



**YOUTH COUNCIL  
UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
April 1, 2026  
6:00pm – 8:00pm  
Lang Rm, City Hall**

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**In Attendance:**

Councillor Patrick Noyen  
Kristi Wahl, City Liaison  
Carla Salgado  
Ava Bendick  
Dara Olagunju  
Leandra Kapseu  
Lebron Macahia  
Samantha Sadili  
Vishwa Barot  
Mya White

**Absent:**

Sorrow Donkin

**1.0 Welcome, Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement**

Carla Salgado **MOTIONS** to call the April 1, 2026 Youth Council meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.  
Ava Bendick Seconded.

**CARRIED.**

Leandra Kapseu acknowledged that the City of Fort Saskatchewan is located on Treaty 6 territory and Metis Nation of Alberta District 11. We recognize that we stand upon land that carries the footsteps of many Indigenous Peoples, including the Nehiyawak, Dene, Blackfoot, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, and Metis. The City honours the First Peoples of this land and is committed to fostering reconciliation through relationship building, knowledge gathering, and education.

**2.0 Approve Agenda**

**MOVED BY** Vishwa Barot to approve the agenda for the April 1, 2026 Youth Council meeting agenda. Seconded by Carla Salgado.

**CARRIED.**

### **3.0 Approve Meeting Minutes**

**MOVED BY** Lebron Macahia to approve the Meeting Minutes for the March 4, 2026 Youth Council meeting agenda. Seconded by Ava Bendick.

**CARRIED.**

### **4.0 City of Fort Saskatchewan Council Update**

- a. Councillor Noyen informed Youth Council about the 70 year water tower that stands in Fort Saskatchewan will be going under a renovation and getting cleaned and repainted this year, and some parts replaced.
- b. Mayor and Council also approved a new design for entrance signs to the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

### **5.0 Youth Advisory Committee Update**

- a. Youthfest and the Chalk Art Contest are being planned for the Legacy Park Family Festival, June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Deadwood, October 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **6.0 Upcoming Activities, Workshops and Conference**

- a. Regional Youth Conference; the Regional Youth Conference is being planned for November 10, 2026, in Spruce Grove, the theme is The Leadership Link: Our Voices, Our Impact.
- b. Youth Council 2025-2027 Strategic Plan presentation to Mayor and Council is scheduled for April 21 at the Committee of the Whole meeting starting at 2:00pm.
- c. Young Adult Event, Show and Share, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 7:30pm; Screams on the Screen, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:00pm Doors Open, 9:00pm movie starts.
- d. Food Bank School Challenge. On Hold.
- e. Snow Angels Program, thank you to Youth Council Member Mya for stepping up to help this program.
- f. Cram A Thon, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 6-9pm.
- g. Earth Day Event, Compost Giveaway, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 5pm at the Transfer Station, all those who put their name forward to volunteer will be put on a shift with a time.
- h. Youth Awards; Ava Bendick, Leandra Kapseu, Carla Salgado, Lebron Macahia and Samantha Sadili will be on this working group.

### **7.0 Social Media Ideas**

- a. Dara Olagunju and Vishwa Barot provided some ideas for Youth Council to record for social media.
- b. Dara Olagunju and Vishwa Barot will work with Kristi Wahl to set up a meeting with Corporation Communications department to share their social media plan, get some input and work on creating some deadlines for social media posts.

## **8.0 Fort Record Monthly Submission**

- a. April – Dara Olagunju
- b. May - Ava Bendick

## **9.0 Guest Speakers**

- a. May – Jenelle Hart and Kyle Waite, Parks Services
- b. June – ARROW Utilities Tour
- c. September – Taylor Berry-Boparai and Meredith Shewchuk, Fort Heritage Precinct

## **10.0 Roundtable**

- a. Leandra Kapseu has found a new show she is interested in that she shared with the group.
- b. Ava Bendick completed her mock trial in University and it went well.
- c. Carla Salgado shared that Shoppers is doing a fundraiser for the Win House, it is a Beauty Mingle event on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- d. Vishwa Barot wants to move forward with her Dhun project and is disappointed it is not moving forward as fast as she hoped.
- e. Mya White is looking for employment.
- f. Lebron Macahia is in a short film and he plays a “bad” guy. It is called “Short Life”
- g. Samantha Sidili shared that she is part of the North Saskatchewan Water Council and they have won an award.

## **11.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting is set for May 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lang Room.

## **12.0 Adjournment**

**MOVED BY** Lebron Macahia to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Seconded by Mya White.

**CARRIED.**