

AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELNORA VILLAGE COUNCIL

March 11,
2025
7:00 PM
Village
Office

Agenda prepared on March 6, 2025

Attendees: Mayor: Jul Bissell Deputy Mayor: Ron Duft Councillor: Lisa Ferguson

Interim CAO – Tina Williamson Ward
Zoom Meeting Attendees, Public

Agenda

1.0 Call to Order

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

- 2.1 Adds/Deletes
- 2.2 Motion to Adopt

3.0 Adoption of Minutes

- 3.1 **Minutes of Special Meeting** – December 27, 2024
- 3.2 **Minutes of Regular Meeting** – January 14, 2025
- 3.3 **Minutes of Special Meeting** – January 29, 2025
- 3.4 **Minutes of Regular Meeting** – February 10, 2025
- 3.5 **Minutes of Special Meeting** – January 18, 2025

4.0 Business Arising Out of Minutes

No matters

5.0 Bylaws, Policies

No matters

6.0 Delegation(s)

- 6.1 **Sgt Jamie Day/RCMP**
 - a) Q3 2024 Community Policing Report
 - b) 2025/2026 Annual Performance Plan
- 6.2 **Lloyd Cheshire** 219 Main Street Building

7.0 New Business

- 7.1 ATCO Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement Renewal
- 7.2 Royal Purple 65 years Celebration
- 7.3 Red Deer County Enforcement Contract for February 2025
- 7.4 ATCO Request to relocate transformer at 407 2 Ave Elnora
- 7.5 Youth Centre Relocation to 603 2nd Avenue

	<p>7.6 Financial Reporting Extension Request</p> <p>7.7 ABmunis Preliminary Analysis on Alberta's 2025 Budget</p>
8.0 Financial	<p>8.1 Monthly Statement – unavailable</p> <p>8.2 Council Cheque Listing – January - February 2025</p>
9.0 Correspondence	<p>9.1 Provincial Priorities Act – Municipal Affairs</p>
10.0 Council Reports	<p>10.1 Mayor Jul Bissell</p> <p>10.2 Deputy Mayor Ron Duft</p> <p>10.3 Councillor Lisa Ferguson</p>
11.0 Reports of Interim CAO & Public Works	<p>11.1 Interim CAO</p> <p> a) Administration Report – February 2025</p> <p>11.2 Public Works</p> <p> a) <i>Public Works Foreman</i> – February 2025</p>
12.0 Confidential	<p>No matters</p>
13.0 Adjournment	<p>NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 8, 2025</p>



2025-02-07

Jul R. Bissell
Mayor
Village of Elnora, AB

Dear Mayor Bissell,

Please find attached the quarterly Community Policing Report covering the period from October 1st to December 31st, 2024. This report serves to provide a quarterly snapshot of human resources, financial data, and crime statistics for the Three Hills RCMP Detachment.

In the coming weeks and months, we will be engaging with the community and holding town hall meetings as we have done in the past. This will provide us with an opportunity to interact with the community we serve and hear from them directly about what policing issues or priorities they would like our detachment to focus on. I look forward to attending these meetings to connect with our community and will be providing more details as we organize the town hall meetings.

I also want to inform you of the Real Times Operations Centre (RTOC) that is supporting RCMP detachments across Alberta. In October 2022, RTOC was established to optimize our response to incidents around the province. RTOC involves senior police officers monitoring policing operations in real-time, assessing incident risk, coordinating specialized and expert resources, and managing the response. They provide members on the ground with guidance, direction, and support. It is also used to coordinate the deployment of all RCMP resources – federal, provincial, and municipal, both within Alberta and, if required, nationally. The RTOC facility uses cutting-edge technology to provide real time support during emergency situations to RCMP officers across Alberta and is another measure used to enhance public and police officer safety.

I always remain available to discuss your community-identified priorities and any other ideas you may have that will enhance our service delivery to address the priorities that are important to you. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Sergeant Jamie Day
Detachment Commander
Three Hills RCMP Detachment





Alberta RCMP - Provincial Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name

Three Hills

Detachment Commander

Sergeant Jamie Day

Report Date

February 7, 2025

Fiscal Year

2024-25

Quarter

Q3 (October - December)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Mental Health

Updates and Comments:

Three Hills Detachment continues to work on a better response for Mental Health calls. Three Hills members have been using the new Drumheller RPACT team for referrals when form 10's are not applicable if the subject appears to need assistance. This hopefully in return will decrease in the amount of MHA calls and individuals are getting the proper assistance. Members are also completing the health IM app when applicable. In conclusion, great work from the detachment members and how they accepted this approach to try and help individuals in crisis.

Priority #2: Crime Prevention

Updates and Comments:

Three Hills Crime prevention member has completed search warrants over this reporting period and assisted with other members and completing their ITO's. Good progress has been made with search warrants and production orders. Every member in the office is completing ITO's and PO's on a regular basis and their confidence is building while strengthen this skill. Three Hills Rural Crime member is working on the drug properties in Delburne. The Rural Crime member just finished training a new member and will receive another new member in February. This has certainly impacted the position. NCO i/c spoke with member and requested member to try and use a bait item over the next quarter.





Priority #3: Road Safety

Updates and Comments:

Three Hills members continue to remove impaired drivers from Alberta's roadways. Three Hills member also attended SFST training over this reporting period to help when required with drug impaired investigations. Three Hills now has two members trained. Traffic stats are down most likely due to long term staffing issues and member fatigue. NCO i/c will monitor. Peace officers also dealing staffing issues which impacted JFO's. NCO i/c in regular contact with both RDC and KHC.

Priority #4: Communication/Correspondence with Police -

Updates and Comments:

NCO i/c attended community events, and stakeholder meetings over this quarter. Three Hills RCMP has excellent relationships with all stakeholders and NCO i/c meets with Mayor and Council members often at events on and off duty. NCO i/c presented all the elected officials from each area with the Detachment Commanders Certificate of Appreciation for being on the PAC board for the past 4 years. With an election year and Council members changing portfolios, NCO i/c wanted to do something special for each of them as a way to say thank you.





Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
November 23, 2024	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	
Crime Reduction Initiatives; Youth; Education Session	
Notes/Comments:	
Members attended Moonlight Christmas in Three Hills.	

Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
November 23, 2024	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Crime Reduction Initiatives; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Member attended local church in Three Hills to speak with seniors about general safety topics.	

Consultation #3

Date	Meeting Type
November 27, 2024	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Crime Reduction Initiatives; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Three Hills Detachment Commander attended Central Alberta Child Advocacy Centre presentation on hosted by Kneehill FCSS.	





Consultation #4

Date	Meeting Type
November 29, 2024	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Crime Reduction Initiatives; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Three Hills Detachment Commander attended Police Advisory Committee meeting.	

Consultation #5

Date	Meeting Type
December 8, 2024	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Crime Reduction Initiatives; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Detachment Commander attended meeting with Three Hills COP.	

Consultation #6

Date	Meeting Type
December 13, 2024	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Crime Reduction Initiatives; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Detachment Commander attended meeting with Trochu COP.	



Consultation #7

Date	Meeting Type
December 17, 2024	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	
Education Session; Regular Reporting/Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Detachment Commander attended Town Council meeting in Trochu.	





Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	7	5	1	1
Detachment Support	2	1	0	1

Notes:

1. Data extracted on December 31, 2024 and is subject to change.
2. Soft Vacancies are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.
3. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments:

Police Officers: Of the seven established positions, five officers are currently working with one on special leave (Medical leave). There is one hard vacancy at this time.

Detachment Support: Of the two established positions, one resource is currently working with none being on special leave. There is one hard vacancy at this time.





Three Hills Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) October - December: 2020 - 2024

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 6, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Change 2020 - 2024	% Change 2023 - 2024	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Robbery		0	0	3	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Sexual Assaults		2	1	4	4	3	50%	-25%	0.5
Other Sexual Offences		0	1	3	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.1
Assault		12	18	42	16	21	75%	31%	1.6
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Extortion		0	0	3	1	1	N/A	0%	0.3
Criminal Harassment		8	3	8	11	11	38%	0%	1.4
Uttering Threats		4	12	13	12	16	300%	33%	2.4
TOTAL PERSONS		26	35	76	45	55	112%	22%	6.8
Break & Enter		16	22	26	20	15	-6%	-25%	-0.4
Theft of Motor Vehicle		8	6	7	7	3	-63%	-57%	-0.9
Theft Over \$5,000		3	6	1	3	2	-33%	-33%	-0.5
Theft Under \$5,000		32	17	29	33	13	-59%	-61%	-2.2
Possn Stn Goods		1	16	9	7	4	300%	-43%	-0.3
Fraud		11	21	11	18	14	27%	-22%	0.3
Arson		1	0	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
Mischief - Damage To Property		20	13	25	23	4	-80%	-83%	-2.2
Mischief - Other		0	1	4	7	3	N/A	-57%	1.2
TOTAL PROPERTY		92	102	113	119	58	-37%	-51%	-5.1
Offensive Weapons		4	5	3	4	5	25%	25%	0.1
Disturbing the peace		7	1	4	5	5	-29%	0%	0.0
Fail to Comply & Breaches		14	37	38	13	11	-21%	-15%	-3.0
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		7	8	7	11	18	157%	64%	2.5
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		32	51	52	33	39	22%	18%	-0.4
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		150	188	241	197	152	1%	-23%	1.3



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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Drug Enforcement - Possession		0	3	1	2	5	N/A	150%	0.9
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		1	1	2	2	1	0%	-50%	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		1	4	3	4	7	600%	75%	1.2
Cannabis Enforcement		3	1	3	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.6
Federal - General		0	2	1	4	1	N/A	-75%	0.4
TOTAL FEDERAL		4	7	7	9	8	100%	-11%	1.0
Liquor Act		2	5	7	5	11	450%	120%	1.8
Cannabis Act		1	0	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
Mental Health Act		16	33	27	34	19	19%	-44%	0.7
Other Provincial Stats		29	41	39	60	51	76%	-15%	6.3
Total Provincial Stats		48	79	73	100	81	69%	-19%	8.7
Municipal By-laws Traffic		3	0	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.5
Municipal By-laws		8	1	2	6	4	-50%	-33%	-0.3
Total Municipal		11	1	3	7	4	-64%	-43%	-0.8
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		16	4	1	9	5	-69%	-44%	-1.7
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		44	73	55	61	41	-7%	-33%	-1.8
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		12	1	13	15	3	-75%	-80%	-0.4
TOTAL MVC		72	78	69	85	49	-32%	-42%	-3.9
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	5	5	2	7	N/A	250%	1.1
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Total Provincial Traffic		194	213	139	218	177	-9%	-19%	-2.9
Other Traffic		5	4	2	2	2	-60%	0%	-0.8
Criminal Code Traffic		16	46	18	23	14	-13%	-39%	-2.7
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		7	10	12	5	15	114%	200%	1.1
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		3	0	1	0	4	33%	N/A	0.2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		9	4	4	7	11	22%	57%	0.7
Persons Reported Missing		3	2	6	1	3	0%	200%	-0.1
Search Warrants		2	1	8	1	2	0%	100%	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		35	31	31	25	33	-6%	32%	-1.0
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		2	3	2	2	2	0%	0%	-0.1



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Robbery		3	0	3	2	2	-33%	0%	0.0
Sexual Assaults		5	15	13	10	5	0%	-50%	-0.5
Other Sexual Offences		2	11	14	6	8	300%	33%	0.7
Assault		60	76	147	102	97	62%	-5%	10.0
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		2	2	6	6	1	-50%	-83%	0.2
Extortion		0	0	17	9	2	N/A	-78%	1.3
Criminal Harassment		29	36	55	49	51	76%	4%	5.7
Uttering Threats		26	36	37	60	44	69%	-27%	6.0
TOTAL PERSONS		127	177	297	247	213	68%	-14%	24.2
Break & Enter		75	97	142	121	81	8%	-33%	3.6
Theft of Motor Vehicle		36	45	41	27	25	-31%	-7%	-4.0
Theft Over \$5,000		17	21	19	11	14	-18%	27%	-1.6
Theft Under \$5,000		107	127	159	138	91	-15%	-34%	-2.1
Possn Stn Goods		31	63	61	51	36	16%	-29%	-0.2
Fraud		47	54	53	72	61	30%	-15%	4.6
Arson		8	4	6	5	0	-100%	-100%	-1.5
Mischief - Damage To Property		80	91	135	88	53	-34%	-40%	-5.7
Mischief - Other		39	33	50	52	26	-33%	-50%	-0.7
TOTAL PROPERTY		440	535	666	565	387	-12%	-32%	-7.6
Offensive Weapons		13	21	20	28	23	77%	-18%	2.7
Disturbing the peace		35	17	14	21	24	-31%	14%	-1.8
Fail to Comply & Breaches		66	85	134	83	77	17%	-7%	2.0
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		30	46	55	63	75	150%	19%	10.7
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		144	169	223	195	199	38%	2%	13.6
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		711	881	1,186	1,007	799	12%	-21%	30.2



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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	1	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Possession		7	14	9	12	20	186%	67%	2.4
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		4	17	17	17	16	300%	-6%	2.4
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Total Drugs		11	32	26	29	38	245%	31%	5.1
Cannabis Enforcement		7	7	5	6	1	-86%	-83%	-1.3
Federal - General		2	10	7	8	8	300%	0%	1.0
TOTAL FEDERAL		20	49	38	43	47	135%	9%	4.8
Liquor Act		11	20	24	25	28	155%	12%	3.9
Cannabis Act		3	4	2	3	5	67%	67%	0.3
Mental Health Act		79	99	126	166	132	67%	-20%	17.3
Other Provincial Stats		125	172	192	248	262	110%	6%	35.0
Total Provincial Stats		218	295	344	442	427	96%	-3%	56.5
Municipal By-laws Traffic		6	1	8	7	4	-33%	-43%	0.2
Municipal By-laws		29	17	10	70	45	55%	-36%	8.5
Total Municipal		35	18	18	77	49	40%	-36%	8.7
Fatals		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Injury MVC		20	18	12	19	25	25%	32%	1.1
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		120	173	169	176	126	5%	-28%	1.5
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		46	7	25	39	23	-50%	-41%	-1.4
TOTAL MVC		186	200	206	234	174	-6%	-26%	1.0
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	21	35	17	23	N/A	35%	4.2
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	1	0	3	1	N/A	-67%	0.4
Total Provincial Traffic		792	784	772	969	977	23%	1%	55.5
Other Traffic		14	6	11	8	10	-29%	25%	-0.6
Criminal Code Traffic		49	109	99	92	72	47%	-22%	2.9
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		32	46	45	33	46	44%	39%	1.5
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		37	2	4	3	7	-81%	133%	-5.9
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		115	6	26	38	35	-70%	-8%	-12.8
Persons Reported Missing		7	15	29	13	16	129%	23%	1.6
Search Warrants		10	12	30	15	7	-30%	-53%	-0.3
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		86	97	114	115	150	74%	30%	14.6
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		5	9	12	9	10	100%	11%	1.0



NCO i/c RCMP
Three Hills RCMP Detachment
PO Box 520
Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0

Your File

Interm CAO Tina Williamson-Ward
Village of Elnora
PO Box 629
Elnora, AB T0M 0Y0

Our File

February 21, 2025

Dear Interm CAO Williamson-Ward,

**Annual Performance Plan 2025/2026
Village of Elnora - Municipal Policing Priorities
Three Hills RCMP Detachment**

In preparation of the 2025 / 2026 Annual Performance Plan for the Three Hills Detachment, I am requesting that the Village of Elnora please provide me with their policing priorities for the coming year. Last year (2024 / 2025), the Village of Elnora identified their policing priorities as:

1. Rural Crime Reduction
2. Police Visibility - Community Engagement
3. Enhance Traffic Safety - Partnering with Community Peace Officers
4. Mental Health

If possible, can you please reply to my request for your policing priorities by March 21, 2025, as my intent is to have the entire Annual Performance Plan completed by April 1, 2025. If you have any questions or require further clarification on my request, please contact me at (403) 443-5539 or jamie.day@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

Thank you


Sgt. Jamie Day
Detachment Commander
Three Hills RCMP Detachment

February 27, 2025

Village of Elnora
PO Box 629
Elnora, AB
T0M 0Y0

Attention: Ms. Sharon Wesgate, Chief Administrative Officer

RE: Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement Renewal

The term of the natural gas franchise agreement between the Village of Elnora and ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. is set to expire in February of 2026 and we would like this letter to indicate our intent to start the renewal process.

We completed a review of the franchise agreement currently in place and noted that the Village of Elnora currently collects franchise fees in addition to property tax values (known as a *Method A&P* community).

We would like to arrange a mutually convenient time for a meeting to discuss the renewal of the franchise agreement and the applicable terms.

Please contact me at 587-679-1423 or kyla.belich@atco.com with any questions and to discuss the renewal further.

Yours truly,

Kyla Belich

Kyla Belich
Senior Manager, Red Deer Operations
ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd.



Request for Decision

To: Village Council

From: Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk

Subject: Royal Purple 65 years Celebration

PURPOSE

To have Council consider sending representatives to the Royal Purple 65 years Celebration on April 12, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

The Trenville Royal Purple Elks is having a 65th Celebration on the 12th of April 2025. The Trenville Royal Purple Elks has been a long-standing board within the Community and has requested a Council Representative, in part or in whole, to attend their festivities.

OPTIONS:

1. Council can move to direct the Interim CAO to RSVP on behalf of Council to attend the event.
2. Council can move to direct the Interim CAO to send Council's regrets.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Village Council discuss

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL:

PREPARED BY:

Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk

Please join us in
Celebrating 65 years of
Trenville Royal Purple Elks
248.



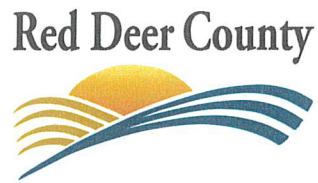
Date: April 12, 2025

Time: Cocktails: 5 pm.
Dinner: 6 pm.

Place: Elnora Community Hall
407 2 Ave.
Elnora, Alberta

RSVP by March 15th, 2025

e-mail reply to Loretta at:
balesrus@hotmail.com
or call 403-442-2389



PROTECTIVE SERVICES
38106 Range Road 275
Red Deer County, AB T4S 2L9
Phone: 403.343.6301
Fax: 403.347.0572

March 3, 2025

Village of Elnora
P.O. Box 629
Elnora, AB
T0M 0Y0

Sent Via Email to: cao@villageofelnora.com

Attention: Sharon Wesgate, CAO

Dear Madam:

Re: February 2025 Enforcement Contract

Please be advised for the month of February, Red Deer County Patrol Officers spent 5 hours and 15 minutes in the Village of Elnora.

