TOWN OF ECKVILLE-COUNCIL AGENDA

Monday, May 27, 2024

Town Office Council Chambers Eckville, AB 6:00 pm (Councillors may attend via electronic means)

1. CALL TO ORDER	1.1	
2. DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC HEARING	2.1	Eckville and District Friendship Club 6:00 pm
3. AGENDA	3.1	Additional Agenda Items
	3.2	Adoption of Agenda
4. MINUTES	4.1	Public Hearing Minutes Municipal Development Plan Amendment Bylaw 794-24 pg. 1
	4.2 4.3	Public Hearing Minutes-Land Use Bylaw Amendment 795-24 pg.2 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2024 pg. 3-6
5. ACTION ITEMS	5.1 5.2	Senior's Week Declaration pg. 7-8 2024 Budget Discussion
6. BYLAWS, POLICIES	6.1	Bylaw 796-24 Land Use Bylaw Amendment (1st reading) pg. 9-10
7. REPORTS	7.1 7.2	Management Report – May 27, 2024 pg. 11-13 Financial Report-AP May 16& 22, 2024 pg. 14-15
8. COMMITTEE, BOARD REPORTS	8.1	
9. CORRESPONDENCE, INFORMATION	9.1	Consent Agenda: A. CAMA-Long Service Recognition Awards pg. 16 B. AB Munis Strength in Members pg. 17-19
10. SEMINARS, MEETINGS, SPECIAL EVENTS	10.1	C. Canada Summer Jobs Application results pg. 20
11.CLOSED SESSION	11.1	
12.COMMITTEE OF THE WHOL	E 12.1	
13.ADJOURNMENT	13.1	

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TOWN OF ECKVILLE – PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES Municipal Development Plan Bylaw Amendment 794-24Monday May 13, 2024 6:00 pm Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville AB.

1.	Call to Order	1.0	Mayor Ebden called the public hearing to order at 6:02 p.m.
			Present:
			Mayor Ebden
			Councillor Engen
			Councillor Pacholek
			Counciller Palm-Fraser
			Councillor See(joined by electronic means)
			Councillor Thoreson
			CAO Jack Ramsden
			Supervisor, Finance & Administration Darcy Webb
			Absent: Councillor Meyers
			Press: None
			Gallery: None
2.	Public Hearing	2.1	Town of Eckville Bylaw 794-24 Municipal Development Plan Bylaw Amendment.
	Background		Jack Ramsden, CAO, advised Council that the purpose of the hearing was to hear
			presentations, opinions and comments with respect to Bylaw 794-24. The proposed
			bylaw amendments concern rezoning. Public Notices to be posted using any of the
			following methods but endeavoring to use all three. Electronically posted to the Towns
			website, facebook page or manually posted to bulletin board located in front of the Town
			Office.
	Written Submissions	2.2	Jack Ramsden, CAO, advised Council that no written submissions had been received.
	Public Comments &	2.3	There were no questions or comments.
	Submissions		
	Res.PH002.2024		Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that Bylaw 794-24 be referred to the Regular Meeting
			of Council for 2 nd & 3 rd readings. Carried Unanimously.
3.	Adjournment	3.1	Mayor Ebden adjourned the public hearing at 6:14 p.m.
			Mayor CAO

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TOWN OF ECKVILLE – PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES Land Use Bylaw Amendment 795-24 Monday May 13, 2024 6:15 pm Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville AB.

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1.	Call to Order	1.0	Mayor Ebden called the public hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.
			Present: Mayor Ebden Councillor Engen Councillor Pacholek Counciller Palm-Fraser Councillor See (joined by electronic means) Councillor Thoreson CAO Jack Ramsden Supervisor, Finance & Administration Darcy Webb Absent: Councillor Meyers Press: None
			Gallery: None
2.	Public Hearing	2.1	Town of Eckville Bylaw 795-24 Land Use Bylaw Amendment.
	Background		Jack Ramsden, CAO, advised Council that the purpose of the hearing was to hear presentations, opinions and comments with respect to Bylaw 795-24. The proposed bylaw amendment concerns the rezoning of the Easterly Portion of Lot 20, Block 16, Plan 8920768 Manufactured Home Park (R4) District to Light Industrial (I1) District and Heavy Industrial (I2) District.
	Written Submissions	52.2	Jack Ramsden, CAO, advised Council that no written submissions had been received.
	Public Comments & Submissions	2.3	There were no questions or comments.
	Res.PH003.2024		Moved by Councillor Engen that Bylaw 795-24 be referred to Council for 2 nd & 3 rd readings. Carried Unanimously.
3.	Adjournment	3.1	Mayor Ebden adjourned the public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

