

TOWN OF TROCHU – AGENDA

FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD

August 17th, 2026

At Trochu Town Office

Notes

- # **Agenda Item and Information**
Regular Meeting – August 17th, 2026
- 1. **CALL TO ORDER**
The meeting will be called to order at 6:30 pm
- 2. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**
 - a) Additions to the Agenda
 - b) Agenda Acceptance
- 3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
 - a) Adoption of July 13th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- 4. **HOUSEKEEPING**
 - a) Housekeeping Acceptance
- 5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - a) Nothing for this Agenda Item
- 6. **DELEGATIONS**
 - a) Nothing for this agenda item
- 7. **BYLAWS, POLICIES and AGREEMENTS**
 - a) Nothing for this Agenda Item
- 8. **REPORTS:**
 - A. **STAFF REPORTS:**
 - a) Director of Operations Report
 - b) Administrator's Report
 - c) Trochu Arboretum Reports
 - B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS, MINUTES & OTHER REPORTS**
 - a) Trochu Arboretum Financials
 - b) July Regional Grant Writer Report
 - c) June 22nd, 2026, MPC Minutes
 - d) July 13th, 2026, MPC Minutes
 - e) FCSS Minutes
 - f) Q1 Community Policy Report
 - g) Three Hills Q1 Provincial Crime Statistics
 - C. **COUNCIL REPORTS**
 - a) Councillor Armstrong
 - b) Councillor Cunningham
 - c) Councillor De La Cruz
 - d) Councillor Martel
 - e) Councillor Peterson
 - f) Deputy Mayor Reeds

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- g) Mayor Kletke
- h) Motions from Items in Councillor Reports
- i) Acceptance of Council Reports and filing for future reference

9. CORRESPONDENCE LISTING:

- a) Call to Action Email
- b) National Police Federation Wave 9
- c) Siren Email
- d) St. Mary's Letter

10. FINANCE:

- a) June Bank Rec

11. OLD BUSINESS, UNFINISHED BUSINESS and ITEMS TABLED or REQUIRING MORE INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) RFD Solid Waste Contract Award
- b) RFD Garbage Truck Reserve

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a) RFD Third Dog
- b) RFD Business License Consideration

13. SPECIAL PROJECTS

- a) Nothing for this Agenda Item

14. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS – CLOSED SESSION

Confidential Matters: Council to move to a session closed to the public for items dealing with Land, Legal or Labour in accordance with Section 197 and the Public Sector Body Privacy and Data Protection Act. Please note that no back-up material will be sent with this Agenda for closed sessions and material circulated will be returned to the CAO and destroyed unless otherwise noted.

- Labour

15. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

Meeting to be recessed to allow return of public and reconvened with public present.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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Minutes	#	Item and Information	
		Regular Meeting – July 13th, 2026	
	1.	CALL TO ORDER	
		Mayor Kletke called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Mayor Barry Kletke, Deputy Mayor Chris Reeds, Councillors Chris Armstrong, Bill Cunningham, Cerilo Dela Cruz, Jaime Martel, and Carl Peterson, CAO Jamie Collins, Director of Operations Dave Nelson, Recording Secretary Toni Nelson, and Three Hills Capital Reporter Nicole Ioanidis. In attendance remotely was Financial Officer Lavinia Henderson.	
	2.	ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA	
		a) Additions to the Agenda	
		b) Agenda Acceptance	
2026-07-13-01 Motion to accept the agenda as presented		Motion by DELA CRUZ to accept the agenda as presented	CARRIED
	3.	ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
		a) Adoption of June 8 th , 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes	
2026-07-13-02 Motion to adopt the June 8th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes		Motion by ARMSTRONG to adopt the June 8th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes	CARRIED
		b) Adoption of June 22 nd , 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes	
2026-07-13-03 Motion to adopt the June 22nd, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes		Motion by MARTEL to adopt the June 22nd, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes	CARRIED
	4.	HOUSEKEEPING	
		a) Housekeeping Acceptance	
		Accepted for information.	
	5.	PUBLIC HEARINGS	
		a) Nothing for this Agenda Item	
	6.	DELEGATIONS	
		a) Nothing for this agenda item	
	7.	BYLAWS, POLICIES and AGREEMENTS	
		a) RFD Urban Hen Bylaw	

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2026-07-13-04
Motion give first
reading to Bylaw
No. 2026-13,
Amendment to
Urban Hen Bylaw
2024-05

**Motion by CUNNINGHAM to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-13, Amendment to
Urban Hen Bylaw 2024-05** **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-05
Motion to give
second reading to
Bylaw No. 2026-13,
Amendment to
Urban Hen Bylaw
2024-05

**Motion by PETERSON to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-13, Amendment to Urban
Hen Bylaw 2024-05** **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-06
Motion to
unanimously agree
to consider third
reading of Bylaw
No. 2026-13,
Amendment to
Urban Hen Bylaw
2024-0

**Motion by DELA CRUZ to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-
13, Amendment to Urban Hen Bylaw 2024-05** **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2026-07-13-07
Motion to give
third and final
reading to Bylaw
No. 2026-13,
Amendment to
Urban Hen Bylaw
2024-05

**Motion by ARMSTRONG to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-13, Amendment
to Urban Hen Bylaw 2024-05** **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-08
Motion to approve
the Town of Trochu
Privacy
Management
Program, including
General Program
Policy 2026-07-13-
01, Privacy Policy
2026-07-13-02,
Access Policy 2026-
07-13-03, and
Security Policy
2026-07-13-04

b) RFD Town of Trochu Privacy Management Program

**Motion by MARTEL to approve the Town of Trochu Privacy Management Program,
including General Program Policy 2026-07-13-01, Privacy Policy 2026-07-13-02, Access
Policy 2026-07-13-03, and Security Policy 2026-07-13-04** **CARRIED**

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c) RFD CAO Bylaw

2026-07-13-09

Motion to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-10

Motion to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw

Motion by ARMSTRONG to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-11

Motion to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw

Motion by DELA CRUZ to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2026-07-13-12

Motion to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw

Motion by PETERSON to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-14, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-13

Motion to approve the Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services Regional Governance and Accountability Agreement, subject to the following amendments:
1. That the term "in kind" be removed from Section 3.2; and
2. That Section 7.1 be amended to read "unless otherwise covered by this or a separate agreement"

d) RFD KRFCSS Agreement

Motion by ARMSTRONG to approve the Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services Regional Governance and Accountability Agreement, subject to the following amendments:

- 1. That the term "in kind" be removed from Section 3.2; and**
- 2. That Section 7.1 be amended to read "unless otherwise covered by this or a separate agreement."**

CARRIED

8. REPORTS:

A. STAFF REPORTS:

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2026-07-13-14
Motion to accept
the Director of
Operations Report

a) Director of Operations Report

Motion by REEDS to accept the Director of Operations Report

CARRIED

2026-07-13-15
Motion to accept
the Administrator's
Report

b) Administrator's Report

Motion by PETERSON to accept the Administrator's Report

CARRIED

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS, MINUTES & OTHER REPORTS

- a) Trochu Arboretum Budget
- b) Trochu Arboretum Minutes
- c) June Regional Grant Writer Report
- d) May 25th, 2026, MPC Minutes

Accepted for information.

C. COUNCIL REPORTS

- a) Councillor Armstrong
 - Also attended CFWR annual meeting, reports that they have given loans totaling over \$40 million since 1989, the highest in the province
- b) Councillor Cunningham
 - asked Council for questions or topic suggestions for the upcoming Police Action Committee meeting
- c) Councillor De La Cruz
- d) Councillor Martel
 - Reported that the 100 Women Who Care program awarded the Food Security project \$9,400 in donations for supplies and programming
- e) Councillor Peterson
 - Reported that the Library's Canada Day book sale made over \$1,100, thanked the Trochu Elks for their support
- f) Deputy Mayor Reeds
- g) Mayor Kletke
 - Discussed Delburne pilot program for driving golf carts on streets
 - Discussed derelict property tax model from St. Paul & Westlock
- h) Motions from Items in Councillor Reports
- i) Acceptance of Council Reports and filing for future reference

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2026-07-13-16

Motion to accept the Council Reports and file for future reference

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to accept the Council Reports and file for future reference

CARRIED

9. CORRESPONDENCE LISTING:

- a) Municipal Affairs Grant Allocation Letter
- b) RFD St. Mary's Letter

2026-07-13-17

Motion to give a \$200 donation from the Town to the St. Mary's Trochu Foundation for the 2026 Annual Golf Tournament

Motion by REEDS to give a \$200 donation from the Town to the St. Mary's Trochu Foundation for the 2026 Annual Golf Tournament

CARRIED

10. FINANCE:

- a) May Bank Rec

2026-07-13-18

Motion to accept the May 2026 Bank Reconciliation and file it for future reference

Motion by MARTEL to accept the May 2026 Bank Reconciliation and file it for future reference

CARRIED

- b) RFD Borrowing Bylaws

2026-07-13-19

Motion to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

Motion by ARMSTRONG to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

CARRIED

2026-07-13-20

Motion to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

Motion by PETERSON to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

CARRIED

2026-07-13-21

Motion to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2026-07-13-22

Motion to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

Motion by MARTEL to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-11, Borrowing Bylaw Land Purchasing

CARRIED

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2026-07-13-23

Motion to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw

Motion by REEDS to give first reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-24

Motion to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to give second reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-25

Motion to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw

Motion by PETERSON to unanimously agree to consider third reading of Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2026-07-13-26

Motion to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw

Motion by ARMSTRONG to give third and final reading to Bylaw No. 2026-12, Northwest Area Subdivision Phase 1 ATB Revolving Loan Bylaw **CARRIED**

2026-07-13-27

Motion to approve the 2026 Economic Development Incentive for Roll #545000 and direct Administration to advise the property owner in writing that the incentive will not apply to the property in future years

c) RFD 2 Evron Place

Motion by DELA CRUZ to approve the 2026 Economic Development Incentive for Roll #545000 and direct Administration to advise the property owner in writing that the incentive will not apply to the property in future years **CARRIED**

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d) Q1 Financial Report

2026-07-13-28
Motion to accept
the First Quarter
Financial Report
and file for future
reference

Motion by CUNNINGHAM to accept the First Quarter Financial Report and file for future reference **CARRIED**

11. OLD BUSINESS, UNFINISHED BUSINESS and ITEMS TABLED or REQUIRING MORE INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a) RFD Flower Show Request

2026-07-13-29
Motion to authorize
Administration to
provide in-kind
printing services for
the 2026 Trochu
Flower, Baking and
Photography Show,
including the event
booklet and
promotional
materials, in lieu of
a cash contribution

Motion by PETERSON to authorize Administration to provide in-kind printing services for the 2026 Trochu Flower, Baking and Photography Show, including the event booklet and promotional materials, in lieu of a cash contribution **CARRIED**

12. NEW BUSINESS

a) RFD Salary Continuation & Short-Term Disability

- Item moved to Closed Session

b) RFD High Intensity Residential Fire Requirements

- Council discussed

13. SPECIAL PROJECTS

a) Nothing for this Agenda Item

Nicole Ioanidis, Lavinia Henderson, Dave Nelson, Toni Nelson left the meeting at 7:53pm

14. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS – CLOSED SESSION

2026-07-13-30
Motion to move to
a closed session at
7:55pm to discuss
the following: a)
RFD Salary
Continuation &
Short-Term
Disability

Motion by REEDS to move to a closed session at 7:55pm to discuss the following:
a) RFD Salary Continuation & Short-Term Disability **CARRIED**

CAO Jamie Collins stayed to provide information and administration.

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15. RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

2026-07-13-31

Motion to return to
a public meeting at
8:40pm

Motion by REEDS to return to a public meeting at 8:40pm

Meeting to be recessed to allow return of public and reconvened with public present.

2026-07-13-32

Motion that the
Town of Trochu
cover 100% of the
employee portion
of benefit costs for
the current
employee that is on
medical leave,
ending upon return
to work or moving
to long term
disability

Motion by ARMSTRONG that the Town of Trochu cover 100% of the employee portion of benefit costs for the current employee that is on medical leave, ending upon return to work or moving to long term disability **CARRIED**

16. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kletke adjourned the meeting at 8:43pm

X

Barry Kletke
Mayor

X

Jamie Collins
CAO

August 17th, 2026

Housekeeping Items for Council & Staff Meetings, Conference etc.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

September 14th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting

September 28th, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting

OTHER MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time & Location</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who's Attending?</u>
Aug 20 – 21	Ottawa	THC Site Tour	Collins, Smalldon, King
Sept 23 – 25	Edmonton	AB Munis Convention	Council, Collins, D. Nelson
Nov 25 -27	Edmonton	FCSSAA Conference	Martel

MEETING SCHEDULES & POSSIBLE FUTURE MEETINGS

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Time & Location</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Who's Attending?</u>
Varies	Varies	Central Alberta Economic Partnership	Kletke, Collins (De La Cruz)
1 st Thurs. every mo.	Strathmore (AGM varies)	Community Futures Wild Rose	Armstrong (Martel)
3 rd Thur. every 2 mo.	Drumheller 1:30pm	Drumheller & District Solid Waste	Reeds (Armstrong)
2 nd Tue. every 2 mo.	Three Hills 7:00pm	Kneehill FCSS	Martel (Cunningham)
Varies	Three Hills Evenings	Kneehill Housing	Cunningham (Armstrong)
Varies	Varies	Kneehill Regional Emergency Management	Kletke, Collins (Armstrong)
Varies	Varies	Kneehill Regional Partnership Committee	Martel, Collins (De La Cruz)
Last Sat. in Jan, Apr, Aug, and Nov	Strathmore 9:30am	Marigold Library System	Peterson (n/a)
1 st Thurs. in Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov	3:00pm	Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus	Kletke
Varies	Hanna	Palliser	Reeds (Martel)
Varies	Varies	Police Advisory Committee	Cunningham, Collins (De La Cruz)

3 rd Thur. every 2 mo.	Drumheller Afternoons	Red Deer River Users Group	Cunningham (Peterson)
First Tuesday	Arboretum VIC 1:00pm	Trochu Arboretum Society	Collins
3 rd Mon, every mo.	Town Office 4:00pm	Trochu Housing Corporation	Reeds, Kletke, Collins (Peterson)
1 st Tues. every mo.	Library 6:00pm	Trochu Library Board	Peterson (n/a)
<i>Dates Needed:</i>			

Please send any corrections & additions to jamie.collins@townoftrochu.ca

TOWN OF TROCHU
Director of Operations Report
For July, 2026

Date: Aug 12, 2026

1. Arboretum

- Nothing to report

2. Arena/ Pool

- Re-laid sidewalk blocks at pool entrance to remove tripping hazards
- Prune and cleanup bushes around pool driveway and entrance.
- Painting in arena.
- Cleaned arena floor.
- Booking arena for upcoming season.

3. Garbage Collection

- Some mowing at transfer site.
- Issues with garbage truck. Has been at shop for a couple weeks for repairs to the electrical over hydraulic system. Using 2 people and 2-ton Ford as backup.
- Met with solid waste collection company owner. Toured town. Discussed contract and requirements.
- Furniture bins are available.

4. Parks and Boulevards

- Mowing and trimming of parks and public areas, cemetery, community hall,
- Sprayed streets, parking lots, and sidewalks with vegetation killer herbicide
- Watered trees planted in last couple years.
- Watered flowerpots throughout town.
- Gopher pest control at cemetery and campground.
- Trimmed and cleaned up hedge along North Rd.
- Spread mulch around decorative gardens along railway.

5. Public Works

- Sprayed some vegetation killer herbicide in parking lots and on rock boulevard.
- Asphalt larger patches throughout town. More to do.
- Clean up around Yale Hotel
- Completed painting some yellow curbs. Painted a few blue parking spots.
- Cleaned up after Canada Day
- Completed some fence repair at PW blue shop
- Repaired fence behind white shop
- Cleaned up branches after winds.
- Mow weeds and volunteer grass on new subdivision construction site.

6. Water, Wastewater

- Locate sewer lines for 2 lots in Trochu Meadows for new mobile homes to be moved in August.
- Painted bollards at water wells
- Flushed School Rd sewer lines

7. Campground

- Float diamonds
- Mowed and trim grass
- Sprayed weed herbicide and vegetation killer on ball diamonds
- Watered trees
- Clean washrooms and Bruce Guard Center

8. Bylaw Enforcement

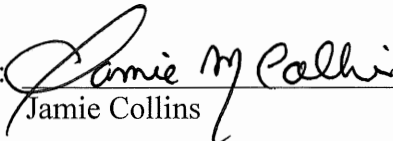
- Take pictures and send some letters to residents for bylaw infractions.

9. NW Subdivision

- Grayson hauled and compacted gravel on Doctors Way. Built and laid gravel for walking trail to connect to existing path near water reservoir. Olds Concrete poured curbs, gutters and aprons for driveways and storm grates. Pad for ATCO Gas gate station is complete. Currently spreading top soil and grading. Seeding to occur in September.
- Continued communication with ATCO Gas regarding High Pressure gas line gate station relocation. Set up monthly update meetings with ATCO, Shunda, and THC project managers to keep project on schedule. Goal is for gate station installment and switch to low pressure throughout Town by April, 2027. High pressure line abandonment and removal shortly afterwards.
- Asphalt on Doctors Way to be laid next spring.
- Completion of grading and landscaping of HP Gas line location next spring.

10. Upcoming and Currently Working On

- Discussion with Telus and other tower supplier regarding installing a communication tower either in the NWSD or nearby to improve cellular signal throughout town.
- More remote water meter antennae installs.
- Working with MPE regarding shallow utility installs for new subdivision.
- Looking into Library upgrade
- Planning for cellular data improvement at Fire Department.

