



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department:** Legislative Services

**Submitted by:** Bonnie Stearns

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of the November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopts the Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** Report/Document: Attached \_X\_ Available \_\_\_ Nil \_\_\_

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter M-26, Division 9, Part 6, Section 208 Performance of major administrative duties. 'The chief administrative officer must ensure that the minutes of each council meeting are given to council for adoption at a subsequent council meeting.'

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

Following MGA requirements

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

That the Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes accurately reflect Council's decision and direction at its Regular Meeting.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

The minutes presented are the unapproved record of the Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting and are presented for adoption, or adoption as amended, by Council.

Minutes were emailed out to Council on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> with no changes made at the time of this report.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

That Council adopts the Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Permanent management and storage of Minutes.

**GENERAL:**

Historical; permanent record for future review.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

Legislative department ensuring the documents are properly handled.

**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

The Minutes will be printed, signed by the Mayor and CAO, and placed in a secure location for long term storage.

CAO reviews minutes with management team to determine action items and identify follow up tasks.

Review at regular Manager's Meetings to ensure tasks are being completed.

**COMMUNICATION:**

The approved minutes will be posted onto the town's website for public viewing.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

Minutes for the past several years are available for public viewing on the website.

**Presented at the** Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold

  
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# Town of Penhold

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES



Town Council Chambers  
November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Mayor:

Mike Yargeau

### Councillors:

Teresa Cunningham  
Ken Denson  
Cameron Galisky

Shaun Kranenborg  
Tyrone Muller  
Kathy Sitter

### Guests:

Ann Bilyk  
Lori Wolfe

### Staff:

Rick Binnendyk, CAO  
Bonnie Stearns, Executive  
Assistant

Mayor Yargeau called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor**

#### **1.1 Addition to the Agenda**

Addition 7.4 PCPS – Alberta Community Planning (APC Grant)

#### **1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

#### **2025-310**

Councillor Muller moved to accept the Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Regular Council meeting agenda as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **2. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### **2.1. Adoption of the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Organizational Meeting Minutes**

#### **2025-311**

Councillor Sitter moved to approve the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Organizational meeting minutes as provided.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **2.2. Adoption of the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

**2025-312**

**Councillor Kranenborg moved** to approve the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Regular Council meeting minutes as provided.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**3. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

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**2025-313**

**Councillor Denson moved** that Council accept the listed Business Arising out of the Minutes as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

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**5. PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS**

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**6. REPORTS**

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**6.1. Financial**

- 6.1. a. Monthly Accounts for Online Payments and Payments from Oct. 29 – Nov. 19, 2025**

**2025-314**

**Councillor Galisky moved** that Council receives the Monthly Accounts for Online Payments from Oct. 29 – Nov. 19, 2025, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 6.1. b. Monthly Bank Reconciliation Statement for the months ending Aug. 31 and Sept. 30, 2025**

**2025-315**

**Councillor Denson moved** that Council receives the Monthly Bank Reconciliation Statement for the months ending Aug. 31 and Sept. 30, 2025, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 6.1. b. Investment Statement for the month ending Oct. 31, 2025**

**2025-316**

**Councillor Kranenborg moved** that Council receives the Monthly Investment for the month ending Oct. 31, 2025, as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.2 CAO Report – Rick Binnendyk**

- Distributed in Council Package

**2025-317**

**Councillor Cunningham moved** to accept the CAO's monthly report as information.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.3 Community Services – Jennifer Blaylock**

- Distributed in Council Package

**2025-318**

**Councillor Sitter moved** to accept the Community Services Manager's monthly report as information.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.4 Fire & Protective Services – Sean Pendergast**

- Distributed in Council Package

**2025-319**

**Councillor Galisky moved** to accept the Fire & Protective Services Manager's monthly report as information.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

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**7.1 Swearing In Deputy Mayor****2025-320**

**Councillor Sitter moved** that Council appoints Councillor Teresa Cunningham as Deputy Mayor, to be in effect immediately up to and including June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.2 Listing Municipal Building (former Fire Hall) for Sale****2025-321**

**Councillor Kranenborg moved** that Council authorize Administration to retain a realtor for the purpose of listing the municipal building of address 1001 Minto Street for sale on the condition of completion of the new operations facility.  
**CARRIED**

**7.3 Changes to December 2025 Regular Council meetings****2025-322**

**Councillor Galisky moved** that Council moves the Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Regular Council meeting to Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>  
**AND FURTHER**, that Council cancels the Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, Regular Council meeting.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.4 Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS)  
– Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) Grant**

**2025-323**

**Councillor Cunningham moved** that Council support the Town of Penhold participating as a partner municipality with PCPS, in an application for funding from ACP to conduct a Penhold Growth Strategy Proposal.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

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**9. REPORTS from COUNCIL BOARDS and COMMITTEES (Formal Reports)**

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**9.1 2026 South Red Deer Regional Wastewater Commission (SRDRWC) Preliminary Financial Plan & Budget**

**2025-324**

**Councillor Denson moved** that Council receives the 2026 SRDRWC Preliminary Financial Plan and Budget, which forecasts a fee increase for Penhold of 1.1% or 3 cents from \$2.71/m<sup>3</sup> to \$2.74/m<sup>3</sup> for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**10. BYLAW(s)**

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**10.1 Bylaw 839/2025 Council Procedure Bylaw – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

**2025-325**

**Councillor Kranenborg moved** that Council move to give second reading of Bylaw 839/2025 being the Council Procedure Bylaw as presented.

**CARRIED**

**2025-326**

**Councillor Denson moved** that Council move to give third and final reading of Bylaw 839/2025 being the Council Procedure Bylaw as presented.

**CARRIED**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE and INFORMATION**

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**11.1 General Correspondence**

**2025-327**

**Councillor Cunningham moved** that Council receives the correspondence for information as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2025-328**

**Councillor Muller moved** that Council support the Penhold Volunteer Firefighters Association and its Dueling Piano Fundraiser by becoming a Platinum Sponsor at the cost of \$1,250.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2025-329**

**Councillor Cunningham moved** that Council support the Penhold Volunteer Firefighters Association and its new community fundraising event – ‘Summer Beats, Eats and Boozy Treats’ by providing a donation of \$2,000.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2025-330**

**Councillor Galisky moved** that Council direct Administration to invite Central Sport to provide a presentation at Council’s Dec. 15 Regular Council meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**12. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE – Information no action**

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Mayor and Councillors reported meetings they attended on behalf of the Town of Penhold.

