



TOWN OF DIDSBURY AGENDA
Special Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 15 2026 commencing at 6:00 pm
Council Chambers 1606 14 Street

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DIDSBURY LIONS CLUB

Expression of Interest

To Operate the Rosebud Valley Campground

Submitted to the Town of Didsbury
July 2026

Contact Information

D'Arcy Swabey/Larry Umbach on behalf of Didsbury Lions Club

Submitted to: Town of Didsbury

1. Executive Summary

The Didsbury Lions Club is pleased to submit this Expression of Interest to the Town of Didsbury regarding operation of the Rosebud Valley Campground, commencing May 1, 2027. The Lions Club has deep roots in this community and a proud legacy that includes the original construction of this very campground in the mid-1970s.

We propose to serve as the Campground Operator under a formal lease agreement with the Town, providing seasonal management of the Rosebud Valley Campground from May 1 to September 30 (or to a date to be determined in October based on weather conditions). We propose an initial lease term covering the 2027 operating season, with an option to negotiate a longer-term lease of five to ten years, should both the Town of Didsbury and the Didsbury Lions Club be satisfied with the outcomes of the 2027 season.

This Expression of Interest offers the Town of Didsbury a reliable, community-rooted partner with a vested interest in the long-term success and quality of this facility, and a clear path toward a stable, multi-year operating relationship.

Key Highlights of Our Expression of Interest:

- Founded on community service — the Lions Club built this campground and has served Didsbury for decades;
- Committed to seasonal operations and excellent stewardship of the facility;
- Proposing an initial lease for the 2027 operating season, with an option for both parties to negotiate a longer-term lease of 5 to 10 years based on the success of that first season;
- A professionally hired on-site campground host to be responsible for day to day campground operations ;
- Lions Club members to provide oversight to the operations, conduct annual spring and fall maintenance work and develop a long-term plan for operation and improvements to the campground;
- Seamless takeover of the Town's existing “Lets Camp” online booking system — no disruption to campers;
- Campground revenue redirected back into the community through Lions Club programs, alongside a long-term plan for maintenance and upgrades to the campground.

2. About the Didsbury Lions Club

Our History and Mission

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, with over 1.4 million members in 200+ countries. The Didsbury Lions Club has served the Didsbury area for many decades, funding and delivering community projects that improve quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

Our club's history is directly tied to the Rosebud Valley Campground. Didsbury Lions Club members built the campground in the mid-1970s as a community service project — a fact that gives our club a unique connection to this facility and a particular motivation to see it thrive. Taking over operation of the campground is, in a meaningful sense, a homecoming for our organization.

Our Commitment to Didsbury

Funds generated through our community activities are reinvested directly into local projects. Revenue generated from campground operations will support the Lions Club's ongoing charitable work in and around Didsbury, ensuring that the campground continues to benefit the broader community.

- Decades of community service in the Didsbury area;
- Experience managing club events, fundraisers, and public-facing operations;
- Strong network of member volunteers to support campground activities;
- Establish a long-term strategy for campground operations and capital upgrades to the facility.

3. Campground Overview

Location and Setting

The Rosebud Valley Campground is located on the east side of Didsbury on Highway 582, on Town of Didsbury property. The campground offers a quiet, peaceful setting and is conveniently close to numerous community amenities including the Didsbury Aquatic Centre, the Didsbury Golf Course, the Didsbury & District Museum, Save-On Foods, a propane station, and an RV dumping station.

Campground Infrastructure

The campground features the following facilities:

Facility	Description
Office Building	Administrative office with storefront area; potential for retail sales (ice, consumables)
Cook Shelter	Covered picnic and cooking shelter for guest use
Bathroom Building	Full facility with flush toilets, sinks, and showers
RV Power & Water Sites	Approximately 30 sites with power and water connections
Un-serviced Tent Sites	Approximately 20 un-serviced sites (# of sites not documented)
Storage Sheds	2 storage sheds for equipment and supplies
Campground Host Site	Dedicated host campsite with full sewer connection and deck for on-site host

4. Operational Plan

Hired Campground Host

The Didsbury Lions Club will recruit and hire a qualified Campground Host to serve as the full-time, on-site operator for the duration of each camping season (May 1 to September 30, or to a date determined in October based on weather conditions). The Host will live in their own RV at the designated host campsite, which is equipped with a full sewer connection and deck.

The hired Host will fulfill all duties and obligations outlined in the Town of Didsbury Campground Host Contract, reporting directly to a Lions Club committee. The Lions Club will provide active oversight of the Host throughout the season to ensure all contractual obligations are being met.

Host Duties — Guest Services

- Manage all campground reservations using the Town's existing online booking system;
- Ensure campers are registered using the existing online booking system.
- Provide monthly reports to the Lions club including daily attendance and fees collected (all registration fees will be collected via an online registration system);
- Greet and orient all arriving guests; provide campground rules and site information
- Ensure guests comply with all campground rules including quiet hours, vehicle speed limits, generator use policies, and length-of-stay restrictions;
- Control site access using the main gate;
- Contact Didsbury RCMP when enforcing rules may endanger the Host or patrons;
- Direct all serious complaints to designated Lions Club members; maintain records of all infractions;
- Record and report wildlife conflicts, accidents, near-misses, and other notable occurrences.

Host Duties — Grounds and Facility Maintenance

- Clean bathrooms and picnic shelter daily and as required; maintain all washrooms in a sanitary condition free of mold, graffiti, and foreign material;
- Ensure vacated campsites are cleaned and prepared for the next guests;
- Mow and edge all grassed areas regularly; grass not to exceed 3 inches in height;
- Weed control and reseeding as required; removal of underbrush and trimming of brush and trees;
- Maintain fire pits — clear ashes, coals, and unburned wood regularly;
- Ensure picnic tables, shelters, signs, benches, and playground equipment are kept in good condition;
- Minor maintenance and repairs to buildings and grounds as required;
- Maintain all roads and parking lots free of debris; coordinate major maintenance needs with the Town;

- Assist with end-of-season winterizing activities as directed.

Lions Club Oversight

Lions Club members will provide active oversight of the hired Campground Host throughout the season to ensure all duties are being performed to the Town's standards. The Lions Club's oversight role includes:

- Regular site visits and check-ins by designated Lions Club members during the season;
- Review of monthly reports submitted by the Host;
- Weekly and Monthly monitoring and review of Campground revenues;
- Prepare and submit a year end annual summary report of campground operations and occupancy to the Town of Didsbury;
- Serve as the primary point of contact between the Host and the Town of Didsbury;
- Address any Host performance concerns promptly and taking corrective action as needed;
- Ensure the Host is properly equipped with the tools, supplies, and support required to carry out their duties;

Annual Spring and Fall Maintenance

Lions Club members will organize and lead annual maintenance work parties at the campground to maintain the facility to a high standard:

Spring Maintenance (prior to May 1 each year):

- Clean and paint washroom walls, floors, and ceilings;
- Repair and paint all picnic tables as required;
- Repair and location site posts as required;
- Inspect and address any winter damage to buildings, grounds, and infrastructure
- Prepare the host site and all facilities for season opening;
- Ensure all playground equipment is in a safe and operational condition.

Fall Maintenance (following season close each year):

- Winterize water systems, bathrooms, and infrastructure in coordination with the Town of Didsbury;
- Conduct end-of-season inspection of all buildings, equipment, and grounds;
- Complete any outstanding repairs before winter;
- Prepare and submit an end-of-season infrastructure report to the Town of Didsbury detailing maintenance activities and any significant infrastructure issues or needs.

Online Booking System

The Town of Didsbury currently operates the Rosebud Valley Campground using the “Lets Camp” online booking system. The Didsbury Lions Club proposes to assume administrative control of this platform and have all campground registrations continue to be processed through the existing online system. This approach ensures continuity for returning campers and preserves the Town's established reservation infrastructure.

