizers for more detail and to organize fundraiser/donation: **Chris Sadleir Sads.chris@gmail.com & Jennifer Hutchinson jhutchinson@ab.lung.ca**

Sincerely,

Doug MacPherson
Mayor
Town of Claresholm



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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

Vision: The Place to Grow.

Mission: Creating the Place to Grow.

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	June 22, 2021
SUBJECT	Council Highlights Roundtable
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT	Legislative Services
AGENDA ITEM	10.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Council members will identify items that were significant to them from the meeting to be included in the Council Highlights.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

These highlights will be used by Administration to be included in the Council Highlights document that is placed on the Town of Didsbury website for public review and released to the public.