**2025-331**

**Councillor Galisky moved** that Council accepts the verbal reports as information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**13. QUESTIONS from the GALLERY**

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Q & A Session

**2025-332**

**Councillor Denson moved** that Council take a brief recess at 7:00 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2025-333**

**Councillor Sitter moved** that the meeting be called back to order at 7:04 pm.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**14. CLOSED SESSION**

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Section 27: Privileged information

**2025-334**

**Councillor Galisky moved** that Council move into a Closed Session at 7:04 PM.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**2025-335**

**Councillor Sitter moved** that Council move out of Closed Session at 7:20 PM.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **15. ADJOURNMENT**

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**2025-336**

**Councillor Muller moved to adjourn Council Meeting at 7:20 pm.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**MAYOR**

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**CAO**





## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department: Corporate Services**

**Submitted by: Trish Willis**

**SUBJECT: 2026 Operating Budget**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approve the 2026 Operational Budget as presented.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

This budget has gone through several reviews by staff, then the management team to find additional options to further streamline expenditures. At the Budget meeting of December 1<sup>st</sup>, with councils' discussion a further reduction has been incorporated within this current budget.

In this budget, the debenture payments for the new building have been identified within the costs but only to a 50% level. The debenture will be a discussion with Council in early 2026 and management intends to push as much grant funds towards this new build as possible to bring the long-term debt to a minimum.

At this time, the Administration is asking that Council pass the 2026 Operational Budget so that we can proceed with operational expenditures in the new year. Council will address this budget again, once the province announces funding following their fiscal year end and we set to pass the Capital Budget in April 2026. Penhold has been committed to addressing potential areas that could affect our ratepayers on a yearly basis.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Report/Document: Attached X Available \_\_\_ Nil \_\_\_**

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 – Section 153 (a) states in part that Councillors have the duty “..... to bring to council’s attention anything that would promote the welfare or interests of the municipality”.

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

The attached report is to keep the Council informed and up-to-date on the financial activities and future expenditures for the Town of Penhold.

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

A balanced, focused 2026 Operational Budget.  
Ensure delivery of high-quality services to town residents

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

That Council defers the 2026 Operational Budget back to the administration and requests additional information or changes.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

Approve the amended budget.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

When the budget is reviewed again in April, based on available funds, expenditures that have been removed from the budget may be added back into the budget should the Council wish to proceed. Approving the Operational Budget permits administration work within operational expenditures such as wages, utilities and postage to be paid into the new year.

**GENERAL:**

The attached budget has been prepared with the understanding that the Council directed the increasing cost of policing and school requisitions as set out by the Province to be passed on to the taxpayer.

Staff is requesting that the Council approve the 2026 Operating Budget knowing that it will be reviewed again early in 2026 with the capital portion of the budget with the grant and requisition numbers as submitted by the province. At that time, a finalized budget with Capital expenditures will be presented with municipal tax rates and school requisitions.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

Administration

**FINANCIAL:**

This operating budget will allow staff wages and ongoing expenses to be paid while we wait for the Provincial fiscal year for grant totals to be provided in April.

**FOLLOW-UP ACTION:**

As directed by Council

**COMMUNICATION:**

Notify residents and businesses via social media realms, monthly Reporters, and ENews

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the** December 15th, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold



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## BUDGET PROGRESSION

Date : Dec 12, 2025

Time : 12:19 pm

*Penhold*

For Period Ending 31-Dec-2026

2026 OPERATIONAL BUDGET					
	FINAL BUDGET	FIRST QUARTER	SECOND QUARTER	THIRD PERIOD	FOURTH QUARTER
REVENUE					YEAR END TOTAL
ASSETS					
TAXES	-4,248,794.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NEW GROWTH	-85,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SALES OF SERVICES	-4,150,794.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SALE OF ASSETS	-3,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DONATIONS	-14,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FRANCHISE FEES & INTEREST	-700,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER REVENUE	-132,700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GRANTS & TRANSFERS	-1,929,558.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REQUISITIONS	-1,654,868.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total ASSETS</b>	<b>-12,919,214.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total REVENUE</b>	<b>-12,919,214.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
EXPENSES					
EXPENSES					
STAFF WAGES	3,861,226.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COUNCIL WAGES	357,390.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BENEFITS	612,738.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRAINING	188,511.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REQUISITIONS	1,655,473.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MILEAGE	18,311.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MEMBERSHIPS	18,119.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
POSTAGE, PHONE AND FREIGHT	97,660.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION	38,642.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	295,305.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAINTENANCE	953,814.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSURANCE	178,101.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CONTRACTED SERVICES	1,111,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
GOODS & SUPPLIES	585,067.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	497,682.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PROGRAM GRANTS	273,408.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DEBENTURES	509,904.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
OTHER FEES & CHARGES (BANK & WRITE OFF	22,041.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>11,274,392.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL</b>					
CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,629,098.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total CAPITAL</b>	<b>1,629,098.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>12,903,490.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

BUDGET PROGRESSION

For Period Ending 31-Dec-2026



2026 OPERATIONAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	FIRST QUARTER	SECOND QUARTER	THIRD PERIOD	FOURTH QUARTER	YEAR END TOTAL
Report Totals	-15,724.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department: Administration**

**Submitted by: Rick Binnendyk**

**SUBJECT: Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) 2025 – 2026 Membership**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council directs Administration to renew its Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) 2025 – 2026 Membership in the amount of \$261.45.

**AND FURTHER that** Council directs Administration to process payment for all identified 2025 – 2027 membership fees listed as per the attached Schedule A.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** Report/Document: Attached X Available \_\_\_ Nil \_\_\_

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

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**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

AS outlined in RMA’s Strategic Direction 2023 – 2027:

1. Effectively Leading the RMA through Insightful Leadership and Effective Internal Operations
2. Championing and Advocating on Municipal and Rural Issues
3. Facilitating Networking and Educational Opportunities
4. Being a Resource of Credible Knowledge
5. Delivering Competitive Business Services Including Insurance, Risk Management and Procurement Expertise.
6. Cultivating Strategic and Collaborative Partnerships

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

Continue to help rural municipalities achieve strong, effective, local government.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

1. That Council defers the RMA Membership back to administration and requests additional information.
2. Council wishes to remove or add some memberships.
3. Clarity on any specific account that is in question.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

Pay membership.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Strengthen rural Alberta through effective advocacy and valued services.

**GENERAL:**

Invoice attached.

Attached is a listing of the different memberships and fees Administration puts before Council, on an annual basis, for approval to renew. If Council supports the listed memberships, payments will be processed when invoices are received and no longer brought before Council.