- Seamless transition — returning campers experience no disruption to the booking process;
- All reservations, guest records, and fee collection managed through the existing platform;
- A Lions club committee will assume administrative control of the online booking system and train the hired Campground Host on use of the online registration system prior to season opening;
- The Lions club will submit an annual year end summary of occupancy and revenue to the Town of Didsbury.

Additional Revenue Opportunities

The Lions Club intends to pursue the following supplemental revenue activities to be permitted under an operating lease from the Town of Didsbury:

- Firewood sales — firewood to be prepared and bundled by the Lions Club and sold to campers;
- Storefront sales — the office building includes a storefront area with potential for selling ice and basic consumables;
- Beverage container recycling — the Lions Club will collect empty beverage containers left by campers and return them for the deposit.

5. Financial Plan

Approach to Budget Development

The Didsbury Lions Club recognizes that a complete operating budget for the Rosebud Valley Campground will need to be developed jointly with the Town of Didsbury as part of finalizing an operating lease for the campground. Rather than propose specific revenue and expense figures at this stage, the Lions Club intends to work collaboratively with the Town to establish a budget that reflects the actual costs of operating the campground and a fair, sustainable arrangement for both parties.

Guiding Principle: No Net Cost to the Town

The Lions Club believes that the lease should be structured such that the Town of Didsbury does not incur any net operating costs during the lease period. Day-to-day operating expenses — including the hired Campground Host, utilities, grounds maintenance, and routine supplies — would be covered through campground operating revenue and managed by the Lions Club under the agreement.

Items Requiring Further Discussion

While the Lions Club is prepared to take on responsibility for day-to-day operations and routine maintenance at no net cost to the Town, there are a number of budgetary matters that will need to be worked out between the Town and the Lions Club before a final lease agreement can be reached, including:

- Clarification of the existing facility infrastructure, its current condition and required repairs and maintenance;
- Capital maintenance responsibilities and long-term funding for improvements to campground infrastructure, including the office building, washroom building, cook shelter, underground electrical and septic systems;
- Clarification of responsibility for major repairs or capital upgrades beyond routine maintenance will be funded and by which party;
- Development of the terms of a lease agreement for operation of the campground.

The Lions Club welcomes the opportunity to work through these items with the Town of Didsbury as part of finalizing a campground operating lease and is committed to reaching an arrangement that is fair and sustainable for both parties over the life of the lease.

6. Insurance and Compliance

The Didsbury Lions Club acknowledges and will fulfill all insurance and compliance requirements expected for operation of the Rosebud Valley Campground, including:

- Comprehensive commercial general liability insurance — minimum \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$5,000,000 annual aggregate;
- All insurance policies will provide 60 days written notice before any material change, cancellation, or termination;
- Acceptable Certificate of Insurance provided to the Town prior to commencement of operations;
- If it is required, a current Workers Compensation Board (WCB) certificate will maintained at all times;
- Criminal record checks for all personnel serving in Campground Host roles;
- The Lions Club will operate as an independent contractor; no employer-employee relationship with the Town is created or implied.

7. Why the Didsbury Lions Club?

The Town of Didsbury is seeking a long-term, suitable solution for campground operations. We believe the Didsbury Lions Club offers a uniquely compelling combination of history, community commitment, and operational capacity:

- **We built this campground. The original construction of the Rosebud Valley Campground was a Lions Club community project in the mid-1970s. There is no organization more naturally aligned with stewardship of this facility;**
- **We are rooted in Didsbury. Unlike a private commercial operator, every dollar of net revenue the Lions Club retains goes back into the Didsbury community;**

- **We are committed for the long term. The Lions Club is not a seasonal business — we are a permanent part of this community and will be invested in the campground's success year after year;**
- **We bring the workforce. Our members will conduct annual spring and fall maintenance, provide seasonal oversight of the hired host, and ensure the facility is always in top condition;**
- **We meet all operational requirements. We will fulfill all operational, insurance, reporting, and contractual obligations expected of the Campground Host, and we are proposing a lease structure — an initial 2027 season with an option for a longer-term agreement — that lets both the Town and the Lions Club confirm the partnership works before committing long-term.**

8. Conclusion and Request for Discussion

The Didsbury Lions Club respectfully requests that the Town of Didsbury enter into discussions with our club to prepare a lease agreement for the Lions Club to operate the Rosebud Valley Campground for an initial term covering the 2027 operating season with an option to negotiate a longer-term lease of 5 to 10 years, should both parties be satisfied with the outcome of 2027 season.

We are prepared to provide any additional information, attend a presentation to Town Council and/or Administration, and work collaboratively with Town administration to finalize the terms of a mutually beneficial campground lease agreement.

We look forward to continuing a proud partnership between the Didsbury Lions Club and the Town of Didsbury — and to welcoming campers back to a facility that our club helped build.

9. Potential timeline for Pathforward

Should the Town of Didsbury wish to move forward with this initiative the Lions Club would like to propose a timeline that allows for a generous planning period ahead of the 2027 season. As such the club proposes the following timeline:

July 2026 - Expression of Interest submission to Town counsel

July & August 2026 - Town of Didsbury review and internal discussions

September & October 2026 – Town of Didsbury and Lions Club discussions

October 31, 2026 – Completion and signing of a Lease Agreement.

November 1, 2026 – Lions Club to begin preparations for 2027 operating season.

Submitted by the Didsbury Lions Club

D'Arcy Swabey Lions Member, Didsbury Lions Club

Larry Umbach, Club President, Didsbury Lions Club

July 2026

Town of Didsbury
Presentation to Council
September 15, 2026
Presenters: Harold Johnsrude, Gord Kerr

Request to Council

We request that the Town of Didsbury Council and administration make the necessary decisions to ensure the timely rehabilitation of the Heritage Crossing property located at the corner of 21st Street and 21st Avenue; legal description Plan 474I Block 10 Lots 11 – 17 inclusive.

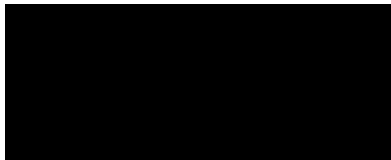
Background and Rationale

Heritage Crossing located at 2014 21st Avenue was to be a 48-unit condominium building and, according to AI, Council addressed this project in 2012. It is a construction project that has not proceeded past the underground phase and has been in this state for approximately 10 years. During this time period the property has changed from a receivership situation to a clear title with the current ownership since July 2023.

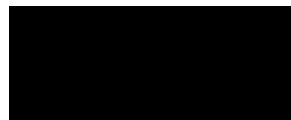
This property being close to the downtown area is a disgrace to the community. The following pictures taken in August 2026 support our statements that it is not aesthetically pleasing and that it is a safety hazard.

Town Council is empowered by the Municipal Government Act to address the welfare and interests of the Town of Didsbury. The Town's current Community Standards Bylaw (Bylaw 2023-14) specifically speaks to 'protection of people and property' and 'unsightly property'. Are the Town's current bylaws sufficient to address this major situation or will additional Council decisions be required without 'grandfathering' clauses?

We hope that our request to Council will be referred to administration for their research with a resulting action report for Council to address. And we trust that this will be done in a timely manner. What is 'timely'? This is a question we would like to discuss with Council at the conclusion of our presentation. Our opinion is that safety should be addressed immediately with the property owner. Rehabilitation of the property will take more time but plans on how that will be done can and should be in place by November 2026 to be able to start in the spring of 2027.



