



TOWN OF DIDSBURY AGENDA
Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 2026, 6:00 pm
Council Chambers 1606 14 Street

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**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Request for Decision (RFD)**

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

MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Presentation of the Town of Didsbury's 2026 High School
Scholarship
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services
ITEM: 3.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

At the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting, Council awarded the 2026 Town of Didsbury High School Scholarship to Sierra Rhylin Evely Penner-Koestlmaier.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The recipient will be present to receive their scholarship funds and certificate of recognition from Council.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

2. Vibrant & Connected Character Community

RECOMMENDATION

To congratulate Sierra Rhylin Evely Penner-Koestlmaier on being awarded the Town of Didsbury's 2026 High School Scholarship and wish her well in her upcoming post-secondary education.



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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Kai Mrazik Proposal to Council
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services
ITEM: 3.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Kai Mrazik of M Media Group will be in attendance to present a content partnership proposal to Council for their consideration.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The content proposal and accompanying handout is attached for Council's information.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

2. Vibrant & Connected Character Community

RECOMMENDATION

To thank Kai Mrazik for the content partnership proposal.



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ELEVATING DIDSBURY THROUGH VIDEO CONTENT

A content partnership proposal for the Town of Didsbury

Presented by Kai Mrazik · M.Media

A NEW CHAPTER

Didsbury has a brand new council with big ideas and real momentum.

But are those ideas actually **reaching the people of Didsbury?**

- A council can have the best plans in the province, but if the community never sees them, the vision stays on paper.

That is exactly the gap we help close.

TRUSTED BY THE REGION

We already produce monthly content for the municipalities right next door. They trust us to carry their most important messaging to the public.



Town of Sundre

Ongoing monthly content and tourism reels



Mountain View County

Recurring monthly projects and event coverage



City of Red Deer

Economic development content last week

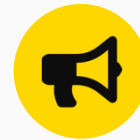
*If the communities all around Didsbury trust us with their voice, **Didsbury should have that same advantage.***

WHY THIS MATTERS FOR THE TOWN



Reach Residents Where They Are

Your community is on Facebook and Instagram every single day. High Quality video is how modern messaging actually lands and gets shared.



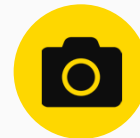
Turn Vision Into Visibility

Council's initiatives, projects, and decisions become clear, engaging content the public actually watches and understands.



Build Trust & Transparency

Consistent, professional content shows residents a town that is active, organized, and proud of the work being done.



Showcase What Makes Didsbury Special

Local events, businesses, tourism, and the people who make this community what it is, all captured properly.

HOW THE PARTNERSHIP WORKS

A simple, flexible monthly credit system. One credit equals one piece of content.



A Video or Reel



A Photo Shoot



Graphic Design



Drone Photos

= 1 CREDIT EACH



Unused credits bank and roll over

Use them anytime throughout the year.



Use across any department

Apply credits however the Town sees fit.



Pause or cancel after 2 months

No long-term lock-in. Flexible by design.

MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION OPTIONS

MOST POPULAR

STARTER

\$675

/ month

- ✓ 1 Credit / Month
- ✓ 1 Shoot Day / Month
- ✓ 5-7 Business Day Turnaround

STANDARD

\$1,999

/ month

- ✓ 4 Credits / Month
- ✓ 2 Shoot Days / Month
- ✓ 5-7 Business Day Turnaround

ELITE

\$3,950

/ month

- ✓ 10 Credits / Month
- ✓ 3 Shoot Days / Month
- ✓ 5-7 Business Day Turnaround

Credits roll over and can be used across any department. Pause or cancel after an initial 2-month period.



INCLUDED FREE FOR DIDSBURY: Full social media management. We handle all your posting so you never have to. *(a \$1,000/month value)*



WE LIVE HERE TOO

My team and I live in this community. We care about Didsbury.

This is not an out-of-town agency reading off a script. We are your neighbours, and we want to help elevate Didsbury with content that does this community justice.

LET'S GET STARTED

We are confident we can deliver content the Town of Didsbury will be proud of.

1

Choose a Package

Pick the subscription tier that fits the Town's needs and budget.

2

Kickoff & Plan

We map out a monthly content plan around council priorities.

3

We Get Rolling

We film, produce, post, and deliver. You watch Didsbury's story come to life.



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Let's bring Didsbury's story to life.

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ELEVATING DIDSBURY THROUGH VIDEO CONTENT

A content partnership summary for Town of Didsbury Council · Prepared by Kai Mrazik, M.Media

THE OPPORTUNITY

Didsbury has a brand new council with big ideas and real momentum. The challenge every council faces is making sure those ideas actually reach the community. A council can have the best plans in the province, but if residents never see them, the vision stays on paper.

M.Media is a local video production and content agency based right here in the community. We already produce ongoing monthly content for the Town of Sundre, Mountain View County, and as of recently the City of Red Deer. These municipalities trust us to carry their most important messaging to the public, and we believe Didsbury deserves that same advantage.

WHAT THIS DELIVERS FOR THE TOWN

- **Reaches residents where they are.** Professional video meets the community on Facebook and Instagram, where they already spend their time every day.
- **Turns council vision into visibility.** Initiatives, projects, and decisions become clear, engaging content the public actually watches and understands.
- **Builds trust and transparency.** Consistent, professional content shows residents a town that is active, organized, and proud of its work.
- **Showcases what makes Didsbury special.** Local events, businesses, tourism, and the people who make this community what it is, all captured properly.

HOW IT WORKS

A simple monthly credit system. One credit equals one piece of content: a video or reel, a photo shoot, a graphic design project, or drone photos. Credits are flexible and can be used across any department however the Town sees fit. Unused credits bank and roll over for use anytime during the year.

Package	Monthly	Credits	Shoot Days
Starter	\$675	1	1
Standard (recommended)	\$1,999	4	2
Elite	\$3,950	10	3

Credits roll over and can be used across any department. Subscriptions can be paused or cancelled after an initial 2-month period.



WHAT A 2-MONTH TRIAL LOOKS LIKE

We recommend starting with a simple 2-month trial on the Standard package. It is enough time to build a real content presence, see genuine community engagement, and judge the value firsthand, with no long-term lock-in.

RECOMMENDED STARTING POINT

THE 2-MONTH TRIAL

\$1,999/mo

Standard tier · no long-term lock-in

- 4 content credits per month
- 2 shoot days per month
- 5 to 7 business day turnaround
- Full social media management FREE
- All posting handled for you
- Cancel after the 2 months, no penalty

Free social media management: a \$1,000/month value, included at no charge (\$2,000 over the trial).

Over the trial the Town receives 8 pieces of professional content, 4 on-site shoot days, and fully managed posting across Facebook and Instagram, building a consistent presence the community can engage with from week one.

THE ACTION PLAN

WEEK 1	<p>Approve & Kick Off</p> <p>Council approves the trial and we hold a short kickoff to align on priorities, messaging, and a content plan reflecting council's goals.</p>
WEEK 2	<p>First Shoot & Launch</p> <p>Our team is on the ground for the first shoot day. We begin producing and posting, and the Town's presence goes live.</p>
WEEKS 3-8	<p>Build Momentum</p> <p>We continue the monthly rhythm of shooting, producing, and posting. The community starts to engage.</p>
END OF MONTH 2	<p>Review the Results</p> <p>We review engagement and reach with council. The Town then decides to continue, adjust, or step away. No pressure, no penalty.</p>

We live here too. My team and I are part of this community. We are not an out-of-town agency reading off a script, we are your neighbours, and we want to help elevate Didsbury with content that does this community justice.

Questions or ready to move forward? Reach out anytime: Kai Mrazik · info@mmediagroup.ca · (780) 220-0977 · mmediagroup.ca



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

*Vision: The Place to Grow.
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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services
ITEM: 4.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The minutes of the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting are being presented to Council for their review and approval.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Council can adopt the minutes as presented or amended.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

To adopt the June 11, 2026 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.



**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

To 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

To thank the Rosebud Health Foundation for their presentation and accept it as information.

Motion Carried

3.2 E3 Lithium

Res 252-26

Moved by Councillor Quantz

To thank Leigh Clarke of E3 Lithium for the presentation and accept it as information.