CAO: 
Jamie Collins

Date: Aug 14, 2026

Water, Wastewater Report for the month of : July 2026

Date: August 12, 2026

Date	Personnel	Item	Information/Explanation
July 2	Devon	Sanitary Sewer flush	Flush a couple south blocks on School Rd to ensure no blockage
July 14	Dave	locate sewer lines	3rd party company located sewer lines on 2 lots in Trochu Meadows for mobile homes
July 27	Devon	Emergency Water wells	paint bollards surrounding emergency water wells
		Daily turbidity and chlorine residual testing	All results satisfactory
		weekly bacteriological reports	All results satisfactory
	B	<u>Additional Reports/ Memos/Minutes/ Reports of Courses Taken/Seminars Attended</u>	
	C	<u>Plans for Next Month</u>	
		Install more remote reader antennae	
		Begin omnidirectional water line flushing	
	D	<u>Concerns</u>	
		PLC/HMI upgrade	Discussing with other engineering firms
	E	<u>Priorities</u>	

CAO *Jamie M Collins*
Jamie Collins

Date: Aug 14, 2026



Town of Trochu Administrator's Report

Reporting Period: July 7th, 2026, to August 13th, 2026

Submitted By: Jamie Collins, CAO

Date Submitted: August 13th 2026

1. Highlights

- Trochu Housing work – meetings, financials, community event etc.
- Alberta Precision Lab meeting, confirmed commitment to stay in Trochu and move to new facility
- Subdivision Application work – Trochu Housing
- Connect with Prairie College, Cathy Price and Kurt Ratzlaff – working on labour pipeline for new facility
- Traveled to Vancouver with Sam Smalldon and Ken King to tour seniors facility, traveling to Ottawa August 20th
- Met with Brenda Berreth – MLA Tara Sawyer's Executive Assistant
- Met with Kneehill County and Alberta Transportation on speed limit reduction, sent letters advocating this
- NW Subdivision meetings and accounting
- Started research on 309 Arena Ave as directed by Council; received advice from Deb Neitz and am working with Dave on next steps.
- Solid Waste Agreement
- Rural Renewal – all 2026 allocations used, program paused
- Northern Fibre connection – working on connecting company with contacts to help make Trochu an attractive community to choose for installation next year
- Attended PAC meeting, learned about kennel services and animal control in other areas, working with Klassic Kennels, Tranquil K9 for a Trochu solution
- Met with AB Munis insurance for mid-year review, discussed cyber insurance, researched with Vincovi, strongly recommended and much more accessible now, will continue to pursue this
- Made a connection with CN about vegetation control, still no firm information, but seem to be getting somewhere
- Continued Bylaw work and enforcement, good response on second offenders when partnering with Kneehill County Peace Officers
- Follow up with Denika from ATCO for council visit, should be this fall
- Met with Minister of Municipal Affairs Dan Williams



Town of Trochu Administrator's Report

- Continued progress on long outstanding A/R account 606 – received \$1,000 payment to date (of note new policy to cut off ice rental for outstanding accounts is working)
- A note that Acme CAO Gary Sawatzky's retirement is announced, effective August 31, 2026, recruitment has begun

Events & Engagement

- Life Lease Meeting – August 5th, 2026, Update and Presented early payment options
- Trochu Staff Golf Tournament July 14th, 2026 – went well, thank you for council's support for this appreciation event.

2. List of Ongoing Projects

Trochu Housing Corporation

- Construction continues.

Project Total to Date \$27,937,864.55

Food Security Project

- Jaime continues to work on this project

Project Total to Date \$12,761.45

Northwest Subdivision

- Project continues

Project Total to Date \$2,781,542.12

Sanitary & Roadway Study

Project Total to Date \$92,081.99

CN Project

- Received confirmation that the work is planned for 2026; no further update has been received

Pontmain Services

- No update – not planned now until 2027

Sidewalks

- Public Works Department working on this in August



Town of Trochu Administrator's Report

3. KREMA



Nothing to report for this reporting period

4. Development Permits

Permit #	Type	Address	Status
DP-2026-20	Residential Fence	19 Evron Place	Complete & Approved
DP-2026-21	Addition, Hair Salon	206 Arena Ave	Complete & Approved

-  Total Complete Permits 2026: 17
-  Estimated Construction Value: \$1,229,950
 - 2025 Value - \$3,137,350.00
 - 2024 Value - \$42,403,450.00 (without THC \$1,403,450.00)
 - 2023 Value \$1,532,500.00

** Note Permit #2026-17 10 Evron Place, all additional information received, permit is complete

5. Staffing & HR Updates

- Staff performance reviews remain in progress
- Held Regular Staff Meeting

Training & Development

Signed up for the second Economic Development course (must complete two by year-end)

6. Strategic Priorities

* Achievements attached to Strategic Priorities

1. Infrastructure

- NW Subdivision work

2. Fiscal Responsibility



Town of Trochu Administrator's Report

- Solid Waste Contract Work
- Continued progress on outstanding A/R account

3. Partnerships

- THC Work
- FCSS Contract Work
- MLA Executive Assistant meeting
- AB Transportation/Kneehill County meeting
- Minister Dan Williams meeting
- Prairie, Cathy Price, Kurt Ratzlaff connection
- Klassic Kennel, Tranquil K9 connection
- AB Precision Lab meeting

Economic Development Priorities

1. Capacity Building

2. Business Retention & Expansion

- AB Precision Lab

3. Investment Attraction & Development Readiness

- Northern Fibre meetings

4. Workforce Attraction & Community Appeal

5. Future Workforce and Youth Retention

- Prairie, Cathy Price, Kurt Ratzlaff connection

7. Arboretum



- Starlink for the VIC, cost split with society, negotiations will be worked into MOU review
- Tree injection needed, no room left in Town budget for it, Society agreed to pay it
- Open Farm Days event – August 15th and 16th
- Irrigation all operational

✦ Goals

- Will use CAO Review goals for this section if approved by council

Gardeners Report July 12, 2026

Grounds Maintenance

Lawns are cut and trimmed twice a week. On going maintenance on path ways using 10% vinegar, harrows and raking and Carl has been spraying where and when he can weather and time permitting.

Irrigation has been repaired; there was more damage found when they started digging so it took nearly an extra day. New controller installed on July 11th. But there is a problem with electrical for 2 zones, 6 and 7 are not receiving enough power to start the solenoids to open the lines. As they are beyond the big issue with zone 5 Danny dug up the lines in that area on Saturday. Problem not solved and he had to leave for another project. I gave him a gate key for access with his vehicle so he can come back after hours or on Sunday July 12 to work on it.

Flower bed Maintenance

Special note of thanks to Betty from On Earth Greenhouses. She generously donated so many plants. Many were donated before the plant sale on June 20 for which the society issued a donation receipt. After the sale we received what was left over, including perennials with exception of shrubs. She delivered tomato plants the following week for Jaime Martel and Jaime Collins and a few more trays of freebies both perennials and annuals.

Lily bed has been weeded x 4 this year, mulched and chipped, should hold the weeds back for at least 2 years.

Hosta bed on west lawn has been weeded time x 3 this year (has bell flower) mulch layer added, new hostas (donation from On Earth) added and chipped.

Main Perennial Bed near Heritage Garden weeded and some donated plants added, chip layer will be refreshed to keep weeds down.

Working on lilac bed (between main orchard and perennial bed) in preparation for new apple tree.

Hill and pond area east side weeding on going, and donated plants added, when weeding completed chips and gravel mulch will be added.

Attack on bell flower area off west lawn chip bed (next caragana hedge) is worked on daily.

Perennial Bed by Gray Bench at the west end of pond is now being maintained by volunteers, Terry Myers and Thelma Enzie. We will mulch and chip bed when completed.

July's focus will be on

- Bog bed weeding, mulching and chipping and pruning of shrubs. Repair of small pond. Liner was damaged last year. I have a donation coming of 150 mm plastic so will see if that will work.

- Pruning of front hedge, hedge by Main Perennial Bed, hedge by pond and multiple shrubs throughout Arb.

On going as always weeding and pruning of trees throughout the Arb.

Staff

Jeff Smith is off for the summer months; he will be back throughout the summer months as a volunteer to assist with vehicle maintenance and chip hauling. He has volunteered to refinish the dragonfly bench, paint the chain link gate and help with installation of the information sign at front entrance.

Gabby Hogg started June 26 and is the 8-week summer student.

Bookings

June – Interchurch event was cancelled due to rain.

July

One photo booking on July 25.

Aug

Kids in Arb program will be held from Aug 4-7 and Aug 10-14

Arb Society Farm Days event Aug 15-16

August 21 Wedding and Vic and area booked.

August 23 Vic and area booked.

In the past the town and the society supported the Kids in Arb program. The town is again covering wages (for those who need to know minimum wage 2 hrs per day) 2 girls per day. The rest of the time spent on this program is volunteered by the 3 girls doing the program. That includes posters, planning, research on subjects, creation of handouts and other miscellaneous needs for the program.

They are also volunteering for Kids in the arb painting rocks for the Farm Days event.

We maintain a collection of craft supplies for the program. I am requesting from the board a refill on paint, brushes, sponge brushes, markers and tape, no more than 100.00 in value. Clear sealant spray paint to seal the paint is also required. From dollar store is the cheapest. Most of those supplies were used up on farm day's events. The first year 2024 the "paint a rock for the arb" made \$80.00 in donations. Don't know the number for last year. The rocks can be taken home or left for arb, if left we seal them and place them in the small pond.

Farm Days

I received an email forwarded from Jamie Collins with a request for assistance with tables and chairs. We can help with that; I hope you will share with me your set-up and take down times and plan of how many and where you will require tables and chairs. It will make our assistance easier to plan.

Carole Anne Holmstrom

403-588-8600

arboretum@townoftrochu.ca

Gardeners Report August 2026

Grounds Maintenance

On going Irrigation issues, Danny has been back several times to attempt to get power to Lines 6 & 7. After determining 3 possible solutions, Jamie agreed to the quickest. To install remote a battery operated controller on the valve on 6 which would start that valve at 4:30 am and then the start valve 7 at 5:00 am. This was installed on August 9. The control panel now only has 10 zones attached to it.

Flower bed Maintenance

New apple tree installed in lilac bed.

Hill and pond area east side weeding on going, and donated plants added, when weeding completed chips and gravel mulch will be added.

Hauling chip is a hit and miss, works good when cool out, hot days the hornets chase us from the back area.

One nest eradicated under grey bench by pond.

Work is ongoing on the following.

- Bog bed weeding, mulching and chipping and pruning of shrubs. Small pond is cleared of gravel and rock, looking for leak issue this week.
- Pruning of front hedge, hedge by Main Perennial Bed, hedge by pond and multiple shrubs throughout Arb.

On going as always weeding and pruning of trees throughout the Arb.

Staff

No changes from July

Bookings

Aug

Kids in Arb program will be held from Aug 4-7 and Aug 10-14

Arb Society Farm Days event Aug 15-16

August 21 Wedding and Vic and area booked. **Cancelled**

August 23 Vic and area booked.

Thanks for the supplies for kids in the arb, we have had as low as 1 and as high as 18 attendees the first week.

Farm Days

Will have staff available for setup at 8:00 am. Saturday.

Carole Anne Holmstrom

403-588-8600

arboretum@townoftrochu.ca

Town of Trochu Report

Prepared on August 6, 2026, by Jamie Collins

Arboretum Society Board Meeting

August 18 2026

Starlink Installation

Following discussions by email with the Board, an agreement was reached to proceed with the installation of Starlink internet service at the Visitor Information Centre (VIC) building.

For 2026, the Arboretum Society has agreed to contribute \$200 toward the monthly service costs. The monthly Starlink subscription is approximately \$75 per month. Equipment costs are minimal, with the Town covering the installation labour by Vincovi as well as the required mounting bracket.

The current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is scheduled for review this fall. At that time, both the Town and the Society can discuss whether this cost-sharing arrangement should continue in future years.

The equipment has been ordered and is currently scheduled to ship between August 16 and August 23. Once it arrives, Vincovi expects to complete the installation quickly.

Please note that this installation will:

- Provide internet service to the VIC building only.
- Not improve cellular reception.
- Not provide internet coverage throughout the Arboretum grounds.

Should broader Wi-Fi coverage be desired in the future, options can certainly be explored. However, the mature tree canopy throughout the Arboretum creates significant line-of-sight challenges, meaning any expanded coverage would require additional equipment and associated costs.

Open Farm Days

The Town is fully supportive of Arboretum staff assisting with Open Farm Days wherever needed. Staff will record all hours worked, which will be reviewed with Terry for approval.

Thank you to the Board and all the volunteers for the tremendous amount of work that has gone into organizing this two-day event. Your dedication is sincerely appreciated.

Irrigation Update

The irrigation system continues to present some challenges. Danny has not yet submitted his invoice, as a few outstanding issues remain.

An electrical problem has been identified affecting Zones 6 and 7. Several options were considered:

- Installing new electrical lines, which would be expensive and disruptive to the Arboretum grounds.
- Attempting to locate the damaged wiring, which would require exploratory digging with no certainty regarding the extent of excavation or total cost.
- Installing a battery-operated control box.

After considering the available options, the Town chose to proceed with the battery-operated control box. The estimated total cost, including labour, equipment and installation, is approximately \$500.

This option provides several advantages:

- A known and accurate project cost.
- No damage to the Arboretum grounds.

The trade-off is that Zones 6 and 7 will operate independently from the remainder of the irrigation system. A timer can be programmed, but these zones will no longer be controlled remotely through the irrigation app.

The battery-operated control box is easily removed at the end of season and can be stored inside during the winter and is easy to install in the spring.

We did receive a quote from Danny for blowing out the lines for \$250, the Town is confident we can do it for less and that we will be sure to have experienced people onsite so no damage occurs in the future.

Danny is scheduled to install the new control box on August 8 or 9. During the same visit, he also plans to repair a short section of leaking irrigation line before submitting his invoice.

Appreciation

On behalf of the Town of Trochu, I would also like to formally express our sincere appreciation to the Arboretum Society for partnering with us to cover the cost of the tree injections this year.

The Town does not take this contribution for granted. Your ongoing partnership and willingness to invest in the health and preservation of the Arboretum's trees is greatly appreciated. We value the strong working relationship between the Town and the Society and thank you for your continued support.

TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY
Financial Information
Year Ended March 31, 2026



COMPILATION ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Members of Trochu and District Arboretum Society

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of Trochu and District Arboretum Society as at March 31, 2026, and the statements of receipts and expenditures and members' equity for the year then ended, and Note 1, which describes the basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the compiled financial information ("financial information").

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial information, including the accuracy and completeness of the underlying information used to compile it and the selection of the basis of accounting.

We performed this engagement in accordance with Canadian Standard on Related Services (CSRS) 4200, *Compilation Engagements*, which requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements. Our responsibility is to assist management in the preparation of the financial information.

We have not performed an audit engagement or a review engagement, nor were we required to perform procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial information.

Readers are cautioned that the financial information may not be appropriate for their purposes.

Legacy Accounting LLP

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

Red Deer, AB

July 9, 2026

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TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY**Statement of Financial Position****March 31, 2026**

	2026	2025
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 51,923	\$ 54,604
Goods and services tax recoverable	581	948
Patronage equity - UFA	111	112
	<u>52,615</u>	<u>55,664</u>
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	<u>240,296</u>	<u>240,296</u>
	<u>\$ 292,911</u>	<u>\$ 295,960</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 1
NET ASSETS		
Members' Equity	<u>292,911</u>	<u>295,959</u>
	<u>\$ 292,911</u>	<u>\$ 295,960</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Director

TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

Year Ended March 31, 2026

	2026	2025
RECEIPTS		
Casino proceeds	\$ 105	\$ -
Fundraising	10,163	8,913
Gate donations	5,941	3,420
Gift in kind	2,545	5,893
Interest income	15	602
Memberships	925	765
Revenue from federal government	12,600	12,600
Other grants	5,000	-
Tax receipted gifts	500	4,216
Unreceipted gifts	4,035	3,123
	<u>41,829</u>	<u>39,532</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Advertising, promotion and fundraising	12,476	4,930
Donated and purchased supplies and assets	21,774	28,716
Forest of lights	968	480
Interest and bank charges	47	90
Licenses, memberships and dues	152	130
Occupancy costs	13,472	27,041
Office supplies and expenses	440	55
Training courses	719	-
Professional fees	1,300	1,300
	<u>51,348</u>	<u>62,742</u>
DEFICIENCY OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES FROM OPERATIONS	(9,519)	(23,210)
OTHER INCOME		
Compensation for damages	6,471	-
DEFICIENCY OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ (3,048)	\$ (23,210)

TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY

Statement of Members' Equity

Year Ended March 31, 2026

	2026	2025
MEMBERS' EQUITY - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 295,959	\$ 319,169
DEFICIENCY OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(3,048)</u>	<u>(23,210)</u>
MEMBERS' EQUITY - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 292,911</u>	<u>\$ 295,959</u>

TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY

Classification of operating expenditures

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended March 31, 2026

	2026	2025
Charitable:		
Advertising, promotion and fundraising	\$ 12,476	\$ 4,930
Courses	719	-
Donated and purchased supplies and assets	21,774	28,716
Forest of lights	968	480
Occupancy costs	13,472	27,041
	<u>49,409</u>	<u>61,167</u>
Management and administration:		
Interest and bank charges	47	90
Licenses, memberships and dues	152	130
Office supplies and expenses	440	55
Professional fees	1,300	1,300
	<u>1,939</u>	<u>1,575</u>
Total operating expenditures	<u>\$ 51,348</u>	<u>\$ 62,742</u>

TROCHU AND DISTRICT ARBORETUM SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Information

Year Ended March 31, 2026

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The basis of accounting applied in the preparation of the statement of financial position of Trochu and District Arboretum Society as at March 31, 2026, and the statements of receipts and expenditures and members' equity for the year then ended is the historical cost basis and reflects cash transactions with the addition of:

- accounts receivable less an allowance for doubtful accounts
- property and equipment recorded at cost
- accounts payable and accrued liabilities

2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following is a summary of the organization's related party transactions:

	2026	2025
Dayna Maki		
Vice President		
Web site design	\$ 1,700	\$ -
	\$ 1,700	\$ -

This transaction is in the normal course of operations and is measured at the exchange amount, which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

Kneehill Regional Grant Writer Monthly Report For July 2026

Grants Applied For

Grant Name	Organization & Details	Hrs.	Grant Amount
New Horizons for Seniors	Seniors Outreach	12	\$ 50,000.00
TC Energy	Trochu Fire Society	8	\$ 25,000.00
Kneehill County	Trochu Seniors Drop In Centre	2	\$ 9,988.12
		12	\$ 84,988.12

Approved Grants

Grant Name	Organization & Details	Grant Amount
AB Blue Cross Community Well Being	Kneehill Area Wellness Centre	\$1,000.00
Total		

Declined Grants

Grant Name	Organization & Details	Grant Amount
AB Blue Cross Community Well Being	Town of Trochu - Food Sustainability	\$1,000.00
AB Blue Cross Community Well Being	Trochu Arboretum	\$1,000.00

Tasks Related to Grant Writing

		Hrs. Worked
Regional Newsletter		2
Research as requested	Trochu Seniors Housing, Trochu Community Closet, Trochu Golf Course	
	Seniors Outreach, Trochu Drop In, Trochu Fire Dept, Trochu Food Bank	25
Meetings & Phone Call Meetings	Seniors Outreach, Trochu Drop In	2
Upcoming grants email research		4
Webinar - AI Grant Research		1
CIP Webinar		1
Total Hours		35

All Pending Grants

Grant Name	Organization & Details	Grant Amount
Inclusive Spaces Program	Three Hills Early Childhood Society	32,482.36
CFEP Small	Trochu & District Hall Development Society	29,864.00
Canada Post Community Fund	Friends of the Three Hills School	5,000.00
Walmart Community Grant	Seniors Outreach	2,000.00
CFEP Small	Trochu Library Board	17,387.00
Kneehill County Grant	Prairie Christian Academy	7,500.00
RME Right by You	Trochu Seniors Housing Society	10,000.00
New Horizons for Seniors	Seniors Outreach	50,000.00
TC Energy	Trochu Fire Society	25,000.00
Kneehill County Grant	Trochu Drop In Centre	9,988.12
Total Pending Grants		\$ 189,221.48

Other

Networking/Community Engagement	Details		Hrs Worked
Kms Travelled	Location		

TOWN OF TROCHU
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE - MINUTES
FOR THE MPC MEETING HELD
June 22nd, 2026

Motions

MPC MEETING

June 22nd, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER:

MPC Chair Glen Riep called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. In attendance were MPC Chair Glen Riep, MPC Vice-Chair Barry Reder, MPC Members Chris Armstrong, Carl Peterson, and Chris Reeds, Development Officer Jamie Collins, and Recording Secretary Toni Nelson.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

- a) Additions to the Agenda
- b) Agenda Acceptance – Motion to Accept the Agenda

2026-06-22-01
Motion to accept
the agenda as
presented

Motion by REEDS to accept the agenda as presented

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

- a) Adoption of the May 25th, 2026, Meeting Minutes

2026-06-22-02
Motion to adopt
the May 25th,
2026, Meeting
Minutes

Motion by PETERSON to adopt the May 25th, 2026, Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

5. DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

- a) Dev Permit: 2026-16
Civic Address: 622 North Road
Use: Accessory Building (Shipping Container)
Brought to MPC due to: Discretionary Use

Motion by REDER to approve the permit with the following conditions:

APPROVED VARIANCES TO LAND USE BYLAW 2024-07

- 1. Variance to Use granted to allow a Discretionary Use development (Accessory Building, Shipping Container) in a CS district.