Harold Johnsrude
Town of Didsbury Resident



Gord Kerr
Town of Didsbury Resident



The aesthetics are not appropriate for a residential area or any part of the Town. The fencing looks fine from the street if the Town considers temporary fencing to be adequate for safety purposes.



Now for fencing or lack thereof on the other side of the property.





**Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Regular Council Meeting held on
June 11, 2026 in Council Chambers 1606 14 Street
Commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

Council Members Present Mayor Chris Little
Deputy Mayor Bob Murray
Councillor Curt Engel
Councillor Troy Lambert
Councillor Irwin Mahon
Councillor Norm Quantz
Councillor Will Stevens

Administration Present Chief Administrative Officer, Michael Simpson
Chief Financial Officer, Amanda Riley
Director of Community Services, Nicole Aasen
Communications Coordinator, Lisa Bastarache
Legislative Coordinator, Vanessa Van der Meer

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Little called the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
Res. 250-26
MOVED by Councillor Engel
That Council adopt the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting agenda, as presented.
Motion Carried
3. **DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**
 - 3.1 **Rosebud Health Foundation**
Res. 251-26
MOVED by Councillor Lambert
That Council thank the Rosebud Health Foundation for their presentation and accept their presentation for information.
Motion Carried
 - 3.2 **E3 Lithium**
Res 252-26
Moved by Councillor Quantz
That Council thank Leigh Clarke of E3 Lithium for his presentation and accept the presentation, for information.
Motion Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 May 26, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Res. 253-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council adopt the May 26, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Motion Carried

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. CAO REPORT

Res. 254-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council accept the June 11, 2026 Chief Administrative Officer Report, for information.

Motion Carried

7. BYLAWS & POLICIES

7.1 FIN 004-26 Payment Authority Policy

Res. 255-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council approve FIN 004-26, Payment Authority Policy, as presented.

Motion Carried

7.2 PMP 001-26 Privacy Management Plan

Res. 256-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council approve PMP 001-26, the Town of Didsbury Privacy Management Plan as presented, and that the Privacy Management Plan be made available to the public on the Town website.

Motion Carried

8. BUSINESS

8.1 Butte Reservoir Emergency Backup Generator

Res. 257-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council approve the installation of a backup generator at the Butte Reservoir for the amount of \$127,000, funded from the Water reserve.

Motion Carried

8.2 Pickleball Committee

Res. 258-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council strike up a Community Partnership Ad Hoc Committee to make a recommendation to Council on the proposed Pickleball Courts and to appoint Councillors Engel, Councillor Mahon, and Councillor Lambert to the Committee.

Motion Carried

8.3 Golf Course Sanitary Servicing Project

Res. 259-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council amend the 2026 Capital Budget to add \$105,000 to the Golf Course Sanitary Sewer Connection project for a total cost of \$245,000, to be funded from the Strategic Initiative and Contingency Reserve and proceed with option (3).

Motion Carried

8.4 Didsbury Public Engagement Summary Report

Res. 260-26

MOVED by Councillor Mahon

That Council approve the Didsbury Public Engagement Summary Report (April 2026) as public information and publication on the Town website.

Motion Carried

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

Res. 261-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council accept the June 11, 2026 Council Reports, for information.

Motion Carried

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Res. 262-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council accept the correspondence for June 11, 2026, for information.

Motion Carried

11. QUESTION PERIOD

12. CLOSED MEETING

Res. 263-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council go into Closed Session at 7:24 p.m. for the following items:

12.1 Organizational Structure - Section 29(1) of ATIA

12.2 High School Scholarship Award – Section 20(1) of ATIA.

Motion Carried

13. RECONVENE

Res. 264-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council return to the Regular meeting of Council at 8:44 p.m.

Motion Carried

Res. 265-26

MOVED by Councillor Quartz

That Council approve the Town of Didsbury Organizational Structure and position salary grids effective June 29, 2026, as presented.

Motion Carried

Res 266-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council award the 2026 Town of Didsbury High School Scholarship of \$2,000 to Sierra Penner, and invite Sierra to the June 23rd, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to receive the award from Council.

Motion carried

Res 267-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council approve the elimination of the Municipal RCMP Admin Clerk position at the RCMP detachment and authorize Administration to transition the duties to a Public Servant position through the RCMP.

Motion carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. 268-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council adjourn the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor - Chris Little

~~Chief Administrative Officer – Michael Simpson~~
Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Vanessa Van der Meer



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Administration Present Chief Administrative Officer, Michael Simpson
 Chief Financial Officer, Amanda Riley (Arrived at 7:06 p.m.)
 Director of Community Services, Nicole Aasen
 Planner, Tracey Connatty
 Development Officer, Lee-Ann Gaudette
 Legislative Coordinator, Vanessa Van der Meer
 Council & Community Relations Coordinator, Nelisha Bruce

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Little called the June 23, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. 275-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel.

That Council adopt the June 23, 2026 Regular Council Meeting agenda, as presented.

Carried

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Presentation of the Town of Didsbury's 2026 High School Scholarship

3.2 Kai Mrazik Proposal to Council

Res. 276-26

MOVED by Councillor Murray

That Council thank Kai Mrazik for the content partnership proposal.

Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Res. 277-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council adopt the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes, as amended.

Carried

4.2 June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting Minutes

Res. 278-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council adopt the June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Carried

Recess of the Regular Meeting of Council at 6:22 p.m.

Public Hearing to begin at 6:22 p.m.

Public Hearing closed at 7:02 p.m.

Regular Meeting of Council commenced at 7:02 p.m.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.1 Amending Land Use Bylaw 2026-13 PH

5.2 PH RFD MR Disposal Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1

6. CAO REPORT

Res. 279-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council accept the Chief Administrative Officer's Report for June 23, 2026, for information.

Carried

7. BYLAWS & POLICIES

7.1 Bylaw 2026-13 Land Use Amending Bylaw

Res. 280-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council move Second Reading to Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-13.

Carried

Res. 281-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council move Third and Final Reading to Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-13.

Carried

8. BUSINESS

8.1 Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1 MR Disposal

Res. 282-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council approve the removal of the Municipal Reserve (MR) dedication caveat for Plan 0514037, Block 18, Lot 1.

Carried

Res. 283-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council direct Administration to prepare and bring forward a Bylaw to the August 25, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to add a Municipal Reserve designation to Plan 51161, Block 15, Lot 7, located at 2126 20 Avenue.

Carried

8.2 Update to Bank Signing Authorities effective July 1, 2026

Res. 284-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council rescind, resolution 540-25 "to approve the Administrative Bank Signing Authorities for all Connect First Credit Union accounts as follows: Chief Administrative Office – Michael Simpson, Chief Financial Officer – Amanda Riley, Manager of Financial Services – Shannon Milligan."

Carried

Res. 285-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council approve the Administrative Bank Signing Authorities for all Servus Credit Union banking and loan accounts as follows:

Interim Chief Administrative Officer – Vanessa Van der Meer

Chief Financial Officer – Amanda Riley.

Carried

8.3 2026 Community Grant Funding

Res. 286-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council approve the 2026 Community Grant funding of \$16,500 as follows:

- Cadet Parents Association #3025 - \$2,000
- Didsbury AquaJets Swim Club - \$2,000
- Didsbury Rec Hockey Association - \$2,000
- Didsbury Minor Hockey Association- \$2,000
- Didsbury Elks Lodge #514 - \$2,000
- Northern Trails Riding Club - \$500
- Heart2U Didsbury - \$2,000
- Didsbury Figure Skating Club - \$2,000
- Didsbury Agricultural Society - \$2,000

Carried

8.4 Partnership Project - Stirling Rock Display

Res. 287-26

MOVED by Councillor Mahon

That Council approve the Stirling Rock Display project and allocate land directly east of the Didsbury Aquatic Centre within the greenspace for the display, contingent on the Stirling Rock Committee fully funding all construction and installation costs.