New memberships will continue to go before Council for their consideration and direction.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

Administration

**FINANCIAL:**

As per council's direction

**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

Process payment

**COMMUNICATION:**

Only to the vendor/payments

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold**

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# INVOICE



**RMA**  
RURAL MUNICIPALITIES  
of ALBERTA

Page 1/1  
Invoice RMA011890  
Date 11/1/2025  
Customer # AB2050

**Bill To:** Town of Penhold  
PO Box 10  
Penhold AB TOM 1R0

**Ship To:** Town of Penhold  
PO Box 10  
Penhold AB TOM 1R0

Purchase Order No.	Ordered By	Ordered Date	Supplier Invoice #	Supplier Invoice Date
Purchased From:				

Quantity	Unit	Item Number	Description	Unit Price	Ext. Price
1.000	Each	MEMBERSHIP FEES	August 1, 2025 - July 31, 2026	\$249.00	\$249.00

GST/HST \$12.45  
PST \$0.00

Subtotal	\$249.00
ECO Fees	\$0.00
Freight & Misc	\$0.00
Tax	\$12.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$261.45</b>

Goods and Services Received

Please Remit To: Rural Municipalities of Alberta 2510 Sparrow Drive Nisku AB T9E 8N5

Payment Terms: End of Next Month

GST/HST# 106692627 BC PST# 12457601 SK PST# 7266125 MB PST# 120442-9

**SCHEDULE A**  
**Penhold Membership Listing**

Membership Name	Acronym	Cost	Membership Term
Rural Municipalities of Alberta	RMA	\$261.45	Aug. 1, 2025 - July 31, 2026
Tourism Red Deer		\$210.00	2025
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	FCM	\$1,058.85	2025 - 2026
Alberta Mid-sized Towns Mayors' Caucus	MTMC	\$250.00	2025
Alberta Municipalities	ABMunis	\$5,117.71	2024
Innisfail Chamber of Commerce	ICC	\$183.75	2025
Red Deer Chamber of Commerce		\$131.25	
Central Alberta Mayors & Reeves Group	CAM&RG	\$150.00	2026
Parkland Airshed Management Zone	PAMZ	\$1,228.87	
		\$8,591.88	





## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DEPARTMENT:** Administration

**SUBMITTED BY:** Rick Binnendyk

**REPORT:** December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the CAO's update report as information.

### COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP/UPCOMING:

- Elected Official's Emergency Management training Jan 21<sup>st</sup> – Innisfail
- Our Minister of Infrastructure Hon Devin Dreesen will be joining council for an update at the Jan. workshop
- Staff Seargent Ihme has asked if Tues Feb 10<sup>th</sup> perhaps at 6:00 PM, would work for a community discussion?
- Check the Council Calendar for upcoming events

### UPDATES:

#### Projects:

#### School:

- **Chinooks Edge** has forwarded their scheduling for the portable wall placement. The header will be done this week with the partition scheduled for early Feb. In discussion with the school and Library there was no need for a temporary wall.
  - There has been discussion with the school division about timing the removal of the old school. Apparently, a contractor has been chosen and ready to move forward. This will be upon approval from the provincial department.
  - There was discussion on the school site and future plans. Our office identified that using this for a bus depot will not be supported by the town.
  - The School Division is looking for a land parcel for school buses now and into the future. Once we have further clarity, this will be coming forward to Council.
  - With the new school building, we are moving to discussions on the joint use of facilities.
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) School Routes granting has been submitted for possible approval for the next budget year. We have been approved to move forward on the full application of which has been completed and has now been sent in.
  - The Town is taking the lead, however we have identified and confirmed roles and responsibilities with Chinook's Edge School Division, RCMP, Fire & Protective Services, and Citizens on Patrol, which shows collaboration and strong partnerships. This initiative, if approved, will see additional safety features incorporated throughout town which may include additional signage, crosswalk and crosswalk signals, painting curbs, roads, and paths, speed signs, as well as traffic calming measures.

**Offsite Levies:** considering our recent dialogue with our MLA we will be flagging the roundabout from the updated levy report.

**Memorial Hall:** Staff have completed a report on the Memorial Hall which is under review. Once the review is completed a presentation will be made to Council.

**Development items:**

- At the recent Melcor function we were advised by Northside Construction that they were ready to proceed with the earthwork only to be held up by crossing agreements with ATCO pipelines. We connected with their engineering team for clarity on this matter. The approval time was delayed by 2 X, the norm for approvals.
- Our team has a yearly review with ATCO and will be bringing this and several other matters forward.
- Our office has been in conversation with the East Lincoln Properties. There was a meeting scheduled this past week, but unfortunately it was moved to January due to other pressing items.

**Administration:**

- Budgets have been a key focus over the past few weeks. Staff have reviewed the survey results and are looking at incorporating several suggested ideas into our 2026 budget.
- Our office has been in discussion with Rita Maroun from the Federal Government regarding the Active Transportation funding project. We are closing off this grant process for the final claim. There appeared to be some confusion on what they suggested was a project scope change regarding the ATCO pipeline path system. We identified that the scope did not change to the original funding request. After some consultation we have forwarded an email about the alteration of the paths.
- There was some further training on Sharepoint for staff. The focus is to move all our data to the cloud. We have been assured that the backup remains in Canada.
- We hosted an MPC meeting that dealt with two possible business license requests.
- We continue to work on information in regard to the recent Strategic Planning session by responding to information forwarded by our facilitator. A draft values version has been sent and responded to; a telephone conversation on several areas for clarity purposes was held Dec 11th.

**On behalf of Staff:** We would like to wish Council a very MERRY CHRISTMAS as we look forward to an exciting and prosperous New Year.

**UPCOMING ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

- Continue to focus on development opportunities
- Ongoing dialogue with the School Division re: the old school site
- Strategic Planning Retreat Dec 5 – 6 follow-ups
- Memorial Hall conclusions with recommendations

**Presented at the Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold**

  
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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DEPARTMENT:** Fire and Protective Services

**SUBMITTED BY:** Sean Pendergast

**REPORT:** Month of November

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accepts the monthly Fire and Protective Services report as information.

**COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP:**

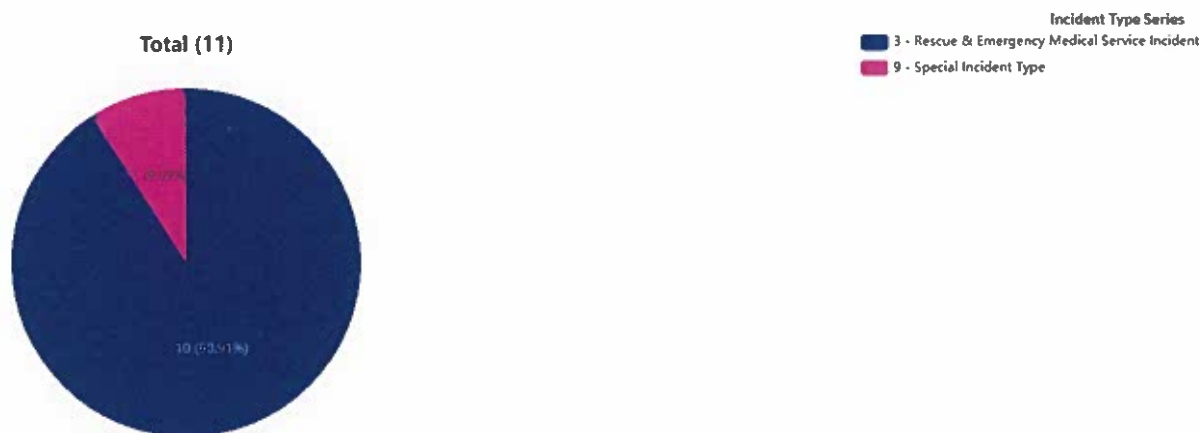
Attendance for six councillors is confirmed for January 21<sup>st</sup> for the Emergency Management training in Innisfail.