Motion Carried

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 May 26, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Res. 253-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

To 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 Will Stevens

To accept the Chief Administrative Officer Report for June 11, 2026 as 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 Bob 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 Councillor Engel

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

Motion Carried

8.2 Pickleball Committee

Res. 258-26

MOVED by Councillor Bob Warren

To 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

To 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

To accept the June 11, 2026 Council Reports as information.

Motion Carried

10. **CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

Res. 262-26

MOVED by Councillor Quantz

To accept the correspondence for June 11, 2026 as information.

Motion Carried

11. **QUESTION PERIOD**

12. **CLOSED MEETING**

Res. 263-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

To 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

To return to open meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Motion Carried

Res. 265-26

MOVED by Councillor Quartz

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

Motion Carried

Res 266-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Bob Murray

To award the 2026 Town of Didsbury High School Scholarship of \$2,000 to Sierra Penner, and to 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

To 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

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

Motion Carried

Mayor - Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer - Michael Simpson



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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting Minutes
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services
ITEM: 4.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The minutes of the June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting are being presented to Council for their review and approval.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Council can adopt the minutes as presented or amended.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

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



**Minutes of the Town of Didsbury Special Council Meeting held on
June 12, 2026 in Council Chambers 1606 14 Street
Commencing at 5:30 p.m.**

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

Council Members Absent Councillor Troy Lambert

Administration Present Chief Administrative Officer, Michael Simpson
Communications Coordinator, Lisa Bastarache

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Little called the June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Res. 269-26

MOVED by Councillor Engel

To adopt the June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

12. CLOSED SESSION

Res. 270-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

To go into Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. for the following items:

12.1 Appointment of Interim CAO - section 22(1) of ATIA – Confidential Evaluations

Motion Carried

13. RECONVENE

Res. 271-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

To return to Open portion of the Special Meeting of Council at 6:23 p.m.

Motion Carried

Res. 272-26

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Murray

That Council accept the resignation of CAO Michael Simpson delivered June 11, 2026 with active duties concluding June 30, 2026.

Motion Carried

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.

Motion Carried

14. ADJOURNMENT

Res. 274-26

MOVED by Councillor Stevens

To adjourn the June 12, 2026 Special Council Meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Motion Carried

Mayor – Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer - Michael Simpson



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Request for Decision (RFD)

Vision: The Place to Grow.
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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
 SUBJECT: RFD Amending Land Use Bylaw 2026-13 PH
 ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development
 ITEM: 5.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

This property, known as the former High School lands, was recently purchased for residential redevelopment. As it is currently zoned IS: Institutional District, a designation to R2: Residential District – General will be required.

Key Dates, Communication and Information:

Application Circulated	The proposed designation change was circulated to adjacent landowners on May 27, 2026, and advertised on the Town website and in the local newspaper in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act.
Summary of Responses from Landowners	<p>Adjacent Landowners have responded expressing concerns regarding this proposal, following is summary of their concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about understanding the history of the transition of the property from a public school property to Town owned property, the condition of the land post school destruction and future plans for the property. • Confusion about the sale price and value of the land. • Increased traffic congestion with residential development on the property. • Why can't the property remain as a public open space? • A copy of the responses are attached to this report.
Administrations Response	The property has been owned by the Town since the Transfer of Title September 7, 2010. The land is not been part of the Joint Use Agreement (JUPA) with Chinooks Edge. This proposal is only for the consideration of changing the Land Use Designation of the property. Any future proposed development that considers future subdivision and or development of the property will be required to comply with the Municipal Development Plan Policies and Land Use Bylaw Regulations.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Previously owned by Chinook's Edge School Division, this property was subdivided in 2004, creating this larger parcel along with separate parcels for the Museum, residential lands adjacent to the Museum, and the MR parcel to the north. The land was subsequently sold to the Town of Didsbury, with the transfer of title occurring on September 7, 2010.

The property is surrounded by residential lots, and its redevelopment will not negatively impact the adjacent neighbourhood. A change to the Land Use Designation is required to permit residential



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development. Any future subdivision or development proposals will be required to comply with Statutory Document policies and Land Use Bylaw regulations.

MDP Glossary

Conceptual Scheme

A non-statutory plan that may be adopted by a resolution of Council. This plan provides the sequence of development within a proposal.

ALIGNMENT WITH STATUTORY PLANS

Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 2024-12

This proposal pertains only to the change of Land Use Designation; however, any future development proposal will also be required to comply with Municipal Development Plan policies. Specifically, Policy Section 4.6 – Area Structure Plans outlines requirements that may necessitate the completion of a Conceptual Scheme.

4.6 Area Structure Plan

Policies

4.1.1 Conceptual schemes may be required to include the following but are not limited to:

- a. The proposed land uses
- b. The proposed density and intensity of uses
- c. Physical and environmental features of the site.
- d. The location and design of infrastructure and utilities, and
- e. The location of open spaces, recreation areas and trails.

According to Figure 2 Policy Areas this property is within the Core and Entranceway Policy area.

5.2 Central Core and Entranceway

Policies

5.2.5 Promote the adaptive reuse of brownfield and other vacant buildings or sites by encouraging their transition to accommodate a diversity of new housing options when applicable.

- The proposed redesignation will allow this undeveloped lot to be developed for residential purposes.

Central Core Heritage Plan Bylaw 2008-04

According to Figure 2 Downtown Character Areas this property is within the Residential Character Area.



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2.2.3 Character Area 2: Residential Policies

- Residential development is encouraged to locate within this area.
- New residential development in this area should be single-family housing, multi-family housing, semi-detached housing, commercial mixed-use and institutional. Commercial mixed-uses, Multi-Family and Institutional uses may be allowed where deemed appropriate through public consultation.
- The proposed redesignation will provide for the opportunity to develop this lot for residential purposes. The R2: Residential District General allows a variety of dwelling types.

Land Use Bylaw 2019-04

R2: Residential District General

General Purpose: To provide for the development of a variety of street oriented single detached, semi-detached, and attached dwellings. New residential development shall connect to municipal sewer and water systems, if municipal services are within a right of way directly adjacent the property. Existing residential is authorised to continue to utilize an onsite water system.

- Any future development of these lands would require a Development Agreement that will ensure that all Municipal Services are provided according to Town standards.

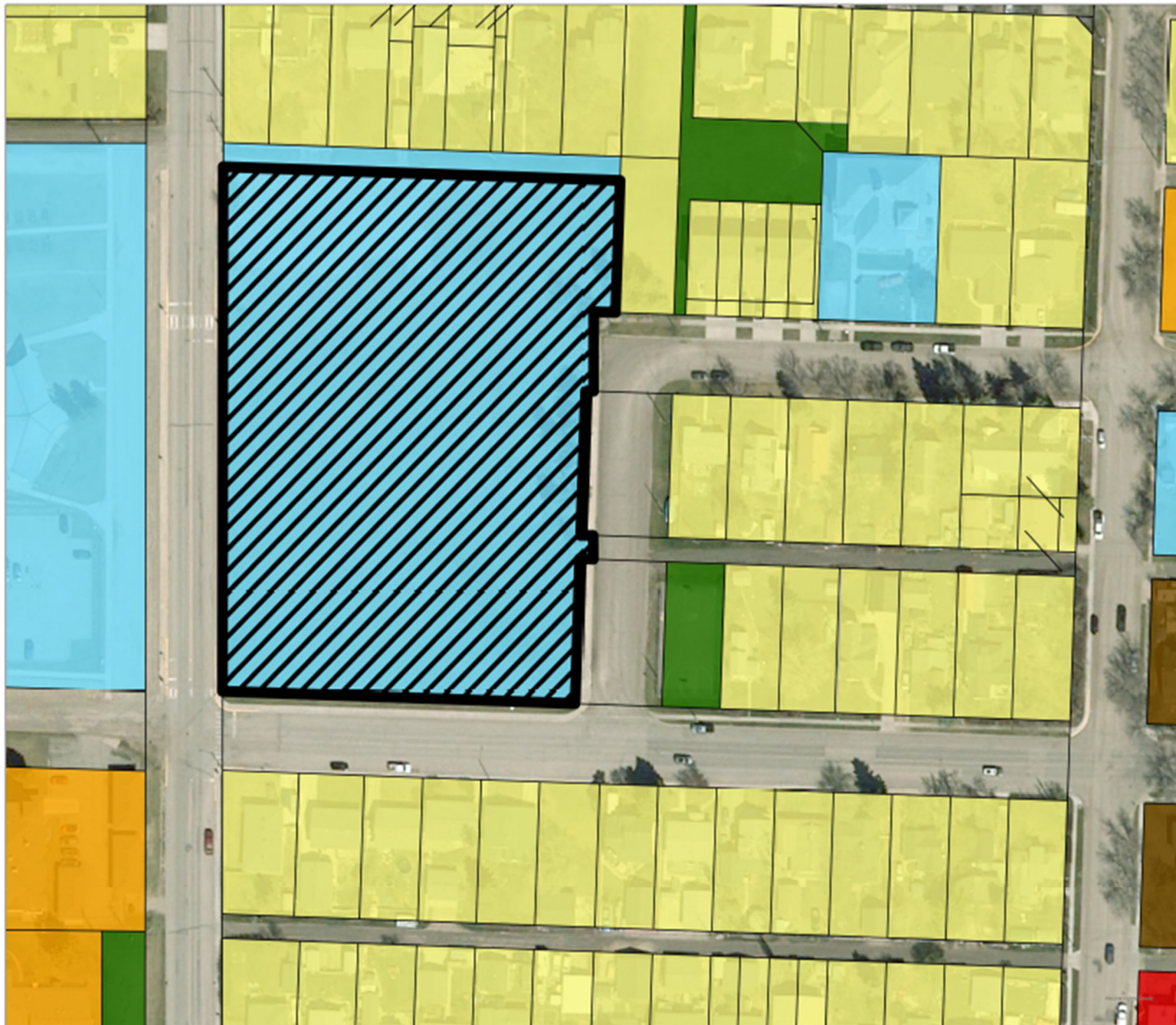
ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