Carried

8.5 Golf Course Septic Cleanout Costs

Res. 288-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council approve the Didsbury Golf Club sanitary cleanout costs estimated at \$7,000 for the entirety of the 2026 golf season, to be funded from the Town of Didsbury Strategic Initiatives and Contingency Reserve.

Carried

8.6 Didsbury Strategic Plan 2026-2029

Res. 289-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council approve the Didsbury Strategic Plan for the period of 2026-2029 for implementation and that the strategic plan be published on the Town website for public access.

Carried

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

Res. 290-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council accept the June 23, 2026 Council Reports as information.

Carried

10. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION

11. QUESTION PERIOD

12. CLOSED SESSION

Res. 291-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council move into Closed Session at 7:33 p.m. for the following items:

12.1 Curling Concession Lease Renewal - section 29(1) of ATIA

Carried

13. RECONVENE

Res. 292-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council return to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Carried

Res. 293-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council direct Administration to enter in a (3) Three-year lease of the Didsbury Memorial Complex concession from September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2029, valued at Year (1) one at a 1% increase, year (2) two at a 2% increase and year (3) three at a 0% increase with an option of Year (4) at a 0% increase.

Carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. 294-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council adjourn the June 23, 2026 Regular Council Meeting at 7:51p.m.

Carried

Mayor - Chris Little

~~Chief Administrative Officer — Michael Simpson~~
Acting CAO Vanessa Van der Meer



**Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Special Council Meeting held on
July 15, 2026 in Council Chambers 1606 14 Street
Commencing at 6:00 p.m.**

Council Members Present Mayor Chris Little
Deputy Mayor Bob Murray
Councillor Will Stevens
Councillor Norm Quantz
Councillor Irwin Mahon
Councillor Troy Lambert
Via Zoom Councillor Curt Engel

Council Members Absent

Administration Present Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Vanessa Van Der Meer
Communications Coordinator, Lisa Bastarache
Council and Community Relation Coordinator, Nelisha Bruce

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Little called the July 15, 2026 Special Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
Res. 295-26
MOVED by Councillor Stevens
That Council adopt the July 15, 2026 Special Council Meeting agenda, as presented.
Motion Carried
3. **CLOSED SESSION**
Res. 296-26
MOVED by Councillor Mahon
That Council move into Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. for the following items:
3.1 CAO Recruitment – Access to Information Act - Confidential Evaluations - Section 22 (1).
Motion Carried
4. **RECONVENE**
Res. 297-26
MOVED by Councillor Stevens
That Council return to the Special Meeting of Council at 7:17 p.m.
Motion Carried

Res. 298-26

MOVED by Councillor Mahon

Council direct the Mayor Little and Deputy Mayor Murray to continue with the hiring process as discussed.

Motion Carried

5. ADJOURNMENT

Res. 299-26

MOVED by Councillor Murray

That Council adjourn the July 15, 2026 Special Council Meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor – Chris Little

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Vanessa Van der Meer



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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Little called the July 28, 2026 Special Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. 300-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council adopt the July 28, 2026 Special Council Meeting agenda, as amended with the following addition: 4.2 Tender Applications for Sidewalk Repairs - Access to Information Act – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party –Section 19 (1) (c) (i).

Motion Carried

3. Business

Res. 301-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council amend the 2025-2026 Council Meeting Calendar, as presented:

1. Cancel the August 25, 2026 - Regular Council Meeting
2. Cancel the September 8 and 22, 2026 - Regular Council Meetings
3. Set the new meeting dates in September for - September 15 and 29, 2026 - Regular Meetings of Council.

Motion Carried

4. CLOSED SESSION

Res. 302-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

That Council move into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m. for the following items:

- 4.1 CAO Recruitment – Access to Information Act - Confidential Evaluations - Section 22 (1)
- 4.2 Tender Applications for Sidewalk Repairs - Access to Information Act – Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party –Section 19 (1) (c) (i).

Motion Carried

5 **RECONVENE**

Res. 303-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

That Council return to the Special Meeting of Council at 7:30 p.m.

Motion Carried

Res. 304-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council rescind Res. 273-26, moved by Deputy Mayor Murray, That Council appoint Vanessa Van der Meer as Interim CAO effective July 1, 2026 until further notice, to be effective August 10, 2026.

Motion Carried

Res. 305-26

MOVED by Councillor Lambert

That Council formally appoint Vanessa Van der Meer, to carry out the powers, duties and functions of Chief Administrative Officer, in accordance with Section 205 (1) of the Municipal Government Act, effective August 10, 2026.

Motion Carried

Res. 306-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council award the 2026 Sidewalk Rehabilitation and Repairs contract to Grindstone Paving, with a tendered total of \$92,826.10.

Motion Carried

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Res. 307-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

That Council adjourn the July 28, 2026 Special Council Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Motion Carried

Town of Didsbury
2026 2nd Quarter Financial Report
Internally Restricted Reserves Continuity Schedule as of June 30, 2026

		Actuals				Commitments						
	January 1, 2026 Actual	Transfers In (YTD)	Interest (YTD)	Transfers Out (YTD)	June 30, 2026 Balance	Budgeted / Approved Transfers to Reserves	Outstanding Capital Budget Transfers from Reserves	2026 Operating Budget Transfers from Reserves	Outstanding Transfers from Reserves Approved by Resolution	Resolution #	Reserve Available at December 31 2026	Notes
Strategic Initiatives & Contingency	734,623	-	10,134	-	744,757	-	(245,000)	-	-		499,757	
Municipal Stabilization Reserves	\$ 734,623	\$ -	\$ 10,134	\$ -	\$ 744,757	\$ -	\$ (245,000)	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 499,757	
RCMP	20,552	-	157	-	20,708	10,000	-	-	-		30,708	
Municipal Enforcement	148,699	-	1,790	(56,556)	93,932	15,000	(33,444)	-	-		75,488	
O&M Vehicle & Equipment Replacement	669,136	-	5,859	(102,457)	572,538	107,000	(25,000)	-	-		654,538	
Didsbury Memorial Complex	698,089	-	6,795	(22,500)	682,385	162,000	(128,705)	-	-		715,680	
Pathway & Trails	118,056	-	1,466	-	119,522	10,000	-	-	-		129,522	
Train Station	28,119	-	373	-	28,492	-	-	-	-		28,492	
Campground	23,755	-	315	-	24,070	8,000	-	-	-		32,070	
Cemetery and Columbaria	23,379	-	162	-	23,541	-	-	-	-		23,541	
Fire Vehicle & Equipment	254,821	-	2,274	-	257,094	100,000	-	-	-		357,094	
Firehall R&M	98,622	-	1,244	-	99,865	10,000	-	-	-		109,865	
Roads & Sidewalks	299,742	-	2,822	-	302,564	-	(65,000)	(50,000)	-		187,564	
Municipal Lifecycle Reserves	\$ 2,382,969	\$ -	\$ 23,256	\$ (181,513)	\$ 2,224,711	\$ 422,000	\$ (252,149)	\$ (50,000)	\$ -		\$ 2,344,562	
Snow Removal	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	-		50,000	
Council Community Grants	30,000	-	-	-	30,000	-	-	(30,000)	-		-	
Contract Policing	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	-		50,000	
Economic Development & Tourism	114,772	-	-	-	114,772	-	-	(26,960)	-		87,812	
Legacy Fund	15,297	-	-	-	15,297	-	-	-	(15,297)	385-21	-	1
Municipal Specific Purpose Reserves	\$ 260,068	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 260,069	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (56,960)	\$ (15,297)		\$ 187,812	
Water	3,874,210	-	41,204	(214,403)	3,701,010	525,000	(1,379,000)	-	(406,632)	494-25	2,440,378	2
Wastewater	1,614,125	-	18,417	(23,635)	1,608,907	165,000	(239,975)	-	-		1,533,932	
Wastewater (non-cash funded portion)	398,856	-	-	-	398,856	-	-	-	-		398,856	
Solid Waste	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	-		50,000	
Utility Reserves	\$ 5,937,191	\$ -	\$ 59,621	\$ (238,038)	\$ 5,758,773	\$ 690,000	\$ (1,618,975)	\$ -	\$ (406,632)		\$ 4,423,166	
Total	\$ 9,314,851	\$ -	\$ 93,010	\$ (419,551)	\$ 8,988,310	\$ 1,112,000	\$ (2,116,124)	\$ (106,960)	\$ (421,929)		\$ 7,455,297	