CAO

Mayor

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TOWN OF ECKVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

May 13, 2024

Eckville Town Office, 5023 – 51 Avenue, Eckville, Alberta (The meeting was available via electronic means)

1. Call to Order

1.1 Mayor Ebden called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Ebden

Councilor Engen Councilor Pacholek Councilor Palm-Fraser

Councilor See (joined by electronic means)

Councilor Thoreson

Absent: Councilor Meyers

Staff: CAO, Jack Ramsden Deputy CAO, Darcy Webb

Press: None Present

Gallery: None

Mayor Ebden called for a recess in order to hold the Public Hearing on Bylaw 794-24 and Bylaw 795-24. Time 6:01pm.

2. Delegations/Public

Hearings

- 2.1 Public Hearing: Municipal Development Plan Amendment #794-24 6:00pm
- 2.2 Public Hearing: Land Use Bylaw Amendment #795-24 6:15pm The meeting reconvened at 6:31 pm
- 3. Agenda
- 3.1 Additional Agenda Items None
- 3.2 Adoption of Agenda

Res.095.024

Moved by Councilor Pacholek that the agenda be adopted as presented. **Carried Unanimously**.

4. Minutes

4.1 Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2024

Res.096.2024

Moved by Councilor Engen that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 22, 2024, be adopted as presented. **Carried Unanimously**.

5. Action Items

5.1 RFD- Tax Recovery Public Auction.

Res.097.2024

Moved by Councilor Engen that the date for the 2024 public auction be set for Wednesday August 21, 2024 commencing at 2:00pm in the Town of Eckville Council Chambers, located at 5023 51 Avenue, Eckville. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res.098.2024

Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that for public auction purposes, a reserve bid

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of \$179,000 be set for the property described as lots 11 & 12, Block 8, Plan 264HW. Carried Unanimously.

5.2 Rimbey Curling Club Funding Request.

Res.099.2024

Moved by Councilor Pacholek that Rimbey Curling Club request be accepted for information. Carried Unanimously.

5.3 Eckville Community Centre Society Financial Statement,

Res.100.2024

Moved by Councillor Thoreson that the Eckville Community Centre Financial Statement be accepted for information. Carried Unanimously.

5.4 Alberta Munis' concerns with Bill 20.

Res.101.2024

Moved by Councillor Engen that the Town of Eckville send a letter to the Premier that recommends that the Government of Alberta rescind Bill 20, the Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, due to the extensive concerns raised by municipal leaders across Alberta, including Eckville Council, and that the Government of Alberta engage municipal governments through a collaborative and trust-based consultation process to update the Local Authorities Election Act and Municipal Government Act to assist municipal governments to effectively govern in the interests of their residents and deliver on the future needs of each community in Alberta. **Carried Unanimously.**

Councillor See left the meeting. Time 7:25pm

6. Bylaws /Policies

6.1 Bylaw 794-24 Municipal Development Plan Amendment

Res.102.2024

Moved by Councilor Pacholek that Bylaw 794-24 Municipal Development Plan Amendment be given second reading. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res.103.2024

Moved by Councilor Palm-Fraser that Bylaw 794-24 Municipal Development Plan Amendment be given third and final reading. **Carried Unanimously.**

6.2 Public Hearing: Land Use Bylaw Amendment #795-24

Res.104.2024

Moved by Councilor Engen that Bylaw 795-24 Land use Bylaw Amendment be given second reading. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res.105.2024

Moved by Councilor Thoreson that Bylaw 795-24 Land Use Bylaw Amendment be given third and final reading. **Carried Unanimously**

Councillor See returned to the meeting. Time 7:30pm

6.3 Policy #4102 Water Management and Conservation.

Res.106.2024

Moved by Councillor See that Policy#4101 Water Restriction be rescinded. **Carried Unanimously.**