**MONTHLY UPDATE:**

**Fire Department**

**Operations:**

The department consists of 29 qualified members, which includes 4 Probationary Firefighters, 15 Firefighters ranging from 4<sup>th</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup> class, 5 Lieutenants, 2 Captains, 2 Deputy Chiefs, and one Chief.



In November 2025, the Fire Department responded to a total of 11 calls:

- Rescue & EMS: 10 calls (90.91%)
- HAZMAT: 1 calls (9.09%)

Compared to October (14 calls):

- Rescue & EMS: same
- HAZMAT: increased by one

**Training:**

- Standard First Aid for Cadets complete
- Advanced First Aid recertification for firefighters ongoing
- On November 18<sup>th</sup> Penhold Fire Department joined Red Deer County in a training session at station 6. The first of planned quarterly collaborations.

**Notes:**

- Training will be suspended during the holidays and resumes in January
- Honourariums were paid to qualified members

**Events:**

- Santa comes to town on December 21<sup>st</sup> for an orientation tour

**Maintenance:**

- Building: tube heater in apparatus bay has ignitor repaired

**Municipal Enforcement:**

**Operations:**

Pet licence renewals were sent out October 1<sup>st</sup>. Residents who renew their pet licences between October 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> for the 2026 licence year, can do so at a discount.

Officer qualifications were re certified for all members in November

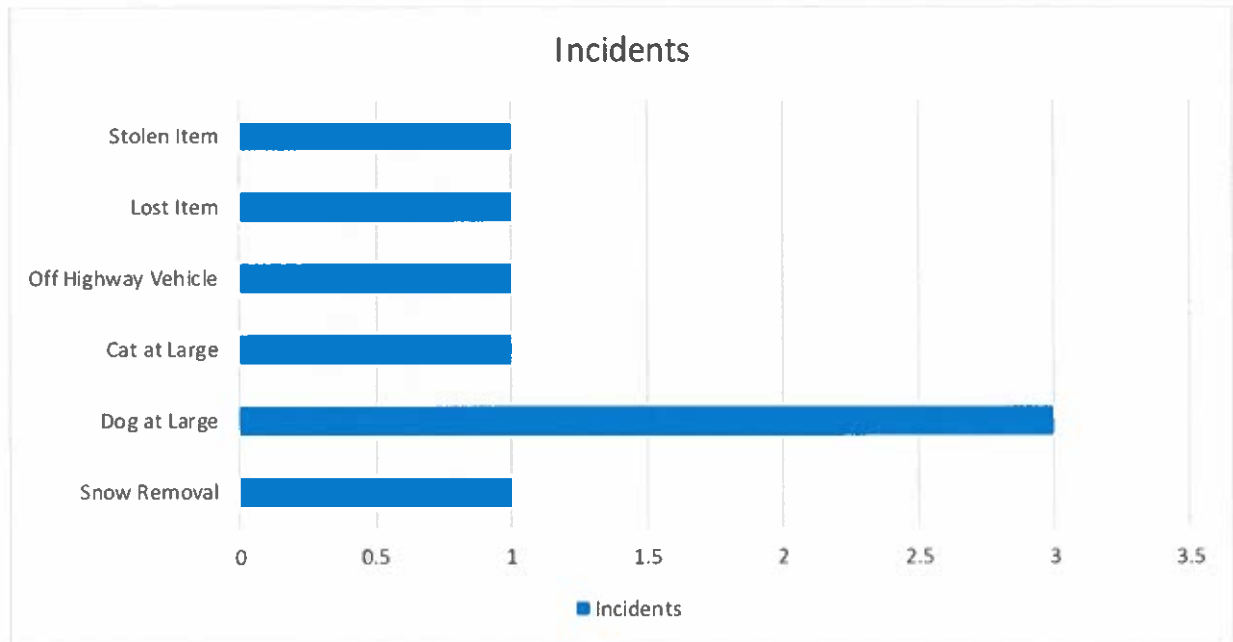
**MUNICIPAL ENFORCEMENT – INCIDENT TYPES (November 2025)**

Top reported incidents:

- Suspicious activity: 5
- Animal at Large: 3
- Public Inquiry: 3
- Others: Vandalism, graffiti, assist calls, etc.

Total Incidents: 27

Compared to October (44 incidents): ↓ 17 incidents



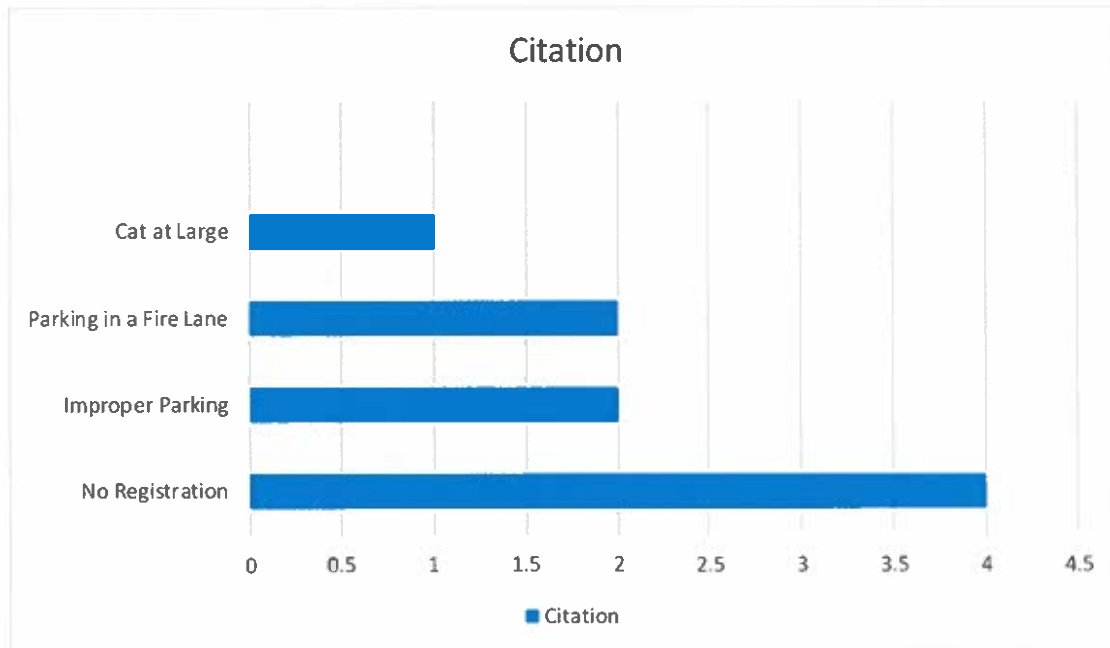
#### MUNICIPAL ENFORCEMENT – CITATION TYPES (November 2025)