Notes

- Resolution #385-21 - \$15,296.89 for future development of interior community mura
- Resolution #494-25 - \$597,400 for Water Transmission Line Contribution

Town of Didsbury 2026 2nd Quarter Financial Report Externally Restricted Reserves Continuity Schedule as of June 30, 2026

		Actuals			Commitments				
	JANUARY 1, 2026 Actual	Transfers In (YTD)	Interest (YTD)	June 30, 2026 Balance	Budgeted / Approved Transfers to Reserves	Capital Budget Transfers from Reserves	2026 Operating Budget Transfers from Reserves	Transfers from Reserves Approved by Resolution	Reserve Available at DECEMBER 31 2026
Municipal Reserve Fund	298,554		4,359	302,913	-	(102,700)	-	-	200,213
Municipal Cash In Lieu Reserve	\$ 298,554	\$ -	\$ 4,359	\$ 302,913	\$ -	\$ (102,700)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,213
Water Offsite Levy	215,702	-	2,855	218,557	-	(215,000)	-	-	3,557
Wastewater Offsite Levy	151,814	-	2,009	153,823	-	-	-	-	153,823
Developer Off-Site Levies Reserves	\$ 367,516	\$ -	\$ 4,864	\$ 372,380	\$ -	\$ (215,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 157,380

Off-Site Levies Report

Developer Contributions

Date	Water Amount	WasteWater Amount	Description	Contributor
Off-Site Levy contributions reported annualy in Q4 report.				
Uses of Off-Site Levies for Each Type of Facility and Infrastructure				
Date	Water Amount	WasteWater Amount	Project Description	Capital Budget Approval
Nothing to report				

Town of Didsbury
2026 2nd Quarter Financial Report
Capital Grants Continuity Schedule as of June 30, 2026

	JANUARY 1, 2026 Balance	2026 Grant Allocation	Interest (YTD)	2026 Actual Expenditures (YTD)	JUNE 30, 2026 Balance	Grant Allocation Receivable	Expenditures Projected - Unfinished Projects	DECEMBER 31, 2026 Available
Municipal Sustainability Initiative Grant (MSI)	572,762	-	8,266	(581,029)	-	-	-	-
Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF)	1,763,931	831,039	-	(365,276)	2,229,694	-	(609,260)	1,620,434
Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF)	816,142	355,027	5,390	(32,717)	1,143,842	-	(492,283)	651,558
Alberta Municipal Water Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP)	998,428	-	12,456	(565,658)	445,227	1,308,842	(1,754,069)	-
	4,151,263	1,186,066	26,112	(1,544,679)	3,818,762	1,308,842	(2,855,612)	2,271,992

Town of Didsbury
2ND Quarter Financial Report
2026 Capital Budget Progress as of June 30, 2026

2026 CAPITAL BUDGET ² :		Capital Spending		Budgeted Funding						
Asset	Actual to JUNE 30, 2026	Budget	Status ¹	Operating	Reserves	Grants	Debt	Other / External	Developer Levies	TOTAL
VM Server Upgrade	\$ 25,214	\$ 32,000	IP	\$ 32,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,000
2026 Roadworks Program	18,694	425,000	IP	-	-	425,000	-	-	-	425,000
23 St Road & Rail Upgrades	14,023	100,000	IP	-	-	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
21 Ave Extension	5,578	200,000	IP	-	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000
Butte Emergency Generator	-	127,000	IP	-	127,000	-	-	-	-	127,000
Didsbury Memorial Complex Pedestrian Connectivity	-	65,000	NS	-	65,000	-	-	-	-	65,000
Lawn Mower - Large Capacity	102,457	105,000	COMP	-	105,000	-	-	-	-	105,000
Lawn Mower - Zero Turn	-	25,000	NS	-	25,000	-	-	-	-	25,000
Didsbury Memorial Complex LED Lighting Upgrade	28,672	45,000	IP	-	15,403	-	-	29,597	-	45,000
Didsbury Arena Boiler & Water Tank Replacement	7,661	125,000	IP	-	42,788	-	-	82,212	-	125,000
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Changeroom Upgrades	6,144	30,000	IP	-	20,538	-	-	9,462	-	30,000
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Waterslide Tower Retrofit	-	25,000	NS	-	17,115	-	-	7,885	-	25,000
Didsbury Memorial Complex Public Wi-Fi Installation	-	10,000	NS	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,000
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Boiler Replacement	26,000	26,000	NS	26,000	-	-	-	-	-	26,000
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Hot Water Tank Replacement	41,500	50,000	NS	-	34,230	-	-	15,770	-	50,000
Didsbury Municipal Library LED Lighting Upgrade	12,235	12,000	COMP	4,108	-	-	-	7,892	-	12,000
Didsbury Golf Club Sanitary Sewer Connection	1,515	245,000	IP	-	245,000	-	-	-	-	245,000
	\$ 289,693	\$ 1,647,000		\$ 72,108	\$ 897,074	\$ 525,000	\$ -	\$ 152,818	\$ -	\$ 1,647,000
CAPITAL BUDGET (PRIOR YEAR CARRYOVER PROJECTS) ³ :										
Asset	Actual to MARCH 31, 2026	Budget	Status ¹	Operating	Reserves	Grants	Debt	Other / External	Developer Levies	TOTAL
East Reservoir Design & Construction	\$ 3,904,712	\$ 7,400,000	IP	\$ -	\$ 1,144,000	\$ 2,541,000	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ 215,000	\$ 7,400,000
RV Sani-dump Design & Construction	20,630	130,000	CANC	-	130,000	-	-	-	-	130,000
21 Avenue Connector - Water Design & Construction [20 St to 16 St]	1,223,981	1,750,000	IP	-	-	1,750,000	-	-	-	1,750,000
Municipal Enforcement Vehicle Replacement	56,556	90,000	IP	-	90,000	-	-	-	-	90,000
Didsbury Tree Project	5,000	220,400	IP	-	102,700	117,700	-	-	-	220,400
OTHER PROJECTS										
Lateral Line Supply Main (Water Commission Project)	\$ 212,998	\$ 597,400	IP	\$ -	\$ 597,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 597,400

¹ Status: Not started ("NS"), In Progress ("IP"), Completed ("COMP"), Cancelled ("Canc")

² 2026 Capital Budget Projects Approved April 28, 2026

³ 2025 Capital Budget Projects Approved December 10, 2024 (Res#683-24); Amendments January 14, 2025 (Res#012-25), July 8, 2025 (Res#421-25), September 9, 2025 (Res#477-25), November 25, 2025 (Res#565-25), March 24, 2026; 2024 Capital Budget Projects Approved February 24, 2024 (Res#098-26), March 24, 2025 (Res #145-26) 2024 Capital Budget Projects Approved January 17, 2024 (Res#023-24, Res#028-24); Amendments January 23, 2024 (Res#043-24, Res#044-24, Res#045-24); March 26, 2024 (Res#219-24); April 23, 2024 (Res#281-24); May 14, 2024 (Res#315-24); June 25, 2024 (Res#431-24); October 22, 2024 (Res#572-24); December 10, 2024 (Res#700-24); April 22, 2025 (Res#255-25)