Res.107.2024 Moved by Councillor Pacholek that Policy #4102 be adopted. Carried. 7. Reports 7.1 Management Report for May 13, 2024 Res, 108.2024 Moved by Councilor See that the Management Report for May 13, 2024, be accepted for information. Carried Unanimously. 7.2 Financial Report – AP – April 10-May 1, 2024 Res. 109.2024 Moved by Councillor Thoreson that the Financial Report for April 10 - May 1 2024, be accepted for information. Carried Unanimously. 7.3 Animal Control Service – April 2024. Res. 110.2024 Moved by Councillor Palm-Fraser that the Animal Control Service Report for April be accepted for information. Carried Unanimously. 8. Committee & Board 8.1 Councillor Engen reported on Medicine River Watershed, Lacombe Foundation Reports and meeting with the MLA to unveil the Hospital Plaque. 8.2 Councillor Palm-Fraser reported on the library 8.3 Councillor Pacholek reported on Water Conservation Policy review, and meeting with the MLA. Mayor Ebden reported on Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission (on 8.4 behalf of Councillor Meyers), FCSS, Midsized Towns Mayors Group and meeting with the MLA Res.111.2024 Moved by Councillor See that the Committee and Board Reports be accepted. Carried Unanimously. 9. Correspondence, 9.1 Consent Agenda: Information Items A. Parkland Regional Library System 2023 Annual Report. B. Lacombe Foundation Financial Statements C. Eckville Municipal Library Board Meeting Minutes April 3, 2024 Res.112.2024

Moved by Councilor See that the Correspondence and Information items be accepted as information. Carried Unanimously.

Special Events

10. Seminars, Meetings, 10.1 Ponoka Stampede Invite

10.2 Rocky Mountain House Leadership Breakfast.

10.3 Summer 2024 Municipal Leaders Caucus.

Res.113.2024

Moved by Councillor Engen that the Seminars, Meetings, Special Events be accepted for information and that Mayor Ebden and Deputy Mayor See attend the Summer 2024 Municipal Leaders Caucus. Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Ebden called for a 5 minute recess. Time 8:15pm. The meeting reconvened at 8:20 pm.

12. Committee of the Whole

12.1 Budget 2024 Discussion.

May Ebden turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor See.

Mayor Ebden and Deputy CAO Webb left the meeting. Time 9:10

11. Closed Session

11.1 Section 23 Local Public body confidences.

Res.114.2024

Moved by Councilor Engen that the meeting moves into closed session, excluding all persons except Council Members and the CAO to discuss an item with Section 23 of the FOIPP Act: Local public body confidences. Time 9:11 p.m. Carried Unanimously

Res.115.2024

Moved by Mayor Palm-Fraser that the meeting revert back to open session. Time 9:30pm

13. Adjournment

Res. 116.2024

Deputy Mayor See adjourned the meeting. Time 9:31 pm. Carried Unanimously.

Mayor		CAO		,

Jack Ramsden

Chief Administrative Officer

Office: 403-746-2171 Cell:- 587-877-0790



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From: Seniors Information <Seniorsinformation@gov.ab.ca>

Sent: Friday, May 17, 2024 10:26 AM

To: Seniors Information <Seniorsinformation@gov.ab.ca>

Subject: Reminder: Recognizing Seniors' Week 2024 - Community Declaration

Seniors' Week is fast approaching, showcase your community's commitment to Alberta seniors through a community declaration!

For 38 years, the Government of Alberta has dedicated the first week of June to honour and recognize seniors for their invaluable contributions to our province. This year, Seniors' Week is from June 3 to 9, and will be kicked off with a provincial launch event on June 3 in the Town of Banff.

All municipalities, First Nations communities, and Metis Settlements are encouraged to officially declare Seniors' Week to demonstrate your community's support and to generate greater awareness of the importance of seniors in Alberta.

To officially declare Seniors' Week in Alberta, the declaration must be made by a senior official (i.e., Mayor/Reeve, Chief) of an Alberta community. This is done at the community level, such as at a town council meeting. If your community does not have a declaration template, attached is a Community Declaration. Once your community has made the declaration, kindly notify us at seniorinformation@gov.ab.ca by May 31, 2024, so that we can recognize your community on our website.