STANDARD CONDITIONS

- 1. As per Land Use Bylaw Section 10.2, Accessory Buildings, the development must meet the following regulations:
 - a. Building shall not be used as a Dwelling Unit
 - b. Building must have minimum side yard setbacks of at least 1.0m.
 - c. Building must have a minimum rear yard setback of at least 1.0m.

2026-06-22-03
Motion to
approve the
permit with
conditions

TOWN OF TROCHU
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE - MINUTES

FOR THE MPC MEETING HELD
June 22nd, 2026

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

1. **Applicant to have proper insurance in place.**

CARRIED

6. **OTHER PLANNING BUSINESS:**

Nothing for this item

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

MPC Chair Glen Riep adjourned the meeting at 5:35pm

X

Glen Riep
Chair

X

Jamie Collins
Development Officer

TOWN OF TROCHU
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE - AGENDA
FOR THE MPC MEETING HELD
July 13th, 2026

Motions

MPC MEETING

July 13th, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER:

MPC Chair Glen Riep called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. In attendance were MPC Chair Glen Riep, MPC Vice-Chair Barry Reder, MPC Members Chris Armstrong, Carl Peterson, and Chris Reeds, Development Officer Jamie Collins, and Recording Secretary Toni Nelson.

Also in attendance was permit applicant Jaime Martel.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

- a) Additions to the Agenda
 - None

- b) Agenda Acceptance – Motion to Accept the Agenda

2026-07-13-01
Motion to accept
the agenda as
presented

Motion by REDER to accept the agenda as presented

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

- a) Adoption of the June 22nd, 2026, Meeting Minutes

2026-07-13-02
Motion to adopt
the June 22nd,
2026, Meeting
Minutes

Motion by ARMSTRONG to adopt the June 22nd, 2026, Meeting Minutes

CARRIED

5. DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

- a) Dev Permit: 2026-21
 - Civic Address: 206 Arena Avenue
 - Use: Addition to accommodate a major home occupation (hair salon)
 - Brought to MPC due to: Discretionary Use

Motion by ARMSTRONG to approve Development Permit 2026-21 with the following conditions:

2026-07-13-03
Motion to
approve
Development
Permit 2026-21
with conditions

APPROVED VARIANCES TO LAND USE BYLAW 2024-07

- 1) Variance to Use granted to allow a Discretionary Use development (Major Home Occupation) in an R2 district.

TOWN OF TROCHU
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE - AGENDA

FOR THE MPC MEETING HELD

July 13th, 2026

STANDARD CONDITIONS

- 1) *As per Land Use Bylaw Section 10.4, Home Occupations*, the development must meet the following regulations:
 - a) A Home Occupation shall not include any activity or operation which will cause or create a nuisance by way of noise, dust, and/or smoke or other nuisance that is not characteristic of a residential use.
 - b) The gross floor area for the Home Occupation shall not exceed 20% of the gross floor area of the Dwelling Unit.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

- 1) The applicant shall ensure that hazardous chemicals associated with the operation are not discharged into the Town's sanitary sewer system and shall comply with all applicable municipal bylaws and provincial legislation respecting wastewater disposal.

CARRIED

6. OTHER PLANNING BUSINESS:

Nothing for this item

7. ADJOURNMENT

MPC Chair Glen Riep adjourned the meeting at 5:50pm

X

Glen Riep
Chair

X

Jamie Collins
Development Officer

Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services
May 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) board was held at the Kneehill Regional FCSS office in Three Hills, Alberta on May 12, 2026, commencing at 6:55 p.m.

PRESENT:

Jaime Martel
Marilyn Sept

Town of Trochu Councilor Representative and Chairperson
Town of Three Hills Councilor Representative and Vice
Chairperson

Heather Sweetman
Rhonda Laking
Rosalie Jimmo
Laura Lee Machell – Cunningham
David Simmons
Angie Stewart

Village of Linden Councilor Representative
Village of Acme Councilor Representative
Village of Carbon Councilor Representative
Kneehill County Councilor Representative
Village of Acme Councilor Representative Alternate
Kneehill Regional FCSS Director and Recording Secretary

Board Package (attached and forming part of the minutes)

BOARD PACKAGE The following documentation was distributed to the Board:

- Agenda
- March 10, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Kneehill Regional FCSS Director's Report
- Kneehill Community Support Coach 2025 Annual Report
- Seniors Outreach 2026 1st Quarter Report
- 2025 Year End Financials
- 2026 Year to Date Financials
- 2025 KRFCSS Annual Report

CALL TO ORDER Mrs. Martel called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

AGENDA
10/26

1.0 Approval of Agenda
Mrs. Sweetman moved approval of the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES
11/26

2.0 Approval of Minutes
Mrs. Sept moved approval of the March 10, 2026 regular meeting minutes.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS
ARISING**

3.0 Business Pending from Minutes
3.1 Multi Municipal Agreement

The board tabled discussion of the multi municipal agreement and directed members to bring it back to their CAO's and councils for further review. A special meeting was scheduled for June 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kneehill Regional FCSS office to finalize the agreement.

REPORTS

4.0 Reports
4.1 Director's Report
FCSS

- Written report attached.

Kneehill Regional Family and Community Support Services
May 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

FAMILY WELLNESS PROGRAM

- Written report attached.

SENIORS OUTREACH

- Written report attached.

GRANT WRITER

- Written report attached.

12/26

Mrs. Laking moved to receive the Director's report.

CARRIED

4.2 Board Member Reports

No Updates

FIN REPORTS

5.0 Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the financial reports.

13/26

Mrs. Jimmo moved acceptance of the financial reports.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

6.0 New Business

6.1 2025 KRFCSS Annual Report

14/26

Mrs. Machell Cunningham moved to accept the 2025 Kneehill Regional FCSS Annual Report.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

7.0 Next Meeting

A special meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2026 at the Kneehill Regional FCSS office in Three Hills, Alberta, commencing at 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at the Kneehill Regional FCSS office in Three Hills, Alberta, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

8.0 Adjournment

Mrs. Martel adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.


Chairperson


Recording Secretary



August 11, 2026

Sergeant Justin Dawley
Detachment Commander
Three Hills, Alberta

Dear Ms. Jamie Collins

Please find attached the quarterly Community Policing Report for the period of April 1st to June 30th, 2026. This report provides an overview of human resources, financial information, and crime statistics for the Three Hills Detachment and reflects the ongoing priorities identified by the community we serve.

In addition to the information contained in the attached report, the Alberta RCMP is also advancing the rollout of the newly approved black-and-white General Duty vehicle design. This redesign is not simply cosmetic. It reflects a commitment to being a modern, professional, and approachable police service while maintaining a clear connection to the RCMP's history.

The updated look features white doors on a black base, along with high-visibility, reflective graphics to ensure the vehicles can be easily recognized in all conditions—day or night, in rural or urban settings, and across Alberta's diverse climates. This ensures RCMP vehicles are clearly identifiable as law-enforcement vehicles while remaining visually distinct as the RCMP.

Provinces, territories, and municipalities will be able to include local identifiers based on regional requirements. These variations allow for local flexibility and help demonstrate our connection with the communities we serve, while preserving a consistent, recognizable national RCMP identity.

Given the size and operational demands of the fleet, full conversion to the new design will take place gradually. Vehicles will transition to the new design as part of the natural replacement cycle, allowing older units to be retired without creating unnecessary incremental costs. This phased approach supports fleet consistency and modernization over time.

This modernization effort reflects the RCMP's ongoing commitment to ensuring members have the appropriate tools and training to serve their communities safely and effectively. Investments in equipment such as this are essential to maintaining high standards of policing and adapting to evolving operational demands.

We remain committed to transparency and to keeping our municipal partners informed of significant developments that impact policing services in your community. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this initiative further, please do not hesitate to reach out.



Sincerely,

Sergeant Justin Dawley
Detachment Commander
Three Hills, Alberta



Alberta RCMP - Provincial Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name

Three Hills

Detachment Commander

Sergeant Justin Dawley

Report Date

August 11, 2026

Fiscal Year

2026-27

Quarter

Q1 (April - June)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Traffic Safety**Updates and Comments:**

The Three Hills RCMP is on track to meet traffic safety targets during Q1 with 54 tickets, and 50 warnings. One Joint Forces Operation was completed with Red Deer County, however another planned operation with Kneehill County had to be postponed. The number of IRS sanctions is lower than expected even with an increase in traffic stops. This may be a sign that there are fewer impaired drivers on the roads, however a plan will be designed and implemented to further increase targeted traffic enforcement, check stops, and JFO's with our partners to try and increase these files.

Priority #2: Mental Health**Updates and Comments:**

Only two files had documented RPACT referrals or involvement during Q1. Mental Health calls for service are lower so far this year which is one reason for the low RPACT involvement. However, RPACT assistance was only sought 2 out of 7 possible times. There is room for significant improvement in this area, and a plan will be developed and implemented to increase RPACT requests and involvement.

Priority #3: Rural Crime Reduction**Updates and Comments:**



The targets set for rural crime reduction are currently on track for Q1 with 16 Failure to Comply investigations completed. Assistance from specialized units to further target prolific offenders and rural crime reduction is expected in the coming months.

Priority #4: Community Engagement

Updates and Comments:

Community event attendance is on track for the reporting period and further events have already been planned. The Three Hills RCMP participated in the Three Hills Cruise weekend, Kneehill KidsSport 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament, and two school events. The Three Hills RCMP will also be working hard to increase visibility and plan events in all our communities over the coming months.





Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
May 11, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Community Priorities Plan	
Notes/Comments:	
Signing of the Community Priorities Plan with CAO Jamie Collins.	





Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Temporary Absences	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	7	5	0	2
Detachment Support	2	2	0	0

Notes:

1. Data extracted on June 30, 2026 and is subject to change.
2. Temporary Absences are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.
3. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments:

Police Officers: Of the seven established positions, there are five officers working. There are two hard vacancies.

Sgt. Justin Dawley arrived in July and took over as the Three Hills Detachment Commander. There is an incoming member graduating from Depot at the end of September to fill the Constable vacancy and efforts to fill the Corporal vacancy are underway.

Detachment Support: Of the two established positions, there are two resources working.



Three Hills Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
April - June: 2022 - 2026

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

July 6, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		4	2	1	0	1	-75%	N/A	-0.8
Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		1	2	2	3	1	0%	-67%	0.1
Other Sexual Offences		3	1	1	2	2	-33%	0%	-0.1
Assault		31	25	24	12	15	-52%	25%	-4.5
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		6	1	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-1.3
Extortion		4	3	0	2	1	-75%	-50%	-0.7
Criminal Harassment		12	14	8	4	10	-17%	150%	-1.4
Uttering Threats		9	19	10	10	5	-44%	-50%	-1.7
TOTAL PERSONS		70	67	46	33	35	-50%	6%	-10.4
Break & Enter		38	29	25	20	7	-82%	-65%	-7.1
Theft of Motor Vehicle		13	8	8	4	2	-85%	-50%	-2.6
Theft Over \$5,000		9	3	7	3	0	-100%	-100%	-1.8
Theft Under \$5,000		39	44	27	17	12	-69%	-29%	-8.1
Possn Stn Goods		20	8	9	7	3	-85%	-57%	-3.5
Fraud		11	18	13	19	97	782%	411%	17.3
Arson		0	3	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.3
Mischief - Damage To Property		45	31	15	19	7	-84%	-63%	-8.8
Mischief - Other		13	17	1	1	6	-54%	500%	-3.0
TOTAL PROPERTY		188	161	105	90	134	-29%	49%	-17.9
Offensive Weapons		9	8	4	8	6	-33%	-25%	-0.6
Disturbing the peace		3	4	5	3	5	67%	67%	0.3
Fail to Comply & Breaches		37	16	20	19	17	-54%	-11%	-3.7
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		18	19	12	8	10	-44%	25%	-2.7
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		67	47	41	38	38	-43%	0%	-6.7
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		325	275	192	161	207	-36%	29%	-35.0



Three Hills Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) April - June: 2022 - 2026

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

July 6, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		2	6	6	3	1	-50%	-67%	-0.5
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		5	4	11	6	1	-80%	-83%	-0.6
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		7	10	17	9	2	-71%	-78%	-1.1
Cannabis Enforcement		1	1	0	0	1	0%	N/A	-0.1
Federal - General		10	10	13	6	3	-70%	-50%	-1.8
TOTAL FEDERAL		18	21	30	15	6	-67%	-60%	-3.0
Liquor Act		6	9	6	10	11	83%	10%	1.1
Cannabis Act		0	0	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mental Health Act		41	52	40	24	18	-56%	-25%	-7.4
Other Provincial Stats		63	74	82	44	34	-46%	-23%	-8.8
Total Provincial Stats		110	135	131	78	63	-43%	-19%	-15.1
Municipal By-laws Traffic		3	2	2	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.6
Municipal By-laws		2	38	13	7	8	300%	14%	-1.9
Total Municipal		5	40	15	9	8	60%	-11%	-2.5
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		4	3	4	4	1	-75%	-75%	-0.5
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		31	23	26	21	21	-32%	0%	-2.2
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		1	11	6	8	7	600%	-13%	0.9
TOTAL MVC		36	37	36	33	29	-19%	-12%	-1.8
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		12	9	6	5	2	-83%	-60%	-2.4
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Total Provincial Traffic		229	269	229	317	176	-23%	-44%	-5.8
Other Traffic		4	0	0	2	2	-50%	0%	-0.2
Criminal Code Traffic		27	21	17	16	10	-63%	-38%	-3.9
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		8	8	16	11	18	125%	64%	2.3
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		0	2	0	4	8	N/A	100%	1.8
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		6	9	11	7	9	50%	29%	0.4
Persons Reported Missing		6	3	4	2	2	-67%	0%	-0.9
Search Warrants		7	4	0	1	1	-86%	0%	-1.5
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		23	37	33	41	22	-4%	-46%	0.2
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		4	0	1	3	2	-50%	-33%	-0.1



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Chris Armstrong

Council Meeting Date: August 2026

Committee & Meeting Date:

Nothing to Report

Committee & Meeting Date:

Additional Topics:



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Bill Cunningham

Council Meeting Date: August 17, 2026

Committee & Meeting Date: Red Deer River Municipal Users Group, July 16

Report: No formal meeting, but Carl and I toured the Dickson Dam site with the group. Upgrades have been completed since I last toured there, so the dam can now handle a larger streamflow in event of a high water/flood scenario. No discussion of the Ardley project which has started public consultations.

Committee & Meeting Date: Police Advisory committee, July 30

Report: Matt Nyman's final appearance at our committee as he is transferring to the Didsbury detachment of the RCMP. The new commanding officer has arrived. Justin Dawley has purchased an acreage and his 2 daughters will be attending TroVal.

Good discussion on trucks and truck safety; large percentage of trucks inspected need repair or are taken off the road. Vehicle inspections are done by trained county officers. Drivers are inspected by RCMP.

Discussion on dog/pet bylaws and where to send stray animals since the Guzoo no longer exists. Jamie is talking to the folks at Tranquil K9.

Elnora and soon Delburne will have cameras on their main streets.

Additional Topics:

Report:



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Cerilo Dela Cruz

Council Meeting Date: August 17, 2026

Committee & Meeting Date:

Report:

Nothing to Report

Committee & Meeting Date:

Report:

Additional Topics:

Report:



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Jaime Martel

Council Meeting Date: June 8, 2026

Committee & Meeting Date: KRFCSS July 14th

Report: Went over the agreement again, I have forwarded this to Jamie.

Report included.

We are going over our budget in September to have it out early for our budget review.

Committee & Meeting Date:

Report:

Additional Topics:

Report:

FCSS Financials January 01, 2026 to July 8, 2026		
January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026		
	2026 YTD	2026 Budget
Donations	\$2,350.00	\$0.00
Other Revenue	\$25,600.00	\$0.00
Provincial FCSS	\$183,080.00	\$366,158.00
Local Municipalities	\$78,201.00	\$178,460.00
Reserves (Municipal Share)	\$0.00	\$13,540.00
Total Revenue	\$289,231.00	\$558,158.00
Salaries	\$96,742.55	\$210,000.00
LAPP	\$3,395.04	\$8,600.00
CPP	\$5,384.21	\$12,330.00
EI	\$1,980.04	\$4,680.00
WCB	\$2,640.51	\$4,088.00
Group Benefits	\$8,370.31	\$14,000.00
Board Expenses	\$54.95	\$200.00
Mileage	\$2,803.02	\$8,000.00
Convention & Training	\$1,113.58	\$3,500.00
Telephone	\$474.75	\$1,200.00
Public Ed Program (Internal Grants)	\$3,759.90	\$10,000.00
Advertising/Public Relations	\$0.00	\$2,300.00
Registration/Member Fees	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Audit/Unit Authority	\$0.00	\$9,200.00
Insurance	\$1,421.70	\$1,900.00
Printing and Stationary	\$1,611.42	\$5,000.00
Janitorial Supplies	\$0.00	\$300.00
Resource Materials	\$0.00	\$550.00
Other Grant Expenses	\$10,590.29	\$0.00
Grants to Individuals/Organizations	\$81,996.00	\$260,810.00
Total Expenditures	\$222,338.27	\$260,810.00
Surplus/Deficit	\$66,892.73	

FWW Financials January 01, 2026 to July 8, 2026		
January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026		
	2026 YTD	2026 Budget
Other Rev (GHSD)		\$58,710.00
Kneehill Regional FCSS	\$0.00	\$140,210.00
Withdrawn from Reserves***	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total FWW Operating Revenue	\$0.00	\$198,920.00
Salaries	\$72,363.22	\$149,900.00
CPP	\$4,109.75	\$8,360.00
EI	\$1,651.44	\$3,150.00
WCB	\$1,968.32	\$1,700.00
Group Benefits	\$6,525.48	\$14,800.00
Mileage/Transportation	\$4,527.08	\$9,500.00
Courses/Conferences	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Telephone	\$220.00	\$480.00
Public Education	\$0.00	\$0.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$350.00
Audit/Accounting	\$0.00	\$5,300.00
Insurance	\$750.00	\$780.00
Supplies/Print and Stationary	\$165.58	\$800.00
Resources	\$1,010.59	\$1,300.00
Transfer to Reserves	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total FWW Op. Expenditures	\$93,291.46	\$198,920.00
Surplus/Deficit	\$93,291.46	

GW Financials January 01, 2026 to July 8, 2026		
January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026		
	2026 YTD	2026 Budget
Municipal Funding	\$14,294.00	\$33,335.00
Total Revenue	\$14,294.00	\$33,335.00
Salaries	\$11,239.31	\$25,000.00
CPP	\$570.79	\$1,450.00
EI	\$256.49	\$570.00
WCB	\$305.69	\$525.00
Mileage/Transportation	\$156.95	\$600.00
Courses/Conferences	\$0.00	\$350.00
Telephone	\$80.00	\$240.00
Public Education	\$0.00	\$200.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$400.00
Audit/Accounting	\$0.00	\$600.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$400.00
Supplies/Print and Stationary**	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Total Expenses	\$12,609.23	\$33,335.00
Surplus/Deficit	\$1,684.77	



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Carl Peterson

Council Meeting Date: August 17, 2026

Committee & Meeting Date: RDRMUG - July 16th, 2026

Report: Bill and I took part of a tour and information session of the Dixon Dam. The group viewed an old video that was taken during and after the construction of the bridge which identified many of the challenges that were encountered and how they were handled. Many of the challenges were political in nature prior to the actual construction.