Town of Didsbury
2026 2nd Quarter Financial Report
Internal Loans Schedule as of June 30, 2026

	January 1, 2026 Balance	Loan Paid Off (Projected)	Loan Extended	JUNE 30, 2026 Balance
Shantz Subdivision Internal Loan	\$ 2,069,025	\$ (205,871)	\$ -	\$ 1,863,154
Columbarium Internal Loan	8,677	(1,400)	-	7,277
Didsbury Out of School Care Association (DOSCA) Internal Loan	88,727	-	-	88,727
	\$ 2,166,429	\$ (207,271)	\$ -	\$ 1,959,158

Town of Didsbury 2nd Quarter Financial Report Revenues and Expenditures by object (January 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026)			
	2026 Actual at June 30, 2026	2026 BUDGET Approved April 28, 2026	% OF BUDGET
Operating Revenues			
Total Property taxes	8,059,341	8,058,807	100%
LESS Requisitions	(1,195,929)	(2,649,925)	45%
Net municipal taxation	6,863,412	5,408,882	127%
Utility user charges	2,000,548	3,892,361	51%
Government operating grants	678,492	1,321,857	51%
Sales and user fees	808,190	1,170,019	69%
Lot sales	300,000	74,498	403%
Franchise fees	517,733	925,000	56%
Penalties	54,374	100,000	54%
Fines	33,717	50,000	67%
Licence fees	18,687	22,000	85%
Permit fees	52,354	116,000	45%
Investment income	76,763	55,000	140%
Other revenue	48,416	76,000	64%
Transfers from reserve	-	108,460	0%
Total Operating Revenues	11,452,684	13,320,077	86%
Operating Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	2,141,818	4,821,852	44%
Training, conferences and travel	53,260	161,926	33%
Memberships	26,452	32,713	81%
Advertising and printing	28,424	79,400	36%
Professional services	120,482	226,270	53%
Contracted services	398,000	892,467	45%
Municipal Policing Contract	64,076	748,914	9%
Telecommunications	161,433	264,876	61%
General supplies	263,729	511,450	52%
Cost of water	609,449	1,260,463	48%
Repairs and maintenance	279,981	815,000	34%
Utilities	372,083	864,150	43%
Insurance	234,616	262,384	89%
Leases	49,122	47,697	103%
Bank charges and interest	12,333	22,230	55%
Interest on long term debt	93,825	183,540	51%
Long term debt repaid	256,741	443,093	58%
Grants and other payments to organizations	278,128	497,546	56%
To capital	45,489	72,108	63%
To reserve	-	1,112,000	0%
Total Operating Expenditures	5,489,441	13,320,077	41%
Net Revenues over Expenditures	5,963,244	-	

Town of Didsbury
2ND Quarter Financial Report
Budget vs Actual Comparison
Revenues and Expenditures by Department
(January 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026)

	2026 Actual					2026 Budget	% of Budget
	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	as at June 30, 2026	Approved April 28, 2026	
Operating Revenues - by department							
Net municipal taxes							
Total Property Taxes	2,424	8,056,917	-	-	8,059,341	8,058,807	100%
LESS Requisitions	(597,964)	(597,964)	-	-	(1,195,929)	(2,649,925)	45%
Net municipal taxes	(595,541)	7,458,953	-	-	6,863,412	5,408,882	127%
General municipal revenue	335,593	305,908	-	-	641,500	1,079,100	59%
Council	-	-	-	-	-	30,000	0%
General Government	21,070	25,935	-	-	47,005	287,900	16%
RCMP	86,034	40,657	-	-	126,690	338,144	37%
Fire Department	47,681	361,926	-	-	409,607	326,119	126%
Municipal Enforcement	29,910	13,321	-	-	43,231	48,000	90%
FCSS	60,291	41,898	-	-	102,189	191,860	53%
Didsbury Neighborhood Place	3,000	3,000	-	-	6,000	31,500	19%
Arena	96,618	247,737	-	-	344,354	457,330	75%
Aquatics	55,312	297,271	-	-	352,583	499,530	71%
Curling Rink	24,864	3,495	-	-	28,359	44,800	63%
Multi-Purpose Room	7,183	5,539	-	-	12,722	19,000	67%
Train Station	7,680	2,595	-	-	10,275	14,000	73%
Memorial Complex	10,063	742	-	-	10,805	10,000	108%
Roads and Streets	13,167	43,472	-	-	56,639	130,200	44%
Parks	-	34,719	-	-	34,719	26,593	131%
Campground	-	19,689	-	-	19,689	60,000	33%
Cemetery	3,700	14,100	-	-	17,800	25,900	69%
Water	646,301	673,392	-	-	1,319,694	2,630,810	50%
Wastewater	224,243	217,734	-	-	441,977	763,555	58%
Solid Waste	127,295	129,093	-	-	256,388	512,496	50%
Planning and Development	20,117	40,180	-	-	60,297	126,000	48%
Economic Development	-	-	-	-	-	500	0%
Subdivision	-	300,000	-	-	300,000	74,498	403%
Library	-	22,940	-	-	22,940	120,400	19%
Special Event	-	-	-	-	-	62,960	0%
Total Operating Revenues	1,224,582	10,304,294	-	-	11,528,876	13,320,077	87%

Town of Didsbury
2ND Quarter Financial Report
Budget vs Actual Comparison
Revenues and Expenditures by Department
(January 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026)

	2026 Actual					2026 Budget	% of Budget
	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	as at June 30, 2026	Approved April 28, 2026	
Operating Expenditures - by department							
Council	35,369	90,935	-	-	126,304	318,241	40%
General Government	198,912	175,121	-	-	374,033	768,812	49%
Communications	35,802	30,070	-	-	65,871	144,082	46%
RCMP	42,439	102,503	-	-	144,942	925,134	16%
Fire Department	230,024	131,298	-	-	361,322	752,237	48%
Municipal Enforcement	66,630	59,393	-	-	126,023	372,238	34%
Emergency Management	8,096	5,921	-	-	14,017	36,430	38%
FCSS	74,772	63,080	-	-	137,852	239,562	58%
Didsbury Neighborhood Place	7,018	9,682	-	-	16,700	31,500	53%
Arena	211,487	141,320	-	-	352,807	796,022	44%
Aquatics	218,308	186,496	-	-	404,804	980,038	41%
Curling Rink	57,708	29,925	-	-	87,633	198,312	44%
Multi-Purpose Room	12,138	4,414	-	-	16,551	39,701	42%
Train Station	22,182	12,931	-	-	35,113	69,989	50%
Memorial Complex	50,965	57,794	-	-	108,759	248,829	44%
Other Community Facilities	4,231	1,386	-	-	5,617	19,830	28%
Roads and Streets	465,513	359,488	-	-	825,002	1,921,471	43%
Parks	32,945	67,675	-	-	100,620	225,283	45%
Campground	6,154	7,973	-	-	14,126	74,504	19%
Cemetery	12,937	11,611	-	-	24,549	54,896	45%
Water	569,426	465,861	-	-	1,035,287	2,630,810	39%
Wastewater	103,010	138,299	-	-	241,310	763,555	32%
Solid Waste	102,122	113,711	-	-	215,832	512,496	42%
Planning and Development	125,742	114,526	-	-	240,268	540,593	44%
Economic Development	73,044	8,711	-	-	81,755	125,247	65%
Subdivision	-	93,935	-	-	93,935	74,498	126%
Library	106,061	84,792	-	-	190,854	353,869	54%
Museum	194	39,112	-	-	39,306	38,938	101%
Special Event	8,250	-	-	-	8,250	62,960	13%
Total Operating Expenditures	2,881,478	2,607,963	-	-	5,489,441	13,320,077	41%
Net Revenues over Expenditures	(1,656,896)	7,696,331	-	-	6,039,435	-	

TOWN OF DIDSBURY
Municipal Reserve Designation Bylaw
2026-14

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO DESIGNATE MUNICIPAL RESERVE

WHEREAS, section 665(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A 2000 c. M-26, and any amendment thereto, provides council the opportunity to designate land as municipal reserve;

NOW, THEREFORE, the municipal Council of the Town of Didsbury, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited and referred to as “MR Designation Bylaw 2026-14”

Definitions

Municipal Reserve means land dedicated pursuant to Section 665(1) of the Municipal Government Act to be used for the following purposes: a public park, a public recreation area, school board purposes, or to separate areas of land that are used for different purposes.