The Government of Alberta encourages communities, organizations and all Albertans to take the opportunity to recognize and celebrate seniors throughout Seniors' Week. To learn more, please visit www.alberta.ca/seniors-week.aspx or email us at seniorsinformation@gov.ab.ca if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Ministry of Seniors, Community and Social Services Government of Alberta



DECLARATION

In honour of the past, present and future contributions of the seniors of this community and throughout Alberta, I hereby declare June 3 - 9, 2024 to be Seniors' Week in

Community

Official Title

Official Signature

The Honourable Jason Nixon; Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services

and Social Services

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TOWN OF ECKVILLE

BYLAW No. 796-24

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

A Bylaw of the Town of Eckville in the Province of Alberta to amend Bylaw No. 729-15 of the Town of Eckville known as Town of Eckville Land Use Bylaw.

WHEREAS it is deemed necessary and expedient to amend the present Land Use Bylaw No. 729-15,

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, and amendments thereto.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Eckville duly assembled enacts and approves amendments to the Land Use Bylaw as follows:

BY AMENDING

SCHEDULE C: LAND USE DISTRICT REGULATIONS
5.0 MANUFACTURED HOME PARK DISTRICT (R4)
5.1 Manufactured Home Standards:

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Building Design:

"manufactured homes shall be no older than twenty (20) years as

of the date of a completed Development Permit application for their placement and shall be similar and consistent with the

character of the site."

And by adding:

Building Design:

"manufactured homes shall be no older than twenty (30) years as

of the date of a completed Development Permit application for their placement and shall be similar and consistent with the

character of the site."

THAT this Bylaw shall take effect upon final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST TIME this 27th day of May 2024.

Mayor	
CAO	



READ A SECOND TIME this	_ day of 2024.
	Mayor
	CAO
READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME	E this day of, 2024.
	Mayor
	CAO

MANAGEMENT REPORT TO ECKVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

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Current Activities:

- Meeting With the Sylvan Lake Regional Water/Wastewater Commission: The sylvan Lake Regional Water/Wastewater Commission's CAO that the Board has approved a terms of reference for its business plan update. Part of that terms of reference was to evaluate scenarios involving expansion of the Commission system beyond Half Moon Bay. This would include expanding to the Town of Eckville. He informed me that a request for proposal will go out toward the middle of June and a contract should be awarded at their July meeting. The project to Half Moon Bay is on hold waiting a construction date for the internal system to be built in Half Moon Bay.
- Arena Operating Society: Nothing new to report for now.
- <u>Eckville Minor Ball Association</u>: We are still trying to clarify our quote with the Pest Control Contractor and anticipate that he will start his gopher control project in the next week or so. We understand that with the rains we have had recently, the dew worms are a problem again at the Forhan Field. We will try to rent a packer again and try to flatten things out again.
- Eckville and District Friendship Club: Two Members of the Eckville and District Friendship Club will be attending the May 23rd council meeting for a general get together. We have no formal agenda, but they are going to bring a few sets of recent minutes and financial statements.

Public Works Highlights:

- <u>Lagoon Outfall Meter:</u> This meter is working again, so hopefully we will be able to measure the volume of our spring effluent release.
- <u>Lagoon Storage Pond Release</u>: We are still hoping that we can sell some effluent this fall. Public Works delivered an effluent sample to the lab in Edmonton and we received a positive result on our "trout test" over the weekend. We officially started our spring release on Tuesday May 21st. As previously noted, this is the earliest that we have released for the last five or six years.
- East Sewer Lift Station: The station continues to operate normally!
- West Sewer Lift Station: As previously noted, our new pump was installed during the first week of May and it seemed to be operating as it should. We did run into a few problems, but they seem to have things adjusted again.
- Water Pump Station: The Public Works Team has the chlorine scale adjusted, but then they ran into a problem with our main distribution pump. It turned out not to be the actual pump or the motor as they had initially thought. The variable frequency drive (VFD) failed, but the electrician had a used VFD with him so we



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were back in business by the end of the day. They have ordered a new VFD and we will continue with the used one for now.

- Water Quality Samples: We are still planning to have a brief virtual meeting, sometime this summer, with the people at WSP Engineering and Tagish Engineering to discuss options for a future upgrade to the filters or perhaps some other method of treatment.
- <u>The Street Sweeper</u>: As previously noted, we have continued to experience problems with our street sweeper, leaving material behind the sweeper. When the Mechanic from Industrial Machine was out again on May 7th he informed us that there were some major problems with several bearings and one actuators, our paddles and rubber deflectors were worn.

We took the sweeper to their shop and received two quotes, one to keep us going for now and the second to bring the machine back into top shape. We chose the first option with the hope of getting the sweeper back in a couple of weeks.