This group has been involved with the discussion of building another dam on the Red Deer River near Ardley and I believe the tour emphasized that these types of projects take many years before construction actually begins, but you need to start the process.

We were also given a tour on top and in the dam itself showing the machinery required to operate the dam.

Committee & Meeting Date: THC - July 21, Aug 10 and 12

Report: THC met with representatives of Bayshore Health Care on July 21st to discuss their proposal to provide Health Care at the new facility and then later toured the new building. Their group seemed very impressed with the layout and features incorporated into the building to make it very user friendly.

THC had a regular meeting on August 10th. Updates to financial position, construction progress (on budget and on schedule), and information regarding the various interested Care and Service providers was provided.

THC - Policy Committee - met on August 12th. A number of proposed policies were reviewed and will be brought to the Board for consideration at the next regular THC meeting.

Additional Topics:

Report:



COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT

Council Member: Barry Kletke

Council Meeting Date: August 17, 2026

Committee & Meeting Date: Nothing to Report

Report:

Committee & Meeting Date:

Report:

Additional Topics:

Report:

Jamie Collins

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: July 14, 2026 10:10 AM
To: Barry Kletke
Cc: Thrive
Subject: Call to Action: Strengthening Public Safety in Alberta | Polling Results
Attachments: Call to Action to the Government of Alberta_2026.pdf; NPF Alberta W9 .pdf

Dear Mayor Barry Kletke and Town of Trochu Council,

On behalf of the National Police Federation,

As the Government of Alberta continues to consider changes to policing and public safety across the province, municipalities have an important opportunity to speak with a unified voice on issues that directly affect their communities.

The National Police Federation (NPF) proudly represents nearly 20,000 RCMP Members serving across Canada and internationally, including over 3,100 who serve in Alberta. We are inviting municipalities and stakeholder groups to support the attached Call to Action. It urges the Government of Alberta to pause further investment in an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) until a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study is completed. It also calls for evidence-based investments in policing, the justice system, mental health and addiction support, and community-based crime prevention.

Also attached is our latest public opinion polling, which confirmed once again that 76% of Albertans are satisfied with the RCMP and 67% feel they have not been adequately consulted by creating an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service. The polling also indicates that most Albertans do not support replacing the RCMP and believe the province should prioritize other public safety needs.

If your municipality or stakeholder group is interested in signing onto the Call to Action, please reply to this email and include your municipality's logo no later than **September 30th, 2026**. Your logo will be included alongside the other participating organizations in the final public release.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the initiative further, we would be pleased to set up a presentation or meeting time with you or members of your Council.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope the Town of Trochu will join us in advocating for transparent decision-making and practical investments that strengthen public safety for all Albertans.

Sincerely,

Melissa Barnes, Government Relations Advisor

CALL TO ACTION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA

Dear Premier,

Albertans deserve safe and healthy communities where residents can rely on essential public safety, health, social, and justice systems. Provincial and municipal governments share responsibility for achieving these outcomes, and municipalities expect the Government of Alberta to be a transparent, accountable, and reliable partner in delivering them.

Municipalities are on the front lines of community safety, working closely with residents, businesses, and law enforcement partners every day. Despite this, municipalities have not been provided with a clear, transparent, and evidence-based plan outlining the full financial, operational, and public safety implications of establishing an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) or transitioning policing responsibilities away from the RCMP. No comprehensive feasibility study, detailed costing model, or long-term funding framework has been made available to inform municipal decision-making or public understanding.

At the same time, Alberta's existing policing and public safety systems are under increasing pressure. Challenges related to rural crime, mental health and addictions, and violent repeat offenders require immediate and sustained investment. Rather than diverting significant public funds towards the creation of a new police service, the Government of Alberta should prioritize strengthening and properly resourcing the systems already in place.

Policing reform must be guided by evidence, transparency, and public confidence. Decisions of this magnitude, affecting community safety, municipal budgets, and taxpayer dollars, must be made in partnership with municipalities and with the clear support of Albertans.

We, the undersigned, call on the Government of Alberta to:

- Cease further investment in and advancement of the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service as a replacement for RCMP municipal policing.
- Release a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study, including full lifecycle costing, governance structures, and operational impacts of any proposed policing model changes.
- Seek explicit public support before proceeding with any plan to replace or significantly restructure policing in Alberta.
- Strengthen Alberta's existing policing model by:
 - Increasing RCMP officer levels and resources in communities, while ensuring sustainable and predictable funding; and
 - Invest in the Alberta Sheriffs' existing mandate as a complementary public safety service, including targeted enforcement, rural crime initiatives, and court security.
- Strengthen the justice system by addressing bail reform challenges and repeat violent offending; increasing the number of Crown prosecutors and Provincial Court judges; and ensuring timely access to justice.
- Expand integrated public safety approaches, including police and mental health crisis teams, addiction supports, and community-based crime prevention initiatives that address root causes of crime.

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Wave 9

May 2026

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Methodology

Field Window	Wave 9 – April 24 to May 11, 2026
Sampling	Online survey of randomly-selected sample of 1,210 Adult (18+) Alberta Residents
Reliability	As a guideline, a probability sample of this size carries a margin of error of ± 2.8% , 19 times out of 20. The margin of error is larger for sub-segments.
Weighting	Data has been weighted using the most current age, gender, region, and education Census data, to ensure the sample reflects the actual population of adult Albertans.

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION		
REGION	UNWEIGHTED Counts	Margin of Error
Calgary	215	±6.7%
Edmonton	214	±6.7%
Calgary Suburbs	100	±9.8%
Edmonton Suburbs	105	±9.6%
Rural North	176	±7.4%
Rural Central	200	±6.9%
Rural South	200	±6.9%
TOTAL ALBERTA	1,210	± 2.8%

WAVE	DATES IN FIELD	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
W1	Oct 21 – 28, 2020	1,300
W2	Apr 30 – May 7, 2021	1,228
W3	Oct 21 – Nov 4, 2021	1,221
W4	Jul 6 – 19, 2022	1,206
W5	Sept 15 – Oct 4, 2023	1,202
W6	Jun 14 – 24, 2024	1,200
W7	April 17 – 28, 2025	1,201
W8	Aug 8 – 20, 2025	1,200
W9	April 24 – May 11, 2026	1,210

Priorities & Impressions



Affordability & Cost-of-Living tops list of priority issues for Albertans

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- Affordability & cost-of-living (46%) remains top priority that respondents would like Premier Danielle Smith and the Alberta government to address, far ahead of health care (22%) and Alberta's economy (16%).
- Affordability & cost-of-living is top priority of majority of 18-34s (50%) and 35-54s (51%).
- Policing and public safety is the top priority of only 2% of Albertans.

Priority Issues

Priority Issues		TOTAL				REGION								GENDER		AGE		
						Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	All Rural	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+
		W9	W8	W7	W6													
Affordability and Cost-of-Living		46	43	41	48	48	41	46	41	50	49	49	49	44	49	50	51	39
		22	20	27	24	13	27	22	36	20	25	24	23	19	26	15	16	33
Alberta's Economy		16	19	16	14	19	18	19	8	14	15	10	13	20	11	16	14	16
Climate Change & Environment		3	3	4	4	5	4	2	1	1	-	3	1	3	3	4	5	2
		3	4	3	3	4	3	0	2	3	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	1
Policing and Public Safety		2	1	2	1	2	3	4	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	2
Indigenous Reconciliation		1	2	1	0	-	1	1	-	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	1	0



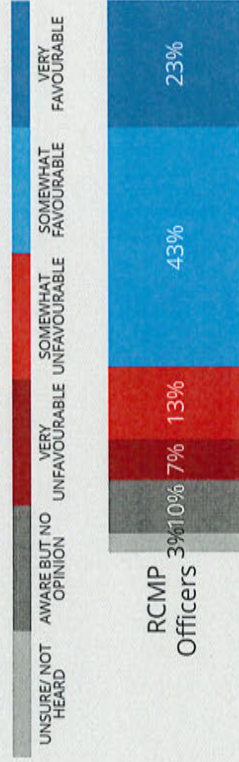
2. When it comes to the following issues facing Alberta today, which is your top priority that you would like the Premier Danielle Smith and the Alberta government address? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200).

Two-thirds of Albertans have favourable impression of RCMP Officers

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- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers (66%) within range of results over past eight waves (65% to 71%).
- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers are highest in Calgary suburbs (77%) and Edmonton suburbs (76%).

Impression of RCMP



		% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)							
TOTAL	W9	REGION						RCMP SERVED	
		Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	No/Unsure
	66	63	67	77	76	59	71	65	71
	63								63

	W9	W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1
RCMP Officers	66	70	66	67	69	66	71	65	70

Q 3. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option.
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,201); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Police and Sheriff services in Alberta have net-favourable impressions

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- Awareness of Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) (61%) is lower relative to "Alberta Sheriffs" in wave 8 (74%).
- ASPS has net-favourable impressions with 37% favourable and 24% unfavourable.
- Police services tested are net-favourable. Edmonton Police Service (66%) is within range of wave 1-8 results, while Calgary Police Service (63%) is at a lower level relative to previous waves.

Impression of Police Services

Impression of Police Services										% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)									
							WAVE - TOTAL												
	UNSURE/NOT HEARD	AWARE BUT NO OPINION	VERY UNFAVOURABLE	SOMEWHAT UNFAVOURABLE	SOMEWHAT FAVOURABLE	VERY FAVOURABLE	W9	W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1				
Medicine Hat Police Service (n=46)	5%4%	6%	14%	41%	30%	71	75	75	78	79	79	80	88	85					
Edmonton Police Service (n=319)	9%	11%	13%	47%	19%	66	65	61	66	69	70	63	66	72					
Calgary Police Service (n=315)	5%	12%	6%	14%	44%	63	68	67	66	73	65	71	70	68					
Lethbridge Police Service (n=98)	4%	18%	9%	16%	37%	53	54	67	53	63	60	50	45	57					
Grande Prairie Police Service (n=95)	9%	25%	11%	16%	24%	38	40	31	34	-	-	-	-	-					
Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)* (n=1210)	17%	22%	10%	14%	27%	37	52	49	46	49	-	-	-	-					



3. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option.
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=Varies). Note: Data <2% not labeled. *Previous versions listed "Alberta Sheriffs"

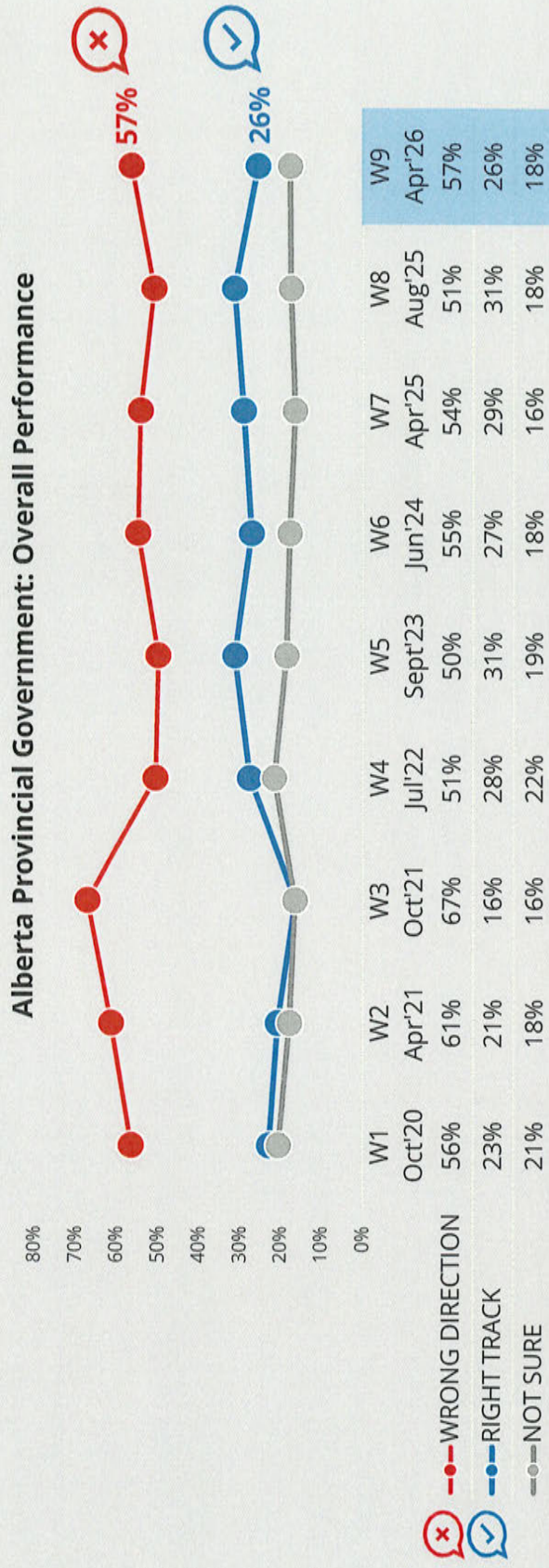
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Majority of Albertans say provincial government heading off in wrong direction

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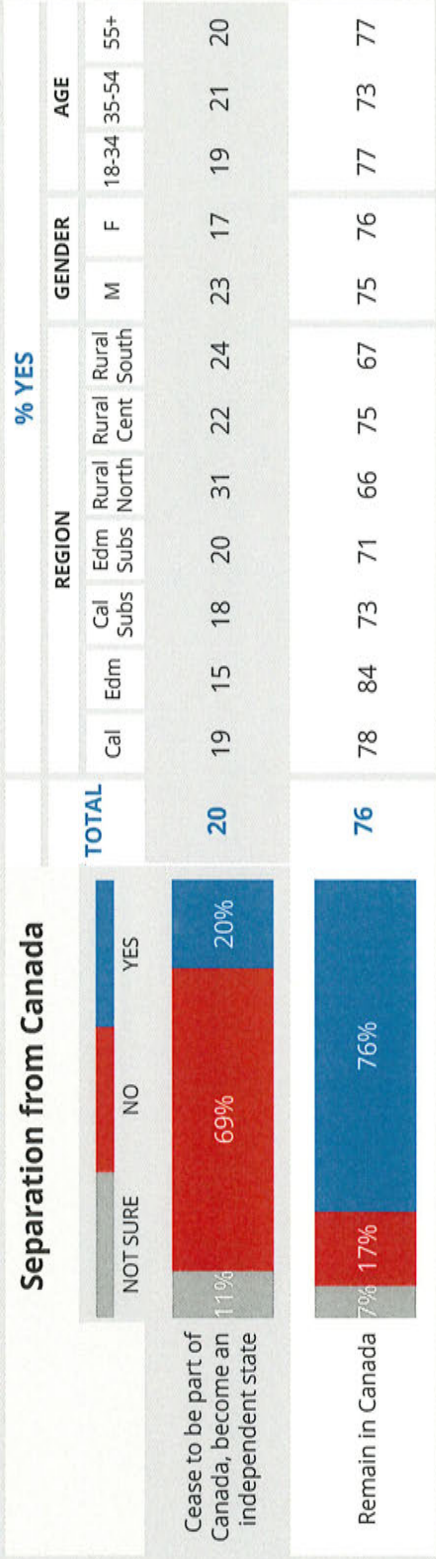
- Those saying provincial government is on "right track" declines 5% since wave 8.



Q 1. In Alberta today, do you think the provincial government is on the right track, or do you think it is heading off in the wrong direction?
 Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,201); W7 (N=1,200); W6 (N=1,206); W5 (N=1,221); W4 (N=1,202); W3 (N=1,228); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Three-quarters choose remaining in Canada

- 76% agree Alberta should remain in Canada while 17% disagree. In an alternate question, 20% agree Alberta should cease to be a part of Canada to become an independent state, while 69% disagree.
- Results are consistent by age, but marginally different by gender (23% men, 17% women) with women more likely to be undecided (15%) vs. men (7%).



4A. Do you agree that the Province of Alberta should cease to be a part of Canada to become an independent state?
 4B. Do you agree that Alberta should remain in Canada?
 Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Plurality say separating from Canada will have negative impact on a range of issues, but positive impact is higher than current support for separation

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- With support from separation ranging from 17% to 20%, those saying separation will have a positive impact on Canada in key areas is at a higher level (28% to 32%) suggesting that there is room to grow for separatist sentiment.
- On policing and public safety in Alberta communities, 28% say separation would have a positive impact.