There were no tickets issued in the month of February.

I trust you will find the foregoing satisfactory, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Irv Heide".

Sgt. Irv Heide
Patrol Manager,
Red Deer County, Protective Services

February 07, 2025

Village of Elnora
Box 629
Elnora, Alberta
T0M 0Y0

Attention Sharon Westgate:

Re: Proposal for 407-2 Ave Elnora Site ID: 0010740186017
Our File: 1121403

Thank you for giving ATCO Electric the opportunity to submit a Proposal at the above noted location. The cost and technical details presented in this proposal are based on information provided by you at the time of application. A site visit may be completed after proposal acceptance depending on the negotiated in-service date.

Commercial Terms

- Firm Cost: Transformer Relocation to Existing Pole 904162
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service
Original Cost: \$13,951.86

Customer Contribution: \$13,951.86
GST: \$697.59
Cost To Customer: \$14,649.45

Distribution contract demand: 0 kW
Rate minimum monthly demand: D21-5 kW
- Firm Cost: Transformer Relocation to New Pole
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service
Original Cost: \$13,951.86

Customer Contribution: \$13,951.86
GST: \$697.59
Cost To Customer: \$14,649.45

Distribution contract demand: 0 kW
Rate minimum monthly demand: D21-5 kW
- Firm Cost: Two New poles and Transformer Relocation
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service
Original Cost: \$16,807.02

Customer Contribution: \$16,807.02
GST: \$840.35
Cost To Customer: \$17,647.37

Distribution contract demand:
Rate minimum monthly demand:

0 kW
D21-5 kW

Based on our initial review of the project requirements, we estimate it will take 77 calendar days to complete. Please review the contents of the proposal carefully and provide your acceptance or rejection; to meet the requested in-service date of May 16, 2025 your response is required by February 28, 2025.

Thank you for working with us to provide your electric service requirements. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this proposal, please call me at 587 282 6048.

Ebony Atkinson
Customer Connection Expeditor
1-587-282-6048
Ebony.Atkinson@atco.com

Scope of Services
407-2 Ave Elnora Site ID: 0010740186017
Project #1121403

Customer responsibility to the project includes:

- Staking final grade in area of construction.
- Supplying site specific survey as required.
- **Supplying and installing a CSA approved meter base.**
- **Ensuring any required municipal development permits are in place.**
- Supplying and installing any electrical protection required on the customer side of the transformer.
- Providing ATCO Electric with an electrical permit prior to connection of service.
- Providing and installed customer owned Riser pole
- **Remitting payment to ATCO Electric. An invoice will be submitted to you following receipt of your acceptance of this proposal.**
- **Signing and returning the Customer Acknowledgement Project Acceptance page of this proposal. The Land Title holder must sign the proposal.**
- If secondary is overhead:
 - Supplying and installing all secondary conductor and connectors on the load side of the transformer.
 - Supplying and installing a service mast.
- If secondary is underground:
 - Supplying and installing secondary conductor in conduits in standoff brackets on the load side of pole mounted transformers to ATCO Electric standards.

ATCO Electric's responsibility to the project includes:

- Supplying and installing structures, equipment and hardware.
- Supply and installing a 50kVA 120/240V pole mount transformer
- Acquiring easements and external approvals as required. Cost of this project is subject to ATCO Electric's ability to acquire easements for the routing identified in this proposal.

This estimate is subject to the following assumptions:

Route selection and ability to acquire third party approvals required for route selection, site location and scope of work determined using customer provided information does not change. **Any customer made changes after acceptance will be invoiced to the customer.**

The [Customer Guide to New Extensions](#) details the process we'll follow to connect your new service to the electricity distribution grid.

Installing a new or upgraded service that will be energized by ATCO? Check out our [Customer Metering and Service Guide](#) to make sure the meter is installed correctly and safely. This guide provides metering configurations and specifications for most services under 750 volts.

Additional Terms of Agreement
407-2 Ave Elnora Site ID: 0010740186017
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1. **This Proposal for Electric Service is valid for 90 calendar days from the date of this proposal.**
2. Customer acceptance of ATCO Electric's Cost Proposal is required before ATCO Electric will proceed with the project. Customer acceptance or rejection is recognized at the time ATCO Electric receives a signed copy of the Customer Acknowledgement Project Acceptance page from the customer.
3. Upon receiving the Customer's acceptance, ATCO Electric will commence with planning and construction activities. An invoice to the Customer for the full amount of the Customer Contribution to the project will be forwarded prior to construction completion. The customer is responsible for paying the full amount of the invoice within 30 calendar days of receipt from ATCO Electric.
4. Electric service will be delivered under our current price schedule D21, D21, D21. Price schedules and company investments are in accordance with the ATCO Electric Customer Terms and Conditions for Electric Distribution Service as approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission.
5. The minimum monthly charge while idle shall be as per the applicable price schedule. Price schedules are found on <https://electric.atco.com/content/dam/web/atco-electric/rates/atco-tandcs-customer.pdf>.
6. The customer has the right to cancel this project at any time. The customer must notify ATCO Electric of its desire to cancel the project by contacting the ATCO Electric Representative listed on the Customer Acknowledgement Proposal Acceptance page of this proposal in writing.
7. Customers who cancel a project prior to accepting ATCO Electric's Proposal are not responsible for costs incurred by ATCO Electric to prepare the Proposal.
8. **Customers who cancel a project after accepting ATCO Electric's Proposal are responsible and will be invoiced for the full amount of ATCO Electric services and costs incurred from the date of the customer application up to and including the date of cancellation.**
9. This Proposal for Electric Service is subject to the ATCO Electric Customer Terms and Conditions for Electric Distribution Service found on <https://electric.atco.com/content/dam/web/atco-electric/rates/atco-tandcs-customer.pdf>. These Terms and Conditions are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission and are amended from time to time. If there is any conflict or inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Proposal for Electric Service and the terms and conditions of the ATCO Electric Customer Terms and Conditions for Electric Distribution Service, the ATCO Electric Customer Terms and Conditions for Electric Distribution Service shall prevail to the extent of the conflict or inconsistency.
10. The service described herein is provided for the Customer's use only at the said location, and the Customer shall not permit any other person to use such service.
11. The Developer/Customer/Landlord must notify the Company prior to any changes to Customer Information including but not limited to changes to dwelling unit numbers, as the Company relies on this information to carry out its billing and settlement responsibilities to Customers and Retailers. The Company shall not be liable for any loss, damages, cost, injury, expense or other liability, whether direct, indirect, consequential or special in nature, howsoever caused, as a result of the failure of the Developer/Customer/Landlord to provide up-to-date and accurate Customer Information the Company. The Company reserves the right to assess a charge for additional processing work undertaken by the Company as a result of inaccurate Customer Information provided by the Developer/Customer/Landlord.
12. ATCO Electric retains ownership and is responsible for the maintenance of the distribution facilities.
13. Site identification numbers will be provided on your acceptance of this proposal.
14. Customers are free to purchase electricity services from a retailer of their choice. For a list of retailers, visit ucahelps.alberta.ca or call 310-4822 (toll free in Alberta). ATCO's employees are unable to provide a recommended supplier.

15. For your additional assistance, ATCO Electric has developed the [Customer Guide to New Extensions](#) to help customers understand our business practices and processes for new or upgraded electric services. Your ATCO Electric Customer Connection Expeditor is available to review details of the Customer Guide with you at your convenience.

Customer Acknowledgement
Project Response
407-2 Ave Elnora Site ID: 0010740186017
Project #1121403

Project Scope and Commercial Terms

<input type="checkbox"/> Firm Cost: Transformer Relocation to Existing Pole 904162	
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service	
Original Cost:	\$13,951.86
Customer Contribution:	\$13,951.86
GST:	\$697.59
Cost To Customer:	\$14,649.45
Distribution contract demand:	0 kW
Rate minimum monthly demand:	D21-5 kW
<input type="checkbox"/> Firm Cost: Transformer Relocation to New Pole	
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service	
Original Cost:	\$13,951.86
Customer Contribution:	\$13,951.86
GST:	\$697.59
Cost To Customer:	\$14,649.45
Distribution contract demand:	0 kW
Rate minimum monthly demand:	D21-5 kW
<input type="checkbox"/> Firm Cost: Two New poles and Transformer Relocation	
Rate Schedule: D21 General Service	
Original Cost:	\$16,807.02
Customer Contribution:	\$16,807.02
GST:	\$840.35
Cost To Customer:	\$17,647.37
Distribution contract demand:	0 kW
Rate minimum monthly demand:	D21-5 kW

Project Response

Accept Proposal Reject Proposal

On behalf of Village of Elnora, I _____ am authorized to execute this agreement. I acknowledge that I have reviewed this Proposal for Electric Service in its entirety and understand these Terms and Conditions, Additional Terms of Agreement, Project Scope and Commercial Terms and agree to be bound by them.

Customer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Your opinion matters to us!

But if you would prefer to **not** receive a follow-up survey regarding the services provided by ATCO, please initial here: _____


Please send the completed form to:

By Email to Ebony.Atkinson@atco.com or CustomerAcceptance@atco.com

By Mail to Attn: Ebony Atkinson

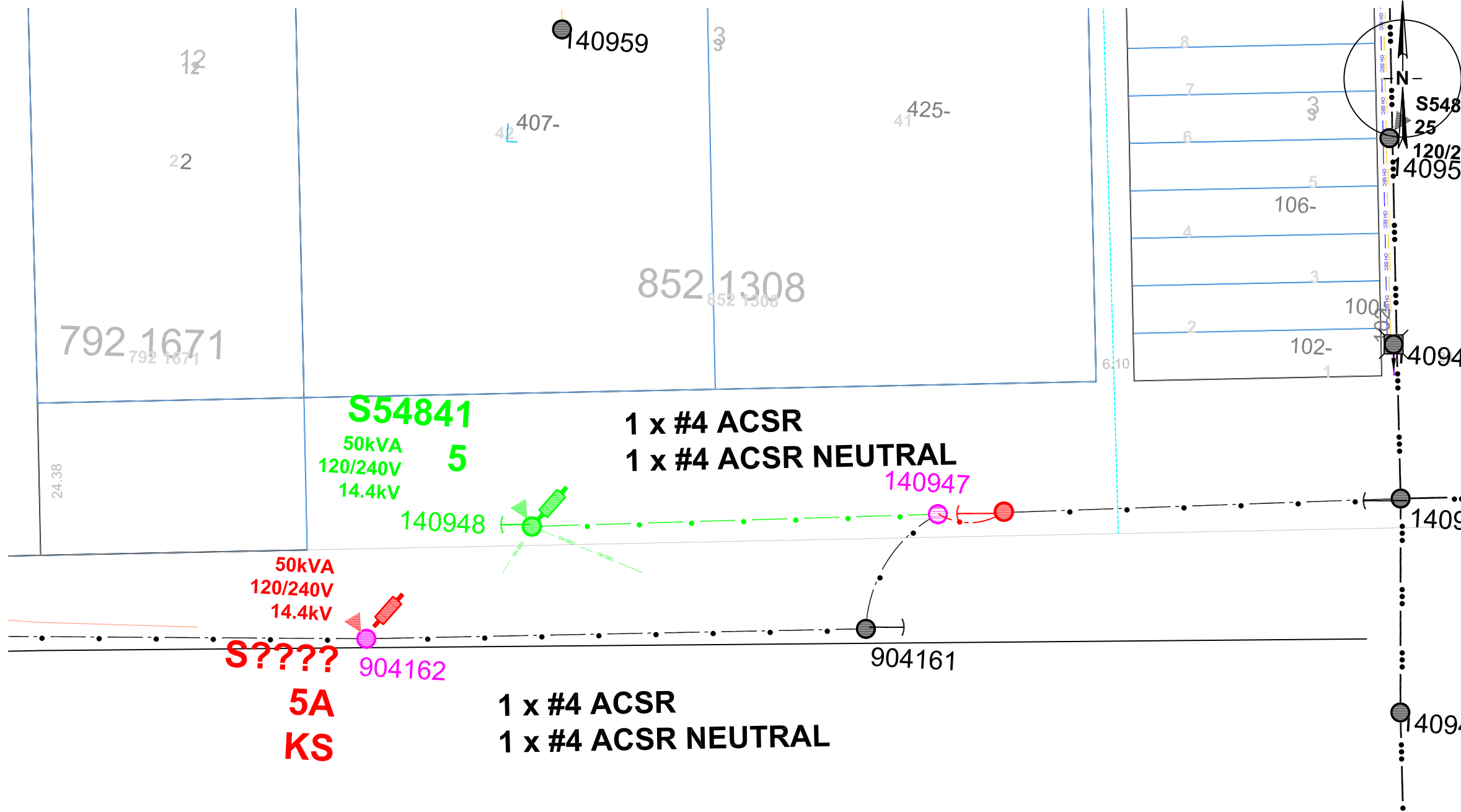
ATCO Electric
4105 50 Avenue
Stettler Alberta
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Sincerely,



Ebony Atkinson
Customer Connection Expeditor
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Option 1: Salvage approx 65m of #4 ACSR 14.4kV ATCO OH and Neutral Salvage secondary lines.
 Salvage Fuse S54841
 Relocate 50kva 120/240V polemount transformer to pole 904162
 Install new fuse

Build approx 10m of #4 ACSR 14.4kV ATCO OH with Neutral
 Install 7m anchor to the west

Customer is responsible to provide riser pole and bore their secondary to pole 904162

NOTES:
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 MAGENTA - MODIFY GREEN - SALVAGE
 CYAN - REPLACE OR RE-CONDUCTOR

3. SITE ID: 0010740186017

AS BUILT

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Date: _____

Crew Lead _____ (print name)

Crew Lead _____ (Signature)

LEGEND:

POWER POLE	RISER POLE	ANCHOR
TRANSFORMER: O/H 1PH	O/H 3PH	PADMOUNT
O/H 1 PHASE	O/H 3 PHASE	
O/H 1PH. W/ NEUTRAL	O/H 3PH. W/ NEUTRAL	
U/G 1 PHASE	U/G 3 PHASE	
LUMINAIRE	PEDESTAL	PRIMARY METER: O/H
REGULATOR	SWITCH CUBE	PULL BOX
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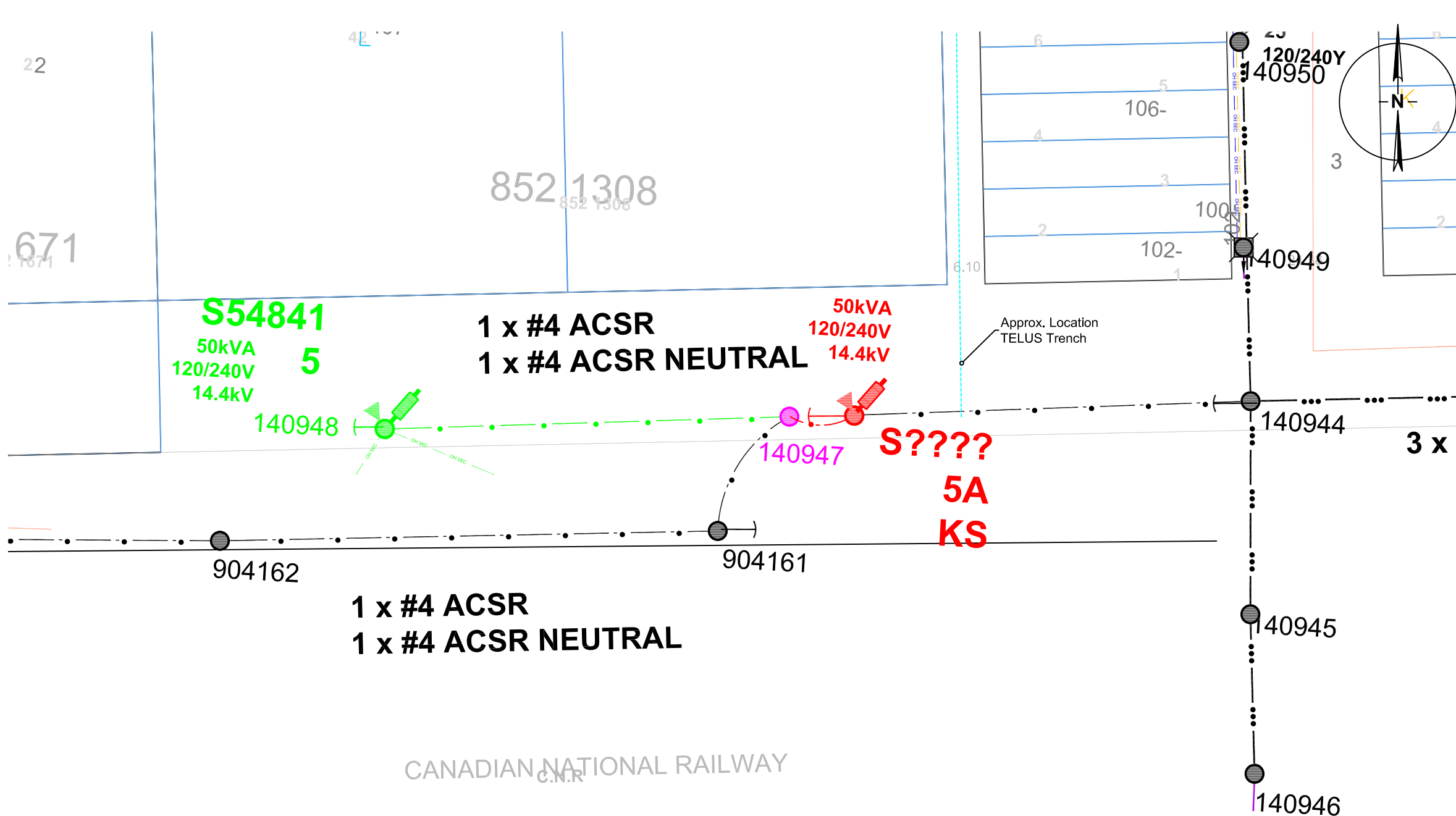
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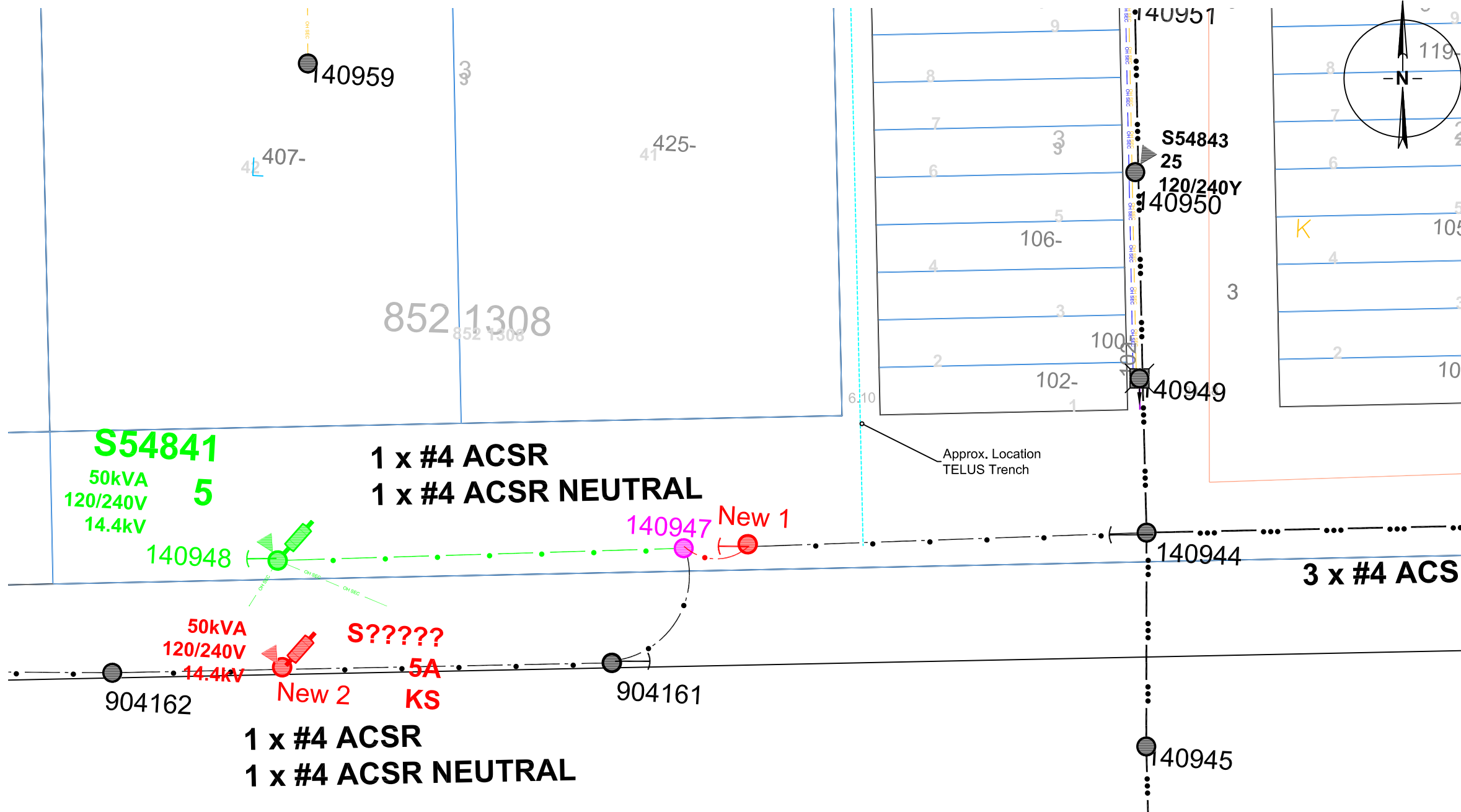
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Option 2: Install a new pole about 10m to the east of pole 140947, install a 7m anchor to the west and slack span 10m to pole 140947. Re use existing 50kva 120/240V polemount transformer