3. Strong & Resilient Local Economy

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

If Council is satisfied with the Public Hearing, Administration is recommending that Council grant second and third reading to Bylaw 2026-13 during the *Bylaws and Policies* portion of the Agenda.




Town of Didsbury

Bylaw 2026-13

Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1

Legend

 IS: Institutional District to
R2: Residential District - General

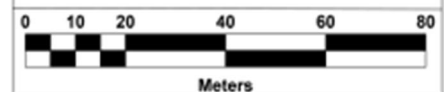
Land Use Zone

-  C3
-  IS
-  MR
-  R2
-  R5
-  RC
-  REC

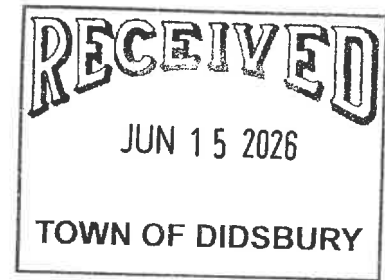
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[REDACTED]
Didsbury, Alberta TOM OWO
June 11, 2026



T. Connatty
Town of Didsbury
1606 14 Street
Didsbury, Alberta TOM OWO

Dear Ms. Connatty:

According to rumors in Didsbury, the parcel of land in question, Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1 has already been conditionally sold behind closed doors at a town council meeting. If, that is correct, why the secrecy? Something crooked going on with our town council?

1. Over the past 3 years, the above property has been listed for sale at the price of one million dollars. So, why is it listed at ONLY \$550,000 now? As land prices are climbing, not decreasing!

2. Why, can't this piece of property remain as is, a Municipal Reserve, and be developed into a community park to be utilized for the residents of Didsbury? Actually give the young people a decent basketball court, create pathways, put benches so the area could be utilized more than it is at present. There is not a nice park for this end of town, and with the schools adjacent to the area, it could be used by our teachers and students for outings.

3. If this area is rezoned for residential, has there been a traffic survey done? Traffic is horrendous in the morning and mid-afternoons.

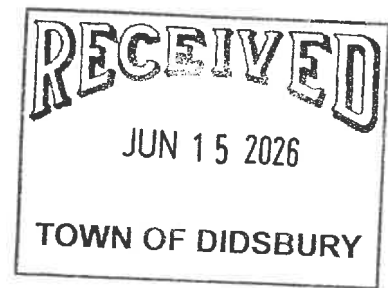
4. The area in question, was a slough. Is the town, considering putting in a lift to prevent flooding to the surrounding homes.

Lastly, I am definitely NOT in agreement for the above property to be rezoned.

Yours Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Judith L. Gibson
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Didsbury, Alberta T0M 0W0
June 11, 2026



T. Connatty
Town of Didsbury
1606 14 Street
Didsbury, Alberta T0M 0W0

Dear Ms. Connatty:

According to rumors in Didsbury, the parcel of land in question, Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1 has already been purchased behind closed doors at a town council meeting,

1. I am curious to why the property is now listed for only \$550,000? For the last 3 years, it had been listed for one million dollars. Land prices have not decreased.
2. Why, can't this piece of property remain as is, and be developed as a park with pathways, benches, and maybe a decent basketball court for the kids. I am sure the teachers and children would also utilize the area.
3. If this area is rezoned for residential, have you considered the increased traffic 19th Street along the schools. Traffic is extremely heavy in the morning and afternoons.
4. This area, prior to when the old high school was built, was a slough. Is the town, considering putting in a lift to prevent flooding to the surrounding homes.

Lastly, I am definitely NOT in agreement for the above property to be rezoned.

Yours Sincerely,

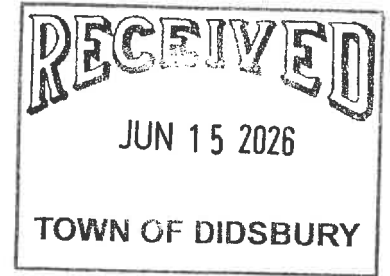
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Tracy Connatty BSc RPP MCIP : Planner

Town of Didsbury

PO Box 790, 1606 – 14th Street

Didsbury, Ab, T0M 0W0

Dear Ms Connatty:

This letter is to express some concerns with the proposed development on Plan **0514037 Block 18 Lot 1** . (2134 – 22 Street)

From the information notice I recently received, it is proposed this property will be developed into a housing development. I have several serious concerns about this proposal.

1. 20th Ave is an extremely busy road and there is concern for school children during school hours. Parent parking while waiting for their children always causes congestion and safety concerns for children and residents.
2. This property, which is owned by the town has great potential for a park and environmentally friendly design for use by children and adults in the town. The plan should incorporate an EAST entrance to the property to reduce congestion on 23 street and provide for parking for users.
3. My understanding is that this property devalued in asking price in recent years. Why?? How does this benefit tax paying citizens?

I am not in favor of this proposed land use amendment!

Yours Truly,

[REDACTED]

Neil Thiessen

[REDACTED]

BYLAW 2026-13: Request for Information and Clarification – Public Hearing

Rohl, Jodie C [REDACTED]

Thu, Jun 4, 2026 at 2:11 PM

To: "inquiries@didsbury.ca" <inquiries@didsbury.ca>, "tconnatty@didsbury.ca" <tconnatty@didsbury.ca>
[REDACTED]

Hello Town,

I am writing regarding the upcoming June 23 public hearing for the proposed redesignation and rezoning of the former high school site at 2134 – 22 Street (commonly referred to as Moose Fence Park).

As a resident preparing a submission, I have reviewed available council materials and public information. While I understand the Town has proceeded with the sale of this property, the rezoning represents a separate decision that will have long-term implications for the community.

Based on my review, there appear to be several areas where additional clarity would be helpful to ensure this process is transparent, informed, and reflective of community interests.

To support an informed submission, I would appreciate clarification on the following:

- **Land Status and History**
 - Was this parcel ever designated as Municipal Reserve (MR), School Reserve (SR), or Municipal & School Reserve (MSR)?
 - If so, when and through what process was that designation formally removed?
- **Environmental and Site Conditions**
 - Has an environmental or subsurface assessment been completed for the site?
 - If so, can the findings be made publicly available?
 - Has responsibility for any potential remediation or site-related liability been clearly established?
- **Public Engagement**
 - What public engagement process was undertaken specific to the future use of this site?
 - Was engagement intended to continue, and if so, why was it not completed prior to advancing the current rezoning?
- **Planning and Supporting Analysis**
 - Has a Traffic Impact Assessment been completed, given the site's location within an active school zone?
 - What planning analysis supports the proposed rezoning, and how does it align with the Municipal Development Plan and open space considerations?
- **Broader Planning Context**
 - How does this proposal align with Joint Use and Planning Agreement (JUPA) requirements, particularly given upcoming provincial timelines?
 - Were alternative long-term uses of the site formally evaluated prior to the sale and rezoning direction?