##### Citations issued:

- No Registration: 4
- Improper Parallel Park: 2
- Parked in a Fire Lane: 2
- Cat at Large: 1

Total Citations: 12

Compared to October (30 citations): ↓ 18



A speed sign was placed on HawkrIDGE Blvd in the playground zone.

Serial # **304112** Street: **HawkrIDGE** Speed Limit: **30 KPH**

DATE	Vehicle Count	Speeder Count based on Avg. Spd.	Speeder Count % based on Avg. Spd.	Speeders > 10 KPH based on Avg. Spd.	Speeders > 20 KPH based on Avg. Spd.	Speeders > 30 KPH based on Avg. Spd.	Fastest Time Period	Speeders > 10 KPH based on Peak Spd.	Speeders > 20 KPH based on Peak Spd.	Speeders > 30 KPH based on Peak Spd.	Daily 85th %tile Speed	Daily Average Speed
Nov 3	714	157	22%	6	0	0	2:15p	20	1	0	34	27.3
Nov 4	697	143	21%	7	2	0	2:30p	25	3	1	34	27.3
Nov 5	684	144	21%	3	0	0	9:15p	20	1	0	34	27.4
Nov 6	734	159	22%	4	0	0	9:45p	24	1	0	35	27.3
Nov 7	635	164	26%	6	0	0	10:45p	21	0	0	34	28.1
Nov 8	547	159	29%	6	1	0	6:15p	29	3	1	35	28.4
Nov 9	476	137	29%	7	0	0	6:15p	23	1	0	35	28.3
Nov 10	558	140	25%	9	0	0	12:30a	29	3	0	35	27.8
Nov 11	511	116	23%	5	0	0	6:15p	22	1	0	35	27.2
Nov 12	769	151	20%	5	2	1	4:45p	23	2	1	34	26.8
Nov 13	802	177	22%	2	0	0	1:00p	17	0	0	35	26.8
Nov 14	842	185	22%	5	0	0	11:15p	29	3	0	34	27.1
Nov 15	760	186	25%	9	0	0	1:00p	29	0	0	35	27.7
Nov 16	595	146	25%	8	1	0	4:30p	21	2	0	35	27.5
Nov 17	662	127	19%	5	0	0	7:30p	18	0	0	34	27.2

### Emergency Management:

A Planning P workshop and Forms workshop are being planned in collaboration with AEMA (Alberta Emergency Management Agency) for early winter for the Town of Penhold staff to better understand the operating mechanisms within the incident command post of the emergency management.

Elected Official Emergency Management (EOEM) training, as legislated, will be held in Innisfail in January. This session is expected to include all elected officials of the Red Deer Regional Emergency Management Partnership (RDREMP), likely excluding the City of Red Deer.

We are booking the annual audit of our Emergency Management Department in February.

### **Building Construction Milestones:**

The construction is currently on budget, and we are expecting to be in the building by April 2026.

#### **Site Setup: 100%**

#### **Site Development:**

- Pad Compaction: 100%
- Site cut: 100%
- Site Services and Extension: 100%
- Site Electrical: 10%
- Site Graveling: 100%
- Gas Service: 100%
- Bollard Install: 100%
- Gravel prep for NW Apron: 100%
- Forming NW Apron: 100%
- Gravel prep SW Apron: 100%
- Forming SW Apron: 100%
- Gravel prep SE Apron: 100%
- Forming SE Apron: 100%
- Gravel prep NE Apron: 100%
- Forming NE Apron: 100%
- Asphalt Prep: 100%
- Asphalt Paving: 100%
- Pin on Curbs: 100%
- Line Painting: 100%
- Wheel Stops: 100%
- Landscaping: 100%

#### **Shop and Office Shell:**

- Foundation and Piling Install: 100%
- Gradebeams: 100%
- Backfill: 100%
- Structural Steel Install: 100%
- Misc Steel Install: 100%
- Roof Install: 100%
- Wall Panel Install: 100%
- Trim and Gutters: 100%
- RTU Install: 100%

- Overhead Door Install: 100%
- Exterior Window Install: 100%

#### **Top Down Finishes:**

- Gas Line Install: 100%
- HVAC Install: 100%
- Lighting Install: 100%
- Sprinkler Install: 100%
- Sump Install: 100%
- Underground Plumbing Rough In: 100%
- Plumbing Backfill: 100%
- Underground Electrical: 100%
- Backfill Electrical: 100%
- Excavate for Trench Drains: 100%
- Radon Rock Install: 100%
- Radon Membrane Install: 100%
- Radon Inspection: 100%
- Trenches Forming and Rebar: 100%
- Place and Finish Slab: 30%
- Slab Sawcut and Sealer: 0%
- Mechanical and Electrical & Wall install: 0%
- Liner Panel Install: 0%

#### **Office Main Floor:**

- Underground Rough In: 100%
- Radon Rock Install: 100%
- Radon Membrane Install: 100%
- Radon Inspection: 100%
- Forming and Rebar: 100%
- Office Slab Pour: 100%
- Office Slab Sawcut and Seal: 0%
- Layout Office Walls and Tracks: 0%
- Firespray: 0%
- Office Wall Framing: 0%
- Doorframe Install: 0%
- Mechanical/Electrical Rough in: 0%
- Drywall: 0%
- Mud and Tape: 0%
- Painting: 0%
- Ceilings: 0%
- Mechanical and Electrical Finishes: 0%
- Door Hardware Install: 0%
- Millwork Install: 0%



- Final Paint: 0%
- Commissioning: 0%
- Final Clean: 0%

**Office Second Floor:**

- Mezzanine Rebar: 100%
- Mezzanine Place and Finish: 100%
- Mezzanine Sawcut and Seal: 100%
- Steel Stud Framing: 100%
- Door Frame Install: 100%
- Mechanical and Electrical Rough In: 100%
- Drywall: 100%
- Mud and Tape: 0%
- Painting: 0%
- Ceilings: 0%
- Mechanical and Electrical Finishes: 0%
- Door Hardware Install: 0%
- Flooring: 0%
- Millwork Install: 0%
- Final Paint: 0%
- Commissioning: 0%
- Final Clean: 0%

**Cold Storage Building:**

- Slab Gravel Install: 100%
- Forming and Rebar: 100%
- Slab on Grade and Apron: 100%
- Bollards and Form: 100%
- Wood Framing: 100%
- Roof and Wall Tin Install: 100%
- Overhead Door Install: 100%
- Electrical Install: 0%

**UPCOMING ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

- Continued Building Construction

**CAO COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the** December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold

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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DEPARTMENT:** Multiplex

**SUBMITTED BY:** Michael Szewczuk

**REPORT:** Month of December

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Council accepts the Multiplex Manager's report as information.

### COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP:

### MONTHLY UPDATE:

**Arena** – In November, the Red Deer Pond Hockey league started utilizing a lot of our weekend morning ice times. Our ice bookings have been full of more requests coming in all the time. So far, everything in the Arena has been running smoothly. We have been fairly lucky with the weather and the amount of use we have seen.

I have also been talking over the past month with a few of our users in regard to upcoming contract renewals with various groups. So far, the groups that have leases coming up early next year are all planning on coming back to the facility for future contract renewals.

**Gymnasium** – November was a typical month for us in the Gymnasium. We had some Volleyball, some kids' gym and of course, Fall Festival. While Fall Festival is a large undertaking for us to set up and take down, the staff work well together and help each other out with getting items ready and parts of the festival set up whenever they can. We left the flooring overnight so that the night staff could mop the flooring and let it dry, and the morning staff took time to put everything away between Arena bookings.

**Facility Stats** – In November we produced roughly 5,967 kWh of power with our solar panels reducing our carbon footprint by roughly 5,649 kg and saving us roughly \$716.00 in power.

We also saw about 22,653 people visiting the Multiplex in November through the front doors of the facility. Roughly 800 people attended the Community Christmas event according to the front door sensors on November 21 from 4:00pm – 10:00pm

### Fitness -

	November 2024	November 2025
MEMBERSHIP SALES	\$8,883.50	\$11,081.00
DROP-INS	\$385.00	\$264.00
TRAINING	\$602.75	\$2,585.25
DROP IN GYM	\$1,049.00	\$1,105.00

TOTAL REVENUE	\$11,276.75	\$15,035.25
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A total of **22** fobs were issued for 24-hour members in the month of November.

The Fitness Centre had **56** new members for the month of November.

Fitness Class participation is good, and some have reached full capacity. Classes running in November are Full Body HIIT Mix, In the Zone, Pilates Fusion, Burn & Turn Spin, Zumba, TRX, Muscle Up Express, Hot Beats, Early Burn, 8 Rounds, Pump It Up, Step, Butts & Gutt's HIIT Mix, Game of Gains, Power Step, and Stretch & Release.

Learn 2 Skate is doing well. Revenue for November classes was \$697.00. Registration for January - March will open in December.

	November 2025	Totals 2025
Penhold Sr Track Users	43	240
Kids Gym	97	693
Staff Fitness Usage	14	279
Penhold Fire Dept	24	276
Pickle Ball	196	934

The above chart will now be used for tracking information for 2025 year.

#### UPCOMING ITEMS OF INTEREST:

#### CAO COMMENTS:

**Presented at the** December 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold

  
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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DEPARTMENT:** Operations

**SUBMITTED BY:** Brandon Kowalchuk

**REPORT:** Month of November 2025

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council accepts the Operations report as information.

**COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP:**

**MONTHLY UPDATE:**

**WATER:**

- Water consumption as of November 30<sup>th</sup> is 23,045 M<sup>3</sup>; which is up 7% from this time last year.
- Monthly Water Meter reads were completed on November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- 46% of utility accounts are signed up to receive E-Bills.
- There were no new Water Meters installed.
- Operators topped up the fuel on both emergency power generators at the reservoirs.
- Empty Chlorine Gas Cylinders were replaced with a shipment of full bottles at both reservoirs.
- Sterling completed annual pump maintenance at both reservoirs.
- Operators used the hydrovac trailer to clean out a few water main valve boxes to get them in operating order.
- Nov 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> United Utilities replaced 3 Water Main Valves with new valves. Operators flushed lines and tested the water when service was back online.
- Operators investigated a low water pressure complaint at a local business. Staff found no issues on the town side.

**SEWER:**

- As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, sewer flows were 23,393 M<sup>3</sup> for the month. This is down 11% in comparison to this time last year.
- The Sani Dump had no credit card users and only one token received up to when the unit was closed and winterized on Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Pump #2 @ NLS had to be pulled and debris was found jammed into the propeller causing the pump to trip out. Once cleared and reinstalled the pump ran normal.

- Nov 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> United Utilities worked to replace a section of clay pipe sanitary line on Lucina St that crosses under Highway 2A by the method of line bursting, and drag installing a replacement fused PVC Line. This project went smoothly and there was no service interruptions to sewer flow with the bypass pumping during the work.

#### **SRDRWC:**

- Operators performed 152 hours of work in November on the Regional System, with two after hour call outs on the system.
- SRD Operations meeting was held on Nov 4<sup>th</sup> in Penhold.
- A meeting was held with the SRD Operations Manager to discuss Operators concerns with the Y strainers on the Scrubber units at the OMF frequently plugging off.

#### **TRANSPORTATION:**

- The Skid Steer and pickup broom attachment was used to pick up leaves on Windsor Ave
- Some minor snow removal was completed on Robinson (Lucina - Hawkridge) Nov 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Intersections were scrapped on Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, & 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Sanding Truck was out on Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, & 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **Maintenance of Equipment:**
  - #35 required a fuel leak to be repaired.
  - Unit#22 (Water Truck) was winterized on Nov 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - The grader and a couple dump trucks were retrieved after getting stuck in the snow dump area.
  - A 1,500-hour service was completed on the grader
  - #33 Street Sweeper was winterized on Nov 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Brushes were changed on angle brooms attachments.