General Provisions

2. That the Municipal Reserve designation be added to the title of the lands legally described as follows:
Plan 5116I
Block 16
Lot 7
Excepting thereout all mines and minerals.

Read a first time this ____ day of _____, 2026

Read a second time this __ day of _____, 2026

Granted unanimous consent to proceed to third reading on this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Read a third and final time this __ day of _____, 2026

Signed on this ____ day of _____, 2026

Mayor – Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer – Vanessa Van der Meer

SCHEDULE A



Town of Didsbury

Bylaw 2026-14

Plan 5116I Block 16 Lot 7

2126 20 Avenue

Legend

2126 20 Avenue

Land Use Zone

IS **RC**
R2 **REC**
R5

Date: Sept 2026

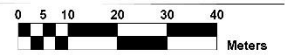
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TOWN OF DIDSBURY
Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-15

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO AMEND THE LAND USE BYLAW 2019-04.

WHEREAS, section 640(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A 2000 c. M-26, and any amendment thereto, requires that every municipality pass a land use bylaw; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Didsbury deems it necessary to amend Land Use Bylaw 2019-04;

NOW, THEREFORE, the municipal Council of the Town of Didsbury, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited and referred to as “Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-15”

General Provisions

2. Bylaw 2019-04, being the Land Use Bylaw of the Town of Didsbury, is hereby amended as follows:
 - 2.1. Schedule A of this bylaw shall amend Appendix A of Land Use Bylaw 2019-04 to redesignate a portion of Plan 1711795 Block 3 Lots 60, 61 and 73 from R5: Residential District- High Density to REC: Recreational Open Space District.

Transitional

3. This Bylaw comes into full force and effect upon third reading of the bylaw and being duly signed.

Read a first time this __ day of _____, 2026

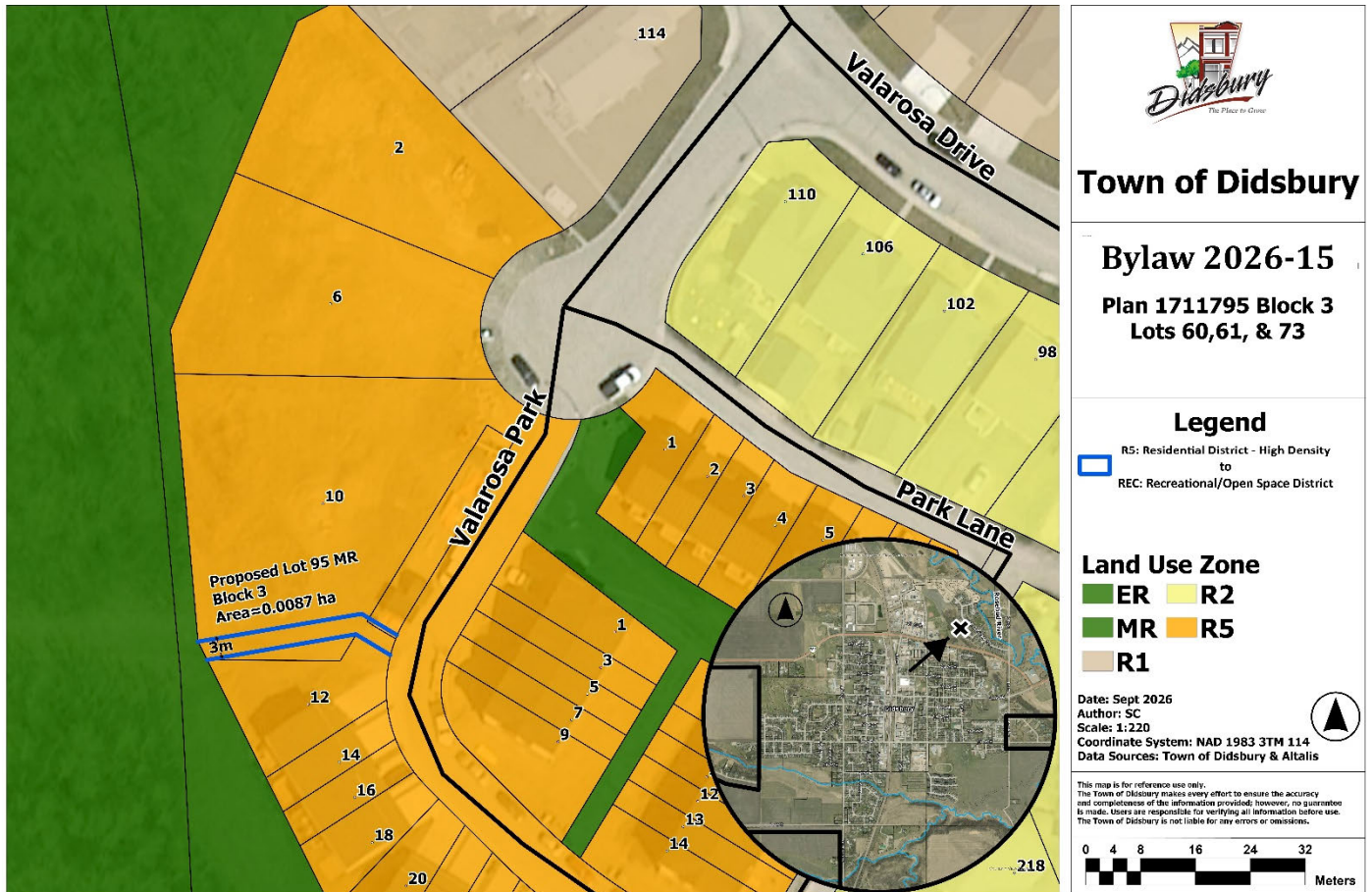
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Read a third and final time this __ day of _____, 2026

Mayor – Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer – Vanessa Van der Meer

Schedule A





REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

*Vision: The Place to Grow.
Mission: Creating the Place to Grow.*

MEETING DATE: September 15, 2026
SUBJECT: RFD Municipal Reserve Designation Bylaw 2026-14
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development
ITEM:

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

This is a proposal to have the existing lot, Lot 7 Block 16 Plan 5116I, dedicated a Municipal Reserve and this would be reflected the Certificate of Title. Administration presented the background information at the Regular Council meeting of June 23, 2026 and Council passed a motion to have a Bylaw for the MR dedication to be brought back to the next Regular Council meeting.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The dedication of this property Lot 7 Block 16 Plan 5116I (the basketball court) would ensure that the lot will remain as a public use lot providing a recreation use lot within the community.

The current lot was created through subdivision SD 07-04 while the land was owned by Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73. That subdivision resulted in separate titles for the Museum lot, the greenspace lot adjacent to the Museum, the residential lots west of the Museum, and a consolidation of lots forming the large parcel that was recently sold located directly west of this property. The subdivision was conditionally approved by the Municipal Planning Commission on September 29, 2004. One condition of approval required that 10% of the subdivided land be dedicated as Municipal Reserve. Given that the subdivided area totaled 2.92 acres, 0.292 acres was required to satisfy this requirement.