Impact of Separation from Canada

Impact of Separation from Canada										% POSITIVE IMPACT																			
											TOTAL		REGION						GENDER		AGE								
	DONT KNOW		NO IMPACT		VERY NEGATIVE		SOMEWAT NEGATIVE		SOMEWAT POSITIVE		VERY POSITIVE		Pos	Neg	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+			
Job creation and economic development in Alberta										32	49	12%	7%	33%	16%	16%	16%	30	24	41	37	42	30	40	34	30	32	33	31
The ability to ship Alberta oil to international markets by ocean										31	49	13%	7%	35%	14%	15%	16%	30	26	33	31	38	34	33	36	26	36	30	28
The ability of employers to attract skilled workers to Alberta for vacant positions										29	48	12%	11%	32%	17%	15%	14%	27	23	38	35	35	30	35	33	25	33	30	26
Policing and public safety in Alberta communities										28	46	14%	12%	30%	16%	15%	13%	29	24	31	31	32	29	29	33	24	27	31	26
Accessibility of publicly-funded health care in Alberta										28	53	11%	8%	38%	15%	14%	13%	28	21	27	29	35	31	29	32	23	30	31	23



5. If Alberta were to separate from Canada and become an independent country, what impact do you think this would have on each of the following?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

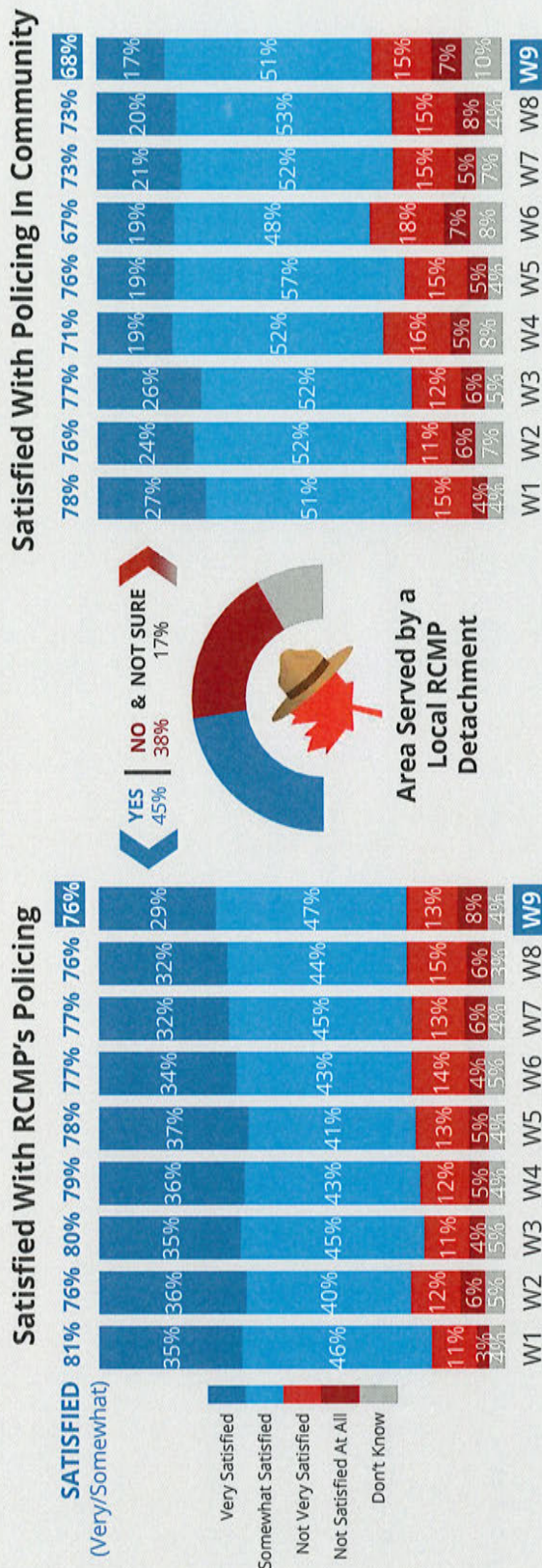
RCMP Satisfaction, Confidence, and Believability



Over three-quarters satisfied with RCMP's policing

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- Satisfaction with RCMP's policing of their community (76%) consistent with wave 8; those very satisfied (29%) marginally declined.
- Satisfaction with policing in non-RCMP communities (68%) declines 5% compared to wave 8, and level of those very satisfied (17%) lower than RCMP-served communities.

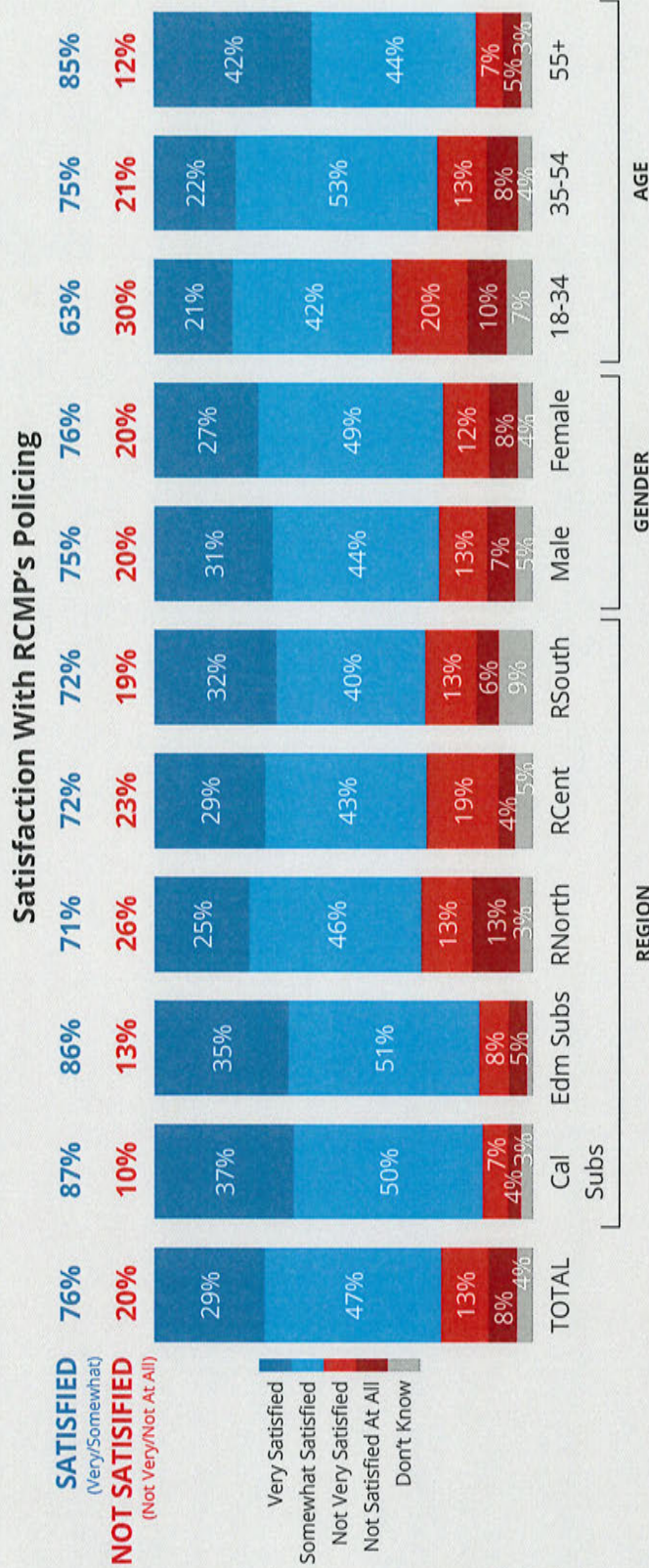


Now, here are some questions about policing in Alberta. | 12. Is your municipality or local area served by a local RCMP detachment? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201) | 13. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=687); W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=696); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809) | 14. How satisfied are you with the policing in your community? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=523); W8 (N=471); W7 (N=483); W6 (N=522); W5 (N=503); W4 (N=510); W3 (N=494); W2 (N=495); W1 (N=491).

Satisfaction with RCMP's policing 71% or above across RCMP-served regions

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- Regionally, satisfaction ranges from 71% in Rural North to 87% in Calgary suburbs.
- 55+ age group most satisfied with RCMP's policing (85%); men (75%) and women (76%) at about same level of satisfaction.



Q 13. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community?
Base: Local Area Served by RCMP W9 (N=687). Note: Data <2% not labeled.

RCMP Contract Renewal and Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

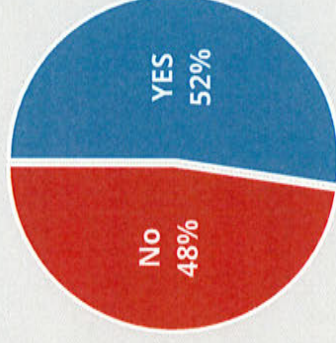


Slim majority aware of Alberta government's plan to create the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

- 52% awareness of Alberta government's plan to create the ASPS, with higher level of awareness among 55+ age group (69%), men (59%), and rural Alberta residents (56%).

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Awareness of Alberta's Plan to Replace RCMP with Alberta Sheriffs Police Service



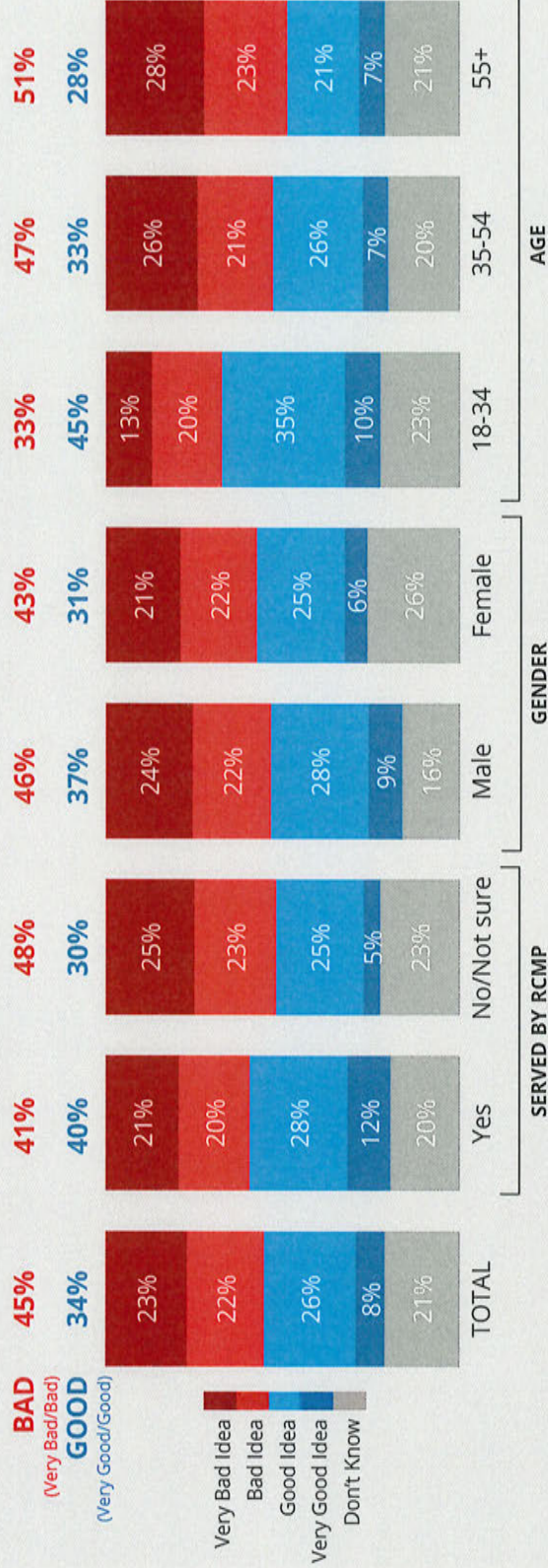
22. Before responding to this survey, had you read, seen or heard anything about the Alberta government's plan to create a new provincial police service called the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Plurality says creating a new ASPS at this time is a “bad idea”

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- 45% say creating the ASPS at this time is a bad idea, including 23% who say it's a “very bad idea”. Young people – 18-34 age group – are more likely to say it's a good idea (+12% good vs. bad) compared to 35-54 (-14%) and 55+ (-23%).

Perception on Creating a New Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)



23. In February 2026, the Alberta government announced its plan to create a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Thinking about this, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Two-thirds say that the public has not been adequately consulted about creating a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service

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- Broad consensus across gender, age, and region groups that consultation has not been adequate.

Perceived Extent of Public Consultation About Creating a New ASPS



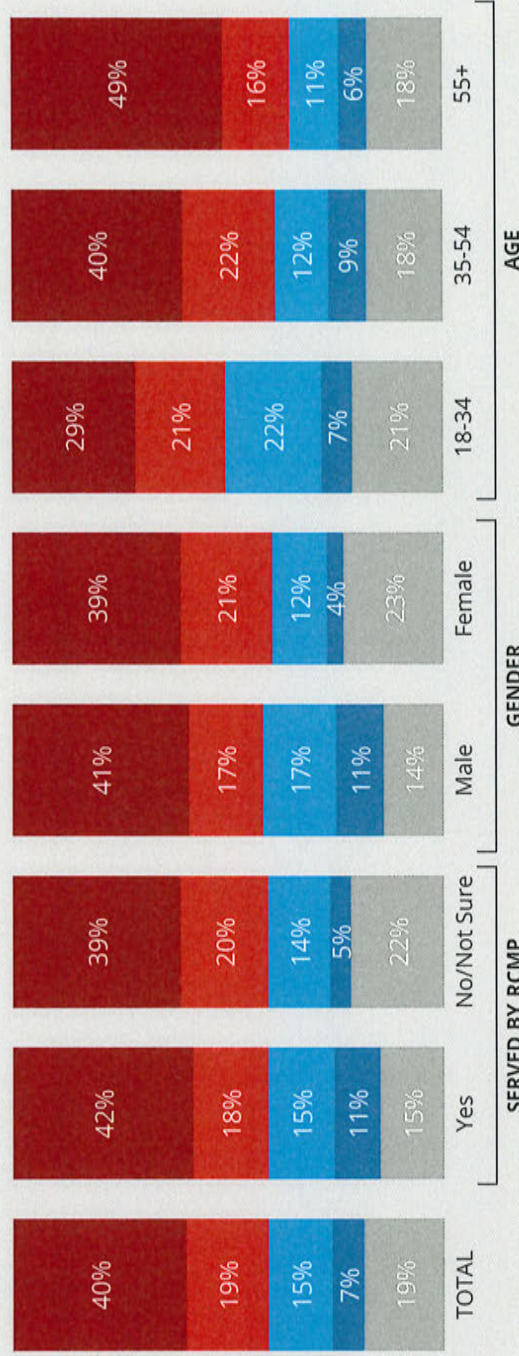
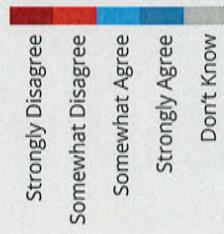
24. To what extent do you think the public has been consulted about creating a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200). Note: Data <2% not labeled.

Majority disagree that ASPS should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when RCMP contract expires in 2032

- Majority disagree across age, gender, and region groups that ASPS should replace RCMP in 2032.

Perception on Replacing RCMP with Alberta Sheriffs Police Service

DISAGREE 59% **59%** **58%** **60%** **50%** **61%** **65%**
 (Strongly/Somewhat)
AGREE 22% **26%** **19%** **16%** **29%** **21%** **18%**
 (Strongly/Somewhat)



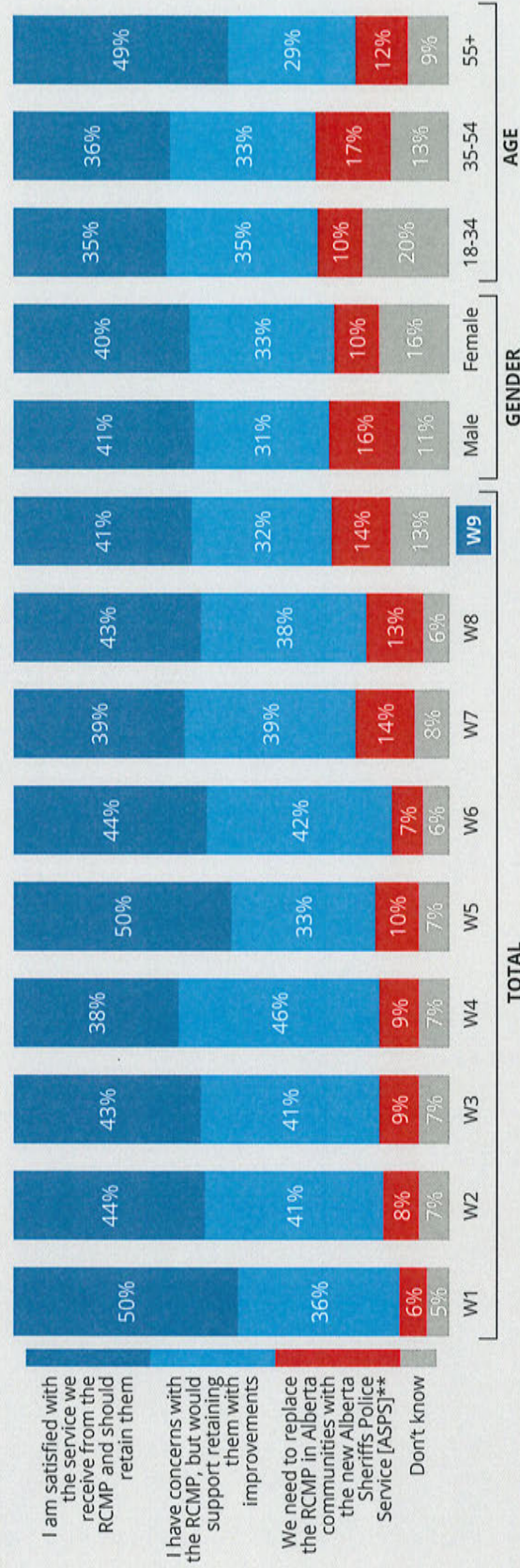
25. Do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
 Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

In RCMP-served areas, over 7-in-10 satisfied or prefer retaining them with improvements, while 1-in-7 choose replacing the RCMP with ASPs

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- Separatist voters are split with 18% satisfied with RCMP, 26% choosing to retain with improvements, and 42% choosing to replace RCMP with ASPs.
- Level of satisfied/retain with improvement has declined from 86% in wave 1 to 73% in wave 9; the replace RCMP option has moved from 6% to 14% across wave 1 to 9, while undecided has risen to 13%. Undecided is higher among 18-34s (20%) and women (16%).

Viewpoint on Replacing or Retaining the RCMP



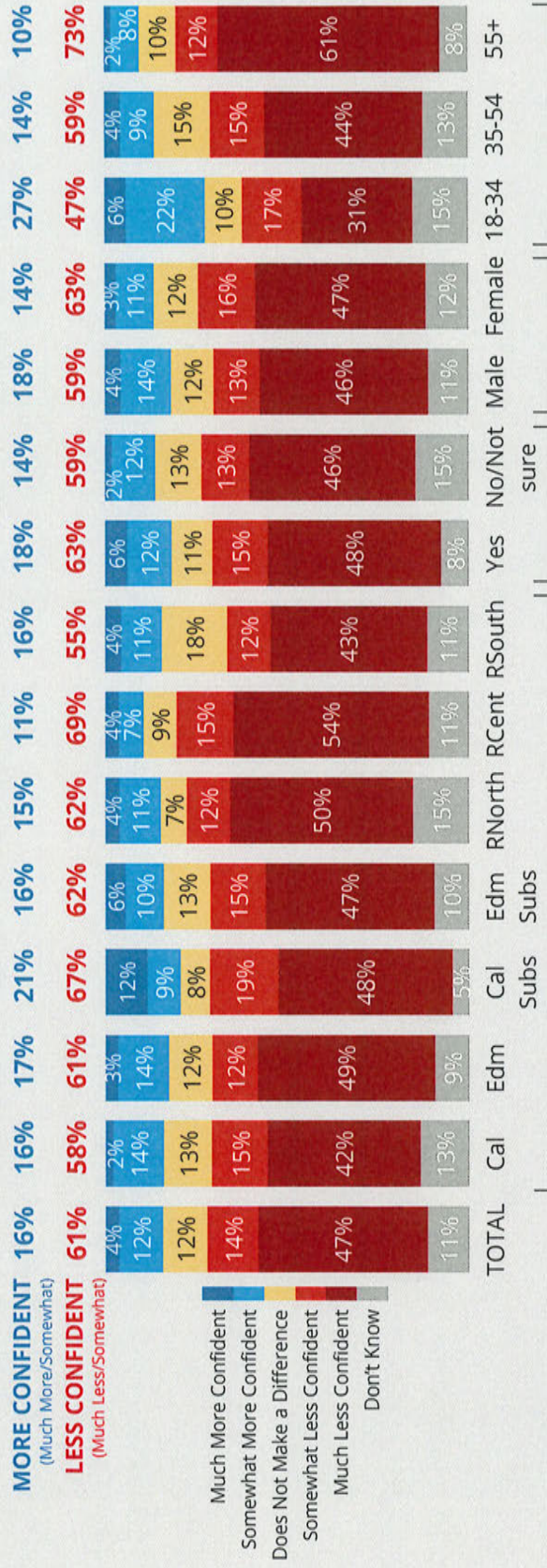
26. Which of the following statements best reflects your point of view?