Customer is required to supply riser and bring their underground to the new pole.

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Option 3: Build approx 10m of #4 ACSR 14.4kV ATCO OH with Neutral
 Deep set pole #1 and install 7m anchor West
 Salvage approx 65m of #4 ACSR 14.4kV ATCO OH with neutral
 Relocate existing 50kVA 120/240V polemount transformer to New pole #2
 Install new 5A KS fuse

Customer responsible for riser pole on New pole #2
 Customer is responsible for trenching their underground to their riser pole on #2



Request for Decision

To: Village Council

From: Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk

Subject: Youth Centre Location

PURPOSE

To have Council consider the relocation of the Youth Centre to the Community Church basement located at 603 2nd Avenue.

BACKGROUND:

The Elnora Youth Centre has been displaced and needs to relocate. The Elnora Community Church is willing to house the Elnora Youth Centre in the basement of the Community Church. This location previously housed the Elnora Playschool prior to them moving to the Elnora School and is suitable to meet the needs of the Elnora Youth Centre with some alterations and maintenance/repairs.

As per the Services Funding Agreement with Red Deer FCSS, the Village of Elnora is obligated to stay within the budget guidelines outlined in the agreement. To ensure budget obligations are being met, it is recommended that the Village offer the Elnora Community Church \$500.00 for facility rental and utilities, assume all alteration costs needed for the youth centre, and pay for maintenance costs up to the budgeted amount.

OPTIONS: (Council can alter the recommended amount)

1. Council can move to enter into a month-to-month agreement with the Elnora Community Church, in the amount of \$500.00 for facility rental and utilities. Additionally, Council can move assume all alteration costs needed for the youth centre and pay for maintenance costs up to the budgeted amount.
2. Council can move to enter into a lease agreement with the Elnora Community Church, in the amount of \$500.00 for facility rental and utilities until December of 2026, the term of the funding agreement. Additionally, Council can move assume all alteration costs needed for the youth centre and pay for maintenance costs up to the budgeted amount.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Village Council discuss

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$2,400.00 budget alteration to supplement in-kind obligations as per the City of Red Deer FCSS Support Service Funding Agreement. Utilities, alterations, and maintenance costs are provided for in the aforementioned agreement.

LEGAL:

PREPARED BY:

Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk



Request for Decision

To: Village Council

From: Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk

Subject: Financial Reporting Extension Request

PURPOSE

To have Council consider requesting an extension of your Financial Reporting Obligations.

BACKGROUND:

The Village of Elnora Financial Audit was scheduled for the 3rd and 4th of March 2025. Due to resignation of the former CAO, the relocation of the municipal office, and resulting accumulation of unperformed tasks, the Village Office was not prepared for the Financial Auditors and will need to reschedule once audit preparation has been completed. Financial Reporting Extension Request Evaluation Criteria is attached and incorporated by this reference.

OPTIONS:

1. Council can move to request a Financial Reporting Extension with Municipal Affairs

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Village Council discuss and move to request a Financial Reporting Extension with Municipal Affairs.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL:

PREPARED BY:

Tina Williamson-Ward, Admin Clerk

Financial Reporting Extension Requests

Evaluation Criteria

Time extensions to submit financial reporting, including the Financial Statements (FS) and Financial Information Return (FIR) may only be provided under the following criteria:

- The municipality or RSC was affected by a catastrophic event (e.g. major natural disaster or loss of municipal office).
- The chief administrative officer (CAO) and/or the chief financial officer (CFO) passed away or was on extended medical leave during the period between January 1 and May 1 of the year that the FIR or the FS are due.
- The CAO and/or the CFO position was vacant for more than a month in the municipality or RSC between January 1 and May 1 of the year that the FIR or the FS are due.
- A criminal investigation or forensic audit is taking place due to an occurrence of fraud in the municipality or RSC.
- An audit of the municipality or RSC by the Minister is taking place, or took place, between January 1 and May 1 of the year that the FIR or the FS are due.
- The municipality is a shareholder of a Municipally Controlled Corporation which has yet to submit their FS to the shareholder municipality(s), which are to be incorporated into the shareholder municipality(s)'s FS in order to be completed.
- The municipality or RSC is subject to a significant restatement of the FS from the prior financial year, typically resulting in the reissuing of a signed financial statement.

Extension requests outside of the specific criteria will not be approved.

Procedures to Request Extensions

Where a municipality or RSC requests an extension:

- The request must be:
 - submitted using ma.updates@gov.ab.ca or through the submission portal link;
 - received between April 1 and April 15 from the requesting municipality;
 - include a council/board resolution requesting the extension; and
 - clearly explain how the request meets the evaluation criteria.
- Requests received in the period indicated above will be reviewed by ministry staff to determine whether the request meets the evaluation criteria.
- For requests that meet the evaluation criteria, a time extension up to June 30th may be recommended for a ministerial order, and, if approved, will be sent out shortly after the May 1st reporting deadline.
- For requests that are not received in the period noted above, or that do not meet the evaluation criteria, the CAO will be informed by email that their request for a time extension is not accepted.

Multiple Extension Requests

Multiple time extension requests will not be accepted or approved.

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Introduction

Alberta Municipalities is pleased to provide our members with this preliminary analysis of the 2025-26 Alberta Budget. This budget focuses on meeting the demands of growth and economic uncertainty. Municipalities provide the foundational infrastructure and services that support Alberta's population and economy. Our analysis examines how the provincial government is meeting the needs of municipalities and areas for improvement. It is our hope that this will lead to ongoing conversations between municipal councils and the Alberta Government on the various challenges facing communities.

What you will find in this document

This document includes ABmunis' preliminary analysis of Alberta's 2025-26 budget as it relates to:

- Municipal priorities,
- Details of provincial funding for municipal governments,
- Potential impacts on provincial education property taxes and municipal property taxes,
- Decisions that may impact the financial future of Alberta's municipal governments,
- A summary of the province's fiscal outlook, and
- Highlights of individual ministry business plans that most impact Albertans at the local level.

Priorities for Alberta's Municipal Governments

Infrastructure Funding

In 2011, the Government of Alberta was investing \$444 per Albertan in municipal infrastructure. In Budget 2025, that figure is estimated to be \$321 per Albertan, without considering the impact of inflation.¹

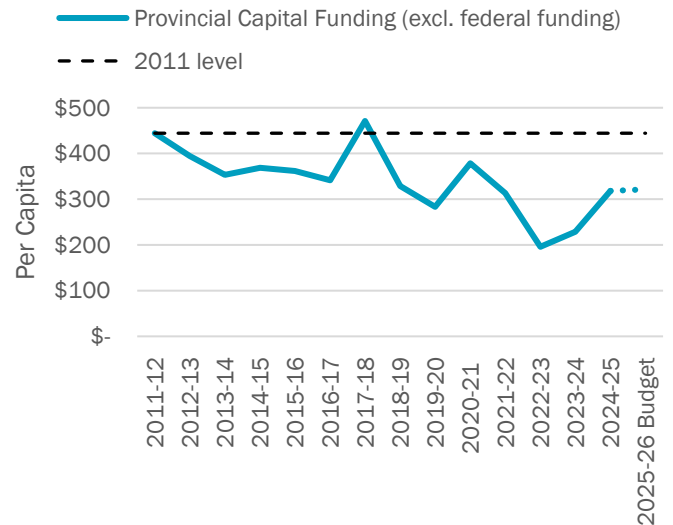
ABmunis acknowledges that the provincial programs that are available to most municipalities will increase by \$48 million in 2025-26, primarily due to the planned increase in the Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital program. However, we are concerned that the collective budget of provincial capital funding to municipalities, including one-time projects, is \$17 million lower than the 2024-25 budget. For example, in 2023 members adopted a resolution calling for the province to create a program to support high-growth communities. Therefore, we are disappointed that the province is discontinuing the short-lived Local Growth and Sustainability Grant. Further analysis of provincial infrastructure funding is provided in the Core Capital Funding for Municipalities section of this report.

Later this year, ABmunis will release findings of our new research that will provide the provincial government and Albertans a better picture of our current path for communities and the benefits of investing in infrastructure.

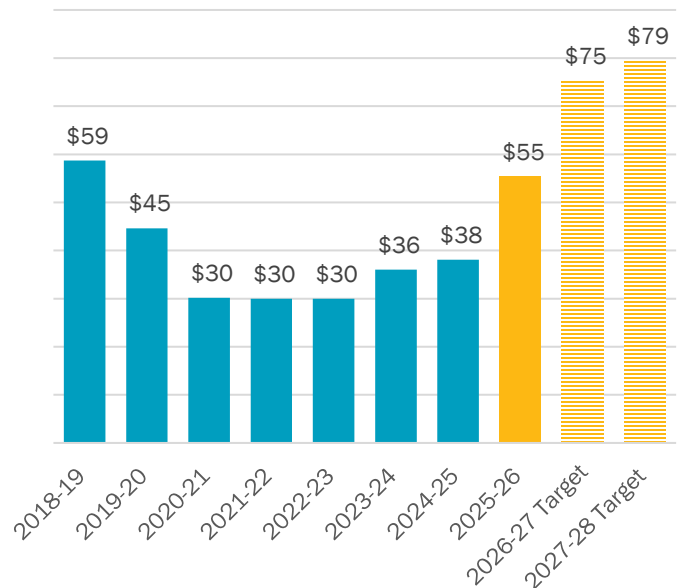
Grants in Place of Taxes (GIPOT)

In 2019-20, the Government of Alberta implemented a policy change whereby funding to municipalities for services to provincial properties would be cut to 50 per cent of the eligible property tax amount. This had an adverse impact on communities whose property owners were forced to cover the bill, while Albertans in other communities still benefited from provincial facilities such as hospitals, schools, and courthouses. ABmunis and our members made the case that the province should contribute its fair share to cover the infrastructure and services that municipalities provide to provincial properties, just like any other property owner. We are pleased the province listened: starting in 2025-26, GIPOT funding will be paid to municipalities at 75 per cent of the property tax amount that would be owed, equal to \$55 million. Next year it will increase to 100 per cent. We applaud the province for restoring this funding.

Total Provincial Funding for Municipal Infrastructure
(Per capita; excluding federal funding)

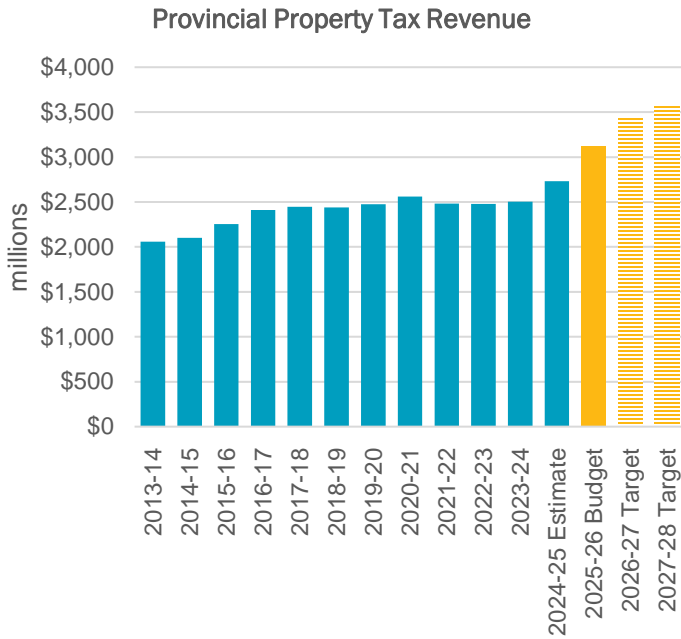


Provincial Grants in Place of Taxes (millions)



¹ Figures represent provincial capital funding programs plus specific projects funded outside of a program that municipalities receive directly. Figures for 2011 to 2024 are sourced based on reported actuals or year-end estimates in Alberta's annual Government Estimates reports and population numbers are based on Statistics Canada Table 17-10-0005-01, assuming a 2.5% increase in Alberta's population for 2025.

Provincial Property Taxes Increase



In last year's budget, the province forecasted that revenue from provincial education property taxes would increase by \$123 million in 2025-26. However, the province has made a surprising move to increase education tax rates by 6.3 per cent on residential property and 6.4 per cent on non-residential property. This translates to a \$392 million (14.3 per cent) increase in tax revenue that the province will collect from homeowners and business property owners compared to 2024-25.

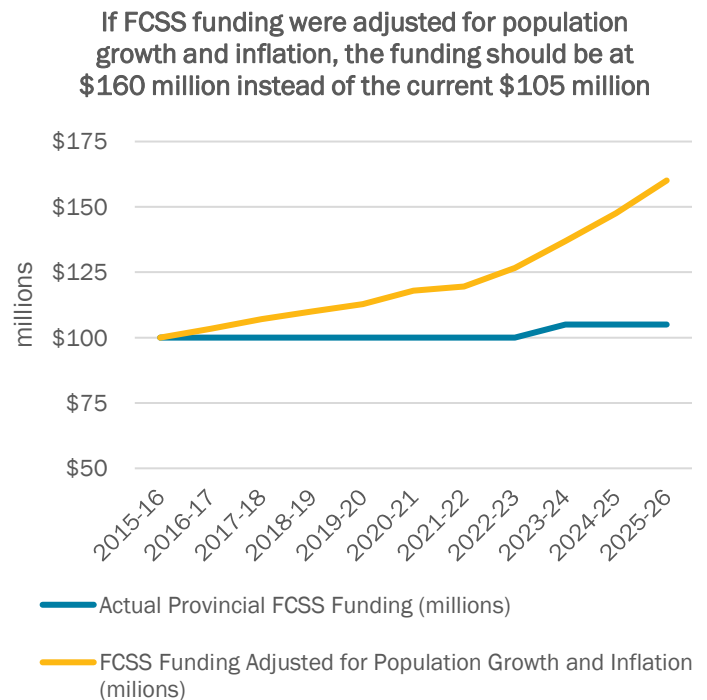
The increase represents a shift of the provincial tax burden onto the property tax base when the province has other more transparent and efficient revenue generation options. In contrast, property taxes are the main source of revenue for municipalities who are managing increased costs and expectations. As such, we continue to call on the province for adequate levels of operational and capital support from the provincial budget to ensure fair distribution of taxation to Albertans for critical and mandatory services.

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)

ABmunis is concerned to see that funding for FCSS has remained stagnant at \$105 million for 2025-26. FCSS is an 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities or Métis Settlements. Under FCSS, communities design and deliver social programs that are preventive in nature to promote and enhance well-being among individuals, families and communities.

There are currently 210 local FCSS programs across Alberta providing services to 316 municipalities and Métis Settlements, most of which can be considered as "rural" or "small town." According to a recent [University of Alberta report](#), 63 per cent of rural FCSS offices rely on municipal contributions, well over their required 20 per cent. Of those respondents whose municipalities overcontribute, almost 43 per cent estimated that the true contribution of their municipality is higher than 35 per cent of their FCSS program's budget.

ABmunis has long advocated for FCSS funding to keep up with population growth and inflation. Last year, ABmunis members passed a [resolution](#) calling for the Government of Alberta to immediately increase provincial funding for FCSS to \$161.5 million in 2025 to account for Alberta's growth and inflation. This would be an incredibly cost-effective investment because every dollar invested in preventive services saves \$7 to \$12 in future spending on justice, health care, and addiction.



