



**YOUTH COUNCIL  
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
January 7, 2026  
6:00pm – 8:00pm  
Belcher Rm, City Hall**

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**In Attendance:**

Kristi Wahl, City Liaison  
Carla Salgado  
Ava Bendick  
Dara Olagunju  
Leandra Kapseu  
Mya White  
Lebron Macahia

**Absent:**

Sorrow Donkin  
Vishwa Barot

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

Kristi Wahl calls the January 7, 2026 Youth Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2.0 Approve Agenda**

**MOVED BY** Mya White to approve the agenda for the January 7, 2026 Youth Council meeting agenda. Seconded by Ava Bendick.

**CARRIED.**

**3.0 Approve Meeting Minutes**

**MOVED BY** Ava Bendick to approve the meeting minutes for the November 5, 2025 Youth Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Carla Salgado.

**CARRIED.**

**4.0 Cst. Ann Galatiuk, Student Resource Officer, RCMP**

- a. Cst. Galatiuks role in the school allows her to do presentations on cyberbullying, child luring, and safety to name a few while also allowing youth the opportunity to

access RCMP resources within the school by students. Cst Galatiuk is also able to assist the school in criminal offences that occur on school property.

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

- a. Welcome Councillor Patrick Noyen.
- b. Mayor and Council are recently elected and once the election was official the newly elected officials have to participate in sessions where they learn their new role and responsibilities.
- c. Updates from Council is the 2026 budget that has been approved that has included the Aquatics Centre and the new Firehall.

### **6.0 Youth Advisory Committee Update**

- a. Give Back Project for Caregivers, currently working on soup in a jar.

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

- a. Regional Youth Conference; Ava Bendick, Mya White, and Sorrow Donkin; working groups have been created to dig into some of the conference planning, currently determining a location to host, budget, and who will be invited to attend, whether that is only those in leadership groups or if it will be open to all.
- b. Strategic Plan, Mission/Vision statements Dara Olagunju; will present to Mayor and Council in April or May.
- c. Young Adult Event, Show and Share, Carla Salgado, and Leandra Kapseu; will be hosting the event on February 19<sup>th</sup> at the Public Library.
- d. Food Bank School Challenge. On Hold.
- e. Snow Angels Program, Mya White; thank you to Mya for helping with the shoveling of snow.
- f. Cram A Thon, Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. 6 – 9pm. Youth Council will still volunteer for this event and provide pizza.

### **8.0 Social Media Ideas**

- a. Carla Salgado will create a year in review for Youth Council for social media to help promote Youth Council.

### **9.0 Fort Record Monthly Submission**

- a. January – Mya White
- b. February – Dara Olagunju
- c. March -

### **10.0 Guest Speakers**

- a. February – Debra Colorosa from BGC
- b. March – Sophie Angoh, Supervisor, Waste Management

### **11.0 Roundtable**

- a. Youth Council Nominations:

Chair:

Leandra Kapseu

Ava Bendick

Vice Chair:

Vishwa Barot

Sorrow Donkin

### **12.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting is set for February 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lang Room.

### **13.0 Adjournment**

**MOVED BY** Ava Bendick to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Lebron Macahia.

**CARRIED.**