Base: Local Area Served by RCMP W9 (N=687); W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=695); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809). *W1 Read: " ...if there were significant improvements". **Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPs.

Training comparison between RCMP and ASPS makes majority feel less confident about Alberta government's policing plan

- Plurality much less confident based on comparison of training for RCMP officers (26 weeks) and ASPS (6 weeks). Overall, 47% are much less confident (61% overall less confident). Almost half (48%) of those in RCMP-served areas are much less confident.

Perceptions of RCMP Training Compared to Proposed Alberta Sheriffs Training

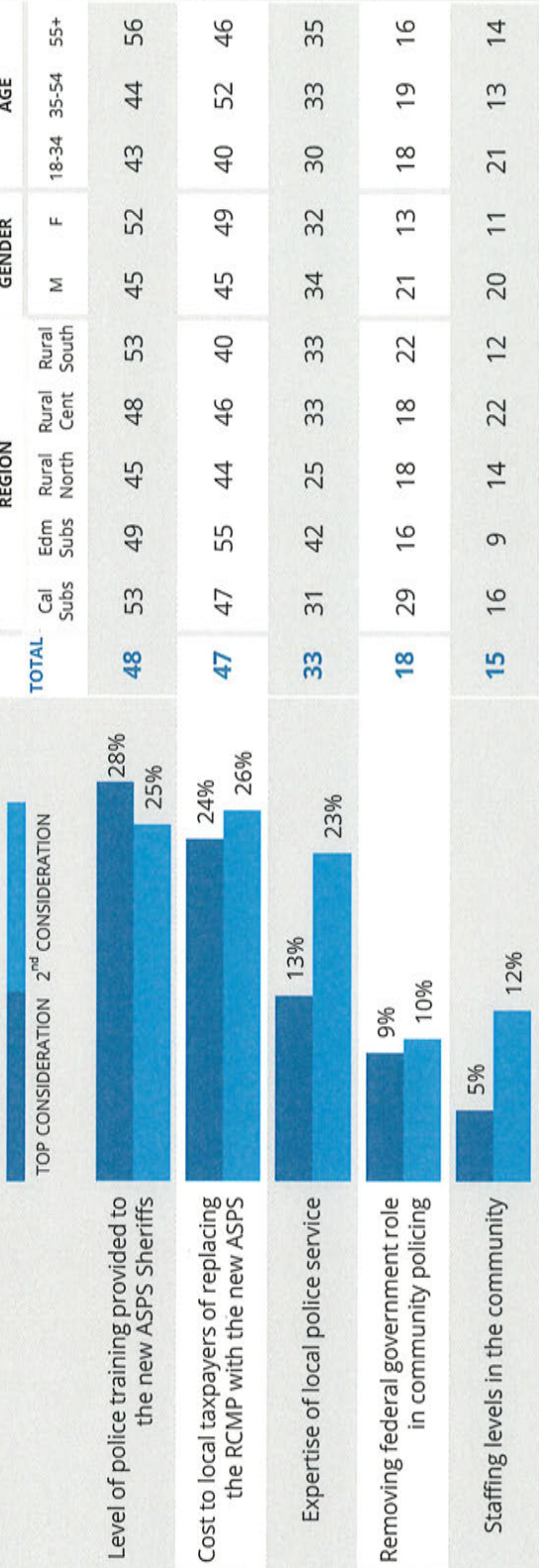


27. RCMP officers undergo 26 weeks of training at the RCMP Training Depot in Regina. The Alberta government is proposing that Alberta Sheriffs receive 6 weeks of training to become police officers. Thinking about this, does it make you feel more confident or less confident about the Alberta government's policing plan for communities in Alberta, or does it make no difference? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Level of police training and taxpayer cost are leading considerations for those in RCMP-served areas

- 18-34 place equal importance on level of training and cost to taxpayers, while 35-54 place higher importance on cost to taxpayer, and 55+ place higher importance on level of training.

Most Important Considerations If Replacing RCMP with ASPS

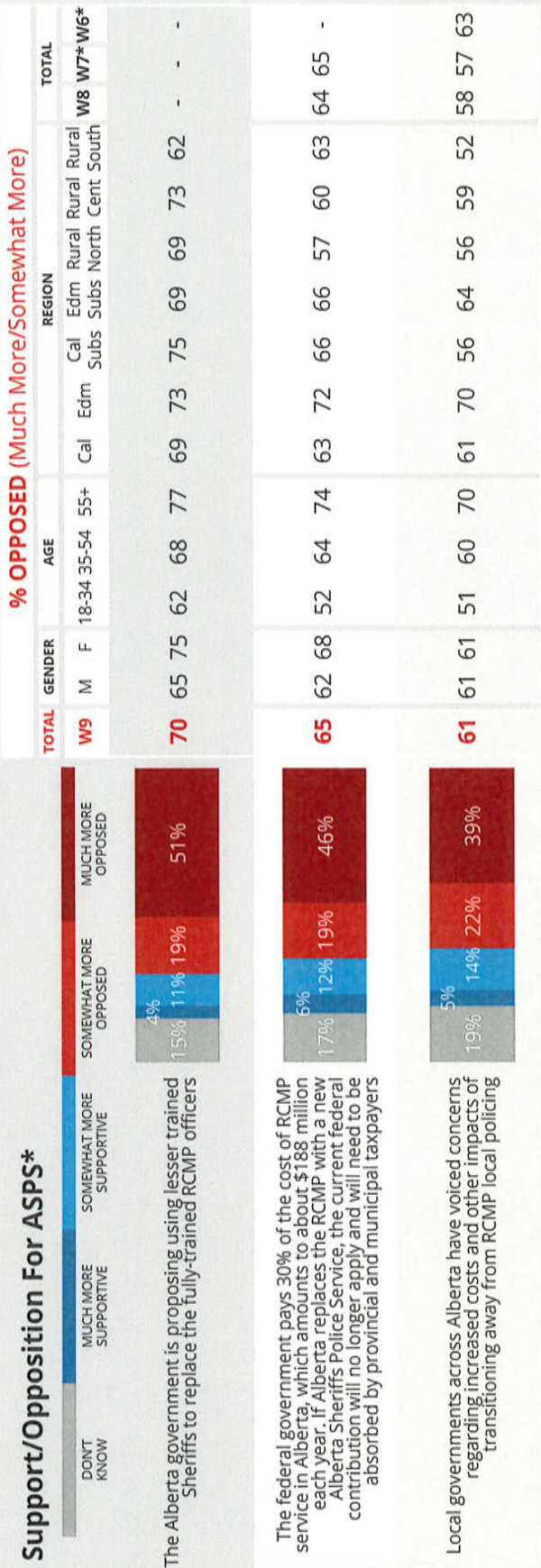


28/29. The Alberta government has stated that its intention is to offer the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) as an option to communities for their local policing, to replace the RCMP. What do you think should be the most important consideration for communities in considering whether to replace the RCMP with the newly-created Alberta Sheriffs Police Service? Base: Local Area Served by RCMP W9 (N=687)

Using lesser trained officers/sheriffs makes half much more opposed to creation of new ASPS

- 7-in-10 (70%) more opposed to ASPS based on Alberta government proposing to use lesser trained Sheriffs to replace fully trained RCMP officers. Messaging outlining federal government 30% contribution and local governments voicing concerns make over 6-in-10 (65%) more opposed, and consistent with previous waves.

Support/Opposition For ASPS*



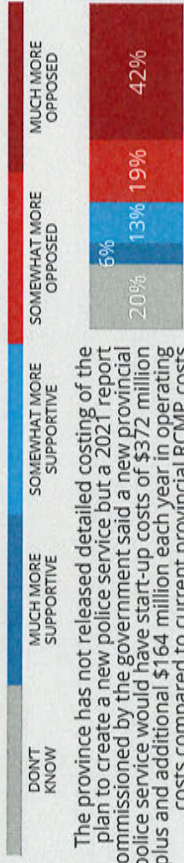
30. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to the creation of a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?

Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). *Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPS.

Non-disclosure of detailed costing makes majority more opposed to ASPS plan

- Of those who say replacing the RCMP with the ASPS is a good idea, 33% become more opposed to the plan based on non-disclosure of detailed costing. 55+ age group more likely to be more opposed (71%).

Support/Opposition For ASPS*



TOTAL		GENDER		AGE			REGION					TOTAL	
W9		M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	W8	W7*W6*

61	59	63	48	60	71	53	73	65	61	59	57	61	63
59	63	48	60	71	53	73	65	61	59	57	61	63	59

Overall crime rates and the severity of crime are falling in Alberta, with Criminal Code violations down 8.5%, and the Crime Severity Index down 21% since 2019. This shows costly changes to policing in Alberta are not needed



Ending the contract with the RCMP will give Albertans more control over policing, with less interference from Ottawa



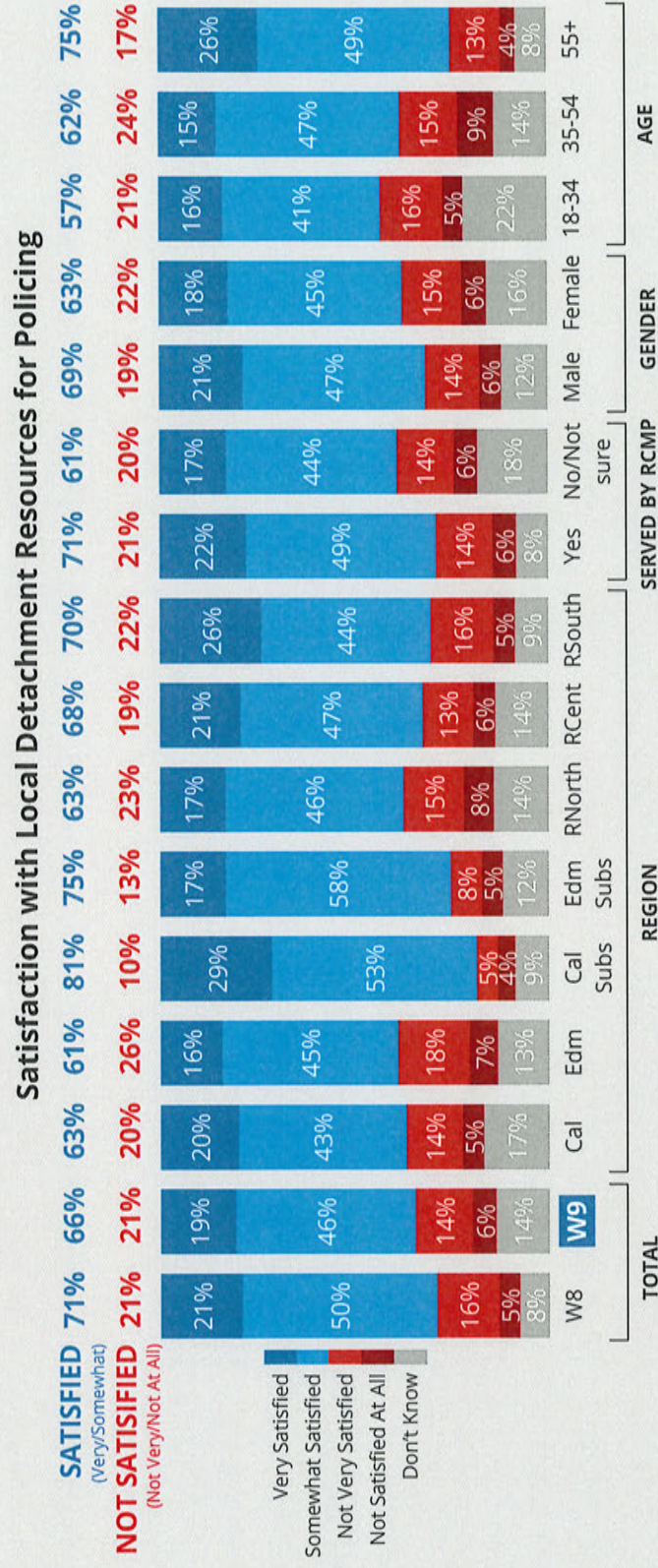
47	48	46	37	47	55	47	57	39	53	42	44	34	45
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30. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to the creation of a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). *Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPS.

Two-thirds satisfied that their local detachment has adequate resources to police their community

- 66% say they are satisfied with resources for local detachment, with higher level in RCMP-served areas (71%).

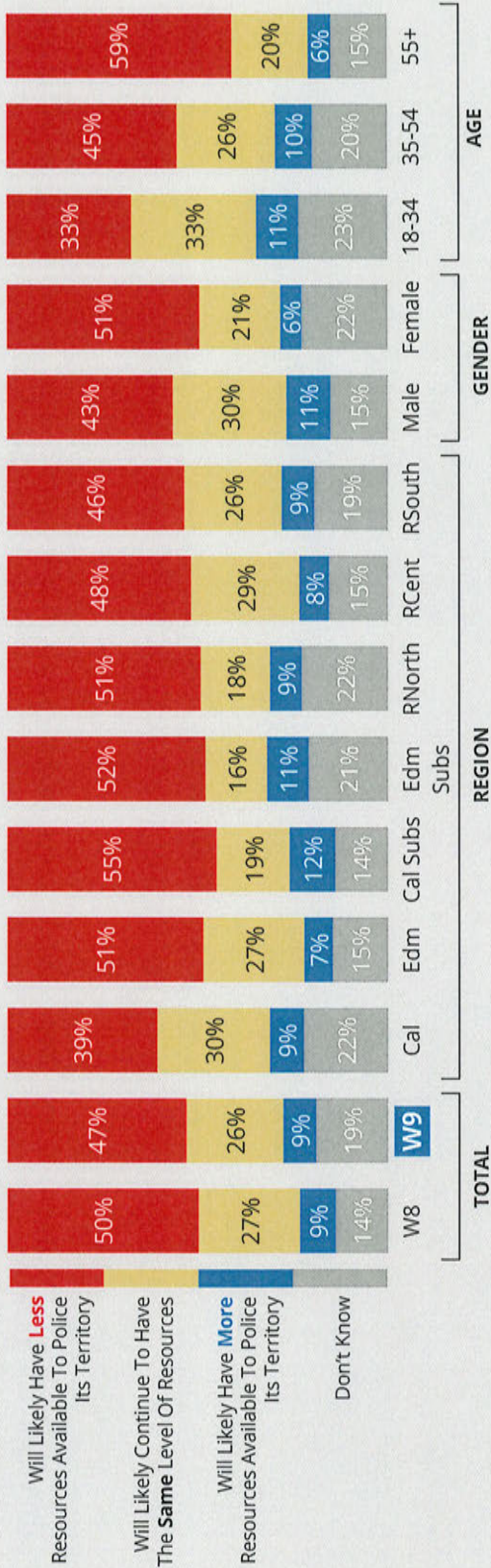


31. Thinking about policing in your community, how satisfied are you with your local detachment having adequate resources to police your community?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200).

About half say there will likely be less resources available to police its territory if RCMP is replaced with ASPS

- 47% say there will likely be less resources available to police its territory if RCMP is replaced with ASPS, including half of those in RCMP-served areas (50%), women (51%) and 55+ age group (59%).

Expected Resource Levels if RCMP is Replaced with Alberta Sheriffs Police Service



32. Do you feel that your community's police service will have more, less, or the same level of resources available to police its territory?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200).

Post-Tests: RCMP Contract Renewal and Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

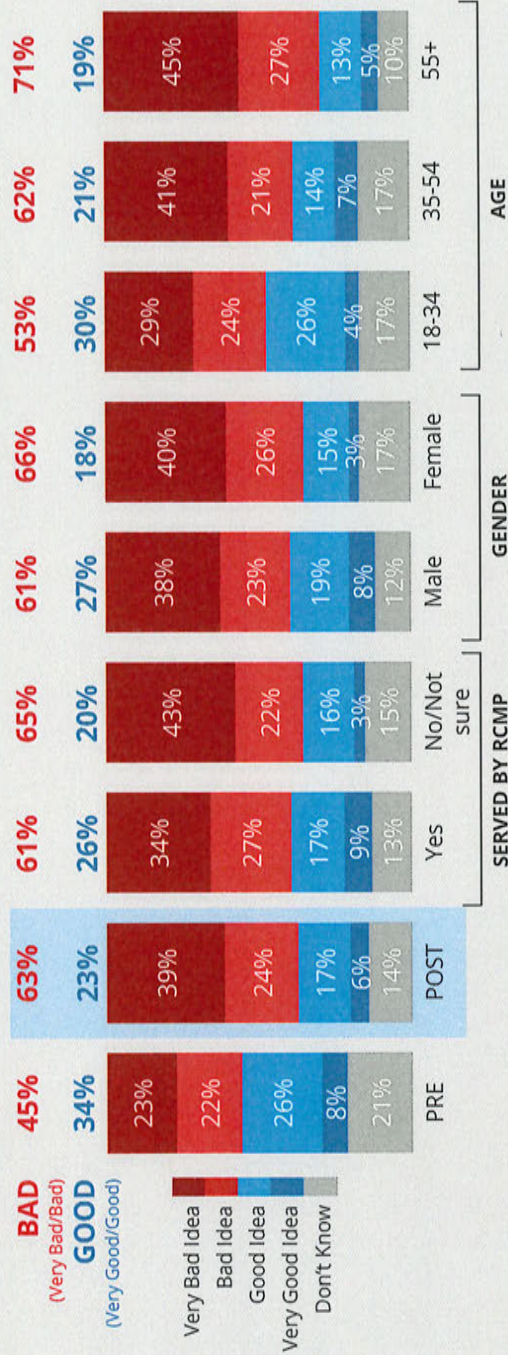


Post-test: Majority now say creating a new ASPS at this time is a “bad idea” after more information is provided

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- Proportions feeling it's a bad idea increases 19pts from 45% to 63%, with 16pt increase in those who say it's a “very bad idea”.
- Majority of those in RCMP-served areas feel it's a bad idea (61%); increase of 21pts compared to pre-test.
- Increase of +21pts among 18–34-year olds and +20pts among 55+ year olds who feel it is a “bad idea”.

Post Test: Perception of Creating a New Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)



23. In February 2026, the Alberta government announced its plan to create a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Thinking about this, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?