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The graph above compares actual provincial FCSS funding over the past ten years to what funding amounts would be had funding kept pace with population growth and inflation. To maintain 2015 per capita FCSS funding levels while addressing these factors, the province would need to invest an additional \$55.1 million in the program.

In addition to stagnant FCSS funding, we note a 12.5 per cent decrease (\$2 million) in funding for Alberta's Community Initiative Program, and a 23 per cent (\$20 million) year-on-year decrease in preventative programs related to mental health and addictions. ABmunis is interested in the potential impact of these decreases.

Affordable and Seniors' Housing

Advocating for improved access to affordable housing, as well as the supports and services needed to maintain housing and prevent homelessness, is a strategic priority for ABmunis. The pressing need for investment in affordable housing is highlighted by the number of [related resolutions](#) recently passed by ABmunis members.

Budget 2025 allocates \$343 million to programs that support social, specialized, and affordable housing, including rental assistance. This is an increase of \$23 million (7.2 per cent) from 2024-25, and will address pressures in rental assistance from market conditions; support housing providers with operational pressures to maintain service quality; and support lodge operators providing housing to low-income seniors. The 2025 Capital Plan allocates \$1.1 billion over three years to enhance affordable housing and social supports across the province. Combined with related Capital Maintenance and Renewal (CMR) funding, \$1.2 billion is being allocated to housing and seniors' facilities.

The Government of Alberta released its [provincial affordable housing strategy](#) in November 2021. The primary goal of the provincial affordable housing strategy is to support up to 25,000 more households, an increase of 44 per cent. This will be accomplished by developing 13,000 additional affordable housing units and providing rent assistance to 12,000 more households. While ABmunis appreciates provincial efforts to increasing funding for affordable housing, this target will only meet the needs of 15 per cent of Alberta households living in need of core housing.

Mental Health and Addiction

Advocating for improvements to Alberta's mental health and addictions system, including evidence-based action to address opioid and methamphetamine use, is a strategic priority for ABmunis. ABmunis currently has [two active resolutions](#) related to advocacy on mental health and addiction.

ABmunis is pleased to see the province following through with its commitment to build 11 new recovery communities for Albertans seeking voluntary treatment for addiction or mental health issues. We also appreciate the following investments to help increase access to mental health services:

- \$4 million will be invested in 2025-26 to add additional mental health professional spaces in Alberta's post-secondary institutions. The Mental Health Professionals Enrollment Expansion grant program will support 12 institutions to create 761 new seats in high-demand mental health programs.
- \$61.9 million is allocated to improving access to mental health and addiction treatment services in police and correctional settings to help facilitate recovery for individuals interacting with the justice system.
- Increased operating funding to expand mental health classrooms from 20 to 60 for clinical support to students with complex mental health needs.

ABmunis notes mental health and addiction related preventive programming is seeing a \$20 million decrease in investments from \$87.1 million to \$67.1 million. ABmunis is interested in understanding whether this decrease in funding could impact community partners, as well as Albertans seeking services from these same community partners.

ABmunis also notes that Budget 2025 allocated \$207 million in capital funding over three years to develop two new, secure mental health and addiction facilities to provide involuntary care for adults and youth suffering from mental health or addiction issues who are deemed a danger to themselves or others. Although not yet passed, the [Mental](#)

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[Health Services Protection Amendment Act](#), 2025 was introduced on February 25, 2025 to create a framework to give a mandated addiction treatment order to support a person who is likely to cause harm to themselves or others because of their problematic substance use.

School Construction Accelerator Program

Significant investments are being made in the construction of new schools, with \$789 million allocated in Budget 2025 for this purpose. Adequate school capacity is integral for community growth so municipalities would like to have shovel-ready sites serviced to take advantage of this investment. However, for many communities it is a significant expense to service a site without a guarantee of a school being built there. Better coordination between the province, school boards, and municipalities would help to address this concern. ABmunis has an [active resolution](#) on school site servicing costs and will be advocating further to the province on this issue.

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Access to EMS and ambulance response times continue to be top-of-mind for Alberta municipalities, particularly those in rural and remote areas. ABmunis was pleased to see that the province has budgeted \$789 million for Emergency Health Services in 2025-26 to increase system capacity. Budget 2025 also allocates \$60 million, including \$40 million in new funding, for the EMS Vehicles Capital Program to purchase new EMS vehicles and ambulances, upgrade the existing fleet, and acquire additional equipment. These actions align with the Alberta Emergency Services Provincial Advisory Committee and Alberta Emergency Health Services Dispatch Review recommendations, which ABmunis helped develop.

Training for Health Care Professionals

Access to healthcare is a priority for municipalities, who are playing an increasingly active role in the provision of primary care and the attraction and retention of health care professionals. We are pleased that Budget 2025 includes the following investments to meet provincial demand for health care professionals:

- \$2 million for the expansion and upgrades of Keyano College to provide training for in-demand programs like nursing and paramedicine.
- 439 additional seats for certification and licensing of internationally educated nurses.
- \$44 million to the Physician Training Expansion Program in 2025-26. This program is delivered through rural training centres and provides rural, Indigenous, and other learners with increased access to medical education in rural areas.

Libraries

Public Library Services funding has remained the same at \$39.9 million. This captures operating grants, advisory and training support, and e-content.

Community Peace Officers (CPOs)

In February 2025, the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services requested municipalities with CPO programs to integrate these programs with their local police service operations to help provide a coordinated response to social disorder issues. While there does not appear to be funding in Budget 2025 to offset any additional expenses incurred by municipalities as a result of this request, the budget does include a \$46 million increase in the Ministry's operating expense. This funding includes:

- \$8 million to support additional police officers in Edmonton and Calgary under the Safe Streets Action Plan.
- \$24 million to secure the Alberta-US border. A new Interdiction Patrol Team will combat drug smuggling, gun trafficking, illegal border crossing and other illegal activities. This team will include Peace Officers to enforce Criminal Code and provincial statutes along the international border.

Wildfire Response

Budget 2025 makes several key initiatives to support wildfire response and mitigation. Alberta Forestry and Parks' budget allocates \$30.7 million to support wildfire mitigation initiatives. Municipal Affairs has maintained the Fire Services Training Program Grant at \$500,000 for 2025-26, while also making the [February 2025 announcement](#) that an additional \$500,000 is being made available in the 2024-25 fiscal year, bringing the total for 2024-25 to \$1 million. Municipal Affairs is also working on improving the quality of fire data reported to the province. Budget 2025 contains a \$58 million increase for the Jasper Wildfire Disaster Financial Assistance Arrangements. Public Safety and Emergency Services identifies an increase in funding for the Alberta Emergency Management Agency over the 2024 budget estimate, however, the actual funding for this entity depends on the severity of the hazard season for that particular year. Public Safety and Emergency Services also budgets \$47 million in capital support for wildfire management. Continued work on wildfire and similar emergencies, in collaboration with partners such as the Rural Municipalities of Alberta, will continue to be a priority for ABmunis.

Provincial Highways, Roads and Bridges

Budget 2025 identifies \$2.49 billion over three years to support Alberta's network of province-owned roads and bridges. This includes \$264 million in new funding for highway twinning, widening, and expansion projects. Projects include:

- Deerfoot Trail Upgrades (Calgary)
- Edmonton / Calgary Ring Roads
- La Crete Bridge
- QEII and 40th Avenue Interim Ramp (near Airdrie)
- Highway 1 and Range Road 33 in Rockyview County
- Highway 1A Upgrade (Stoney First Nation)
- Highway 2 Balzac Interchange Replacement
- Highway 2 Interchange at Cardiff Road South of Morinville
- First stage of realignment and connection of Highways 2 and 3 near Fort McLeod
- Highway 3 Twinning (From Taber to Burdett)
- Highway 11 Twinning from Red Deer west to Rocky Mountain House
- Highway 16A and Range Road 20 Intersection
- Highway 19 (East and West ends)
- Highway 28 - Detailed design work for safety improvements
- Highway 40 grade widening between Grande Cache and Hinton
- Highway 40 Twinning south of Grande Prairie
- Paving Highway 58
- Highway 60 Capital Improvements
- Highway 63 Twinning North of Fort McMurray
- Highway 201 Bow River Bridge on SE Stoney Trail
- Highway 686 paving between Peerless Lake and Trout Lake and commencing design work to extend the highway from Fort McMurray to Peerless Lake
- Highway 791 North from Highway 590
- Highway 881 safety and roadway improvements

PLANNING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY'S FINANCIAL FUTURE

**HOW BUDGET 2025
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How Budget 2025 Supports Municipalities

Core Capital Funding for Municipal Governments

\$ millions	2024-25 Budget	2024-25 Estimate	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Forecast	2027-28 Forecast	Budget 2025 vs. 2024
Provincial Capital Funding						
Programs Available to Most Municipalities						
Local Government Fiscal Framework - Capital	724	724	820	800	871	96
Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership	66	54	45	67	84	(21)
Water for Life	50	33	51	111	95	1
Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program	44	34	33	39	55	(11)
Local Growth and Sustainability Grant	20	20	-	-	-	(20)
Green Transit Incentives Program (GreenTRIP)	-	-	3	-	-	3
First Nations Water Tie-In Program	8	2	8	15	27	-
	912	867	960	1,032	1,132	48
Directed Funding Separate from a Formal Funding Program ²						
Edmonton and Calgary LRT (prov. portion)	470	502	372	556 ³	506 ³	(98)
Edmonton major roads ⁴	108	45 ⁵	130	107	85	22
Edmonton Downtown & Coliseum Site Improv.	-	-	6	30	70	6
Calgary Rivers District & Events Centre	102	90	97	66	24	(5)
YYC Rail Connection	2	2	6	-	-	4
Capital Region Wastewater Treatment	10	40	10	-	-	-
Designated Industrial Zone Pilot Project	4	3	18	10	10	14
Sundre Wastewater Treatment Plant	-	-	8	-	-	8
Red Deer Regional Airport Expansion	20	5	4	8	-	(16)
	716	687	651	747	625	(65)
Total Provincial Funding	1,628	1,554	1,611	1,779	1,757	(17)
Year-over-year change in budget			-1%	10%	-1%	
Federal Capital Funding						
This funding is distributed by the province on behalf of the Government of Canada						
Edmonton and Calgary LRT (federal portion)	379	411	400	539 ³	490 ³	21
Canada Community-Building Fund	266	270	276	276	287	10
Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program	73	71	48	20	1	(25)
Clean Water Wastewater Fund	1	-	-	-	-	1
	719	752	724	835	779	5
Total Provincial + Federal Capital Funding	2,347	2,306	2,335	2,614	2,536	(12)

² This category summarizes funding distributed directly to a municipality outside of any formal funding program that municipalities can apply for.

³ Based on historical breakdowns, ABmunis has made an assumption that the Government of Alberta is responsible for 51% of the Edmonton and Calgary LRT project for 2026-27 and 2027-28 and the Government of Canada is responsible for 49%.

⁴ 'Edmonton major roads' includes projects for 50 Street, Yellowhead Trail, Ray Gibbon Drive, and Terwillegar Drive.

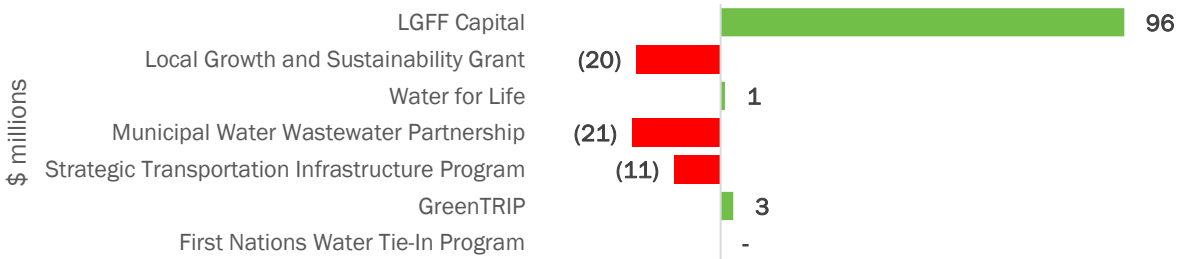
⁵ ABmunis noted inconsistencies in reported amounts in the 2025 Fiscal Plan versus the 2025 Government Estimates material.

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Year-Over-Year Change in Budgeted Funding for Municipal Infrastructure Programs

When looking at provincial infrastructure programs that most municipalities can access, those programs will see a collective net increase of \$48 million in funding in 2025-26, largely driven by the legislated increase in the Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital program.

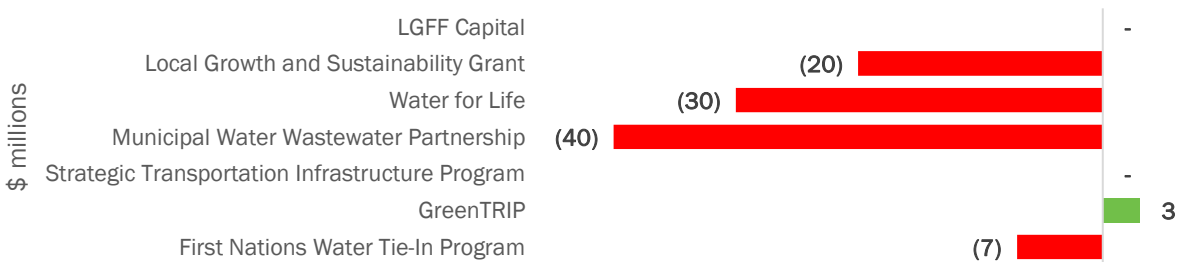
Year-over-year change in budgeted funding from provincial capital programs
Budget 2025 difference from Budget 2024



Program funding increased, but was almost \$100 million short of what was forecasted

Funding for provincial capital programs increased to \$960 million, but the 2024 budget forecasted that funding for these programs would be \$1.05 billion in 2025-26. The Local Growth and Sustainability Grant was surprisingly discontinued and funding for water and wastewater infrastructure projects are a combined \$70 million less than what was projected for this year.

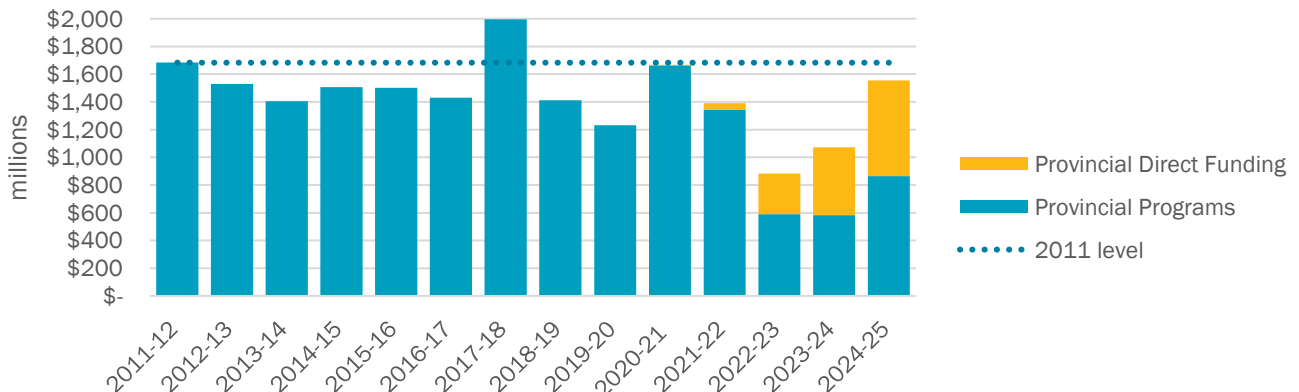
Difference between the 2024 Budget forecast for the 2025-26 year
versus what was delivered in the 2025-26 budget



The province is increasingly delivering capital funding to municipalities outside of formal funding programs

Provincial Funding for Municipal Infrastructure

(Actuals and year-end estimates; Excludes federal funding managed by the GOA)



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Breakdown of Provincial Capital Funding Programs

Local Government Fiscal Framework Capital

This program is allocated to every municipal government and Metis settlement in Alberta through a formula that enables local governments to plan for their financial future.

2024 Budget	Budget 2024 Forecast for 2025	2025 Budget	Change from the Forecast for 2025
\$724	\$820	\$820	-

- Per the *Local Government Fiscal Framework Act*, the funding amount for LGFF Capital will increase or decrease annually based on changes in the Government of Alberta's actual revenues from three years prior.
- The increase in the budget for 2025-26 reflects the increase in the Government of Alberta's revenue from 2021-22 to the 2022-23 fiscal year.
- In 2026, the funding will drop by \$20 million to \$800 million because the Government of Alberta's revenue declined between the 2022-23 and 2023-24 fiscal years.
- For 2027, the funding is forecasted to increase to \$871 million, but that could change subject to the province finalizing its books for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (millions)

This competitive application program is available to municipalities up to 45,000 population.

2024 Budget	Budget 2024 Forecast for 2025	2025 Budget	Change from the Forecast for 2025
\$66	\$85	\$45	(\$40)

- The 2025 budget of \$45 million is \$21 million less than last year and \$40 million less than what the 2024 budget forecasted for the 2025-26 year.
- The program was underspent by \$12 million in 2024-25.

Water for Life (millions)

This competitive application program is available to municipalities up to 45,000 population.

2024 Budget	Budget 2024 Forecast for 2025	2025 Budget	Change from the Forecast for 2025
\$50	\$81	\$51	(\$30)

- The 2025 budget of \$51 million represents a \$1 million increase over the 2024 budget, but it's \$30 million less than the 2024 budget forecast for the 2025-26 year.
- ABmunis also notes that the program was underspent by \$17 million in 2024-25.

Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (millions)

This competitive application program provides funding for local airports, bridges, resources roads, and other initiatives. The eligibility for funding depends on the funding stream.

2024 Budget	Budget 2024 Forecast for 2025	2025 Budget	Change from the Forecast for 2025
\$44	\$33	\$33	-

- The 2025 budget amount is the same as what was forecasted in the 2024 budget for this year.
- The program was underspent by \$10 million in 2024-25.
- Based on funding allocations from 2021 to 2023, ABmunis notes that STIP funding is primarily allocated to municipal districts, counties, and Metis Settlements, with an annual average of 16 per cent of the funding provided to cities, towns, villages, and summer villages.

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Local Growth and Sustainability Grant (millions)

This competitive application program was launched in 2024 to support mid-sized cities with growth pressures and small municipalities experiencing emergency failures in infrastructure.