#### **STORM:**

- No updates to report

#### **PARKS & RECREATION:**

- **Sports Fields**
  - Lights for the Basketball nets at the Outdoor Rink were tuned off on Nov 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Staff worked on flooding the ODR when Mother Nature allowed on Nov 25<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **Parks**
  - Christmas Lights were prepped and installed on light poles on Nov 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Straw Bales were installed at Mt. Penhold to protect tobogganers from the metal culvert.
  - Trees were watered on Nov 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Staff installed extra boards to the top of the Pergola located at the Splash Park.
  - Staff built the dock for The Penhold Commons Pond to be installed in Spring of 2026

- Some missing hardware was discovered on the Critters Corner play structure. Staff ordered replacement parts and installed them.
- Flower orders for 2026 were submitted.
- Some pruning of trees was completed.
- Garbages were changed on Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Pathways & Sidewalks were cleared on Nov 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Ice Melt was applied to pathways on Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **MEMORIAL HALL:**

- For the month of November there was three bookings in the Hall. There is six additional bookings and three lease agreement groups for December.
- The current Caretaker, Natalie, will conclude her contract on Dec 31, 2025. The new Caretaker, Becky, will start her contract on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

#### **GARBAGE:**

- Garbage & Recycling totes are repaired when reported.
- Compost Bins were pushed in by staff on November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup>; when the bins were removed for the season.

#### **RV Park:**

- Christmas Village by Monarch was set up in the park and will remain till mid-January.
- Attached is a spread sheet showing comparatives for RV Parks costs and onsite amenities available at the locations.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL:**

- Nick Nagy has passed his 6 months' probation
- One Operator attended the Management & Supervision for Operators Course in Edmonton put on by the AWWOA
- All Department Staff attended SharePoint Training

#### **UPCOMING ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

- ODR Ice making when weather allows. Watch Town Socials and website for announcement when opened for season.
- Christmas Tree pickup Jan 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- Installation of grain elevator signage along Fleming Ave; Spring 2026
- A section of storm line to be re-lined on Minto St. in 2026
- Snow removal when accumulation reached.
- Intersection scraping, pathway sweeping, and sanding ongoing when needed.

#### **CAO COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold**

  
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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department:** Operations

**Submitted by:** Nancy Podgurski

**SUBJECT:** Outstanding Utility Accounts 2024 - 2025

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council supports the finalized utility accounts with an outstanding balance for the October 2024 – December 2025 period be written off as presented.

**AND FURTHER** should the past resident move back to town, their outstanding account will be reactivated.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

Our team makes every attempt to collect all funds that is owing to the community. When it becomes apparent that we cannot find the respective client we do need to write off the account.

**RECOMMENDATION**                      **Report/Document:** Attached \_X\_ Available \_\_\_ Nil \_\_\_

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 - Section 207 – Chief Administrative Officer's Responsibilities. This report is an extension of the CAO's updates report.

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

Operational

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

To reconcile outstanding accounts.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

That Council defers the October 2024 – December 2025 utility write-offs to administration and requests additional information.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

To clear up past delinquent accounts to show at year end a realistic value.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Operational

**GENERAL:**

The attached list represents delinquent accounts dating from October 2024 to December 2025.



The Operations Utilities Clerk ensures efficient follow up with residents who have outstanding accounts by sending proper forewarning letters and documentation, which results in a higher collection rate on outstanding accounts.

It is important to note that these outstanding accounts are accounts that the Town is unable to collect due to no response from resident, vacated premises without notice, properties were sold and rental accommodations. See copy of the listing attached.

It should be noted that the write-off amount in percentage is .271 of 1 percent over one year.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**


**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

As directed by Council

**COMMUNICATION:**

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the** December 15, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold.

  
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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department:** Administration Services

**Submitted by:** Trish Willis

**SUBJECT:** Photocopier Lease Agreement

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council support Administration entering a 5-year lease for a BP-71C45 and a BP-71C45+ photocopier with CIP Office Technology.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

Our current systems have become a source of frustration by staff with the ongoing problems of machine breakdowns, lack of toners and slow service. This does not hold well for our type of business that requires heavily on our coping machines.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** Report/Document: Attached X Available     Nil    

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 – Section 201 (a) states in part that Councillors have the role of “..... Developing and evaluating the policies and programs of the municipality”.

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

Quality equipment that can handle the needs of all staff.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

That Council defers to Administration and requests additional information.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

Ensure we have adequate equipment and that it operates at top capacity.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Commit to a five-year lease.

**GENERAL:**

Administrative staff was given the task of evaluating various photocopier suppliers as the contract on the Xerox AltaLink C8170 (Main Office machine) and the Xerox PrimeLink C9070 (Community Service machine) is due for replacement in January 2026. The original contract on these machines was for three years, but the machines worked well, so we extended the contract a further 2 years. Now, at the five-year mark, they are showing their wear and should be replaced.

Quotes were received from Segue Systems, our current provider, for machines to replace our current machines and from CIP Office Technology which offers Sharp photocopiers. The summary of charges is listed on page 3. What is not listed on the pricing page is that Segue is run from Edmonton or Calgary and we have had issues with our machines in the past and the service can be spotty. CIP Office Technology has a technician that lives in Penhold and they are run from Red Deer.

Based on the attached information, Administration is requesting Council support staff entering a contract with CIP Office Technology to lease a BP-71C45 to replace the Xerox AltaLink in the administration office and a BP-71C45+ to replace the Xerox PrimeLink in the community services office on a five-year lease.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

**FINANCIAL:**

As directed by Council.

**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

Advise CIP Office Technology of Council's decision.

**COMMUNICATION:**

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold**




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<b>2026 Photocopier Leases</b>			
<b>Current</b>	Segue Systems		
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	0.053	per copy colour	
	PrimeLink		Quarterly Rate
Rate	622.64	per month	2490.56
	0.0090	per copy BW	
	0.0550	per copy colour	
		<b>Total per quarter</b>	<b>3422.08</b>
<b>Proposed</b>	CIP Office Technology 60 months		
	BP-71C45	to replace Altalink	Quarterly Rate
	214.56	per month	858.24
	0.0070	per copy BW	
	0.0560	per copy colour	
	CIP Office Technology		
	BP-71C45+	to replace Primelink	Quarterly Rate
	231.11	per month	924.44
	0.0070	per copy BW	
	0.0560	per copy colour	
		<b>Total per quarter</b>	<b>1782.68</b>
<b>Quoted</b>	Segue Systems 60 months		
	Altalink	to replace Altalink	Quarterly Rate
	201.62	per month	806.48
	0.0070	per copy BW	
	0.0550	per copy colour	
	CIP Office Technology		
	Primelink	to replace Primelink	Quarterly Rate
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LEASE CONTRACT # 502120 - 113405

