



July 7, 2026 Council Meeting Highlights

Note: Motions included in the Highlights are tentative – the Council minutes will be the official record. The Highlights are set out as the meeting agenda was published and does not necessarily indicate the sequential order in which events occurred during the meeting.

Regular Council Meeting – Open Session

Item 6.1: Bylaw C20-26 - Amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 to Update C5 - Fort Mall Redevelopment District by adding new Discretionary Use (Education (public)) - Public Hearing

The following individuals registered to speak in favour of Bylaw C20-26 and were available for questions:

- Peter Crittenden, BR2 Architecture
- Kelsey Tarrant, Elk Island Public Schools
- Mark Huberman, Huberman Transportation Consultants Inc.

Item 7.1: Business Arising from Public Hearing: Bylaw C20-26 - Amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 to Update C5 - Fort Mall Redevelopment District by adding new Discretionary Use (Education (public)) – 2nd and 3rd Readings – Taran Samra, Planner I and Shree Shinde, Manager, Current & Long Range Planning

Councillor Harris moved:

- That Council give second reading to Bylaw C20-26 to amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 by adding “Education (Public)” as a discretionary use within Section 7.9.2(c).

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Harris moved:

- That Council give third reading to Bylaw C20-26 to amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 by adding “Education (Public)” as a discretionary use within Section 7.9.2(c).

Carried Unanimously

Item 8.1: Commercial Revitalization Grants Policy FIN-017-C – Erin Brush Duncan – Director, Economic Development

Mayor Makin moved:

- That Council approve amendments to the Commercial Revitalization Grants Policy FIN-017-C to remove the Commercial Improvement Grant stream and ensure only one-time grant funding, as set out in Appendix “C” attached to the May 26, 2026, Request for Decision report.

Defeated 3 - 4

(In favour: Mayor Makin, Councillors Noyen and Wesley // Opposed: Councillors Katchur, Harris, Blizzard and Randhawa)

Councillor Randhawa moved:

- That the Commercial Revitalization Grants Policy FIN-017-C be amended to remove the “Commercial Improvement” grant stream.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That section 4.13 of the Commercial Revitalization Grants Policy FIN-017-C be amended to read as follows:

4.13. Each individual business or Individual Unit is eligible to receive funding on a one-time basis.

Carried 6 - 1 (In favour: Councillors Katchur, Noyen, Harris, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa // Opposed: Mayor Makin)

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That the approval authority within the Commercial Revitalization Grants Policy FIN-017-C be amended from Administration to the Community Grants Committee (Tourism Hosting Grant Committee).

Defeated 1 - 6 (In favour: Councillor Katchur // Opposed: Mayor Makin, Councillors Noyen, Harris, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa)

Item 9.1: Downtown Development Strategy and Incentives Update – Erin Brush Duncan – Director, Economic Development

Councillor Blizzard moved:

- That Council approve the proposed amendments to Downtown Development Incentives Policy FIN-015-C as set out in Appendices “C” and “D” attached to the July 7, 2026 regular Council meeting as part of the “2026 Downtown Development Strategy Final Report and Incentives Update” agenda item.

Carried Unanimously

Item 9.2: Motion following Notice - Proclamation Council Policy – Councillor Gale Katchur

Councillor Katchur moved:

- That by the end of the end of the third quarter of 2026, Administration prepare a Council Policy on proclamations that includes provisions to ensure that:
 - a) Proclamation requests are submitted directly to the Mayor;
 - b) Decisions on proclamations are finalized by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor;
 - c) Proclamations are scheduled either immediately preceding a council meeting, during a council meeting, or at a community event when requested by the applicant; and
 - d) In situations where the proclamation applicant(s) indicate that there are no expected attendees for the proclamation, proclamations be published on the City’s public website without any further in-person portion.

Carried 4 - 3

(In favour: Councillors Katchur, Harris, Wesley, and Randhawa // Opposed: Mayor Makin, Councillors Noyen and Blizzard)

Item 9.3: Helmuth Ritter Fire Station - Construction Budget Approval – Paul Edginton, General Manager, Community & Protective Services – Todd Martens, Fire Chief – Joey Farebrother, Senior Engineering Coordinator – Grant Schaffer, Director, Fleet, Facilities & Engineering

Councillor Randhawa moved:

- That Council amend Capital Project 25025 - Helmuth Ritter Fire Station by adding \$28,901,000 to the project budget, authorizing construction of the facility, and further that the project be funded by debenture.

Carried 6 - 1

(In favour: Mayor Makin, Councillors Katchur, Harris, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa // Opposed: Councillor Noyen)

Item 10.1: Bylaw C24-26 - Helmuth Ritter Fire Station Borrowing Bylaw - 1st Reading – Shannon Andruchow, Manager, Budget and Financial Planning and Jeremy Emann, Chief Financial Officer

Councillor Blizzard moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C24-26, a bylaw authorizing the City to borrow up to \$28,901,000 for the construction of the new Helmuth Ritter Fire Station project.