Given the significance of this decision, I would also note that awareness of the upcoming public hearing appears limited within the broader community. For a decision involving long-term land use change of a centrally located site, ensuring clear and accessible public communication is important. My intention is to ensure that any submission I make is constructive, well-informed, and reflective of the broader interests of the community. If possible, I would appreciate any available responses or directions to relevant documents in advance of the June 16 submission deadline for the hearing.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jodie Rohl

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**BYLAW 2026-13 – Public Hearing Submission: 2134 – 22 Street
(Municipal Reserve Removal & Rezoning)**

June 16, 2026

Hello Mayor and Council,

I am writing to provide my submission for the June 23 public hearing regarding BYLAW 2026-13, including both the proposed removal of Municipal Reserve designation and the rezoning of the property located at 2134 – 22 Street, commonly referred to as the former Moose Fence Park (Old High School).

To begin with, I would like to be clear that my intent is not to oppose development, but to ensure that decisions of this nature are made with full clarity, transparency, and consideration of long-term community impacts.

In preparing for this submission, on June 4, 2026, I sent a request to administration seeking clarification on several key areas. The intent of that request was to ensure that my comments would be informed, accurate, and constructive. As of the submission deadline, I have not received a response or direction to the requested information.

Since that time, it has become clear that this public hearing includes not only the proposed rezoning, but also the removal of Municipal Reserve designation for the same site. These are not minor or procedural steps. They represent two significant and distinct decisions:

- The removal of Municipal Reserve designation, which changes the status of publicly held land
- And the rezoning of that land, which determines its future use

The fact that both are being considered together suggests that foundational elements of land status and future use are being addressed at the same time rather than in a clear step-by-step process. It is also important to recognize that the land has already been sold. As a result, Council is now being asked to consider decisions that are directly connected to that transaction.

This raises a broader concern regarding whether the sequence of decisions is fully aligned, and whether all relevant factors—including land status, site condition, risk, and long-term

community use—have been fully considered and clearly communicated prior to advancing changes that support that outcome.

In my earlier correspondence, I requested clarification on the following:

- Land status history, including any prior Municipal Reserve, School Reserve, or related designations
- Environmental and subsurface conditions of the site
- Responsibility for any potential remediation or site-related liability
- Traffic impacts, particularly given the site’s location within an active school zone
- The scope and completion of public engagement efforts
- Alignment with broader planning considerations, including Joint Use and Planning Agreement (JUPA) requirements

Based on publicly available information, these areas remain unclear. While this does not necessarily indicate that the information does not exist, it does indicate that it has not been communicated in a way that allows for a fully informed public review—particularly given the significance of the decisions being considered.

As a result, Council is being asked to proceed with decisions where important supporting information is either not visible or not clearly understood from a broader community perspective.

This introduces potential risks, including:

- Financial risk related to site conditions or potential remediation
- Procedural or planning risk associated with land status and sequencing
- And the permanent loss of centrally located public land without clear evaluation of long-term alternatives

This is not simply a question of additional residential development. It is also a question of whether the Town has fully considered what may be missing within the community and what opportunity this site represents going forward.

The Memorial Complex plays an important role in supporting community activity; however, it cannot be expected to serve as the sole space for gathering and recreation as community needs continue to grow and evolve. Moose Fence Park represents a rare central location that could better support those broader community needs, including informal or formal gathering space, recreation, and flexible use that benefits a wide range of residents.

Taking the time to step back and consider these elements is important, as decisions of this nature are not easily reversed and will shape how this space is used for years to come. Given the significance of both decisions and their long-term impact on currently accessible community space, I respectfully recommend that Council defer both the removal of Municipal Reserve designation and the proposed rezoning until all supporting information is clearly confirmed, communicated, and fully understood, including consideration of how this site may support broader and future community needs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jodie Rohl

Re: RD 26-002 -Public Hearing Notification concerns

Kris Andrews

Tue, Jun 16, 2026 at 4:41 PM

To: Tracey Connatty <tconnatty@didsbury.ca>

Good afternoon, Tracey,

I am gravely concerned by the intent to change the existing land bylaw from its current designation to one which allows multifamily housing. Of late we are seeing more and more multi-family homes to be built and they get taller and taller. By allowing multi-storey, or multi-family dwellings, you will allow the aesthetic of the older area of town to continue to be destroyed.

The aesthetic which seems to be quite in demand with television and movie corporations, as an aside.

By allowing multi-family infills to continue being built in the older areas of town, you are allowing for, and dare I say, promoting the loss of our historic town core.

The homes that have already been added to other sections of/ or adjacent to the old high school land are not in keeping with the older, more historic area of town that we live in, and many consider these to be out of place in our area.

The areas of 21st and 22nd avenues between 20th and 23rd Streets are mainly bungalows, with the odd two-story home, not the three story multi family homes that were approved most recently.

I am concerned that with an R2 designation, we will wind up with more three story narrow homes that will block sunlight and views of residents already in place.

I understand that instead of creating a park, in a space widely regarded as greenspace by many in our area, regard as a greenspace area, the town has decided that they would prefer to make money from the sale of the property.

On Wed, May 27, 2026, 10:29 a.m. Tracey Connatty <tconnatty@didsbury.ca> wrote:

Good Morning,

Please find attached the circulation information regarding a Public Hearing for the Redesignation of a property located at 2134 22 Street.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Kind regards



Tracey Connatty BSC RPP MCIP

Planner

Town of Didsbury

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: PH RFD MR Disposal Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development
ITEM: 5.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

This property (Former High School Lands) was recently offered for sale and a purchase agreement has been completed. As part of the sale advertisement, Administration agreed to assist the new landowner with the designation of the property to permit redevelopment. The lot currently has a Municipal Reserve (MR) interest caveat; however, this MR interest is no longer required. The caveat describes an MR interest of 0.064 hectares.

Before a municipality may dispose of land with an MR designation, the designation must first be removed. Under Section 674(1) of the Municipal Government Act, a public hearing must be held in accordance with Section 216.4 of the Act prior to the sale or disposal of municipal reserve land. 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 current large parcel. 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.

Key Dates, Communication and Information:

Application Circulated	The proposal was advertised on the Town website and in the local paper.
Responses from Referral Agencies	No objections or concerns were received regarding this proposal.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The disposal of the MR land is not expected to negatively impact the surrounding residential parcels, and no objections or concerns were received in response to the notification of the proposal.

Administration is recommending that Council consider a bylaw to dedicate the lands within Plan 51161 Block 16 Lot 7 as Municipal Reserve. Note that a bylaw to dedicate lands as Municipal Reserve under Section 665(1) of the Municipal Government Act does not require a Public Hearing.

Dedicating Lot 7 as Municipal Reserve would ensure that land remains available for public recreational use within this area.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

If Council is satisfied with the Public Hearing, Administration is recommending that Council grants approval of the removal of Municipal Reserve dedication caveat for Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1 during the *Business* portion of the Agenda.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: CAO Report
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services
ITEM: 6.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Please find attached the Chief Administrative Officer's (CAO) Report for June 23, 2026 which includes the following:

- CAO Activity Report
- East Reservoir Weekly Reports

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

During the CAO Report, Council will have the opportunity to ask questions to the CAO and to make motions for information they would like Administration to bring back to a future Council meeting.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

To accept the Chief Administrative Officer's Report for June 23, 2026 as information.

Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

Activity Report -



Strategically Managed Infrastructure

June 12 – June 23rd

With the decision to resign as Chief Administrative Officer and move on to a new position in a nearby municipality, the two-week period between meetings has been filled with preparation for the interim CAO's assumption of the reigns for the Town.

A land sale of Town lands in Shantz subdivision has closed, another pair of land sales are midway through their due diligence periods, staff have moved on to new adventures and new staff have been brought on to keep the Town's momentum rolling.



Vibrant & Connected Character Community

Council has worked with the CAO on a draft strategic plan which is included in this agenda package, and the CAO is pleased to leave behind a plan with tangible goals which range from short to long term, all connected to comments and conversations held with the public during engagement in March, or from feedback based on public surveys. It is the opinion of this Chief Administrative Officer that the goals are rooted in public interest, are supportive of growing the business community, and keeping Didsbury a vibrant Town with a variety of cultural avenues for newcomers to explore as well as longtime residents.