We are also looking at the possibility of purchasing a loader mounted sweeper which would have few moving parts and be a whole lot less of an investment. Unfortunately, they did not have any of these units in stock, but we are talking with them about the possibility of selling our sweeper and replacing it with a loader mounted sweeper later this fall or early next year.

 Cemetery Maintenance Contract: Our cemetery maintenance contractor, Scott Raymond did his first cut of the season on May 18th and 20th, between the rains. It will be a bit of a hit and miss for now as long as the rain continues to fall.

Future / Planned Activities:

- Highway 11 Twinning Project: As per our email last week, we did receive a copy of the final report on the Highway 11 twinning project and are concerned with the proposed intersection at SH 766. We are still waiging to hear back form our MLA. Hopefully we will have some information for the May 23rd council meeting.
- New Website and Municipal APP: The APP has been approved. Staff are now training on its use.
- **Budget:** We have added a budget discussion to the agenda and would ask Council to come to the meeting with their options choices.
- Town Sign: Nothing new to report at this time.

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- <u>Town Shredding Event</u>: Just a reminder that this year's shredding event is set for Saturday, May 25, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. We should have an update on how it went at the May 27th council meeting.
- <u>Loader Problems:</u> As previously noted, our Loader is back home at last. We have not used it much, but so far it seems to be running well.

Jack Ramsden, CAO

Darcy Webb, Deputy CAO

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027862	2024-05-16	00000000000023740	MIS001	Missing Link Internet Inc.	\$367.50
027863	2024-05-16	00000000000023742	NEX002	NextGen Automation	\$483.13
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L'Association canadienne des administrateurs municipaux

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April 30, 2024

Mayor Colleen Ebden Town of Eckville Box 578 Eckville, AB T4P 3T1

Dear Mayor Ebden,

The Long Service Recognition Awards Program of the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA) is dedicated to honoring and celebrating the dedication of our members to public service and municipal management, a cornerstone priority for our Association. These awards are based on the duration of full-time, paid employment in municipal government, specifically in management roles such as Chief Administrative Officer or those reporting directly to them. Recognition is granted at the ten-year mark and subsequently in five-year intervals.

This year, it is our privilege to acknowledge the commitment of your Deputy CAO, Darcy Webb, for his remarkable twenty years of service in municipal government management roles (and he actually has twenty-two years of service). Darcy's dedication to his role has undoubtedly contributed to the advancement of your municipality, and we are pleased to recognize his achievements. His recognition pin has been mailed to him directly.

We invite you to assist us in recognizing Darcy for this milestone, perhaps through a special presentation at City Council, in acknowledgement of his continued support of the municipal profession.

In closing, we wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to City Council for their unwavering support of Darcy as a valued member of CAMA.

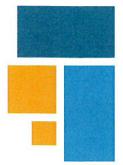
Sincerely,

Tony Kulbisky CAMA President

cc Darcy Webb, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer







May 13, 2024

Honourable Danielle Smith, ECA Premier and Minister of Intergovernmental Relations 307 Legislature Building 10800 97 Avenue Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

Dear Premier Smith:

Thank you for attending and speaking at Alberta Municipalities' Spring 2024 Municipal Leaders' Caucus in Edmonton on March 15, 2024. We sincerely appreciated you were willing to take questions from audience members and even extend your time to converse on matters that are important to municipal leaders.

During your address to the audience, you stated that the Government of Alberta will provide \$3.6 billion in capital funding support to municipal governments in 2024 consisting of:

- \$2.23 billion in municipal infrastructure support,
- \$577 million in capital maintenance and support,
- \$708 million in roads and bridges, and
- \$95 million in additional projects.

During that same speech you promoted that this funding support represents \$900 million more in funding than what the Government of Alberta will requisition from municipalities in 2024 through provincial property taxes.

Following the event, several of our members contacted our association seeking clarity on the figures. Based on our findings, we wanted to bring to your attention that only 48 per cent of that \$3.6 billion expenditure represents provincial funding for municipal governments. In the enclosure to this letter, we breakdown the numbers which involves:

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819
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764
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With \$1.88 billion of the \$3.61 billion consisting of a combination of federal funding for municipalities and provincial spending on provincial infrastructure, this means that only \$1.73 billion is the total provincial capital funding contribution to municipal governments in 2024. This highlights how total capital funding from the province is actually \$1 billion less than the \$2.7 billion that the Government of Alberta will requisition from municipalities this year. This demonstrates another reason that the starting amount of the Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital funding should have been set at \$1.7 billion instead of \$722 million.