2024 Budget	Budget 2024 Forecast for 2025	2025 Budget	Change from the Forecast for 2025
\$20	\$20	-	(\$20)

- Launched in October 2024 as a three-year commitment of \$60 million total, ABmunis was surprised to learn that the province has discontinued this program for the 2025-26 year.
- This means that only \$20 million of the original \$60 million commitment will be delivered to municipalities.
- Municipalities that applied for this funding in fall 2024 should expect to learn who receives the funding by March 2025.
- ABmunis is disappointed that the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant has been discontinued because it helped meet the [call by our members](#) for funding that supports high-growth communities.

Explanation of Federal Capital Funding that is Distributed by the Government of Alberta

Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCBF is distributed on a per-capita basis based on census data. • In 2025, \$276 million is available under the CCBF, an increase of \$10 million (3.8 per cent) over 2024. • The \$10 million increase is due to the federal government's two per cent indexation of CCBF each year, which is delivered in \$100 million increments and allocated across all provinces and territories. • This funding is administered under a 10-year agreement between the federal and provincial government. • The CCBF also identifies support for asset management as one of the requirements of the agreement.
Clean Water Wastewater Fund (CWWF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a historical, temporary program that has expended its funds. No further funding is expected for the CWWF.
Investing in Canada Infrastructure Fund (ICIP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All ICIP funds have all been allocated to projects. Any reference to ICIP funds are for re-profiled amounts or carry-overs from prior years projects as they are allocated for construction. • In total, Alberta received \$3.66 billion through ICIP.
Edmonton and Calgary Light Rail Transit (LRT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.6 billion in ICIP funding has been allocated over three years (2025-2028) for LRT expansion in Edmonton and Calgary. • ABmunis estimates that \$400 million is being provided by the federal government for these projects in 2025-26.⁶

⁶ The Government of Alberta's 2025 Fiscal Plan reports the total expense on Edmonton and Calgary LRT as a combined total of federal and provincial portions. ABmunis relied on details in the Government of Alberta's 2025 Government Estimates report to estimate that \$400 million of the total \$772 million is federal funding.

Core Operating Funding for Municipal Governments

\$ millions	2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	% Change	Note
Alberta Community Partnership	15.4	15.4	13.4	(13.0%)	1
Emergency Management Preparedness Program	0.2	0.2	0.2		
Family and Community Support Services	105.0	105.0	105.0	-	2
Fire Services Training Program	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	
Grants in Place of Taxes	36.0	38.1	55.3	45.1%	3
Local Government Fiscal Framework Operating	-	60.0	60.0	-	4
Municipal Sustainability Initiative – Operating	60.0	-	-	-	4
Policing Support Grant (formerly MPAG and POG)	98.8	108.8	119.0		5
	315.9	328.0	353.4		

Notable Funding for Community Entities

\$ millions	2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	% Change	Note
Agricultural Service Boards	11.9	11.9	11.9	-	
Agricultural Societies and Exhibition Grants	11.5	11.5	11.5	-	
Agricultural Societies Infrastructure Revitalization	2.5	2.5	2.5	-	
Community Facility Enhancement Program	50.0	50.0	50.0	-	
Community Initiatives Program	17.5	16.0	14.0	(12.5%)	6
Community Recreation Centre Infrastructure Program	-	10.0	10.0	-	
Library Services – Operating	39.7	39.9	39.9	-	
Legal Aid	134.6	110.0	88.1	(19.9%)	
Regional Economic Development Alliances	1.1	1.1	1.1	-	
	268.8	252.9	229.0		

Notes

1. The budget for the Alberta Community Partnership was reduced by \$2 million, reflecting the province's decision in fall 2024 to [eliminate funding](#) to the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board and the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board.
2. Since 2023, the province has included funding for Food Banks in the budget line item of Family and Community Support Services (FCSS). The figures reported by ABmunis exclude that amount for transparency to show what portion municipalities receive for FCSS.
3. The Grants in Place of Taxes (GIPOT) funding increased from \$36 million to \$38.1 million in 2024-25, which was due to rising property values plus new provincial properties. Based on advocacy by ABmunis and our members, the province has announced a plan to fully fund GIPOT by 2026-27. For 2025-26, GIPOT will be funded at 75 per cent of the eligible tax amount and is forecasted to increase to \$75.3 million in 2026-27 when the program is funded at 100 per cent.
4. In 2024, MSI Operating was replaced by the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) Operating program at the same \$60 million budget, which has been continued for 2025 as well. In 2024, Municipal Affairs froze the allocations by municipality at the 2023 funding allocations set under the former MSI Operating formula. The plan for the 2025 LGFF Operating allocation formula is likely to be announced shortly.
5. The Policing Support Grant is for any municipality with a population over 5,000 that provides their own police service and was eligible for the former Municipal Policing Assistance Grant and Police Officer Grant.
6. ABmunis is concerned with the 12.5 per cent decrease in the Community Initiatives Program, as the reduction in funding support for community organizations will put further pressure on councils to increase property taxes to fund their local organizations.

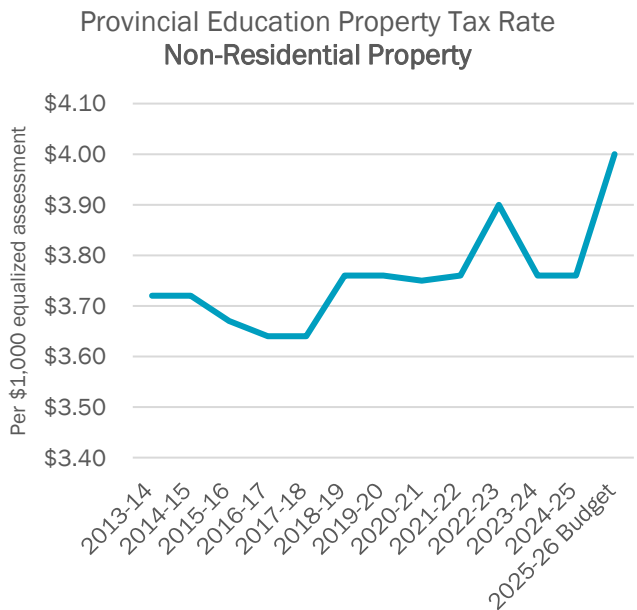
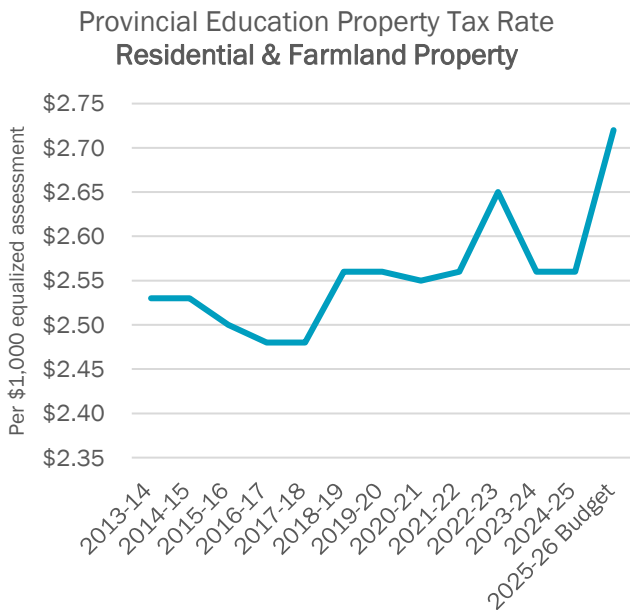
Provincial Education Property Tax

Over the last decade, the Government of Alberta has frequently changed its approach to how it determines the amount of provincial education property taxes to be collected from Alberta's property owners.

	Adjust the mill rates to cover a target % of the K-12 budgeted operating expense	Freeze the mill rates to match the previous year	Adjusted the mill rates to match the previous year's tax revenue amount
2015-16	✓ (32% target)		
2016-17	✓ (32% target)		
2017-18		✓	
2018-19			✓
2019-20		✓	
2020-21			✓ ⁷
2021-22			✓
2022-23			✓
2023-24			✓
2024-25		✓	
2025-26	✓ (31.6% target)		
2026-27 Plan	✓ (33.3% target)		

A shift in tax revenue from personal income taxes to property tax

The Government of Alberta has pivoted again to announce a new strategy to structure provincial property taxes to generate tax revenue that is equivalent to one-third of the operating cost for the Ministry of Education by 2026-27. To meet this goal, the province is increasing the provincial tax rate on residential and farmland properties by 6.3 per cent and increasing the rate on non-residential property by 6.4 per cent in 2025-26.



⁷ Budget 2020 set a plan to set the requisition amount based on Alberta's population growth and inflation but shortly after the release of the budget, the [province reverted](#) to freeze the revenue amount to the 2019-20 year due to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Increase in provincial property tax to help fund K-12 education costs

Since 2014-15, the province's revenue from provincial property taxes represented an average of 30.3 per cent of the operating costs for K-12 education. Based on estimates for 2024-25, the ratio is currently at 28.9 per cent and the province's planned tax increase will bring that ratio to 31.6 per cent of the Ministry of Education's operating cost in 2025-26.⁸

An additional 10 per cent increase in provincial property taxes is planned for 2026-27 to reach the target revenue of \$3.4 billion equivalent to one-third of the Ministry of Education's operating costs.

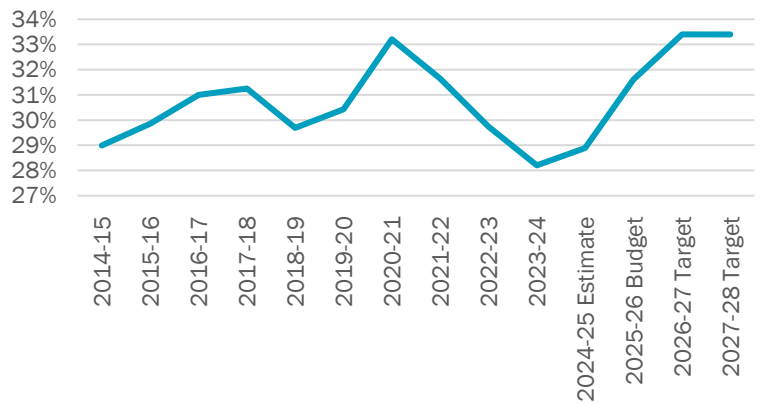
The combination of the tax rate increase plus new development in Alberta is budgeted to increase the province's revenue from property taxes by \$392 million, with total provincial property tax growing from \$2.7 billion in 2024-25 to \$3.1 billion in 2025-26. This is a substantial change from previous years where the province maintained a stable approach to its reliance on property taxes.

Municipal councils will be challenged by the increase in provincial property tax rates

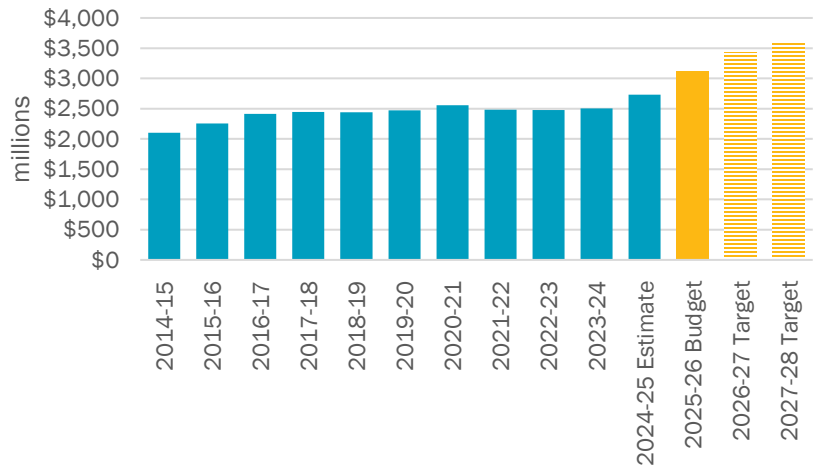
Municipal councils are always aware that the Government of Alberta may increase provincial property taxes, but we had no forewarning of the province's plan to substantially increase its reliance on property taxes to fund its revenue needs. As always, municipal governments will be responsible to collect this tax on behalf of the Government of Alberta and as a result, will wear much of the political blame for this tax increase.

Now that the province has released their budget, municipalities will finalize their 2025 budget and set their municipal tax rates for the 2025 year. Due to the increase in provincial property taxes, councils will face political pressure to limit any future increase in municipal property taxes, despite the long-term needs of their community. This will likely result in lower service levels in many communities and/or deferred maintenance of local infrastructure.

Provincial Education Property Tax Revenue as a % of the Operating Expense for K-12 Education



Provincial Property Tax Revenue



\$ millions	2023-24 Actual	2024-25 Estimate	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Forecast	2027-28 Forecast
Provincial education property tax	2,504	2,732	3,124	3,435	3,576
Year-over-year change (%)		9.1%	14.3%	10.0%	4.1%

⁸ The spike in 2020-21 is a combination of the reduction in operating costs for K-12 education from \$8.1 billion in 2019-20 to \$7.7 billion in 2020-21 and an \$84 million increase in provincial property tax revenue that year.

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AN OVERVIEW OF ALBERTA'S 2025 FISCAL PLAN

An Overview of the 2025 Fiscal Plan

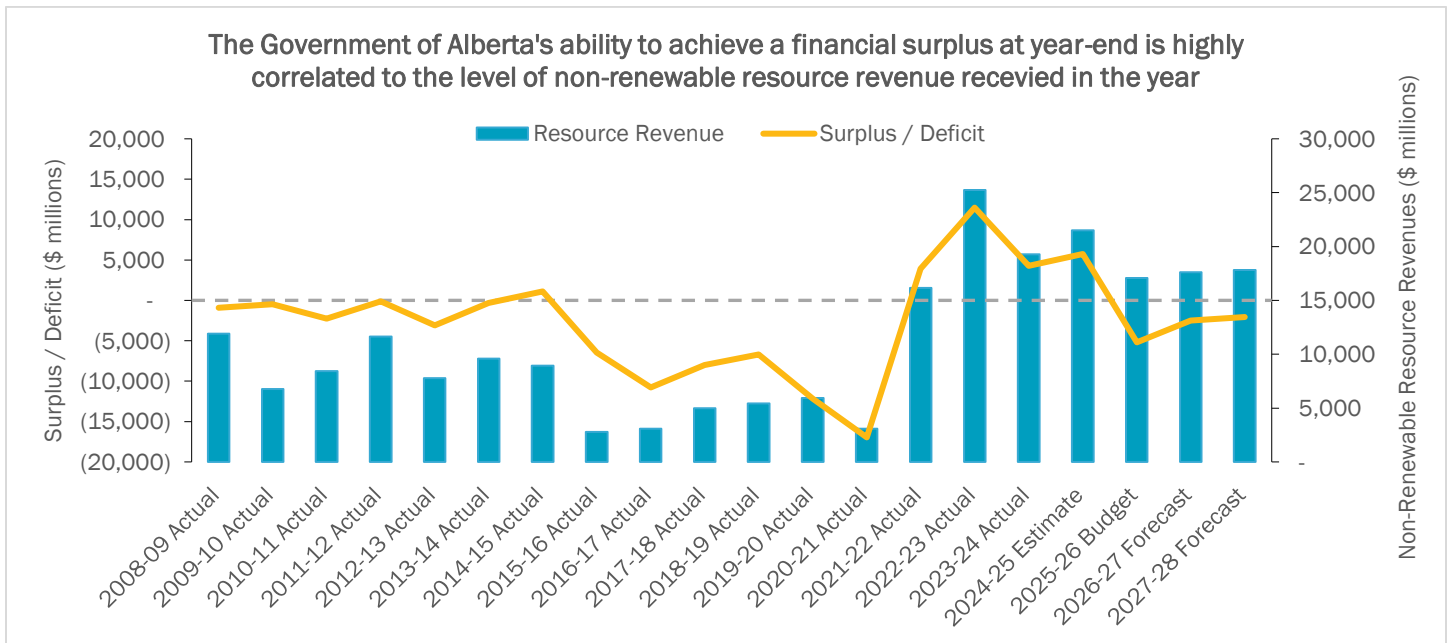
The Government of Alberta is projecting a \$5.2 billion deficit in 2025-26. This is following surpluses of \$4.3 billion in 2023-24 and \$5.8 billion (forecasted) in 2024-25. The 2024-25 surplus can be attributed to significantly higher investment income (+58 per cent) and non-renewable resource revenue (+34 per cent) than initially budgeted.

'Cautious' and 'uncertain' best describe the Government of Alberta's budget situation due to reliance on non-renewable natural resource revenue to drive its surplus or deficit position and the United States (US) being Alberta's most important trade partner. While the Government of Alberta is touting a strategy to dramatically grow the Heritage Savings Trust Fund to \$250 billion by 2050, it is also projecting lower revenues over the next three years compared to the 2024-25 forecast. This is in part due to the introduction of an 8 per cent tax bracket for personal income up to \$60,000, which is projected to reduce tax revenue by \$1.2 billion.

Even with Alberta's population growth expected to start to wane in 2025, population increases of 159,000 in 2023 and 189,000 in 2024 are putting tremendous strain on infrastructure and provincial services. In the coming years, challenging decisions will need to be made regarding the services levels Albertans expect, the property tax increases required to sustain their communities, and provincial operational and capital investment required to meet expectations.

Non-Renewable Natural Resource Revenue Determines Surplus or Deficit

The graph below shows the trend of non-renewable resource revenues in comparison to the Government of Alberta's year-end operational surplus or deficit. The trend shows the direct correlation between the provincial government's financial position and the volume of non-renewable resources earned year-to-year. The 10 per cent energy tariffs expected to be imposed by the US are expected to be detrimental to Alberta, but the impact should be somewhat buffered by Canada's weak dollar and the lack of substitutes for Canadian oil in US markets.



Source: Government of Alberta's 2025-28 Fiscal Plan, Schedule 25: Historical Fiscal Summary, page 157.

Manufacturing and Agricultural Sectors to Face 'Head Winds'

Alberta's manufacturing and agricultural sectors are expected to be 'hit hard' by US-imposed tariffs. In 2024, Alberta exported \$32 billion worth of manufactured goods to the US, comprising nearly three-quarters of its total international manufacturing exports. And unlike energy products, manufactured goods tend to be greatly affected by tariffs due to the ready availability of domestic substitutes in the US. Crop and livestock export volumes are expected to decrease, shrinking these sectors of the Alberta economy.

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Municipal Governments Need a Bigger Piece of the 'Fiscal Pie'

Funding provided to municipalities via the Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) is directly tied to the provincial government's revenues. With 2025-26 projected revenues being less than what was forecasted in 2024-25, municipalities stand to receive less financial support while needing to provide more to their communities. This context is particularly important as the Government of Alberta has formalized how it will allocate future cash surpluses as part of the *Sustainable Fiscal Planning and Reporting Act*, which primarily directs it to the Heritage Fund or repaying maturing debt.