Chinook's Edge proposed that Lot 7 Block 16 Plan 5116I (the basketball court) be transferred to the Town to partially satisfy the MR dedication, with the balance deferred via a Deferred Reserve Caveat. This proposal was presented to the MPC on November 9, 2005, and MPC carried a motion to accept the transfer of title of Lot 7 Block 16 Plan 5116I from Chinook's Edge School Division to the Town of Didsbury, with the balance deferred to Lot 1 Block 18 Plan 0514037. Lot 7 has since continued to function as a public recreational property.

However, Lot 7 Block 16 Plan 5116I was not formally designated as Municipal Reserve at the time of subdivision or at the time of title transfer on July 7, 2006. Under Section 665(1) of the Municipal Government Act, Council may by bylaw designate land that it owns or is in the process of acquiring as municipal reserve, school reserve, municipal and school reserve, environmental reserve, conservation reserve, or public utility lot.

The Municipal Reserve Bylaw does not require that Council conduct a Public Hearing and Council may consider adoption of the Bylaw at one meeting with unanimous consent to proceed to third reading of the bylaw.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

Operational Excellence

Choose an item.

RECOMMENDATION (three motions)

That Council move First reading of the Municipal Reserve Dedication Bylaw 2026-14.

AND

That Council move Second reading of the Municipal Reserve Dedication Bylaw 2026-14.

AND

That Council **UNANIMOUS** consent to proceed to Third and Final reading of the Municipal Reserve Dedication Bylaw 2026-14

AND

That Council move Third and Final reading of the Municipal Reserve Dedication Bylaw 2026-14.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

*Vision: The Place to Grow.
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MEETING DATE: September 15, 2026
SUBJECT: RFD Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-15
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development
ITEM:

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

This property is within the area known as Valarosa Park. This proposal is to redesignate a portion of the lands for the identification of a pathway.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

This lot is surrounded by residential lots and the redesignation will provide for an additional pathway within the community.

ALIGNMENT WITH STATUTORY PLANS

Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 2024-12

According to Figure 2 Policy Areas this property is within the Mature Neighborhood Policy area. This is a proposal for a pathway so the Open Space and Connectivity Policies are considered for this proposal.

4.3 Open Space and Connectivity

- 4.3.5 New development areas shall provide linear pathway systems, where possible, linking school sites, recreation facilities, and major open space areas to the rest of the community.
- 4.3.13 All new development shall ensure connectivity to existing and future parks through linkages in the sidewalk and trail networks.
 - The proposed pathway provides connectivity through the development to the existing sidewalks in the area.
 - This proposal will improve access for adjacent residents and provide an off-street public space for pedestrians.

Land Use Bylaw 2019-04

REC: Recreation/Open Space District

General Purpose: To provide for the development of open space and active and passive recreational areas at the local, neighbourhood and municipal levels.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

**Infrastructure Management
Operational Excellence**

RECOMMENDATION

That Council grant first reading to the Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-15.

AND

To set **Tuesday, October 13, 2026** as the public hearing for Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-15.



ALBERTA
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

*Office of the Minister
MLA, Peace River*

AR122590

June 17, 2026

His Worship Christopher Martin Little
Mayor
Town of Didsbury
PO Box 790
Didsbury AB T0M 0W0

Dear Mayor Little:

I am pleased to confirm the 2026 funding allocations for your community.

For the Town of Didsbury:

- The 2026 Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) Capital allocation is \$831,039.
- The 2026 LGFF Operating allocation is \$345,808.
- The 2026 Build Communities Strong Fund-Community Stream (BCSF-CS) allocation is \$355,027.

LGFF Capital is a legislated program aimed at providing local governments with advanced notice of their future infrastructure funding. As indicated on the program website, in 2027, your community will be eligible for \$921,852. Information on 2028 LGFF Capital allocations will be shared with local governments this fall, after changes in provincial revenues between 2024/25 and 2025/26 have been confirmed. I would like to also inform you that work is underway to develop a new allocation formula for the LGFF Operating program, which will be announced later this year.

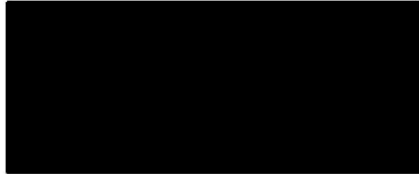
As you may be aware, in 2025, the Government of Canada launched the BCSF, which included a renaming of the Canada Community-Building Fund to the Community Stream under the BCSF. Please note that no program or funding changes are being made apart from the name change.

LGFF and BCSF-CS funding amounts for all municipalities and Metis Settlements are also posted on the Government of Alberta website at www.alberta.ca/municipal-affairs-funding-programs.

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I look forward to working together with you to support your local infrastructure and operating needs, and building strong, vibrant communities across Alberta.

Sincerely,



Dan Williams, ECA
Minister of Municipal Affairs

cc: Michael Simpson, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Didsbury



ALBERTA

TRANSPORTATION and ECONOMIC CORRIDORS

*Office of the Minister
MLA, Innisfail-Sylvan Lake*

June 22, 2026

AR 108756

His Worship Christopher Martin Little
Mayor
Town of Didsbury
PO Box 790
Didsbury, AB T0M 0W0
clittle@didsbury.ca

Dear Mayor Little:

I am pleased to advise you and your council the following project will be funded under the Transportation and Economic Corridors' Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership under Budget 2026.

Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership

Cost Escalation - New Reservoir - Cost Revision, maximum grant of \$767,842.40

The final grant amount will be based on the actual eligible costs at the time of project completion, up to the approved maximum grant amount. Please note, as a condition of this grant, no cost increases will be considered.

Although I know you are looking forward to sharing this important announcement, I request that you contact your local MLA to schedule an announcement. In the meantime, I ask that you do not publicly communicate these project approvals until this local announcement has been finalized.

Our government continues to make investments in developing and maintaining transportation, water and wastewater infrastructure to support municipalities in improving critical local transportation infrastructure, creating jobs and stimulating the economy.

Sincerely,

Honourable Devin Dreeshen, ECA
Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors

cc: Honourable Tara Sawyer, ECA, MLA for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills
Stuart Richardson, Regional Director, Transportation and Economic Corridors



ALBERTA
PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

*Office of the Minister
Deputy Premier of Alberta
MLA, Calgary-West*

AR 34016

August 28, 2026

His Worship Christopher Martin Little
Mayor
Town of Didsbury
PO Box 790
Didsbury AB T0M 0W0

Dear Mayor Little:

The Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Services is pleased to continue its support for municipalities that are responsible for providing and funding their own police services. Funding under the Policing Support Grant (PSG) has been approved for the 2026-27 fiscal year.

The PSG provides funding to assist municipalities in meeting their policing obligations, including police service delivery; police governance and oversight; the implementation of provincial policing initiatives and priorities; and enhanced policing services within local communities.

For 2026-27, Town of Didsbury will receive a PSG amount equal to \$240,560. The grant allocation is based on the Ministry of Municipal Affairs' 2023 population list, which incorporates the results of the 2021 federal census and local municipal census data available as of 2023.

A Conditional Grant Agreement, effective on April 1, 2026, and expiring on March 31, 2027, will be forwarded under separate cover by a representative from my ministry. Funds will be disbursed following the execution of the agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jessi Evanoff, Manager, Police Governance and Funding, Public Safety and Emergency Services, at jessi.evanoff@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Honourable Mike Ellis
Deputy Premier of Alberta
Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services

cc: CAO, Town of Didsbury