Strong & Resilient Local Economy

In the coming two-year period, it is anticipated that the Town's planning department will be very busy with new developments, both in Shantz, and in residential areas around Town. The new construction will continue to support road and pathway improvements so heavily requested by citizens to be a continuing budget priority as the quest to demonstrate value for tax dollars continues.

I commend the current Council for their ability to make strong business decisions, continuing to support community groups, and working to unify the fabric of the community in a variety of ways – well received or not. Change is uncomfortable and stressful, but to the residents of the great Town of Didsbury I'd say that the changes coming will bring elevated quality of life, demonstrable value for tax dollars, and new opportunities for all demographics in town.



Liveability

I will miss the staff of the Town, I have enjoyed some great working relationships in my short time here. I trust the team will be in good hands, and that the public will continue to provide the appropriate gratitude for services they receive from staff who work hard every day as a point of personal pride to deliver quality service.

Thank you Didsbury, it's been a full-throttle experience!



Governance & Organizational Excellence



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Project: Didsbury Reservoir

Week Ending: June 6, 2026

Client: Town of Didsbury

Project No.: 28425

Contractor: Timcon Construction

Written By: Marissa Wong

Sunday, May 31, 2026 Weather: H: 8°C L: 4°C Cloudy, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor not on site.
Monday, June 1, 2026 Weather: H: 7°C L: 5°C Cloudy, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued waterproofing and insulation review on the lower portion of the tank walls following previous week's completed installation. Backfilling operations continued around the tank structure up to the halfway point, with grading and compaction adjustments as required. Tank filling operations resumed, with monitoring of water levels and system performance.
Tuesday, June 2, 2026 Weather: H: 8°C L: 7°C Cloudy, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crews continued backfilling and compacting around completed lower wall sections of the tank. Concrete work from the exterior condenser pad and interior mezzanine was monitored for curing and overall condition. Tank filling activities continued with regular inspection and monitoring.
Wednesday, June 3, 2026 Weather: H: 17°C L: 7°C Mix of sun and cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing backfill placement and compaction continued around the tank perimeter to maintain uniform elevation. Waterproofing and insulation works on the lower tank walls were reviewed and confirmed in conjunction with progressing backfill activities. Reservoir filling remained ongoing, with gradual increase in water level.
Thursday, June 4, 2026 Weather: H: 17°C L: 9°C Mix of sun and cloud, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued backfilling operations around the tank structure to the halfway point. Crews monitored the completed condenser pad and mezzanine slab while progressing site works around the building. Tank filling operations continued, with ongoing monitoring and inspection.
Friday, June 5, 2026 Weather: H: 17°C L: 7°C Mix of sun and cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Backfill grading and compaction adjustments continued around the tank to support final elevations and site stability. Waterproofing and insulation works on the lower wall section remained complete, with no deficiencies noted during ongoing site review. Tank filling continued with water levels and system conditions monitored throughout the day.
Saturday, June 6, 2026 Weather: H: 16°C L: 3°C Mix of sun and cloud, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing monitoring and continuation of reservoir filling activities. Site activities focused on completing backfill to the midway point and confirming the condition of recently completed concrete works. General review of waterproofing, insulation, and backfill progress was carried out to support continued site advancement.

Comments:

- No comments

Environment assessment:

- No spills were observed on site.

Safety:

- No safety incidents



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Project: **Didsbury Reservoir**

Week **June 13, 2026**

Ending:

Client: **Town of Didsbury**

Project No.: **28425**

Contractor: **Timcon Construction**

Written By: **Marissa Wong**

Sunday, June 7, 2026 Weather: H: 12°C L: 4°C Mix of sun and cloud, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor not on site.
Monday, June 8, 2026 Weather: H: 20°C L: 6°C Mix of sun and cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Backfilling operations continued around the tank structure, with ongoing grading and compaction. Interior works progressed with insulation and framing of interior walls. Ductwork installation was substantially completed, while electrical and process piping works continued.
Tuesday, June 9, 2026 Weather: H: 17°C L: 5°C Mix of sun and cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Backfill placement and compaction activities continued to support final elevations around the structure. Interior wall framing and insulation works advanced throughout the building. Electrical rough-in and process piping installation remained ongoing.
Wednesday, June 10, 2026 Weather: H: 13°C L: 9°C Mix of sun and cloud, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crews continued backfilling operations and site grading adjustments around the tank. Interior wall framing and insulation progressed further. Ductwork installation was largely complete, with electrical and process piping works continuing.
Thursday, June 11, 2026 Weather: H: 14°C L: 8°C Mix of sun and cloud, rain.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing backfill and compaction activities continued around the reservoir structure. Interior wall framing and insulation works were in progress across multiple areas. Electrical installation and process piping works continued.
Friday, June 12, 2026 Weather: H: 11°C L: 5°C Mix of sun and cloud.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Backfill grading and compaction adjustments continued to support final site elevations. Interior framing and insulation works progressed. Ductwork installation was near completion, with electrical and process piping ongoing.
Saturday, June 13, 2026 Weather: H: 19°C L: 4°C Sun, bit of cloud	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued backfilling and grading activities around the tank structure. Ongoing interior works including wall framing and insulation. Electrical and process piping installations continued, with ductwork substantially complete.

Comments:

- o No comments

Environment assessment:

- o No spills were observed on site.

Safety:

- o No safety incidents



June 11th, 2026. Backfill.



June 11th, 2026. Ongoing Process Piping.



June 11th, 2026. Backfill.



June 11th, 2026. Backfill Operations



June 11th, 2026. Continued Backfill Operations.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

*Vision: The Place to Grow.
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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Bylaw 2026-13 Land Use Amending Bylaw
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services
ITEM:

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Bylaw 2026-13 would redesignate Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1 from IS: Institutional District to R2: Residential District - General

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Having heard the public hearing on the bylaw earlier in the agenda, if Council is satisfied with the outcome of the public hearing, they may grant second and third reading to Bylaw 2026-13.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION (two motions)

That Council grant second reading to Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-13.

AND

That Council grant third and final reading to Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-13.

TOWN OF DIDSBURY
Land Use Amending Bylaw 2026-13

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 2026-13”

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 Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1, also referred to as 2134 22 Street from IS: Institutional District to R2: Residential District – General.

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 26th day of May, 2026

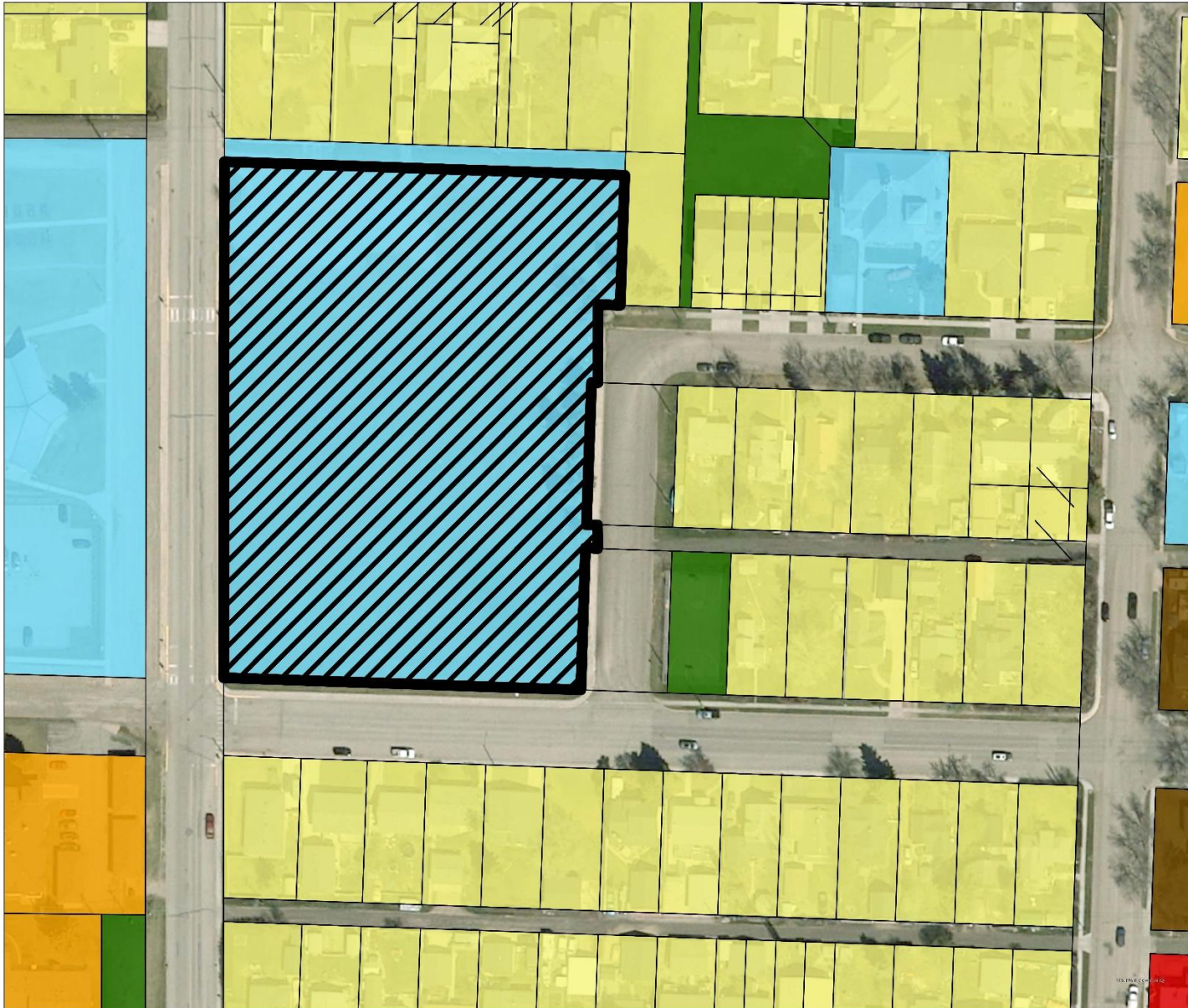
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Read a third and final time this ___ day of _____, 2026