ABmunis will be advocating for the Government of Alberta to engage municipalities in frank discussions about how it allocates funds, including future cash surpluses, to ensure the sustainability of municipal tax rates, infrastructure, and service delivery. This is further highlighted in Municipal Affairs' expenditures, as a percentage of the Government of Alberta's total expenditures, which have been decreasing year-to-year since 2011-12.

Statement of Operations

\$ millions	2023-24 Actual	2024-25 Estimate	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Forecast	2027-28 Forecast
Revenue					
Personal income tax	15,160	16,120	15,510	16,271	16,981
Corporate income tax	7,044	7,351	6,764	6,938	7,254
Other tax revenue	4,543	5,995	6,563	6,941	7,156
Resource revenue	19,287	21,509	17,067	17,620	17,815
Investment income	4,581	5,171	2,882	3,135	3,467
Premiums, fees, and licenses	5,565	5,565	5,636	5,874	6,032
Other own-source revenues	6,216	6,022	6,428	6,859	7,037
Federal transfers	12,336	12,958	13,287	13,753	14,228
Total revenue	74,732	80,692	74,138	77,390	79,969
Health	27,447	29,815	30,465	30,982	32,121
Basic/Advanced education	16,359	17,423	18,069	18,426	18,880
Social services	8,035	8,487	9,163	8,751	8,780
Other program expenses	15,829	16,371	19,059	18,785	18,995
Total program expense	67,670	72,096	76,756	76,944	78,776
Debt servicing costs	3,149	3,199	2,968	3,258	3,629
Pension provisions	(372)	(363)	(375)	(384)	(389)
Total expense	70,447	74,932	79,349	79,818	82,016
Surplus / (Deficit)	4,285	5,760	(5,211)	(2,428)	(2,047)

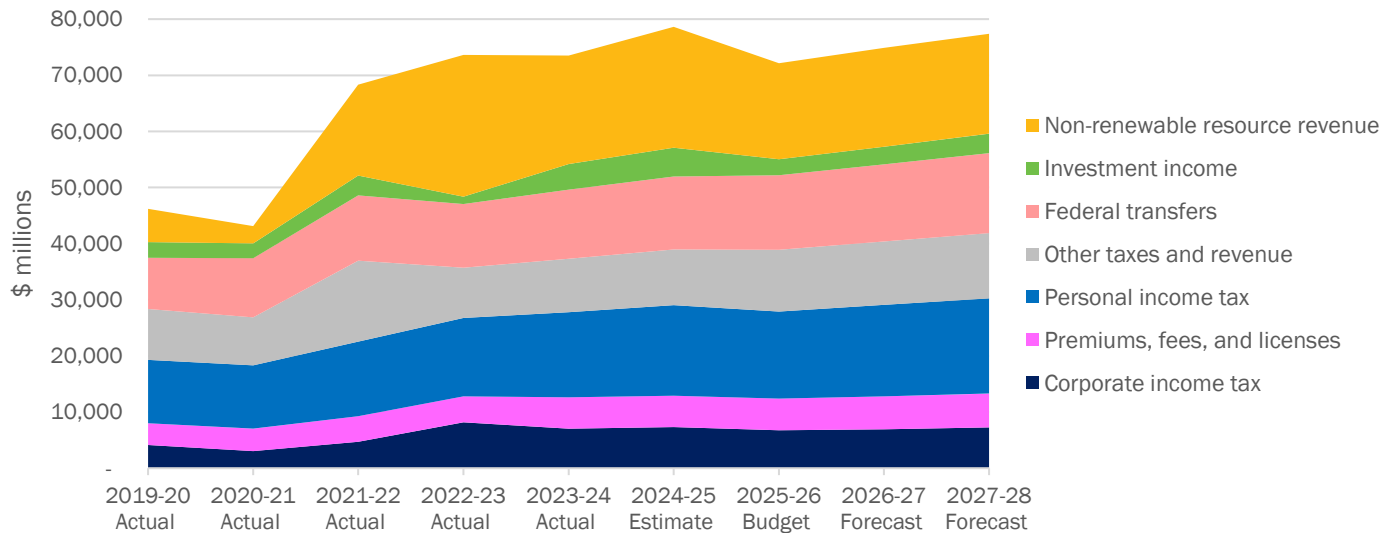
Source: Alberta's 2025-28 Fiscal Plan, Schedule 25: Historical Fiscal Summary, page 157.

Revenues

Total revenues are forecasted to be \$74.1 billion in 2025-26, a decrease of one per cent from the 2024-25 budget. In 2025-26, 23 per cent of total government revenue is estimated to come from non-renewable resource revenues, with another 20 per cent coming from personal income tax. After 2025-26, revenue sources are predicted to remain stable or increase nominally, apart from personal income tax revenue, which will increase by 4 to 5 per cent year over year.

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Government of Alberta revenues by source



Expenditures

Total expenditures for 2025-26 are projected to increase by \$6.167 billion compared to the 2024-25 budget, which is an 8.4 per cent increase. Specifically, the Government of Alberta is projecting to spend more on:

- Healthcare (5 per cent),
- K-12 education (7 per cent),
- Social services ministries (10 per cent),
- Other Ministries / Legislative Assembly (8 per cent),
- Total operating expense (7 per cent),
- Amortization / inventory consumption / loss on disposals (9 per cent), and
- Contingency (100 per cent).

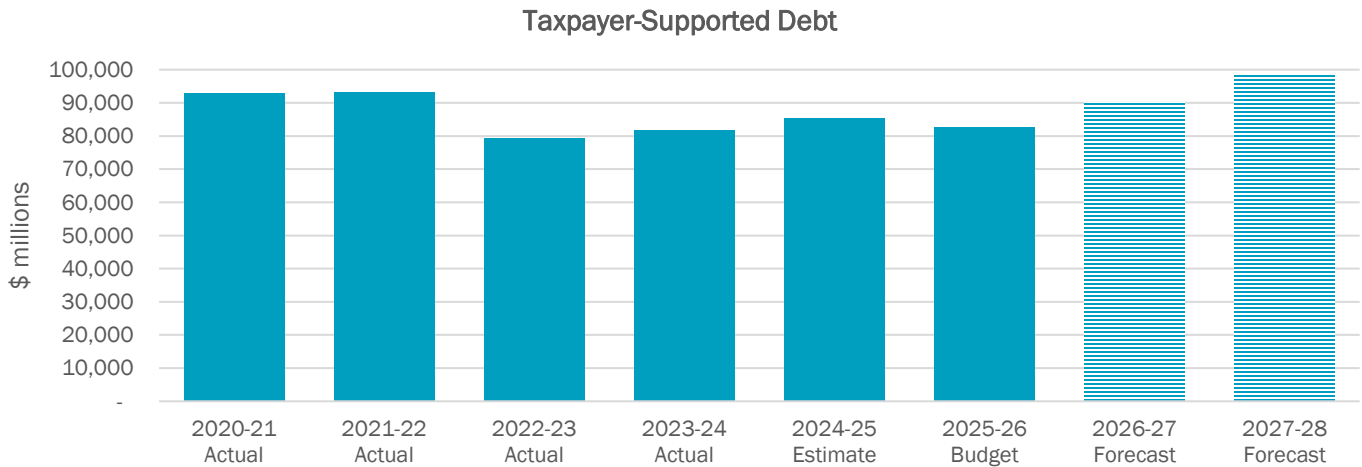
Notably, the very substantial increase to the contingency expenditure line is in response to the potential impacts of US-imposed tariffs and potential challenges related to compensation agreements being negotiated across government. The government also plans to spend 12 per cent less on debt servicing.

Taxpayer-Supported Debt and Debt Servicing Costs

Debt servicing costs are forecast to decrease by \$200 million in 2025-26 to \$3 billion. This is largely attributed to the gradual reduction in interest rates by the Bank of Canada starting in 2024.

Taxpayer-supported debt is estimated to be \$85.4 billion at the end of 2024-25 and \$82.8 billion at the end of 2025-26. This debt is expected to increase year-to-year as a result of deficit positions forecasted in future years.

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Contingency for Disasters

A total expense contingency provision of \$4 billion has been included in *Budget 2025*. This is an increase of \$2 billion to address unanticipated spending, including compensation pressures, emergencies, and emerging priorities that may arise during the year and that are not practical to delay until the next budget. This increase helps the government manage potential U.S. trade tariffs, economic fluctuations, and unexpected expenses. It also accounts for compensation agreements across public sectors like healthcare and education.

Future contingency levels are set at \$3.3 billion in 2026-27 and \$3.7 billion in 2027-28.

Key Energy and Economic Assumptions

\$ millions	2024-25 Estimate	2025-26 Forecast	2026-27 Forecast	2027-28 Forecast
Crude Oil Prices				
WTI (US\$/bbl)	74.00	68.00	71.00	71.50
Light-Heavy Differential (US\$/bbl)	13.20	17.10	16.50	15.60
WCS @ Hardisty (Cdn\$/bbl)	84.70	73.10	75.80	75.80
Natural Gas Price				
Alberta Reference Price (Cdn\$/GJ)	1.20	2.50	3.10	2.90
Production				
Conventional Crude Oil (000s barrels/day)	528	519	512	504
Raw Bitumen (000s barrels/day)	3,455	3,558	3,689	3,752
Interest Rates				
10-year Canada Bonds (%)	3.30	3.10	3.10	3.10
Exchange Rate (US\$/Cdn\$)				

Source: Alberta's 2025-28 Fiscal Plan, Energy and Economic Assumptions, page 10.

Ministry Highlights

All expense figures presented in the following tables are sourced from the Government of Alberta's 2025-26 Fiscal Plan, Schedule 3: Statement of Operations, page 144.

Advanced Education

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	6,823	7,049	7,342	7,411	7,411	7,411

- The ministry's budget will increase by 5 per cent in 2025-26.
- \$78 million per year will be invested over the next three years to create more seats in apprenticeship classes across the province to build skilled trades that will respond to the needs of industry and connect Albertans with jobs.
- \$4 million is allocated to the First Nations Colleges Grant, which is distributed equally across five colleges in rural and remote Indigenous communities.

Affordability and Utilities

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	127	92	132	168	169	166

- Affordability and Utilities is exploring rate design changes to ensure distribution costs are more consistent across the province.
- The Ministry will be implementing the Natural Gas Rebate Program, which is intended to protect Albertans from spikes in natural gas prices.

Agriculture and Irrigation

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	2,650	993	2,066	984	995	927

- Total expense is estimated at \$984 million, \$1,082 million lower than the 2024-25 third quarter forecast. This is primarily due to \$1,112 million in 2024-25 in-year disaster assistance that does not continue in 2025-26.
- \$9 million is allocated over three years for the University of Calgary Veterinary Medicine to improve access to diagnostic services.

Arts, Culture and Status of Women

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	262	260	251	226	212	220

- Despite the 13.9 per cent overall decrease in the Ministry's budget:
 - Operating expenses will increase by \$11 million.
 - Federally-funded initiatives under the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence will receive an additional \$12 million.
 - The Alberta Foundation for the Arts will see a \$4.5 million funding boost.
 - Non-profit organizations will have access to \$84.6 million through community grants programs; this is an increase 11.6 per cent from the 2024-25 budget.
- These increases are offset by a \$36 million reduction in capital grants.

Children and Family Services

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	1,606	1,498	1,504	1,595	1,645	1,650

- The total expense for this Ministry will increase by \$91 million, or 6.1 per cent from the 2024-25 estimate.
- Most of the increases are for child intervention and Alberta Child and Family Benefit payments.
- Child intervention funding is increasing by \$58 million (6.5 per cent), to \$957 million in 2025-26; this is primarily to support contracted agencies facing recruitment challenges and rising costs.
- An additional \$19 million over three years is allocated to women's shelters to support increasing demand and higher costs.
- In 2025-26, \$67million is allocated to Family Resource Networks to develop and deliver prevention and early intervention programming; this is the same as in 2024-25.
- The Alberta Child and Family Benefit, a non-taxable benefit supporting child well-being, addressing child poverty, and improving the quality of life for children and families, is budgeted at \$375 million in 2025-26, an increase 8.4 per cent over 2024-25 due to indexed increases and anticipated population growth.
- The province has also instituted a new policy that extends access to Alberta Child and Family Benefit payments when a child has passed away.

Education

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	9,393	9,759	9,972	10,398	10,791	11,213

- The Ministry's overall budget will increase by 6.5 per cent, rising from \$9.7 billion in 2024-25 to \$10.4 billion in 2025-26, with projected growth to \$11.2 billion by 2027-28.
- Operating expenses will increase by \$426 million, 4.5 per cent from 2024-25 and are expected to grow at a rate of 4.1 per cent annually, reaching \$825 million by 2027-28.
 - \$55 million is allocated in 2025-26 to address classroom complexity, including hiring specialists, and training and development to improve access to educational assistants.
- A significant portion of the budget is being allocated for the design and construction of new schools and the modernization of existing ones.
 - The 2025-26 budget allocates \$789 million for the construction of school facilities in 2025-26, with 3.3 billion in capital investment being allocated over three years for the maintenance, planning, and development of new schools.
 - Budget 2025-26 also includes \$8.6 billion for the New School Construction Accelerator Program Funding that will support approximately 150,000 new student spaces, with 90,000 expected to be completed within the next four years.

Energy and Minerals

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	965	1,041	1,057	1,122	991	1,014

- Royalties from bitumen and crude oil are expected to decrease, while royalties from natural gas are expected to increase.
- \$145 million is allocated to the Orphan Well Association to support continued remediation of orphan wells.

Environment and Protected Areas

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	465	557	458	570	523	537

- The Ministry's budget will increase by 2.3 per cent, rising from \$557 million in 2024-25 to \$570 million in 2025-26.
- Budget highlights include revised revenue forecasts for the Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Fund (TIER):
 - TIER revenue is estimated at \$397 million, compared to \$542 million in Budget 2024, and is expected to further decrease in 2026.
 - This fund implements Alberta's industrial carbon pricing and emissions trading framework.
 - It also supports industrial facilities in reducing emissions, investing in clean technology, and improving cost efficiency.
- \$5.4 million in annual funding is being added to support the expansion of the Aquatic Invasive Species Program, which manages and prevents the entry of species like zebra mussels and goldfish from entering Alberta's water system.
- Water management remains a key priority in the 2025-26 budget:
 - The Department of Environment and Protected Areas will review and assess current water conservation processes. This work is expected to be completed by December 2026, which is timely as ABmunis recently updated our [2024 Water Conservation, Efficiency, and Productivity plan](#).
- \$40 million is allocated for caribou recovery planning and actions in 2025-26 to maintain and improve caribou habitat while supporting economic, recreational, and traditional land uses. This is a 4.9 per cent increase from 2024-25 budget allocation.
- \$22.2 million is allocated to conservation programs including \$10 million from the Land Stewardship Fund in 2025-26 to support the conservation and stewardship of land in Alberta. This is consistent with 2024-25 budget allocation.
- \$18.1 million is allocated to effectively anticipate, respond to, and mitigate the impact of adverse environmental events or emergencies in 2025-26. This is a significant decrease of 62 per cent in funding from the 2024-25 allocation of \$47.7 million
- ABmunis values its partnership, funded through TIER, with the Government of Alberta to support practical action on sustainable environment practices through several programs delivered by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC).

Executive Council

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	48	63	62	67	67	67

- This Ministry's budget will increase by 6 per cent in 2025-26 as it continues to lead the coordination and advancement of Alberta's priorities relating to other governments across Canada and internationally.
- Notable initiatives include:
 - Building and maintaining strong relationships with priority international partners, particularly with national- and state-level officials in the United States, and key markets in Latin America, the Indo-Pacific region, the Middle East, and Europe.
 - Supporting Invest Alberta Corporation's (IAC) governance in collaboration with other Ministries to lead investment attraction into Alberta and to fulfil its mandate as described in the Alberta Investment Attraction Act.
- The budget for the Premier's office will increase by nearly \$5 million or 23 per cent.

Forestry and Parks

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	1,166	410	1,116	403	405	395

- The Ministry's budget for 2025-26 is \$403 million, which is a 14.8 per cent increase from the 2024-25 allocation of \$351 million.
- \$30.7 million is allocated to support wildfire mitigation initiatives.
- \$2.1 million is allocated to modernize wildfire applications.

Health

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	22,091	22,602	23,695	24,037	24,557	25,724

- Budget 2025 supports the ongoing refocusing of the health care system, including the creation of four new provincial health agencies:
 - Recovery Alberta (overseen by the Minister of Mental Health and Addiction, operational September 2024)
 - Primary Care Alberta (overseen by the Minister of Health, operational February 2025)
 - Acute Care Alberta (overseen by the Minister of Health launched February 2025)
 - Assisted Living Alberta (overseen by the Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services) launching April 1, 2025)
- Alberta's growing population is creating fiscal challenges for the health system. This includes growth in the elderly population that consumes the largest portion of health services, as well as increasing patient complexity, rising wages for health care workers, and inflationary pressures on supplies and utilities.
- In 2025-26, health operating expense will increase by \$990 million (5.7 per cent) from Budget 2024, with \$26 million of this increase offset by higher federal transfers.
- Other increases in 2025-26 include \$451 million for physician compensation and \$513 million for Alberta Health Services cost pressures, mainly due to higher volume and inflation.
- \$44 million is allocated to the Physician Training Expansion Program. This program is delivered through rural training centres and provides rural, Indigenous, and other learners with increased access to medical education in rural areas.
- \$2 million is allocated in 2025-26 for the expansion and upgrades of Keyano College to provide training for in-demand programs like nursing and paramedicine.
- The province is also adding 439 additional spaces for certification and licensing of internationally educated nurses.
- \$20 million in 2025-26 will be invested in the Nurse Practitioner Primary Care Program to improve access to primary health practitioners in urban and rural communities across Alberta.
- \$60 million, including \$40 million in new funding, is allocated to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Vehicles Capital Program to purchase new EMS vehicles and ambulances, upgrade the existing fleet, and acquire additional equipment.
- A total of \$3.8 billion in health capital funding will be invested over the next three years to maintain or expand health care facilities in Alberta.
 - This includes \$265 million for the Alberta Surgical Initiative (ASI) capital program to increase physical capacity for surgical procedures. ASI funding will be used to build more operating rooms, renovate existing space, and purchase new equipment for publicly owned and operated hospitals.

Immigration and Multiculturalism

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	39	42	40	42	42	42

- Total expense (all operating) is \$42 million in 2025-26, an increase of almost \$2 million from the 2024-25. This is mainly due to a 79 per cent increase in application fees paid by applicants to the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program and the introduction of new fees for International Qualifications Assessment Services.
- A decline in the number of immigrants is expected as a result of recent federal policy changes.
- Support for Newcomer Integration is forecasting support for up to 16,000 individuals, a decrease from 20,652 individuals in 2023-24.