Carried 6 - 1

(In favour: Mayor Makin, Councillors Katchur, Harris, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa // Opposed: Councillor Noyen)

Item 10.2: Bylaw C13-26 - Amend the Pointe Aux Pins Area Structure Plan to adopt the Mirigal Neighbourhood Structure Plan - 1st Reading, and Bylaw C17-26 - Amend LUB C23-20 to add the East Mirigal District and Redistrict Lands in Pointe Aux Pins- 1st Reading – Taran Samra, Planner I and Shree Shinde, Manager, Current & Long Range Planning

Mayor Makin moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C13-26 to amend Pointe Aux Pins Area Structure Plan Bylaw C18-24 by:
 - a) replacing Schedule “A” with Schedule “A” of Bylaw C13-26 attached to the July 7, 2026 Request for Decision report; and
 - b) adopting the Mirigal Neighbourhood Structure Plan outlined in Appendix “B” attached to the July 7, 2026 Request for Decision report.

and further that a Public Hearing be scheduled for July 21, 2026.

Carried 6 - 1

(In favour: Mayor Makin, Councillors Katchur, Noyen, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa // Opposed: Councillor Harris)

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C17-26 to amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 by:
 - a) adding special district EM – East Mirigal Special District;
 - b) redistricting a portion of NE13-54-23-4 from AG-S – Agricultural General South District to EM – East Mirigal Special District;
 - c) redistricting a portion of NE13-54-23-4 from AG-S – Agricultural General South District to C2 – Commercial Retail and Service District;
 - d) redistricting a portion of NE13-54-23-4 from AG-S – Agricultural General South District to PR – Parks and Recreation District; and
 - e) redistricting a portion of NE13-54-23-4 from AG-S – Agricultural General South District to PU – Public Utility District;

and further that a Public Hearing be scheduled for July 21, 2026.

Carried 6 - 1

*(In favour: Mayor Makin, Councillors Katchur, Noyen, Wesley, Blizzard and Randhawa //
Opposed: Councillor Harris)*

Item 10.3: Bylaw C26-26 - Amend the Land Use Bylaw to Redistrict the Old Dr. Turner Lodge Site - 1st Reading – Scott Purich, Planner I and Shree Shinde, Manager, Current & Long Range Planning

Councillor Blizzard moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C26-26 to amend Land Use Bylaw C23-20 by:
 - a) creating a new Direct Control district DC(A)-23 – 101 Street Multi-unit Residential; and
 - b) redistricting the former Dr. Turner Lodge site from PS – Public Service District to DC(A)-23 – Direct Control – 101 Street Multi-unit Residential;

and further that a Public Hearing be scheduled for August 25, 2026.

Carried Unanimously

Item 10.4: Bylaw C5-26 - Parkland Bylaw - 3 Readings – Jenelle Hart, Manager, Parks Services – Kyle Waite, Coordinator, Parks Services – Ben Sharpe, Supervisor, Municipal Enforcement

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C5-26, the Fort Saskatchewan Parkland Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give second reading to Bylaw C5-26, the Fort Saskatchewan Parkland Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council provide unanimous consent to move to third reading of Bylaw C5-26, the Fort Saskatchewan Parkland Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give third reading to Bylaw C5-26, the Fort Saskatchewan Parkland Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Item 10.4: Bylaw C27-26 - Tax Installment Program Bylaw – Trish Norman, Revenue Services Coordinator

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give first reading to Bylaw C27-26, Tax Installment Program, to authorize the regulation and collection of a monthly tax installment plan in the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give second reading to Bylaw C27-26, Tax Installment Program, to authorize the regulation and collection of a monthly tax installment plan in the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council provide unanimous consent to proceed with third and final reading to Bylaw C27-26, Tax Installment Program, to authorize the regulation and collection of a monthly tax installment plan in the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Councillor Noyen moved:

- That Council give third reading to Bylaw C27-26, Tax Installment Program, to authorize the regulation and collection of a monthly tax installment plan in the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

Carried Unanimously via Consent Agenda

Regular Council Meeting – Closed Session

Council moved to Closed Session at 3:03 p.m. to discuss matters that fall within the exemptions to disclosure according to the *Access to Information Act*, being:

- 14.1 Draft Letter: Heartland Housing Foundation Governance, ATIA Section 29, Advice from Officials, Section 26, Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations
 - 14.2 Intergovernmental Affairs Update, ATIA Section 26, Harmful to Intergovernmental Relations
 - 14.3 City Manager Update, ATIA Section 29(a), Advice from Officials
 - 14.4 City Manager Performance Review, ATIA Section 29(a), Advice from Officials
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Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.