Mayor – Chris Little

Chief Administrative Officer – Michael Simpson

Schedule A



Town of Didsbury








Bylaw 2026-13

Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1

Legend

 IS: Institutional District to
R2: Residential District - General

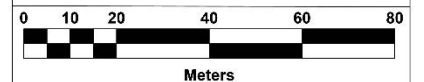
Land Use Zone

-  C3
-  IS
-  MR
-  R2
-  R5
-  RC
-  REC

Date: May 2026
Author: SC
Scale: 1:440
Coordinate System: NAD 1983 3TM 114
Data Sources: Town of Didsbury & Altalis



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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: MR Disposal - Plan 0514037 Block 18 Lot 1
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development
ITEM: 8.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

To dispose of land designated as Municipal Reserve (MR), a municipality must first remove that designation. Section 674(1) of the Municipal Government Act requires that a Public Hearing be held in accordance with section 216.4 of the Act before any sale or disposal of MR land can proceed.

Under Section 665(1) of the Municipal Government Act, Council has the authority to designate land it owns or is acquiring — by bylaw — as municipal reserve, school reserve, municipal and school reserve, environmental reserve, conservation reserve, or public utility.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Having heard the public hearing earlier in the agenda, Council may, if satisfied with the outcome, approve the removal of the Municipal Reserve designation from Plan 0514037, Block 18, Lot 1, located at 2134 22 Street.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION (two motions)

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

AND

To 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.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Update to Bank Signing Authorities Effective July 1, 2026
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services
ITEM: 8.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

In accordance with the Town's agreement with Connect First Credit Union, the Town's banking institution, Council must appoint bank-signing authorities by way of resolution of Council.

At the October 28, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Council approved two resolutions, one granting two members of Council bank signing authority, and another granting bank signing authority to members of Administration.

The Town's financial controls require dual signors on every cheque, being the Mayor and the CAO. In the event that the Mayor and/or the CAO are not present, the Deputy Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer would be authorized to sign. The requirements are outlined in FIN 004-26 Payment Authority Policy.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Resolution 540-25 to authorize the Mayor and Deputy Mayor bank signing authority stands. However given the change in the Chief Administrative Officer position effective July 1, 2026, resolution 541-25 to appoint administrative bank signing authorities must be rescinded, followed by a separate motion to appoint the new administrative bank signing authorities.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

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RECOMMENDATION (two separate motions)

To 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."

AND

To 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.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
 SUBJECT: 2026 Community Grant Funding Applications
 ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Community Services
 ITEM: 8.3

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

In 2026, Council has allocated \$28,000 for the Community Grant Program and \$2,000 for Facility Discounts. An update of Policy CS 003-26 – Community Grant Program was completed in April 2026, which included a revised funding cycle (July 1 – June 30), clarification on eligibility, the development of an evaluation tool and enhanced grant reporting requirements.

Administration advertised the 2026 grant program earlier this spring, with applications closing on May 31. A total of 10 applications were received, with a combined value of \$17,800.

Council is presented with the requests received to-date for review and recommendation.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Below, please find the list of Community Grant applications received, with explanations of the intent for funding and the value of the request.

2026 Town of Didsbury Community Grant Program		
Organization	Explanation of Request	Request
Cadet Parents Association #3025 Didsbury	Program development (equipment + transportation), recruitment (advertising) and community leadership program	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury AquaJets Swim Club	AquaJets Swim Meet costs - food costs, facility costs, rental costs	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury Rec Hockey Association	Referee clinics, goalie clinics, reduced registration fees for participants	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury Minor Hockey Association	DMHA-hosted tournament costs - entry fees, advertising, facility costs	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury Elks Lodge #514	Annual Parade costs - band fees, ribbons, advertising, float	\$ 2,000.00
Northern Trails Riding Club	Annual Banquet costs - catering	\$ 500.00
Heart2U Didsbury - Christmas Hampers	Annual Christmas Hamper program - food, small gifts, advertising, supplies	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury Figure Skating Club	Reduction in program registration fees for participants (estimated \$40/participant reduction)	\$ 2,000.00
Didsbury Ag Society	Annual Rodeo - costs - stock, announcer, rentals	\$ 2,000.00
AB Institute for Wildlife Conservation	Located in Madden, 1-3% Didsbury participation, costs associated with food and care of wildlife	\$ 1,300.00
TOTAL		\$ 17,800.00

Utilizing the evaluation tool within the policy, Administration is providing both the self-evaluation scores and the Administrative evaluation scores for Council's information.



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	2026 Funding Requested	Location of Organization		Previous Financial Support		Quality of Life		Economic + Tourism Benefits		Reduced Participation Costs		Funding Acknow.		Opportunity for Volunteerism		Operational Costs		Other Sources of Funding		TOTAL SCORE		PERCENTAGE	
		Up to 3 points		1 point		Up to 3 points		Up to 3 points		Up to 3 points		Up to 3 points		Up to 3 points		1 point		Up to 4 points		24 points			
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Cadet Parents Association #3025 Didsbury	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	18	18	75%	75%
Didsbury Aqualets Swim Club	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	15	13	63%	54%
Didsbury Rec Hockey Association	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	15	13	63%	54%
Didsbury Minor Hockey Association	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	11	13	46%	54%
Didsbury Elks Lodge #514	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	2	3	3	1	1	0	0	16	16	67%	67%
Northern Trails Riding Club	\$ 500.00	3	2	0	0	2	2	3	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	1	14	13	58%	54%
Heart2U Didsbury - Christmas Hampers	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	3	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	1	1	0	1	14	15	58%	63%
Didsbury Figure Skating Club	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	0	0	12	13	50%	54%
Didsbury Ag Society	\$ 2,000.00	3	3	0	0	3	3	3	3	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	18	19	75%	79%
AB Institute for Wildlife Conservation	\$ 1,300.00	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	1	10	5	42%	21%	

Administration notes the following relative to the scoring above:

- Due to the varying nature of the applications, achieving a ‘perfect score’ would be difficult.
- Applications achieving a 50% score or higher should be considered for funding as they are meeting requirements for local programs/events, contributing to the quality of life for our residents, offering economic or tourism benefits, reducing participation costs and developing opportunities for volunteerism within the community.
- Council may wish to consider updating Policy CS 003-26 to include guidelines on how funding is allocated based on the evaluation tool

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

2. Vibrant & Connected Character Community

RECOMMENDATION

To 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



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Partnership Project – Sturling Rock Display
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Community Services
ITEM: 8.4

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

At the March 10, 2026 RCM, Council heard a delegation from the Didsbury Curling Club and Mr. Gord Leeson regarding a proposed Community Partnership Project for the installation of a sturling rock display in the community, and a complete Community Partnership application was received at the same time.