Indigenous Relations

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	225	220	237	238	237	238

- Indigenous Relations' work involves leading the facilitation of cross-government collaboration with municipalities, utility commissions, and industry for projects, programs, and services that support Indigenous communities. The Ministry also responds to federal Indigenous initiatives and legislation, including Jordan's Principle.
- The Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Corporation (AIOC) is a provincial corporation that enables access to capital funding for Alberta-based Indigenous groups investing in medium- to large-scale natural resources, agriculture, transportation, and other related infrastructure. AIOC had an increase in funding of \$0.5 million.

Infrastructure

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	862	885	944	921	952	933

- Under the School Accelerator Program, Infrastructure is committed to constructing up to 30 new schools.
- ABmunis has an active resolution on [school site servicing costs](#).
- There are concerns from municipalities that if they do not have a serviced site prepared, they will miss out on funding for a new school.

Jobs, Economy and Trade

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	1,558	1,862	1,949	2,315	1,767	1,773

- \$95 million is allocated to the Alberta Film and Television Tax Credit, a \$10 million decrease from 2024-25.
- \$15 million is allocated to the Investment and Growth Fund.
- \$3 million is for the North Regional Economic Development
- \$1.6 billion is allocated to increase access to affordable, high-quality, and inclusive licensed childcare and \$324 million to support the recruitment and retention of early childhood educators working in licensed child care.
 - Forecasted childcare expenses include a decrease of \$492 million by 2027-28, reflecting provincial investment to support the childcare system while preparing to negotiate a renewed funding agreement with the federal government. The results of these negotiations could impact Alberta's future funding levels,

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Justice

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	659	691	694	707	716	711

- Court and Justice Services operating expenses are \$276 million, an increase of \$12 million (4.5 per cent) from 2024-25, to address higher volumes of court cases and to improve capacity to hear criminal and family matters in a timely and appropriate manner.
- Funding for Alberta Crown Prosecution Services is \$147 million in 2025-26, an increase of \$8 million (5.8 per cent) from 2024-25. The increase supports a new Human Trafficking Unit which aims to hold perpetrators accountable; disrupt and dismantle human trafficking enterprises; and hire specialized resources to manage and support the growing volume of prosecutions. Funding will also address growth in criminal and youth prosecutions.
- The government is also working with the Alberta Law Foundation to increase its contribution to Legal Aid Alberta. While the provincial grant to Legal Aid Alberta is decreasing in 2025-26 by \$22 million or 20 per cent, current service levels will be maintained as a result of increased contributions from the Alberta Law Foundation.

Mental Health and Addiction

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	1,588	1,862	1,949	2,315	1,767	1,773

- Mental Health and Addiction operating expense has increased by \$64 million (4 per cent) from 2024-25, due mainly to higher demand for services due to population growth.
- Operating expense is targeted to increase by another \$79 million over two years to:
 - Implement the involuntary treatment framework, Recovery Alberta services, and 11 new voluntary recovery communities that will be operational by 2027. This includes five recovery communities in Indigenous communities. Three communities, with a total of 200 beds, have already been completed in Red Deer, Lethbridge and Gunn. The Calgary Recovery Community is scheduled to open in 2025.
 - Expand mental health classrooms from 20 to 60 for clinical support to students with complex mental health needs.
- \$207 million is allocated over three years for the development of specialized secure mental health and addiction facilities to provide involuntary care for adults and youth suffering from mental health or addiction issues who are a danger to themselves or others.
- \$4 million will be invested in 2025-26 to add additional mental health professional spaces in Alberta's post-secondary institutions. The Mental Health Professionals Enrollment Expansion Grant will support 12 institutions to create 761 new seats in high-demand mental health programs.
- \$61.9 million is allocated to improving access to mental health and addiction treatment services in police and correctional settings to help facilitate recovery for individuals interacting with the justice system.

Municipal Affairs

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	989	1,287	1,311	1,388	1,377	1,475

- Key announcements by Municipal Affairs are covered in the above sections of this report.

Public Safety and Emergency Services

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	1,494	1,279	1,460	1,350	1,367	1,366

- Total expense for Public Safety and Emergency Services is \$1.35 billion in 2025-26, \$110 million (7.5 per cent) lower than the estimated expense for 2024-25. This is mainly due to \$163 million in 2024-25 in-year emergency expense that does not continue in 2025-26 (partly offset by increases of \$46 million in operating expense and \$7 million in capital grants).
- A \$46 million increase in Ministry operating expense includes:
 - \$7 million for 911 call centres offset by the 911 levy.
 - \$2 million from the federally funded Gun and Gang Violence Action Fund (less \$1 million in reductions and transfer to capital investment).
 - \$24 million to secure the Alberta-US border. A new Interdiction Patrol Team will combat drug smuggling, gun trafficking, illegal border crossing and other illegal activities. This team will include Peace Officers to enforce Criminal Code and provincial statutes along the international border.
- \$12 million is allocated to the Victims of Crime Assistance Program in 2025-26 to facilitate direct and timely supports and services to victims, including emergency expenses and recovery. \$26.8 million is committed to external partner organizations that provide supports and services to victims of crime and tragedy, including the implementation of the new victim service delivery model.
- Alberta Emergency Management Agency operating expense is \$84 million in 2025-26, \$3 million (3.7 per cent) higher than forecast in 2024-25, mainly for disaster risk reduction, public education, and grants for specialty teams in emergency management.
- Budget 2025 also allocates funding over three years to support ongoing projects and programs and to fund new measures aimed at mitigating hazards from natural disasters. This includes:
 - \$155 million for Flood Mitigation projects, with \$12 million in new funding to advance planning and regulatory approval processes to mitigate flood and drought hazards in the Bow River basin.
 - \$47 million in capital support for wildfire management.
 - \$20 million to enhance Public Safety and Emergency Infrastructure, including \$1.6 million to design and procure a mobile air monitoring lab to respond to emergency air monitoring requests.

Seniors, Community and Social Services

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	8,929	9,590	9,770	10,603	10,712	10,867

- Total expense in 2025-26 is \$10.6 billion, an \$833 million (8.5 per cent) increase from the 2024-25 estimate, due mainly to the impact of population growth on core social programs and continuing care, a short-term bump in estimated need for support programs from potential US tariffs, and steadily rising capital grants for housing programs.
- Funding for Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) remains flat at \$105 million.
- Assisted Living Alberta operating expense is \$3.8 billion in 2025-26, an increase of \$184 million (5 per cent) from 2024-25 primarily from population growth.
- Federal funding of about \$40 million per year for the next three years is forecast under the Aging with Dignity agreement. This funding enables seniors to receive home care and supports to age well at home; innovation in community care; and higher quality facility-based care in their community. The funding also supports wage enhancements for Personal Support Workers and should lead to improved outcomes in a growing segment of the continuing care sector.
- Employment and Income Support expense is estimated at \$1.255 billion in 2025-26, an increase of \$258 million (26 per cent) from the 2024-25 estimate. The increases are driven mainly by the significant population growth in 2023 and 2024 that was not fully anticipated during Budget 2024 planning. \$38 million has been added in 2025-26 in anticipation of potential US tariffs.

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- Funding for the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) program is \$1,641 million in 2025-26, a net decrease of \$49 million (2.9 per cent) from the 2024-25 estimate.
- Funding is also allocated to prepare for the new Alberta Disability Assistance Program set to launch in 2026, including expansion of funding for employment supports for disabled Albertans.
- Other disability services programs are budgeted at \$1.71 billion, an \$86 million increase from 2024-25, with grants under the Persons with Developmental Disabilities increasing by \$73 million, Family Support for Children with Disabilities expense increasing by \$9 million, and program support up \$4 million. Increases are driven by caseload pressures.
- Support to lower-income seniors through Alberta Seniors Benefits is increasing by \$33 million (6.5 per cent) in 2025-26, to \$540 million, and reaches \$619 million by 2027-28, due to growth in the seniors' population and annual rate escalation.
- In 2025-26, \$212.7 million is allocated to support homeless shelters, Navigation and Support Centres, and housing and supports programs to assist Albertans experiencing homelessness.
- Alberta Social Housing Corporation (ASHC) expense is increasing by \$245 million (62.0 per cent) in 2025-26, to \$641 million, with most of the increase due to a \$221 million increase in capital grants. Capital grant programs include \$767 million over three years to expand housing options for seniors, families, and individuals under the Affordable Housing Strategy; support for Indigenous housing; and \$50 million per year for lodges.
- ASHC operating programs include support for social, specialized and affordable housing, rental assistance and others. These are budgeted at \$343 million in 2025-26, an increase of \$23 million (7.1 per cent) from 2024-25. Increases mainly address pressures in rental assistance from market conditions, support housing providers with operational pressures to maintain service quality, and support lodge operators providing housing to low-income seniors.
- \$769 million is allocated to support transformational changes in continuing care and the new continuing care agency, Assisted Living Alberta.
- The 2025 Capital Plan allocates \$1.1 billion over three years to enhance affordable housing and social supports across the province. Combined with related Capital Maintenance and Renewal (CMR funding), nearly \$1.2 billion is being allocated to housing and seniors' facilities. Key investments (each over three years) include:
 - \$655 million for the Affordable Housing Partnership Program, an increase of \$250 million from *Budget 2024*, to support the goal of creating 13,000 affordable housing units.
 - \$150 million, including \$50 million in new funding, for the Seniors Lodge Modernization Program.
 - \$113 million, including \$21 million in new funding, for the Affordable Housing Strategy. This strategy funds the maintenance of government-owned social housing buildings.
 - \$769.4 million for continuing care. This funding will be used to develop new continuing care spaces; modernize existing space; develop culturally appropriate spaces for Indigenous groups and organizations; and create innovative small care homes.

Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	179	203	208	203	203	203

- Budget 2025 provides an increase of \$4 million over three years for health care card modernization.

Technology and Innovation

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	812	938	930	1,010	1,109	917

- Budget 2025 allocated \$42 million for modernizing government technology.

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- \$106.2 million is allocated to fund approved fixed wireless access and fibre to the home broadband projects as a part of the ongoing Broadband Strategy, which aims to connect every community across the province to broadband services by the end of fiscal year 2026-27. \$48 million is re-profiled from 2024-25,

Tourism and Sport

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	112	136	136	133	125	121

- The Ministry will continue to implement Higher Ground: Alberta's Tourism Strategy and grow the province's visitor economy to \$25 billion in annual visitor expenditures by 2035.
- \$10 million is allocated to the Active Communities Initiative to support the development of small to mid-sized sport and recreation facilities throughout the province.
- \$2.5 million is allocated to support major sport events, such as national and international championships.

Transportation and Economic Corridors

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	2,205	2,734	2,715	2,681	3,042	2,892

- Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC) is responsible for delivering key road and bridge projects. Highlights from Budget 2025 include:
 - Highway 3 twinning from Taber to Burdett,
 - Highway 40 twinning south of Grande Prairie,
 - Highway 63 twinning north of Fort McMurray, and
 - Highway 881 safety and roadway improvements.
- TEC supports municipal transit solutions through investments in Edmonton and Calgary's LRT systems. Combined municipal and federal investments in LRT systems will be \$776 million in 2025.
- TEC is also responsible for the Passenger Rail Master Plan. \$6 million has been allocated to the development of this plan, which will explore the feasibility of passenger rails connections between Edmonton and Calgary, the mountain parks, regional rail lines to connect municipalities, and integration with municipal mass transit systems.
- \$13 million has been allocated to the Traffic Safety Fund.

Treasury Board and Finance

Expense \$ millions	2023-24	2024-25		2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Budget	Target	Target
	2,260	2,108	2,159	2,227	2,256	2,265

- Budget 2025 delivers on the government's election campaign promise to implement an eight per cent tax bracket for personal income taxes. This will reduce personal income tax revenue by \$1.2 billion in 2025-26.
- The Ministry is also making various investments to support the province's goal of increasing the Heritage Savings Trust Fund from the current \$25 billion to \$250 billion by 2050.
- While not mentioned in the Government of Alberta's Budget 2025 documents, at ABmunis' 2024 Convention, the Premier announced the province's plan to [remove the premium on capital loans](#) from the province to municipal governments. ABmunis advocated for this change to reduce the long-term cost of capital infrastructure and we are pleased to see that the new policy will take effect on April 1, 2025.



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20250007	2025-01-08	Alberta Municipal Services Corporation	24-1056356	NOVEMBER POWER AND GAS	6,190.60	6,190.60
20250008	2025-01-08	Birnie, Ross	Dec 30, 2024	PUBLIC WORKS ASSISTANCE	94.50	94.50
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20250015	2025-01-08	Rowland, Jesse	December 2024	SNOW REMOVAL FOR OFFICE	310.00	310.00
20250016	2025-01-08	Tees, Wyatt	December 2024	OUTDOOR RINK MAINTENANCE	570.00	570.00
20250017	2025-01-08	Twidale, Joe	December 2024	OUTDOOR RINK MAINTENANCE	300.00	300.00
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20250024	2025-01-15	Central Alberta Co-op	Dec 2024	DECEMBER FUEL	560.46	560.46
20250025	2025-01-15	NextGen Automation	640287	DECEMBER COPIER	185.44	185.44
20250026	2025-01-15	Smith Repair	13874 14311	CHRISTMAS LIGHT HANGERS SNOW BLADE	190.86 656.25	847.11
20250027	2025-01-15	Spiffy Biffys and Septic Services	900394	DEC PW SEPTIC TANK	367.50	367.50
20250028	2025-01-15	AMSC - Benefits	1848-2025-01	JAN 2025 BENEFITS	2,521.17	2,521.17
20250029	2025-01-15	Birnie, Ross	Jan 2025	JAN PW WORK	63.00	63.00
20250030	2025-01-15	Catalis Technologies Canada LTD	INV308339532	2025 LICENSE - MUNIWARE	2,646.00	2,646.00
20250031	2025-01-15	ClearTech Industries Inc.	INV1146168	CHEMICAL	351.54	351.54
20250032	2025-01-15	Elnora Curling Club	Jan 2025	CURLING CLUB FUNDING	1,200.00	1,200.00
20250033	2025-01-15	Jackson, Deborah	0000854	JAN AND FEB LIBRARY RENT	1,050.00	1,050.00
20250034	2025-01-15	Local Government Administration Assc.	04038	2025 MEMBERSHIP FEES	288.75	288.75
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20250036	2025-01-15	Red Deer County	IVC0014616	2025 REGIONAL EMERGENCY MANA	3,000.00	3,000.00
20250037	2025-01-15	Utility Safety Partners	IN179069	MEMBERSHIP FEE	72.45	72.45
20250038	2025-01-15	Wild Rose Assessment Service	9645	INSTALLMENT PAYMENT 1 FOR 2025	1,706.25	1,706.25
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20250046	2025-02-03	Red Deer County	IVC0014757	DECEMBER PATROL FEES	275.00	275.00
20250048	2025-02-04	AGAT Laboratories	25342946E	WATER TESTING	492.45	492.45
20250049	2025-02-04	Alberta Municipalities	RG202501-118	MEMBERSHIP FEE	1,291.09	1,291.09



Village of Elnora

Cheque Listing For Council

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Cheque		Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
Cheque #	Date					
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20250053	2025-02-04	LAPP	january 2025	JANUARY LAPP	2,339.48	2,339.48
20250054	2025-02-04	NextGen Automation	648393	JANUARY COPIER COST	153.52	153.52
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20250059	2025-02-04	Telus Mobility	Jan 2025	PUMPHOUSE CALL OUT LINE	110.25	110.25
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20250061	2025-02-04	Wolseley Waterworks Group	9668221	VALVE AND DRAIN	377.97	377.97
20250062	2025-02-04	Xplore Inc.	INV55053391	JAN AND FEB INTERNET FOR THE S	136.48	136.48
20250063	2025-02-18	GFL Environmental Inc.	YC00003496	DEC 2024 WASTE COLLECTION	691.00	691.00
20250064	2025-02-18	Alberta Municipal Services Corporation	25-1057288	FEB POWER AND GAS	2,641.74	2,641.74
20250065	2025-02-18	CDM Elnora Pharmacy	January 2025	PW PACKING TAPE	7.33	7.33
20250066	2025-02-18	Central Alberta Co-op	January 2025	JANUARY PW FUEL	962.84	962.84
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20250068	2025-02-18	Environmental 360 Solutions Ltd.	RD0000358618	JANUARY WASTE COLLECTION AND	3,270.04	3,270.04
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20250079	2025-02-18	Wesgate, Sharon	Feb 2025	MILEAGE TO 3 HILLS AND RED DEEF	150.92	150.92
20250086	2025-02-26	LAPP	Feb 2025	FEBRUARY LAPP	2,206.64	2,206.64
20250087	2025-02-26	Receiver General for Canada	Feb 2025	FEBRUARY REMITTANCE	5,333.66	5,333.66
20250088	2025-02-26	Red Deer County	February 2025	PATROL FEES	325.00	325.00
20250089	2025-02-26	Servus Credit Union - M/C	January 2025	JANUARY 2025 MC	3,111.77	3,111.77
20250090	2025-02-26	Wesgate, Sharon	15	TOTES FOR MOVING	115.34	115.34

Total 356,862.03

*** End of Report ***



ALBERTA

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Office of the Minister

MLA, Calgary-Hays

AR118277

February 26, 2025

Dear Chief Elected Officials/Associations/Library Boards/Regional Services
Commissions/Municipally Controlled Corporations:

In May 2024, our government passed the *Provincial Priorities Act* to establish a process for provincial oversight of agreements between provincial entities and the federal government. The *Act* will come into force on April 1, 2025, and will ensure Ottawa is not undermining the province's jurisdiction to make decisions about what is best for Alberta and Albertans. Under the *Act*, provincial entities, such as municipalities, are required to obtain prior approval from the Alberta government before entering into, amending, or renewing an agreement with the federal government.

Throughout last summer, Alberta's government led a comprehensive stakeholder engagement with provincial entities to inform the supporting regulations. The Provincial Priorities Regulation (attached), which also comes into force on April 1, 2025, designates additional municipal entities that are subject to the *Act*. These entities include library boards, regional services commissions, municipally controlled corporations, and any entity that is established by bylaw, with the exception of business improvement areas. In addition, the regulation sets out the approval process for proposed intergovernmental agreements and includes some exceptions for the municipal sector where no provincial approvals will be needed. Examples of these exceptions include agreements under \$100,000, agreements that are in-kind contributions only, agreements with the Canadian Armed Forces, and agreements for disaster response and assistance; these will not require provincial approval.