34. Based on the additional information you've reviewed, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?

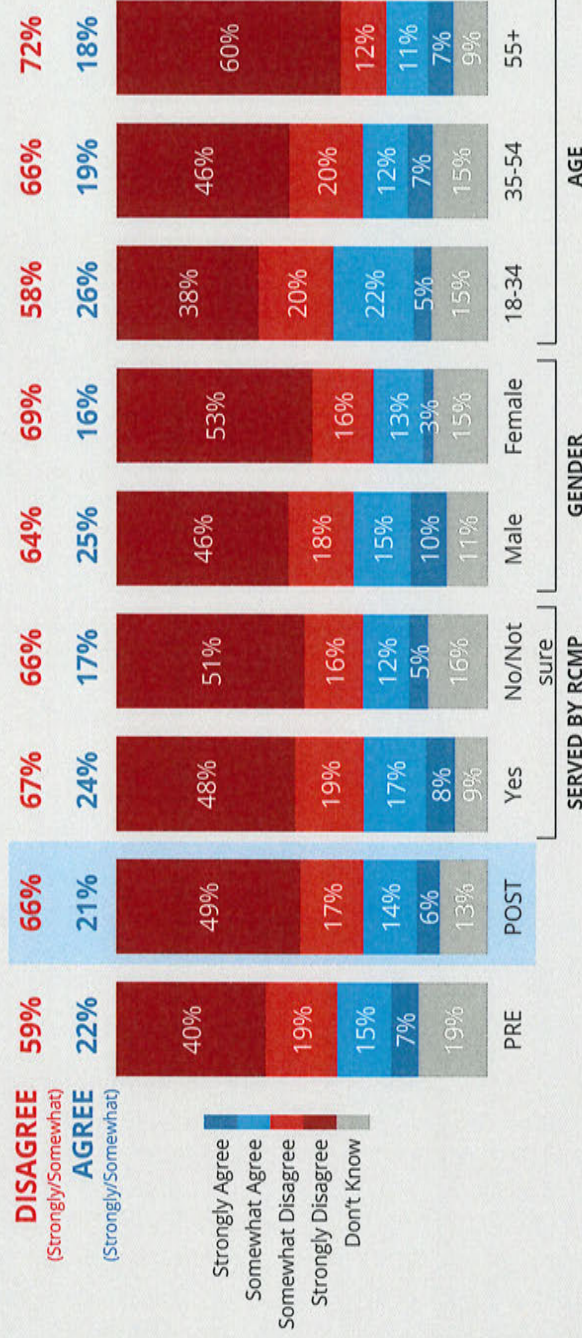
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)



Post-Test: Majority continue to disagree that ASPs should replace the RCMP; 7pt increase in disagreement, while proportions who agree remain steady

- 7pt increase in disagreement among RCMP-served region, and 9pt increase among 18-34 year olds after receiving more information.

Post Test: Perception on Replacing the RCMP with the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service



25. Do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
 35. And, do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
 Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Public Safety & Politics

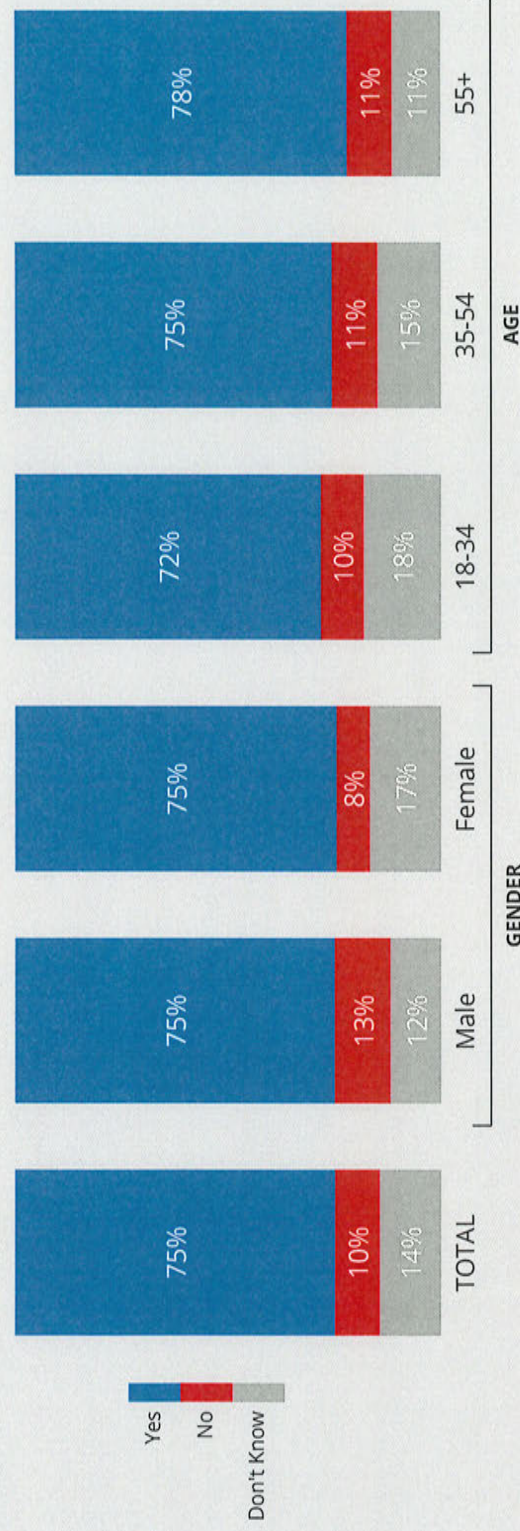


3-in-4 Albertans say the government should ask voters for approval in a province-wide referendum before proceeding with plan to replace the RCMP

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- Broad consensus (75%) among Albertans to have province-wide referendum before proceeding with any plan to replace the RCMP with a provincially run Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Consistent support among age and gender groups.
- Remain voters (78%) more likely to support province-wide referendum compared to Separatist voters (68%).

Public Views on Whether Alberta Should Replace the RCMP with a Provincially Run Police Service



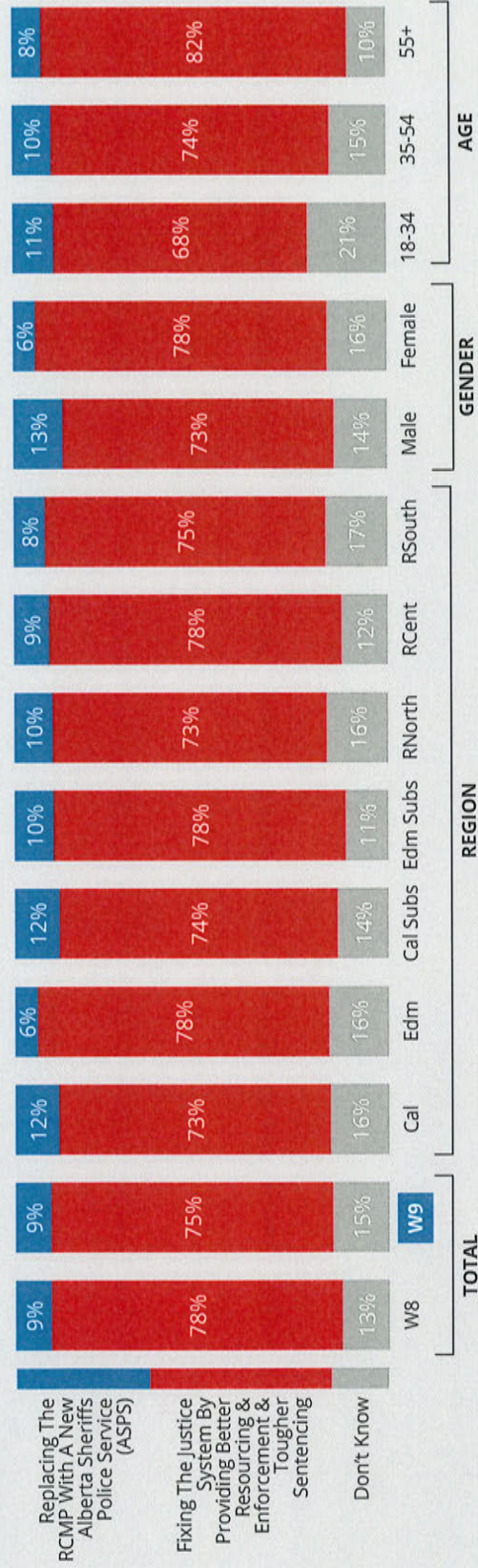
36. The Alberta government is putting forward nine referendum questions to voters this fall, none of which relate to policing. Before proceeding with any plan to replace the RCMP with a provincially run Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS), should the government ask Alberta voters for their approval in a referendum?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Almost 3-in-4 Albertans prefer focus on fixing the justice system instead of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

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- Most Albertans prefer Premier to focus on fixing the justice system by providing better resourcing and enforcement and tougher sentencing (75%) compared to replacing the RCMP with a new ASPS (9%).

Premier Danielle Smith and UCP Government's Focus on Public Safety in Alberta

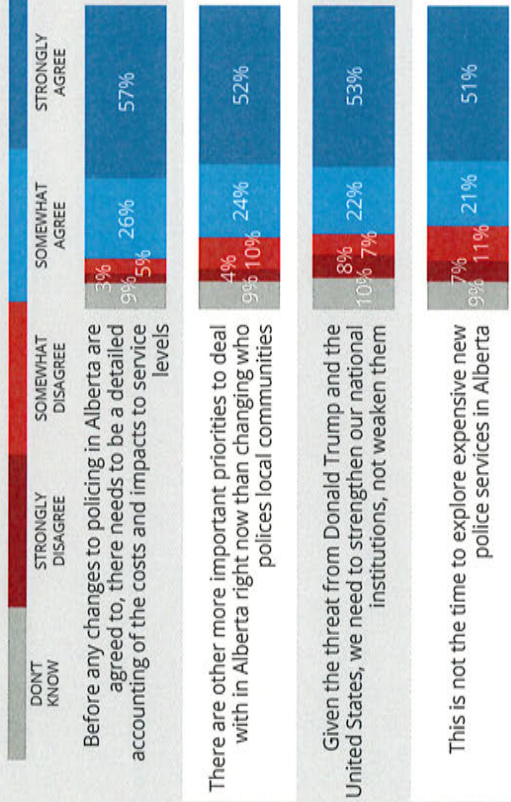


37. When it comes to public safety in Alberta, do you think the Premier and the United Conservative Party (UCP) governments focus should be on...
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200).

3-in-4 agree that we need to strengthen national institutions, not weaken them

- Over 8-in-10 (83%) Albertans agree that there needs to be a detailed accounting of costs/impacts to service levels.
- Over 3-in-4 (76%) agree that there are "more important priorities to deal with in Alberta right now than changing who policies local communities", including 83% of 55+ voters.

Agreement with Policing Statements



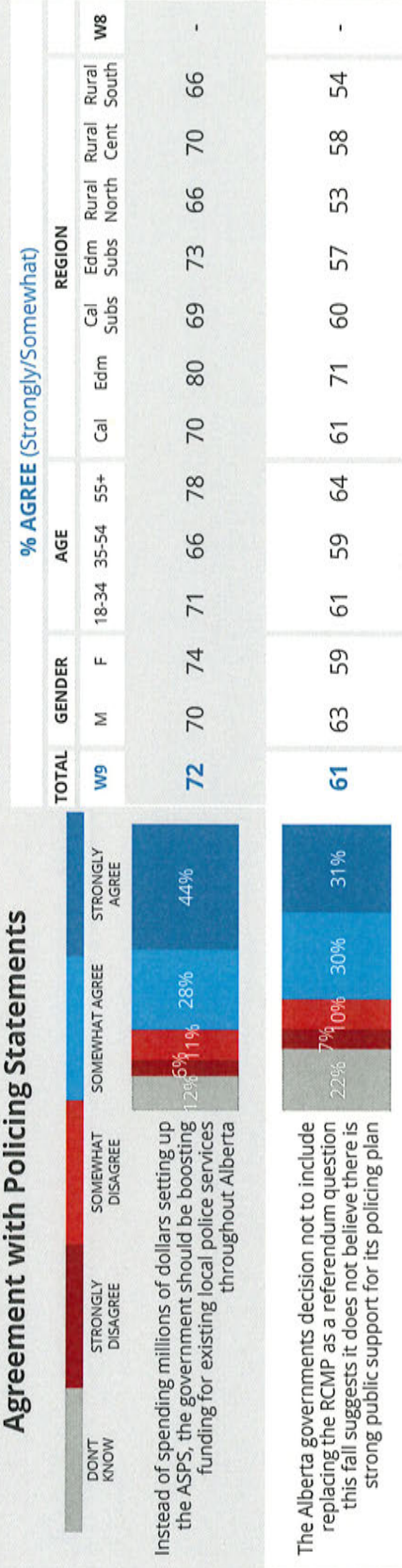
% AGREE (Strongly/Somewhat)											
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Q 39. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200). *W6 Scale Read: SUPPORT (Much More/Somewhat).

Over 7-in-10 agree government should be boosting funding for existing local police services instead of spending millions of dollars on setting up ASPs

- Majority (72%) agree that Alberta government should be boosting funding for local police services than spending dollars setting up the ASPS and majority (61%) agree that not putting policing on referendum ballot suggests government does not believe its plan has strong support.

Agreement with Policing Statements



39. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:
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Post-Test: Retaining RCMP



Post-test: Almost 4-in-5 in RCMP-served communities say they are satisfied with the service from RCMP and should retain them / with improvements

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- In the post-test, those saying that the RCMP needs to be replaced in Alberta communities with a new ASPS drops from 14% to 11%, while retain / retain with improvements rises from a combined 73% to 78%.

Post Test: Viewpoint on Replacing or Retaining the RCMP



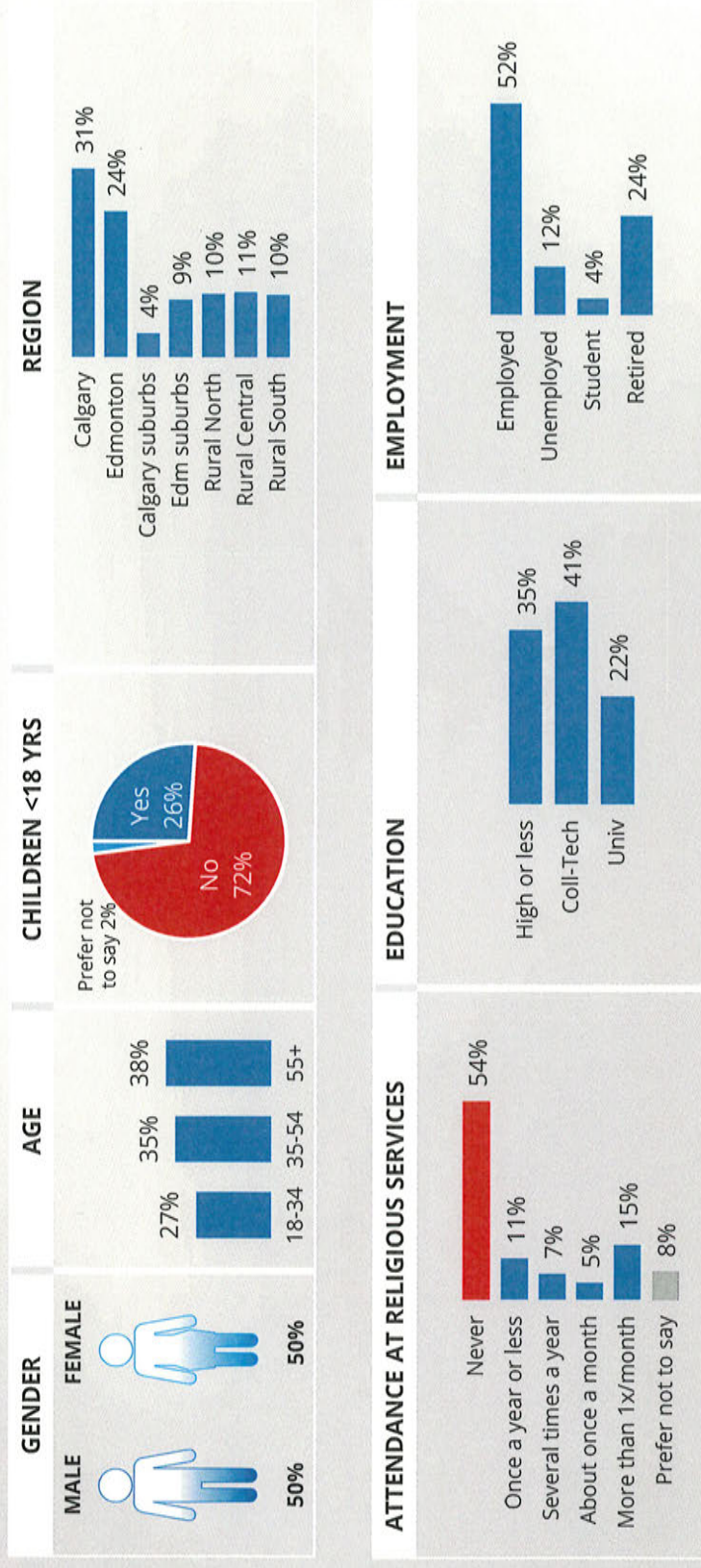
26. Which of the following statements best reflects your viewpoint?
 40. Now that you reviewed additional information, which of the following statements best reflects your point of view?
 Base: Local Area Served by RCMP (N=687) **Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPS.

APPENDIX



Demographics

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Q Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Demographics

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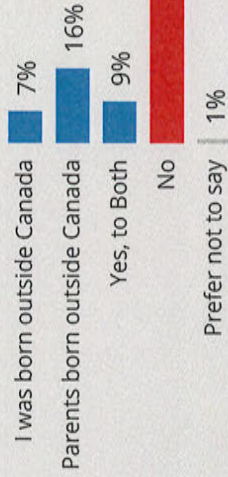
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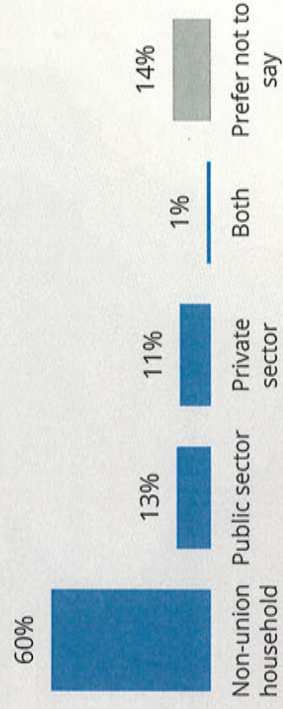
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BIRTHPLACE OUTSIDE CANADA



UNION MEMBERSHIP



Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

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May 2026

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Council Briefing – Arena Siren

Council,

Administration received a phone call from an individual inquiring about the outdoor siren located beside the Arena. I requested that the inquiry be submitted in writing before bringing it forward for Council's consideration.

The individual has expressed an interest in acquiring the siren, restoring it, and placing it on display in the museum section of Crown Surplus in Drumheller.

At this time, Administration is simply seeking Council's direction before undertaking any additional work.

Questions for Council:

- Is Council interested in considering the sale or transfer of the siren?
- If so, would Council like Administration to research an appropriate market value or sale price?
- Alternatively, does Council already have a price or other conditions in mind should it wish to proceed?