At the March 24, 2026 RCM, an ad hoc committee was struck to review the application and bring recommendations to Council. Councillors Lambert, Engel and Mahon, along with the Director of Community Services, made up the ad hoc committee. The ad hoc committee met on May 13, June 10 and held a site meeting on June 15, 2026 regarding this application.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The applicant intends to fundraise for the construction and installation costs of the display and are seeking a land allocation from the Town of Didsbury as part of this partnership. The applicant hesitates to begin fundraising efforts ahead of support from Town Council and a definitive location for the proposed display.

Upon completion, the Town of Didsbury would take on ownership and future maintenance costs of the display. Maintenance for this display is anticipated to be low, with painting to be required every 5-8 years with an estimated value of \$2500.

Through consensus, the committee agreed on the following:

- Recognition of the sport of ‘sturling,’ which was developed in Didsbury, is important.
- The proposed display should be placed on the lands at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. In the image provided, the recommended location is the **RED** dot, which is located along the new pathway to the east of the Aquatic Centre. It is in the foremost corner of a triangle of land that is slated for greenspace revitalization (improved lawn, picnic tables) just to the south of the newly developed parking lot. The estimated site required for the installation would be 15 square feet.
- The size of the display should be appropriate for the site it is placed on. The applicants are open to reducing the size dependent on the location selected. If approved by Council, the applicant will provide drawings with size dimensions prior to construction of the display.
- That final approval for installation of the sturling rock display would be contingent on the applicant raising funds for the total projected cost of \$48,800.



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Based on the committee's discussions, and the application from the Stirling Rock Committee, Council may consider approving the project and allocating the above site for the display, which could be contingent on the applicant raising the funds for the construction and installation of the project.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

2. Vibrant & Connected Character Community

RECOMMENDATION

To 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.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Didsbury Golf Course Sanitary Septic Cleanout Costs
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services
ITEM: 8.5

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

At the May 6, 2026 meeting between Didsbury Council and the Didsbury Golf Club at the Didsbury Golf Course, discussions were held in respect of the club's need to solve the issue of the sanitary sewer and the failed septic field. Town Council has opted to proceed with a project that connects the clubhouse to the town's sewer as the long term solution.

ISL, the Town's engineering firm, has begun the process of designing the run of sanitary pipe, and will oversee procurement of contracting services in accordance with required legislation. In the meantime, the clubhouse continues to operate and the sanitary tank continues to fill and be emptied at the town lagoon, in accordance with direction from Council.

It was mutually agreed by both parties, Council and the Didsbury Golf Club, that the initial camera inspection of the septic system as well as the ongoing septic tank cleanouts would be covered by the town as part of the construction costs of the new sanitary connection in order to maintain the level of service for users of the clubhouse, and in recognition of the Town's responsibility towards underground infrastructure on the golf course property, implied in the existing MOU from 1985 which holds the DGC only responsible for above-ground improvements and facilities.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Administration is requesting a motion of Council to formalize allowing the costs related to servicing the septic tank for the time required for construction to occur, which may not be complete until the end of this golfing season. It is recommended to use the same Strategic Initiative and Contingency Reserve that is funding the construction of the new sanitary line, with estimated costs, based on a once-per-week cleanout, to be around \$6,000 on the low side, and \$7,000 on the high side for the duration of the season from May to end of September.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

1. Strategically Managed Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

To 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.



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Didsbury Strategic Plan 2026 - 2029
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Economic Development & Strategic Operations
ITEM: 8.6

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL: The Town of Didsbury Council has completed a draft strategic plan which outlines business activities for the municipality that will take place over the duration of the council's term from 2026-2029.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES: The business activities in the draft strategic plan being presented to Council are designed to drive outcomes that contribute to the community fabric in areas of social sustainability, infrastructure, opportunity and growth.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

2. Vibrant & Connected Character Community

RECOMMENDATION

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.

2026 - 2029 Town of Didsbury Council Strategic Plan





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Didsbury Town Council

Back Row (L to R): Councillor Mahon, Deputy Mayor Murray, Councillor Engel, Councillor Stevens

Front Row (L to R): Councillor Quantz, Mayor Little, Councillor Lambert



The Role of Council

The Town of Didsbury Council is made up of one Mayor and six Councillors. Didsbury does not have ridings or divisions; instead, all members of Council represent all areas of the Town of Didsbury.

Under Alberta's Municipal Government Act (MGA), a municipal council acts as the governing body of the municipality. The MGA provides that Councils can only exercise the powers of the municipal corporation in the proper form, either by bylaw or resolution.

Didsbury's Town Council responsibilities include approving:

- The strategic direction for the community
- The municipal budget and tax rate
- Bylaws and high-level policies
- Major capital projects and long-term plans
- Land-use decisions brought to Council for approval

Administration is the operational arm of local government and translates the bylaws, budgets, and policies created by Council into day-to-day services and operations. The Council Strategic Plan is a key reference tool for administration; it guides direction, aligns decision-making, and demonstrates measurable progress and accountability across the organization and to the community.



Town of Didsbury Mission, Vision, and Values

Didsbury’s **Vision**, **Mission**, and **Values** all continue from previous strategic plans; they illustrate the Town’s continued commitment to delivering on these key aspects of our mandate.

Vision:

A vibrant and inclusive character community with small-town connection. We support innovation and we celebrate the beautiful and the unique in our community while thoughtfully embracing growth and change.

Mission:

Creating the Place to Grow

Values:

- Demonstrated leadership
- Integrity at the core
- Collaborative culture
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Innovation





Town of Didsbury Strategic Planning Process

The development of the 2022-2029 Strategic Plan began on the campaign trail. During the 2025 municipal election, candidates heard directly from residents, business owners, and community members about what is working, what is missing, and what matters most in Didsbury. When Council came together after the election, those conversations became the starting point for developing this plan.

Didsbury Town Council and the CAO participated in two strategic planning workshop in May of 2026 to consider a future direction for the Town and build a framework for a 2026 - 2029 Strategic Plan.

The workshop objectives were to identify a shared vision for Didsbury and to develop the components of a strategic plan that would provide guidance to Council and administration for the remainder of the current term. Through facilitated discussions and collaborative effort, Council:

- ✔ Reviewed the results of three public engagement exercises, including a public budget survey, a public satisfaction survey, and a series of in-person sessions. Each initiative was designed to extract different types of information, ranging from broad community sentiments to granular, actionable feedback.
- ✔ Determined priorities and objectives for the next four years, with strategic initiatives designed to meet those objectives.
- ✔ Developed a draft plan that identified four key priority pillars and objectives for administration, as well as governance objectives for Council.



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- ✓ Council identified four **Key Pillars** identifying the priorities/core focus areas for this term: **Community Sustainability, Business Vitality, Infrastructure Management, Operational Excellence**
- ✓ Falling under each of these pillars are **Goals/Outcomes** which define the highest-level desired results.
- ✓ To meet these overarching goals, this strategic plan identifies **25 Objectives** with associated **Key Actions**. These objectives all broadly fall within the focus of the four key pillars.

Based on the priorities, goals and objectives set by Council, administration determined the steps required, assigned administrative leads, and established estimated timelines for completion. These components are generally included in this strategic plan.



Community Sustainability



Business Vitality



Infrastructure Management



Operational Excellence



Community Sustainability

Didsbury’s vision of the future offers citizens and newcomers a healthy, inclusive and connected community with high-quality recreational, educational, and cultural opportunities for residents of all ages.

Goals/Outcomes Include:

- Didsbury’s recreational facilities and schedules offer a comprehensive suite of high quality programs strategically designed to meet the diverse needs of Didsburians and attract visitors and new residents to the community.
- Didsbury’s recreational facilities are operated at peak capacity and optimal efficiency; a proactive maintenance program, regular evaluations, and strategically planned upgrades ensure their longevity and continued benefit to citizens, visitors, and the municipality.
- Municipal programs, facilities, and services help to enhance the quality of life in the community, attract and retain families, and support community diversity.
- Municipal programs and initiatives identify areas of need and assist to ensure Didsbury is an affordable and accessible community for everyone to live and thrive.