Effective April 1, 2025, municipalities and municipal entities will be required to submit information on all new agreements with the federal government, agreement amendments and agreement renewals, along with a copy of the agreement, to Municipal Affairs, regardless of the monetary value of the agreement. Information on agreements eligible for an exception must also be submitted to Municipal Affairs in order for the exception to apply. Additional details on the process for submitting required information on federal agreements to Municipal Affairs will be shared in March.

I am looking forward to working together with you to ensure Alberta municipalities maintain access to federal dollars while protecting areas of provincial jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver
Minister

cc: Chief Administrative Officers

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Province of Alberta
Order in Council

O.C. 041/2025

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ORDER IN COUNCIL

Approved and ordered:

Lieutenant Governor
or
Administrator

The Lieutenant Governor in Council makes the Provincial Priorities Regulation set out in the attached Appendix.

FILED UNDER

THE REGULATIONS ACT

as ALBERTA REGULATION 21/2025

ON February 26 2025

REGISTRAR OF REGULATIONS

CHAIR

For Information only

Recommended by: President of Executive Council

Authority: Provincial Priorities Act
(section 4)

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Provincial Priorities Act
PROVINCIAL PRIORITIES REGULATION

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Designation of provincial entities

1 The following entities are designated as provincial entities for the purposes of the Act:

- (a) an intermunicipal library board as defined in the *Libraries Act*;
- (b) a municipal library board as defined in the *Libraries Act*;
- (c) a controlled corporation as defined in section 75.1 of the *Municipal Government Act* and the controlled corporation's board;

- (d) a growth management board as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*;
- (e) a regional services commission as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*;
- (f) an entity created by a municipal bylaw, except a business improvement area within the meaning of the *Municipal Government Act* and the business improvement area's board;
- (g) an entity that is a party to an agreement in which the entity has agreed to operate and administer real property assets of the Alberta Social Housing Corporation;
- (h) Calgary Homeless Foundation;
- (i) Homeward Trust Edmonton.

Approvals

Approval by responsible Minister

2(1) Subject to the exceptions set out in this Regulation, a provincial entity may only enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement after obtaining the prior approval of the Minister responsible for the provincial entity.

(2) For the purposes of this Regulation,

- (a) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Post-secondary Learning Act* is responsible for a public post-secondary institution as defined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act*,
- (b) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Education Act* is responsible for a board as defined in the *Education Act*,
- (c) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Provincial Health Agencies Act* is responsible for

- (i) a regional health authority, and any subsidiary health corporation of the regional health authority, under the *Provincial Health Agencies Act*, and
 - (ii) Covenant Health and any subsidiary of Covenant Health,
- (d) the sector Minister responsible for a health services sector under the *Provincial Health Agencies Act* is responsible for a provincial health agency established for that health services sector, and any subsidiary health corporation of that provincial health agency, under the *Provincial Health Agencies Act*,
- (e) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Libraries Act* is responsible for
- (i) an intermunicipal library board as defined in the *Libraries Act*, and
 - (ii) a municipal library board as defined in the *Libraries Act*,
- (f) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* is responsible for
- (i) a municipal authority as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*,
 - (ii) a controlled corporation as defined in section 75.1 of the *Municipal Government Act* and the controlled corporation's board,
 - (iii) a growth management board as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*,
 - (iv) a regional services commission as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*, and
 - (v) an entity created by a municipal bylaw, except a business improvement area within the meaning of the *Municipal Government Act* and the business improvement area's board,

and

- (g) the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* is responsible for
 - (i) a management body as defined in the *Alberta Housing Act*,
 - (ii) an entity that is a party to an agreement in which the entity has agreed to operate and administer real property assets of the Alberta Social Housing Corporation,
 - (iii) Calgary Homeless Foundation, and
 - (iv) Homeward Trust Edmonton.

(3) The President of the Executive Council may approve a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement if no other Minister is responsible for the provincial entity.

Authority to approve municipal agreements

3(1) Despite anything to the contrary in section 2(2)(f), the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* may designate another Minister as the Minister responsible for a provincial entity referred to in section 2(2)(f) in relation to an agreement or a class of agreements if the Ministers agree that the subject-matter of the agreement or class of agreements relates to a matter under that other Minister's administration.

(2) Despite anything to the contrary in section 4(1), a provincial entity referred to in section 2(2)(f) shall submit a proposed agreement, amendment, extension or renewal in accordance with the directions of the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* despite that Minister designating another Minister as the Minister responsible for the provincial entity under subsection (1).

Approval of agreements

4(1) To obtain approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement, a provincial entity must submit the proposed agreement, amendment, extension or renewal in accordance with the directions of the Minister responsible for the provincial entity.

(2) The Minister responsible for the provincial entity must assess the proposed agreement, amendment, extension or renewal by considering the following factors prior to approving a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew the agreement:

- (a) whether the agreement aligns with the priorities of the Government of Alberta;
- (b) whether the agreement
 - (i) intrudes into an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction under the Constitution of Canada,
 - (ii) affects or interferes with an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction under the Constitution of Canada, or
 - (iii) imposes conditions that would restrict the Government of Alberta in an unacceptable manner from establishing and implementing policies and programs in an area of provincial jurisdiction;
- (c) whether the agreement aligns with the Government of Alberta's long-term fiscal plan.

(3) Subject to subsections (4) to (6), after assessing the proposed agreement, amendment, extension or renewal by considering the factors described in subsection (2), the Minister may

- (a) approve a provincial entity to enter into the agreement, amendment, extension or renewal, subject to any terms or conditions the Minister considers appropriate, or
- (b) decline to approve the provincial entity to enter into the agreement, amendment, extension or renewal.

(4) A Minister must receive the approval of the Executive Council prior to approving a provincial entity to

- (a) enter into an intergovernmental agreement in which a federal entity is agreeing to provide a provincial entity with \$5 million or more in funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, or
- (b) amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement if the amendment, extension or renewal would result in \$5 million or more in additional funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, being provided by a federal entity to a provincial entity under the agreement.

(5) A Minister must receive the approval of the Executive Council prior to approving a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement if, in the Minister's opinion, the agreement

- (a) intrudes into an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction under the Constitution of Canada,
- (b) affects or interferes with an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction under the Constitution of Canada, or
- (c) imposes conditions that would restrict the Government of Alberta in an unacceptable manner from establishing and implementing policies and programs in an area of provincial jurisdiction.

(6) A Minister must receive the approval of the Executive Council prior to approving a provincial entity to amend an intergovernmental agreement in a material way if subsection (4) or (5) applies or applied to the agreement.

(7) If a Minister approves a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement, the Minister must provide written notice to the provincial entity, including written notice of any terms or conditions that apply to the Minister's approval.

(8) If a Minister declines to approve a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew an agreement, the Minister must provide written notice to the provincial entity.

Funding applications by management bodies and similar entities

5(1) Subject to subsection (2), a management body as defined in the *Alberta Housing Act* or an entity described in section 1(g) must notify the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* of any intent of the management body or entity to apply for funding from a federal entity when the body or entity submits its annual business plan to the Minister in accordance with the *Management Body Operation and Administration Regulation* (AR 243/94) or the terms of an operating agreement.

(2) Where it is not possible to comply with subsection (1) without foregoing the opportunity to apply for funding from a federal entity, a management body as defined in the *Alberta Housing Act* or an entity described in section 1(g) must notify the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* of the intent of the management body or entity to apply for funding from a federal entity at least 60 days before submitting the application for funding from the federal entity.

(3) Calgary Homeless Foundation and Homeward Trust Edmonton must notify the Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* of the intent of Calgary Homeless Foundation or Homeward Trust Edmonton to apply for funding from a federal entity at least 60 days before submitting the application for funding from the federal entity.

(4) The Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act*, within 30 days of being notified of an intent to apply for funding, must conduct a preliminary assessment of the proposed application and must advise the provincial entity whether the Minister

- (a) has concerns with the proposed application, including the nature of those concerns, and
- (b) is likely, based on the preliminary assessment, to approve the provincial entity to enter into an agreement, or the amendment, extension or renewal of an agreement, that would result from the provincial entity's application for

funding from a federal entity being approved by a federal entity.

(5) The Minister determined under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act* as the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* must consider whether notice required by this section has been provided when deciding whether to approve a provincial entity to enter into, amend, extend or renew an intergovernmental agreement.

Exceptions

Exceptions re funding amounts

6(1) If, under an intergovernmental agreement, a federal entity

- (a) would not provide any funding to a provincial entity or would only provide in-kind contributions, or
- (b) would provide less than \$100 000 in funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, to a provincial entity,

and the provincial entity has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the provincial entity with any information specified by the Minister, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the provincial entity is not required to obtain the Minister's approval before entering into, amending, extending or renewing that agreement unless an amendment, extension or renewal of the agreement would result in the provincial entity receiving a total of \$100 000 or more in funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, from the federal entity under the agreement as amended, extended or renewed.

(2) If an intergovernmental agreement relates to the construction, maintenance or development of housing accommodations, then a provincial entity is not required to obtain approval before entering into, amending, extending or renewing that agreement if the federal entity is providing the provincial entity \$250 000 or less in funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, under the agreement initially entered into, or as amended, extended or renewed.

(3) This section does not apply to Calgary Homeless Foundation or Homeward Trust Edmonton.

Exceptions re amendments, extensions and renewals

7(1) If a provincial entity has been approved to enter into an agreement under this Regulation, the provincial entity is not required to obtain prior approval to amend, extend or renew that agreement if the provincial entity has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the provincial entity with any information specified by the Minister, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister and any of the following circumstances apply:

- (a) the agreement includes a provision requiring a project to start or end by a certain date and the amendment, extension or renewal is for the purpose of allowing the project to start or end by a date that is no more than one year different from the start or end date that is in the agreement;
- (b) the agreement includes a provision establishing the length of a project and the amendment, extension or renewal is for the purpose of allowing the project to be extended by one year or less;
- (c) the amendment, extension or renewal provides additional federal funding, excluding any in-kind contributions, to a provincial entity that is
 - (i) less than \$100 000, and
 - (ii) less than 10% of the federal funding being provided under the agreement that the Minister approved;
- (d) the proposed amendment, extension or renewal of an agreement would make or result in minor administrative changes.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to Calgary Homeless Foundation or Homeward Trust Edmonton.

Exceptions for public post-secondary institutions

8(1) For the purposes of this section,

- (a) “fee-for-service agreement” means an agreement in which a particular set of services is provided in exchange for a set fee, and

- (b) “research” means an undertaking directed to the discovery, extension or application of knowledge through a disciplined inquiry or systematic investigation.

(2) If a public post-secondary institution as defined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act* has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Post-secondary Learning Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the public post-secondary institution is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity if

- (a) the agreement pertains to research, unless greater than 50% of the total funding being provided under the agreement, excluding any in-kind contributions, is capital funding for the development of research facilities,
- (b) greater than 50% of the total funding being provided under the agreement pertains to the following matters:
 - (i) the delivery of an apprenticeship education program as defined in the *Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act*;
 - (ii) the delivery of a program of study as defined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act*;
 - (iii) the delivery of a foundational learning program as defined in the *Programs of Study Regulation* (AR 91/2009);
 - (iv) the delivery of work placement experiences, including mentorship programs, cooperative placements, practicums and internships, for students as defined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act*, including the provision of wage subsidies;
 - (v) the delivery of language instruction that enables individuals to develop basic language proficiency in one of the official languages of Canada;
 - (vi) the delivery of a continuing education program;
 - (vii) a conference, symposium or other non-instructional event,

or

- (c) the public post-secondary institution is entering into, amending, extending or renewing an agreement in which the public post-secondary institution is
 - (i) a party to a fee-for-service agreement, or
 - (ii) providing space to a federal entity through a lease or short-term rental, the term of which does not exceed 2 months.

Exception for Banff Centre

9 If Banff Centre as defined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act* has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Post-secondary Learning Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, Banff Centre is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity.

Exceptions for school boards

10 If a board as defined in the *Education Act* has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Education Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the board is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity in either of the following circumstances:

- (a) the agreement provides for federal funding under Jordan's Principle;
- (b) the agreement provides for federal funding as part of an education services agreement under section 63 of the *Education Act*.

Exceptions for Banff, Jasper and Lloydminster

11 If the Municipality of Jasper, the Town of Banff or the City of Lloydminster have provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* with any

information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the Municipality, Town or City, as the case may be, is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity.

Exception for controlled corporations

12 If a controlled corporation as defined in section 75.1 of the *Municipal Government Act* or the controlled corporation's board has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the controlled corporation or the controlled corporation's board, as the case may be, is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity.

Exception for municipal agreements with Canadian Armed Forces

13 If a municipal authority has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with the Canadian Armed Forces, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the municipal authority is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with the Canadian Armed Forces.

Exceptions during emergencies and disasters

14 If a municipal authority has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Municipal Government Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the municipal authority is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity if the agreement is for the purpose of responding to a disaster or emergency as those terms are defined in the *Emergency Management Act*.

**Exception for mortgage agreements with Canada
Mortgage and Housing Corporation**

15 If a management body as defined in the *Alberta Housing Act* or an entity described in section 1(g) has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of a mortgage agreement with the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the management body or entity is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that mortgage agreement with the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

**Exception for entities that operate and administer
Alberta Social Housing Corporation assets**

16 If an entity described in section 1(g) has provided or agreed to provide the Minister responsible for the *Alberta Housing Act* with any information specified by the Minister in respect of an agreement with a federal entity, including a copy of the agreement, in the time and manner specified by the Minister, the entity is not required to obtain prior approval to enter into, amend, extend or renew that agreement with a federal entity if that agreement does not relate to the operation or administration of real property assets of the Alberta Social Housing Corporation.

Agreements to provide information

17 For the purposes of this Regulation, an agreement to provide a Minister with information may relate to a particular intergovernmental agreement or to a class of intergovernmental agreements.

Coming into Force

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18 This Regulation comes into force on the coming into force of the *Provincial Priorities Act*.

POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

February 27, 2025

Trochu Town Office

PRESENT: RCMP - Sgt. Jamie Day, Red Deer County - Philip Massier, Delburne - Jeff Bourne, Delburne - Karen Fegan, Kneehill County - Amber Hay, Kneehill County - Laura Lee Machel-Cunningham Three Hills - Marilyn Sept, Elnora - Ron Duft, Trochu - Carl Peterson

Guest - Delburne Mayor - Tim Wilson

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Jeff Bourne brought the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** none

3. **BUSINESS:**

RCMP Update

Sgt. Day gave an update on crime stats for the Three Hills Detachment areas. The members are now wearing body worn cameras. It's been a game changer for them for helping out with paperwork as the videos are uploaded right away to their computers with video and transcription. The cost of the cameras was completely covered by the Federal Government. They've been wearing them since the first week in February.

Domestic violence calls are trending up. The members are focusing on drug enforcement currently. They've been very proactive the last year on mental health. Property crimes have dropped almost 50% over the last year which is great!

There's a new member starting on March 5 and the new support staff starts on April 10.

Red Deer County

The CPOs are at full compliment now. There's been meetings with the detachments in the Red Deer County area in trying to get some Police Advisory Committees going with the other detachments. Our Police Advisory Committee is quite popular with the other detachments and they're hoping to do something similar.

Delburne

We've had a "bear" sighting in Delburne that caused quite a stir, but it ended up being a prank with a taxidermy bear. There has been some issues with a house in town that has a "homeless" person living in it and trying to fix it up so they and the daughter of the late owner can make some money selling it which is highly unlikely at this point.

Three Hills

Things are going really well!

Kneehill County

They recently had a great presentation with the four detachments that are in Kneehill County.

Trochu

The new senior living center is now under construction. There's also a new subdivision that will be going in that same area.

Elnora

Their new water treatment plant will be commissioned soon. Things have been going really well.

4. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Next meeting will be Thursday, May 22, 2025 at 6:00 PM in Delburne.

VILLAGE OF ELNORA
Administrator's Report

Report Period: *February 2025*

Report Date: *March 6, 2025*

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 Council Meetings: Preparation of agendas/agenda package for February and March. Minutes for January and February, attendance
- 1.2 Correspondence: Letters, filing, emails
- 1.3 Financial: Bank Reconciliation August 2024 – to December 2024, Cash Receipting, Accts Payable, Payroll. T-4 submission. LAPP annual return. Facilitated banking changes.
- 1.4 Training: training research
- 1.5 2024 Audit: Preparation incomplete, extension required, discussions with auditors
- 1.6 WCB Annual Reporting
- 1.7 Map updates for Elections Alberta
- 1.8 Office: Phone and front counter. Internet/phone services, network set up. Server repair. Bylaw enforcement correspondence
- 1.9 Support staff: Recruitment

2.0 FIRE DEPARTMENT

3.0 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

4.0 BYLAWS & POLICIES, AGREEMENT

- 4.1 *Recreation Board bylaw changes request*

5.0 PUBLIC WORKS/STREETS

- 5.1 *Public Works Foreman – Daily meetings to discuss operations, concerns, tasks and directives, projects*
- 5.2 *Changed internet services*

6.0 WATER/SEWER/GARBAGE

9.0 FCSS

- 9.1 *Elnora FCSS Community Worker: program discussions*

10.0 Youth Centre

- 10.1 *Program relocation to 603 Second Avenue. Budget research.
Discussions with FCSS.*

11.0 LAND

12.0 RECREATION

- 12.1 Discussions with Rec Board President.

13.0 CULTURE

14.0 COURSES/CONFERENCE

15.0 PROJECTS

- 15.1 **Pumphouse Project (AMWWP Grant): ongoing**
15.2 **Library Project: ongoing**

Tina Williamson-Ward, Interim CAO

Elnora Public Works Report

March Meeting 2025

Streets

- Snow removal and snow hauling Continued as needed.
- The streets were scraped to remove as much ice as possible.
- Public Works has been kept busy with moving the village office. We hired Curtis to pack the youth center into boxes and then Max and I packed it all into the back office of the new office. Then the necessities to run the office were moved. A sea can has been rented for storage of old documents and miscellaneous other stuff. Andrew and Curtis were hired to help move all of the stuff into the sea can. Once a new location for the youth center was arranged, we hired Andrew to assist with moving the youth center belongings.

Water

- Water consumption for February was 1481 cubic meters for a daily average of 52.89 cubic meters. Last year was higher with 1653 cubic meters or 57 cubic meters daily.
- The new Water Plant has been delayed due to an oversight and material delivery times. I hope to be operating the new water plant in April.

Sewer

- Acti-Zyme continues to be used as directed.

Rod Rintoul

Public Works Foreman