If Council is not interested in disposing of the siren, Administration will advise the requester accordingly.

Jamie Collins

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: July 15, 2026 3:07 PM
To: Jamie Collins
Subject: Siren acquisition

Hello I'm inquiring about acquiring the siren that is beside the Sportsplex so that I may restore it and put it inside of the museum section of Crown Surplus in Drumheller I'm an avid siren enthusiast which is one of the reasons why I would love to acquire the siren and restore it. If you guys could please bring this up to Town Council and consider this request that would be amazing. Best regards, Dominic Krancan



St. Mary's Trochu
FOUNDATION

*A Foundation of
Covenant Health*

Ginny Walker
Chair
St. Mary's Trochu Foundation
[REDACTED]

July 24, 2026

Dear Mr. Kletke,

Thank you for your letter dated July 14, 2026, regarding the St. Mary's Trochu Foundation's potential financial support for the Trochu Seniors Living Facility.

St. Mary's Trochu Foundation is not able to provide financial support to the Trochu Seniors Living Facility project, as Covenant Health is not the operator of the facility.

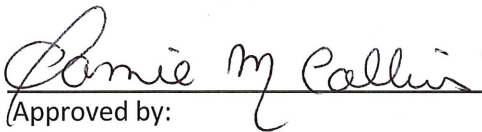
We recognize the importance of this project to seniors and families in the Trochu community, and we wish the Trochu Housing Corporation every success as it moves forward. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Ginny Walker
Chair
St. Mary's Trochu Foundation

**Town of Trochu
Financial Summary**

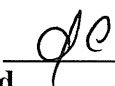
Account Description	Monthly Interest Accrued	Interest YTD	Balance as of June 30, 2026
General Operating Account	\$97.94	\$2,584.01	\$26,420.02 *
Deferred Revenue MUSH Savings (Grant holding acct.)	\$666.83	\$2,314.78	\$312,704.88
Tax Recovery Savings	\$64.78	\$375.94	\$30,372.97
Revolving Loan (overdraft \$1,906,000 limit)	-\$1,477.80	-\$10,347.59	-\$556,289.08
Commercial Term Loan	-\$49,473.89	-\$266,542.58	-\$12,160,249.00
Municipal Revolving Loan-NW Sub-Division	-\$1,593.10	-\$4,250.82	-\$32,810.38
Koch Land 1 (\$445.00 paid every Friday)	-\$329.70	-\$2,236.73	-\$89,572.21
Koch Land 2 (bi-annual \$14,840.62) June & Dec	-\$6,736.92	-\$6,736.92	-\$422,783.28


Approved by: _____

23-Jul-26
Date: _____

*this is the reconciled balance of the chequing acct

TOWN OF TROCHU
(2026-56)
Request to Council for Decision

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Date:	August 17th, 2026
Prepared By:	Jamie Collins, CAO
Originated By:	Jamie Collins, CAO
Approved By:	Jamie Collins, CAO  (initials)
Title:	Solid Waste Contract Award

BACKGROUND:

Over the past several Council meetings, Administration has discussed the increasing challenges associated with continuing to provide solid waste collection using the Town's existing garbage truck. These discussions included the aging condition of the truck, increasing maintenance requirements, and the upcoming retirement of a key employee involved in providing the service.

Council directed Administration to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for residential solid waste collection services. Following the evaluation of five proposals received, Council indicated its support for moving toward contracting the service.

Administration is recommending that the Town enter into a service agreement with Empringham Disposal for residential solid waste collection.

DISCUSSION/ALTERNATIVES:

Contracting residential solid waste collection will:

- Eliminate the need for the Town to replace the aging garbage truck.
- Reduce staff time currently spent responding to equipment breakdowns and arranging service coverage during employee vacations, illnesses, or other absences.
- Provide consistent and reliable waste collection through a dedicated service provider.
- Allow Public Works staff to focus on other municipal infrastructure and operational priorities.

Administration evaluated all proposals received through the RFP process. While five submissions were received, not all proponents were considered suitable for the Town's needs. For example, one submission was from a company based in Ontario and was not considered a practical option for delivering local municipal services.

The two strongest proposals were submitted by Empringham Disposal and SRP. While SRP's proposal offered a lower residential collection cost, its commercial collection rates were higher than Empringham's. As commercial rates will require adjustment regardless of the successful proponent, Administration placed greater value on minimizing the impact to local businesses.

Beyond pricing, Administration believes Empringham Disposal's service philosophy, operational approach, and commitment to customer service align well with the Town of Trochu's culture and expectations for service delivery. Administration is confident Empringham Disposal represents the best overall value for the Town and its residents.

The proposal allows the Town to maintain current residential solid waste rates without requiring an increase. While commercial solid waste rates will increase, this was consistent across all proposals received. Administration's review also confirmed that the Town's current commercial rates are significantly below those charged in comparable municipalities, making an adjustment appropriate regardless of the successful proponent.

Administration has also provided Kneehill County with the required six-month notice to terminate the existing solid waste collection arrangement. County administration was very understanding throughout the transition discussions.

COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Partnering with a private contractor allows the Town to deliver an essential municipal service while leveraging the expertise and efficiencies of a specialized provider.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

- **Fiscal Responsibility** – Supports long-term financial sustainability by eliminating the need for investment in a replacement garbage truck and delivering solid waste collection through a cost-recovery utility model.
- **Partnerships** – Establishes a service partnership with a specialized private contractor to provide consistent and reliable residential solid waste collection.
- **Infrastructure** – Allows Public Works staff and municipal resources to be redirected toward other infrastructure and operational priorities.

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

All operating costs associated with the contracted solid waste collection service will be recovered through utility billings.

The initial purchase of residential garbage bins is proposed to be funded through a reallocation of a portion of the existing Garbage Truck Replacement Reserve. The cost of the bins will then be recovered from residents over six utility billings (12 months).

As outlined in the accompanying Reserve Reallocation RFD, this approach eliminates the need for future investment in a replacement garbage truck while maintaining a financially sustainable solid waste program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the following motion be presented for consideration:

“That Town Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to execute a service agreement with Empringham Disposal for residential solid waste collection services.”

Prepared by: Arnie M Callin

Approved by: Arnie M Callin

Schedule A

Empringham Disposal

	per month	monthly	annual
Garbage (x 440)	\$8.45	\$3,718.00	\$44,616
Organic (6 months)	\$8.45	\$3,718.00	\$22,308
Commercial Bin (x 15, 4 yard, weekly)	\$130.00	\$1,950.00	\$23,400
Commercial (x 20, 3 yard, weekly)	\$110.00	\$2,200.00	\$26,400
Commercial Cardboard (x 23, 4 yard, weekly)	\$115.50	\$2,656.50	\$31,878
Total			\$148,602

TOWN OF TROCHU
(2026-55)
Request to Council for Decision

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Date:	August 17th, 2026
Prepared By:	Lavinia Henderson, Financial Officer
Originated By:	Lavinia Henderson, Financial Officer
Approved By:	Jamie Collins, CAO <u>jc</u> (initials)
Title:	Adjustment to Garbage Truck Restricted Surplus (Reserves) and 2026 Operating Budget Amendment

BACKGROUND:

The Town is transitioning to a new residential solid waste collection model that eliminates the need for the Town to own and operate a residential garbage truck. As a result, the existing Garbage Truck Restricted Surplus (Reserve) is no longer required for its original purpose.

Effective June 30, 2026, the Garbage Truck Reserve currently has a balance of \$237,000 of which only \$40,000 is supported by cash. (2025 and 2026 annual contributions). The remaining balance represents an accounting reserve without cash backing.

The Town must purchase residential garbage bins prior to implementation of the new waste collection system, the cost of which is almost \$40,000. The reserve can be used to fund the initial purchase and a special rate for bin replacement can be added to the utility billing to build the cash to fund bins in the future with a maximum upper limit of \$40,000.

DISCUSSION/ALTERNATIVES:

Regarding the Garbage Truck Reserve, a Possibility is:

- Reallocating \$40,000 from the Garbage Truck Reserve to fund the purchase of residential garbage bins.
- Transferring the remaining \$197,000 balance of the Garbage Truck Reserve to Unrestricted Surplus.

The 2026 Capital Budget would be amended to provide for a contribution of \$40,000 from capital reserve for the purchase of the bins which become a capital asset and provide for a reallocation of the remaining \$197,000 from the Garbage Truck Reserve to Unrestricted Surplus.

These recommendations recognize that the reserve is no longer required for its original purpose while ensuring the Town has funding available to purchase the required bins. before cost recovery begins through utility billing.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Fiscal Responsibility – Supports responsible financial management by eliminating a reserve that is no longer required, appropriately reallocating reserve balances, and redirecting budgeted funds toward the upfront cost of residential garbage bins that will subsequently be recovered through utility billing.

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

- Reallocates \$40,000 from the Garbage Truck Reserve toward the purchase of residential garbage bins.
- Transfers \$197,000 from the Garbage Truck Reserve to Unrestricted Surplus. This transfer is an accounting reallocation and does not increase the Town's available cash position.
- The cost of the future bin replacement will be recovered from residents through the utility billing with the charges being transferred to a capital garbage reserve.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the following motions be presented for consideration:

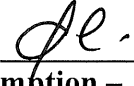
“That Town Council approves the contribution of \$40,000 from the Garbage Truck Restricted Surplus to fund the purchase of residential garbage bins, and the transfer the remaining balance of \$197,000 to Unrestricted Surplus.”

“That Town Council approves an amendment to the 2026 Capital Budget for Garbage by adding a \$40,000 contribution from restricted surplus from the Garbage Truck Reserve and adding \$40,000 to Capital Machinery and Equipment for the purchase of the residential garbage bins.”

Prepared by: James M. Callin

Approved by: James M. Callin

TOWN OF TROCHU
(2026-57)
Request to Council for Decision

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Date:	August 17th, 2026
Prepared By:	Jamie Collins, CAO
Originated By:	Jamie Collins, CAO
Approved By:	Jamie Collins, CAO  (initials)
Title:	Request for Temporary Exemption – Animal Control – 3 Dogs

BACKGROUND:

The Town has received a request from the new owners of the property located at 702 Royal Drive seeking permission to keep three dogs at their residence. The residents owned all three dogs prior to moving to Trochu and have requested that they be permitted to keep them together rather than rehome one of the animals.

The Town's Animal Control Bylaw limits a residence to a maximum of two dogs unless a kennel development permit has been obtained.

The bylaw also contains provisions that permit existing owners to retain animals in excess of the current limits until the number is reduced through transfer, relocation or death, after which the owner may not replace the animal and return to a non-compliant number.

DISCUSSION/ALTERNATIVES:

Administration is requesting Council's consideration of a one-time exemption to permit the residents of 702 Royal Drive to keep their existing three dogs.

Should Council approve the request, the exemption would apply only to the three dogs currently owned by the residents. Once the number of dogs is reduced to two through rehoming or the passing of a dog, the residents would not be permitted to acquire another dog that would return them to three dogs. At that point, the property would be required to remain compliant with the Animal Control Bylaw.

Council may also choose to deny the request, in which case the residents would be required to comply with the bylaw by reducing the number of dogs to two.

COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Not applicable

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

There is no financial impact associated with this recommendation. All dogs will continue to be licensed in accordance with the Town's Rates and Fees Bylaw.

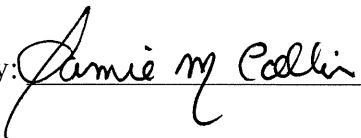
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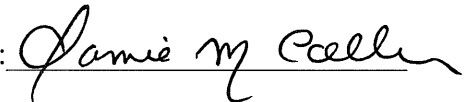
This request is administrative in nature and does not directly advance Council's current Strategic Plan priorities.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the following motion be presented for consideration:

"That Town Council approve a one-time exemption to Animal Control Bylaw No. 2016-05 permitting the owners of 702 Royal Drive to keep their existing three dogs until the property is brought into compliance with the bylaw through transfer of ownership or death of a dog, after which no further exemption shall apply."

Prepared by: 

Approved by: 

Jamie Collins

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: July 16, 2026 11:38 AM
To: Thrive
Subject: Re: New Residents Inquiry

Thank you Jamie!!

I did some digging before I received your email and figured I would just have to pay for the 'kennel fee' as stated here.

So really either way works.

We will be moving to 702 Royal Drive on July 30, 2026 with our 3 dogs and would like to kindly request approval to have all 3 with us.

Thank you!

On Wed, Jul 15, 2026 at 3:56 PM Thrive <thrive@townoftrochu.ca> wrote:

[REDACTED]

Welcome to Trochu! We are glad you chose our community to be your home.

For sure for utilities, complete that form and email it to Toni, I've included her on this email. Just note the date you want the utilities switched to your name, having a heads up is helpful to us. That way we can arrange for a final meter read for the current owners. Summer is the busiest time for our public works guys, so this helps them to be able to schedule things in. Thanks!

Now regarding the dogs, to get them licensed you just pop by the office, we take down some information from you, take payment and give you a tag. The charge is \$15 per dog for altered dogs and \$40 for unaltered. However, I do need to make you aware that in our animal bylaw you are only allowed to have two dogs. Don't panic though! I'm a dog lover myself and understand there is no way you're going to get rid of a family member! What we can do for you is we can grant you an exception because you are just moving here, I can write you a letter, the only thing to know is that if you were ever to give one of your dogs away or if one sadly passes away, you cannot replace it and go back up to three dogs.

I hope that makes sense.

TOWN OF TROCHU
(26-58)
Request to Council for Decision

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting	
Date:	August 17th, 2026	
Prepared By:	Jamie Collins, CAO	
Originated By:	Jamie Collins, CAO	
Approved By:	Jamie Collins, CAO	
Title:	Consideration of Business Licensing	(initials)

BACKGROUND:

Administration has received correspondence from local business owners requesting that Council consider business licence requirements for businesses operating within the Town of Trochu.

The Town does not currently require businesses operating within the municipality to obtain a business licence. The correspondence raises concerns regarding fairness between established property-owning businesses and businesses operating from leased or rented premises, mobile businesses, food trucks and other businesses that may conduct business within Trochu.

The broader issue of business licensing has also been raised through the Town's economic development planning process. During discussions with Community Futures and Lochaven, the absence of a business licensing system was identified as a significant gap in the Town's ability to maintain reliable data regarding businesses operating within the community.

Administration is therefore bringing the correspondence forward as an opportunity for Council to consider whether business licensing should be further researched for possible implementation in 2027.

DISCUSSION/ALTERNATIVES:

Council has historically placed considerable value on Trochu being a business-friendly community and avoiding unnecessary regulation or administrative red tape. Any consideration of business licensing should continue to reflect this philosophy.

However, a business licence system does not necessarily need to be designed primarily as a regulatory or revenue-generating tool. A simple, low-cost system could provide the Town with valuable information while maintaining a welcoming environment for businesses.

Potential benefits include:

- Accurate business data: Establishing and maintaining a current inventory of businesses operating within Trochu, including home-based, mobile and temporary businesses.
- Improved communication: Providing Administration with a reliable contact list to communicate directly with the business community regarding grants, programs,

construction impacts, events, economic development opportunities, emergency information and other matters affecting businesses.

- Economic development information: Allowing the Town to better understand the number and types of businesses operating locally, identify gaps in services, track changes over time and provide meaningful information to potential investors and economic development partners.
- Business support: Creating a direct connection between businesses and the municipality, allowing the Town to more effectively share opportunities and resources.
- Fairness and consistency: Establishing clear expectations for businesses operating within the municipality, including businesses that do not own taxable commercial property in Trochu.
- Community promotion: A business registry could support the public business directory or other initiatives promoting local businesses, should Council wish to pursue this in the future.
- Planning and decision-making: Better information regarding local business activity can assist Council and Administration when considering land use, infrastructure, downtown initiatives and future economic development priorities.

There would also be disadvantages to establishing a business licence program. It would introduce an additional requirement for businesses and create some administrative workload for Town staff. Depending on the model selected, licence fees could also be perceived as an additional cost or barrier to doing business in Trochu.

For this reason, Administration is not recommending that Council establish a business licence program at this time. Rather, Council may wish to direct Administration to research how comparable municipalities administer business licensing, including:

- licence fees and whether local property-owning businesses are charged differently;
- treatment of mobile, temporary and out-of-town businesses;
- home-based businesses;
- application and renewal processes;
- enforcement requirements;
- administrative costs and staff requirements; and
- options for keeping the process simple and business friendly.

This information could then be brought back to Council for consideration prior to the 2027 budget and operating year.

Alternatively, Council may choose to receive the correspondence for information and maintain the current approach of not requiring business licences.

COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Administration could consult with Community Futures, Lochaven and neighbouring/comparable municipalities when researching potential business licensing models.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Economic Development – A business licensing or registration system could provide reliable local business data, improve communication with the business community and strengthen the Town's ability to identify needs, opportunities and gaps within the local economy.

Fiscal Responsibility – Researching the costs, administrative requirements and potential revenues prior to implementation would allow Council to determine whether a business licensing system provides sufficient value to justify the resources required to administer it.

Partnerships – Improved business information and direct communication could strengthen relationships between the Town, local businesses and economic development partners.

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

There is no significant immediate budget impact associated with directing Administration to research business licensing options.

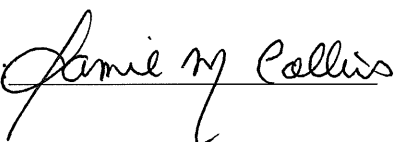
Should Council ultimately choose to establish a business licence program for 2027, there may be costs associated with administration, communications and enforcement. These costs would be identified as part of Administration's research, along with potential licence fee revenues and options for establishing a system that is cost-effective and administratively simple.

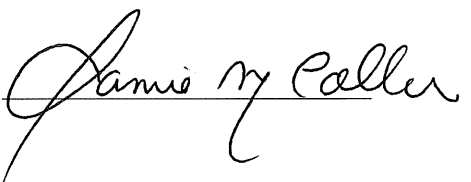
RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the following motion be presented for consideration:

“That Town Council directs Administration to research business licensing models used by comparable municipalities and bring options back to Council for consideration for potential implementation in 2027.”

ATTACHED – Redacted letter

Prepared by: 

Approved by: 

Town of Trochu,

We are writing this letter in regards to the businesses operating in town with no business licence. As a business of 22 years in this community we feel it frustrating that people can come to town and open a business with no rules, or fees. We appreciate that there is no fee for businesses that own their property but it is unfair for those that don't pay property tax. If they rent, lease or are mobile they should be required to pay a business licence fee. This fee would benefit the community and maybe lower or keep taxes from increasing. As a business we donate to every cause in the community, support other businesses as a family and are a crucial part of this community. If a business can come here and operate with no business licence then they are already given an advantage. Most of the businesses we've seen in town lately (food truck, ice cream truck) do not donate or support our community. They are coming to our town taking business and leaving with profits to spend elsewhere. We know the community is lacking places to eat especially in the evening and are happy to welcome these businesses to town to fill that gap. We just feel it is unfair that they can come here, make profit and our town gets zero benefit.

We are happy to discuss further if you have any questions or if there are any misunderstandings. We want what is best for our community as a whole and hope to have many more years of successful business in Trochu.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]