<i>Community Sustainability</i>	<i>Key Actions</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
Arena	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare an analysis report on an extended ice season (spring hockey) • Review sponsorship models, engage stakeholders as necessary, and draft instruments as required for term commitments 	Q3 2027
Pool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage engineering regarding the feasibility of investing in a new waterslide tower • Council to decide based on costs • If Council decides to go forward with the project, admin to move to procurement for construction services 	Q4 2026
Extended Facility Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the need and requirements for extending the seasons for indoor/outdoor Town recreation facilities • Prepare for Council a summary of possible scheduling opportunities with budget impacts 	Q3 2027
Dog Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review service levels/location of dog park • Review location suitability • Identify the scope, scale, and location of a new park, with costing estimates • Update the Capital plan to include a dog park 	Q4 2027 Q2 2028 Q4 2028
Pickleball court	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council to appoint members to an Ad Hoc Committee • Assist in facilitating committee work (Community Services department) • Select a suitable site for the proposed court • Secure funding for the construction of the court (fundraising/Council supports) 	Q2 2027
Sturling Rock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee to make recommendation on location • Committee to finalize design details/construction cost • Admin oversees construction of monument 	Q3 2027
Didsbury's 125th Anniversary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strike a planning committee (Council) • Provide admin. support for 125th Town anniversary • Create a plan for hosting an anniversary event in 2030 	Q3 2028
Residential Tax Incentive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review financial impacts to Town and external stakeholders • Compare option of lower vacant residential mill rate for efficacy, and present scenarios to Council during annual Mill Rate Bylaw discussions • Determine term length for policy position on offering incentives on mill rates • Explore infills incentives 	Q1 2027



Business Vitality

Didsbury supports entrepreneurship, attracts investment, and grows a diversified tax base.

Goals/Outcomes Include:

- Didsbury provides a safe and welcoming business environment for a variety of sectors, including the film industry; municipal processes are streamlined so that existing and new businesses are supported, successful, and vital contributors to Didsbury’s thriving economy.
- Local youth have opportunities for in-demand training and incentives to remain in the community where they will become valuable members of Didsbury’s skilled workforce.
- Didsbury has strategically managed relationships with third party groups which ensures ultimate fiscal responsibility and benefits.
- Town owned land and assets are responsibly managed through thoughtful planning and ensuring that comprehensive processes are in place to secure long-term benefits for the municipality.

<i>Business Vitality</i>	<i>Key Actions</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
Town-owned land held for resale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter into purchasing agreements with developers for Town-owned properties 	Q3 2028
Dual Credit learning support for Chinook's Edge School Division students in Didsbury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft a policy establishing budget amounts and eligible activities • Consult stakeholders at Red Deer Polytechnic and Olds College for dual credit program information, include listings in policy schedule • Investigate options to ensure home-school students are eligible under the policy 	Q4 2026 Or Q1 2027
Sport Academy tie-in with Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate criteria for sustainable hockey and baseball academies in Didsbury • Consult with Chinook's Edge School Division on working models, and determine the Town's contribution 	Q4 2027
Council Chambers upgrades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine lighting and technology needs and investment/budget requirements • Install brighter light bulbs or fixtures • Upgrade the AV Technology for streaming as well as in-house and remote attendance 	Q2 2027
Community group supports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review lease and service agreements with third parties regarding facilities, service delivery, and lands • Update terms and conditions as required to reduce Town liability • Create of master list of updated documents 	Q4 2028
Station 5 Roundup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the current event planner • Prepare the event site • Investigate the requirements to establish a dedicated non-profit for future years' events • Assist in establishing a non-profit organization 	Q3 2026 (Event) Q1 2027 (New Entity)
Didsbury Golf Course sanitary servicing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the system models and determine best options • Adopt the chosen model • Manage the construction and commissioning of the service 	Q3 2026
Street lighting level of service improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the Town's street lighting needs based on RCMP data re: property crime mapping and dark spots • Work with Fortis to determine the cost of adding new poles and services where required • Solicit Alberta Health Services input re: reported issues with hospital entrance lighting and EMS concerns 	Q3 2027
Mountain View Regional Film Office (MVRFO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote the MVRFO and Didsbury as a filming location • Adopt a unified policy with MVC and the Town of Sundre; develop coordinated film permit documents 	Q4 2026



Infrastructure Management

Municipal infrastructure is the foundation for a healthy and vibrant community. Didsbury maintains and develops resilient infrastructure that supports growth, accessibility, and long term service delivery.

Goals/Outcomes Include:

- Public facilities, services, lands, and roads/pathways are maintained through data-driven planning, ensuring safe and accessible infrastructure for the community.
- Town of Didsbury water services are modern, safe, and efficient, capable of meeting the needs of the community for many years to come.
- Didsbury's asset management program ensures that the Town is able to proactively allocate growth, plan for and manage budgets, and mitigate risks.
- Strategic infrastructure management helps to create and maintain a secure and navigable environment, allowing the majority of residents to fully participate in community life.
- Municipal initiatives and collaborations with community partners increase efficiencies and strengthen and enhance services.

Infrastructure Management	Key Actions	Completion Date
Water services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the East Reservoir project and commission • Complete the 21 Street connector water line tie in • Complete the 19 Street lateral commission water line engineering and design 	Q4 2026
Roads, pathways, sidewalks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare projects from the Pedestrian Connectivity Master Plan for safety priority projects for priority completion vs. top-ten approach list in plan • Complete the Mill & Overlay projects as outlined in the Didsbury Multi-Year Capital Plan 	Q3 2029
Asset Management Plan, policies, and GIS data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Asset Inventories for Fleet, Water & Sewer, Road, Fire Protection, and other municipal assets through extensive data capture and consolidation of existing data • Upload asset inventories into GIS for utilities, and create databases for fleet, buildings and open spaces • Identify priority sequence based on PoF and CoF analysis; assess funding gaps and associated horizons for financial plan • Finalize long range asset management plan for capital budget 	2027 for asset inventories 2028 for digitization of manual data, GIS inputs Q1 2029 for complete plan
Waste and recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and pass a new bylaw for Extended Producer Responsibility as per the recycling mandate of GOA • Communicate program changes and updates to residents, in coordination with <i>Circular Materials</i>, prior to and at the onset of the program implementation 	Q4 2026
Rosebud Valley Campground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review profit/loss data for the Rosebud Valley Campground • Explore potential management models for the campground operations, considering costs, service levels, and liabilities • If it is determined that a lease agreement is the best option, invite interested service clubs to present to Council on proposed lease options • Enter into a lease agreement with the successful proponent for the start of the 2027 season 	Q1 2027



Operational Excellence

The Town operates efficiently, transparently, and responsibly while delivering excellent customer service and financial stewardship.

Goals/Outcomes Include:

- The municipality demonstrates fiscal responsibility by aligning financial plans with strategic priorities to deliver value for tax dollars.
- Didsbury’s municipal services are delivered reliably and cost-effectively, meeting or exceeding established service standards.
- Didsbury residents feel the municipality provides strong financial stewardship, transparent and streamlined processes, and high service levels.
- Didsbury’s planning processes and policies provide a clear and simple framework to support development and approve thoughtful growth.

<i>Operational Excellence</i>	<i>Key Actions</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>
Chamber of Commerce re-establishment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repeal DEDAC Bylaw, disband committee • Work with local stakeholders to determine if a new, independent Chamber of Commerce could be established and maintained under its own resources • Determine annual support measures required 	Q2 2029
Policies/Bylaws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Bylaw update – speed limits • Community Standards Bylaw overhaul • Community Peace Officer Policy Manual 	July 31, 2026 (GOA)
Municipal Planning Commission and Land Use Bylaw	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research opportunities for red tape reduction regarding permitting timelines and permissions, the powers of the Municipal Planning Commission, the Development Officer, and Subdivision Authority • Explore potential changes to the current municipal development model and processes and determine a best fit for Didsbury • Define scopes of stakeholders in the proposed model and identify required changes to bylaws • Change current bylaws and develop and pass new bylaws as required 	Q2 2027



Community Sustainability



Business Vitality



Infrastructure Management








Operational Excellence

This multi-year strategic plan enables longer term planning, higher level thinking, and prioritization of issues and projects. The strategic plan encompasses the remaining years of this Council’s term. While the plan has been crafted to endure this timespan, it is a ‘living document’ and Council will review it annually and make changes as required if priorities of the community change significantly during this time.



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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Request for Decision (RFD)

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MEETING DATE: June 23, 2026
SUBJECT: Council Reports
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Corporate Services
ITEM: 9.0

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Council members will each provide a verbal or written report on any business, committee activity, or professional development opportunities that they have undertaken.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN

5. Governance & Organizational Excellence

RECOMMENDATION

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