Review of the Provincial Property Tax System

We share this information to bring clarity to the clear inequity between funding to municipalities and provincial property taxes that are requisitioned from municipalities. This is why we applaud that your mandate letter to the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, includes the initiative to review how the provincial property tax system can be changed to enable municipalities to retain more funding.

We optimistically wait for the result of that review to be shared and look forward to receiving an update on the expected timing.

If you wish to set up a meeting to discuss this or any other matter related to municipalities, I invite you to contact me by email at president@abmunis.ca or on my cell phone at (780) 312-0660.

Sincerely,

Tyler Gandam

President, Alberta Municipalities

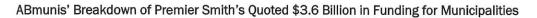
CC: Honourable Nate Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance

Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs

Paul McLauchlin, President, Rural Municipalities of Alberta

Enclosure





(\$ millions)	2024 Budget	% of Total
Provincial Programs for Municipal Infrastructure		
Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital	\$722	20.0%
Municipal Water and Wastewater Partnership	66	1.8%
Water for Life	50	1.4%
Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program	44	1.2%
Local Growth and Sustainability Grant	20	0.6%
First Nations Water Tie-In	8	0.2%
	\$910	25.2%
One-Off Provincial Funding for Municipal Infrastructure (Not part of a		
Provincial portion of Edmonton and Calgary LRT ¹	425	11.8%
Calgary Deerfoot Trail upgrades	156	4.3%
Calgary River District and Event Centre	88	2.4%
Edmonton Terwillegar expansion	50	1.4%
Edmonton Yellowhead Trail	50	1.4%
Edmonton 50th Street	8	0.2%
YYC Rail Connection	2	
	2	0.1%
Projects Outside Calgary and Edmonton	00	0.00/
Red Deer Regional Airport Expansion	20	0.6%
Capital Region Wastewater Treatment	10	0.3%
Fox Lake Access Improvement	6	0.2%
Designated Industrial Zone Pilot Project	4	0.1%
	\$819	22.7%
Federal Funding for Municipal Infrastructure that Flows Through the (Government of Alberta	
Federal portion of Edmonton and Calgary LRT ¹	425	11.8%
Canada Community Building Fund	265	7.4%
Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program	73	2.0%
Clean Water and Wastewater Fund	1	0.0%
	\$764	21.2%
Provincial Investments in Provincial Highways and Bridges		
Highway rehabilitation projects	352	9.7%
Highway twinning, widening, expansion	151	4.2%
Bridge construction projects	121	3.4%
Edmonton/Calgary Ring Roads	73	2.0%
Highway 3 twinning (Taber to Burdett)	65	
		1.8%
Major maintenance	45	1.2%
P3 Ring Road Maintenance	39	1.1%
Multiple engineering projects	29	0.8%
Highway twinning south of Grande Prairie	24	0.7%
Slide repairs	21	0.6%
Highway 16A and RR20 intersection	20	0.6%
Highway 11 twinning (Red Deer to Rocky Mountain House	17	0.5%
Highway 40 grade widening (Grande Cache to Hinton)	15	0.4%
	14	0.4%
Highway 201 Bow River Bridge on SE Stony Trail		
	131	3.6%
Highway 201 Bow River Bridge on SE Stony Trail Other projects	131 \$1,116	3.6% 30.9%

 $^{^{1}}$ \$425 million is an estimate based on news releases indicating that funding from the Government of Canada and Government of Alberta were about evenly split for each Calgary and Edmonton LRT project.

Darcy Webb

From:

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Subject: Result of the Assessment of Your Canada Summer Jobs Application

Service Canada would like to thank you for your application to the Canada Summer Jobs program.

After assessing your application, we regret to inform you that we are unable to offer you funding at this time.

Please note that due to a high volume of applications and limited funding, not all projects will be funded. In the event circumstances change and funds do become available, you will be contacted to proceed with next steps.

We appreciate your interest in the Canada Summer Jobs program and encourage you to apply next year. Please visit the Employment and Social Development Canada <u>funding page</u> for information on future funding opportunities.

If you have any questions, please contact us at the email address below.

Sincerely,

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