LESSEE INFORMATION	LESSEE NAME: Town of Penhold ("Lessee")				
	CO-LESSEE NAME: ("Co-Lessee")				
	ADDRESS: Box 10				
	CITY: Penhold	PROVINCE: Alberta	POSTAL CODE: T0M 1R0	FAX #: 4038864039	
	CONTACT: Carrie Black	PHONE #: (403) 886-3287	EMAIL: cblack@townofpenhold.ca		
EQUIPMENT INFORMATION	EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION 2 x BP71C45 Color Multi Function Printers				
	Schedule , attached hereto, constitutes part of this contract. SUPPLIER: CIP Office Technology - Red Deer				
	EQUIPMENT LOCATION: (If different) #1 Waskasoo Avenue, Pehhold, Alberta, T0M 1R0				
PAYMENT TERMS	TERM (in months)  60	MONTHLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO. OF PAYMENTS 60	Payment #1 \$470.84	Other Total \$470.84 plus applicable taxes
		QUARTERLY <input type="checkbox"/>	NO. OF PAYMENTS	Payment #2	Other Total plus applicable taxes
OTHER:					
PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT PLAN (PAD)	<p>By providing a <u>VOID cheque</u> or otherwise providing to Lessor Lessee's banking information, Lessee hereby authorizes Lessor and the financial institution noted in Lessee's banking information to draw payment from the bank account noted in Lessee's banking information (or such other branch or financial institution as Lessee may authorize at any time) in favour of the Lessor to cover all amounts owing under this Lease Contract. Lessee acknowledges that fixed or variable payments, recurring and one-time payments will be debited from the Lessee's specific bank account on the first day of each payment period in which such amounts are due. This authorization will remain in effect until Lessor receives written notification from Lessee to cancel such authorization which must be delivered to Lessor at the address noted above at least thirty days before the next debit is scheduled. If Lessee fails to provide its banking information to Lessor or if the Lessee cancels this authorization, Lessee agrees to pay Lessor a service charge of \$5.00 plus applicable taxes for each rental invoice, notice or statement produced and sent to Lessee.</p> <p><u>Lessee hereby waives its right to receive pre-notification of the amount of the pre-authorized debit (PAD) or any changes to said amount including but not limited to changes due to tax variations, insurance payments or any additional charges, fees or penalties (and taxes thereon) owned by Lessee under the terms of this Lease Contract. Lessor may not assign this authorization without providing notice to Lessee of such assignment including the identity and contact information of the assignee in advance of any PAD being issued in the assignee's name.</u></p> <p>Lessor acknowledges that Lessee has certain recourse and other rights with respect to the amounts and continuation of PADs under this Lease contract. Lessee may contact their financial institution or visit <a href="http://www.cdnrcap.ca">www.cdnrcap.ca</a> for more information and to obtain forms for reimbursement or cancellation. Execution of this Lease Contract in the space provided below (facsimile accepted) together with provision to Lessor by Lessee of a void cheque or other form to provide Lessor with Lessee's banking information shall constitute acceptance by Lessee and Lessor of all terms in this Lease Contract relating to authorization of PAD. Lessee acknowledges that payments made by PAD under this Lease Contract are for business purposes only.</p>				
D & A	<p>By execution of this Lease Contract in the space provided below, Lessee certifies that all of the equipment referred to above and in any schedule to this Lease Contract (together with all accessories and attachments thereto which, in case of computer or similar equipment shall include, but not be limited to, power cords, batteries, modems, cables, AC adapters, slot covers, plastic panels, and knobs, the "Equipment") has been received by Lessee, that the Equipment is properly installed and in good working order and condition and, that the Equipment is, in all respects, satisfactory to the Lessee and is accepted by Lessee for all purposes contemplated under this Lease Contract. <b>ACCORDINGLY, BY EXECUTION OF THIS LEASE CONTRACT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW, LESSEE AUTHORIZES LESSOR TO PURCHASE THE EQUIPMENT.</b></p>				
CONTRACT EXECUTION	<p><b>LEASE COMMENCEMENT AUTHORIZATION:</b> By execution of this Lease Contract in the space provided below, Lessee and Co-Lessee, as applicable, each acknowledge having read and accepted the terms and conditions of the Lease Contract that are set forth on the attached pages, the above terms and conditions relating to the PAD and the above terms relating to the delivery and acceptance ("D&amp;A") of the Equipment. Each of the parties hereto acknowledge and agree that each reference in this Lease Contract to the term "Lessee" shall include and refer to each of the Lessee and Co-Lessee, as applicable.</p>				
	<p>LESSEE NAME:</p> <p>Town of Penhold</p> <p>By: </p> <p>PRINT NAME: Tricia Willis</p> <p>TITLE: Corporate Services Manager</p> <p>DATE ACCEPTED BY LESSOR: _____</p> <p>RCAP Leasing Inc.</p> <p>BY: FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY</p>		<p>CO-LESSEE NAME:</p> <p></p> <p>BY: </p> <p>PRINT NAME: _____</p> <p>TITLE: _____</p> <p>LEASE COMMENCEMENT DATE: _____</p> <p>Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this Lease Contract shall not become a binding obligation of the Lessor until such date as it has been duly executed by an authorized representative of Lessor.</p>		

PLEASE SIGN WHERE INDICATED (✱)

## TERMS & CONDITIONS OF LEASE

**1. NON-CANCELLABLE CONTRACT.** This Lease Contract cannot be cancelled except as expressly provided for herein.

**2. RENTAL.** Lessee shall pay to Lessor on the first day of each payment period the periodic rental amount set forth herein. The first rental payment is due upon execution of this Lease Contract by Lessee. If the rental payment includes the cost of a service contract, Lessee agrees to increase the rental payment by the amount of any increase in the cost of such service contract as may be imposed by the supplier thereof during the Term of this Lease Contract. Lessee hereby agrees to pay a daily rental for the period from the date of delivery and installation of the Equipment to the Lease Commencement Date calculated based upon the full periodic rental amount pro-rated to the number of days in such period. Lessee's obligation to pay rent and its other obligations under this Lease Contract are not subject to any abatement, set-off, defense, reduction or counter-claim for any reason whatsoever.

**3. DEPOSIT.** If requested by Lessor, Lessee shall deposit with Lessor simultaneously with the first rental payment, a non-interest bearing deposit which will be refunded to Lessee upon the expiry of this Lease Contract provided that Lessee has made all payments to Lessor, rent and otherwise, as required by the terms of this Lease Contract. Lessor shall retain, as a genuine pre-estimate by the parties of Lessor's damages and not as a penalty, any advance payment made by Lessee in contemplation of completion of this Lease Contract if the Lease Contract is not finalized for any reason other than the rejection of Lessee's credit application by Lessor.

**4. OWNERSHIP, LOCATION AND USE.** The Equipment remains the property of Lessor and under no circumstances shall title pass to Lessee during the Term of this Lease Contract, except as expressly provided herein. The Equipment shall be located and used at Lessee's place of business as set forth herein and may not be moved without the prior written consent of Lessor. Lessee warrants that the Equipment is being rented and will be used for business and commercial purposes only. Lessee shall, at its own cost and expense, keep Equipment in good repair, condition and working order and shall furnish all parts and servicing as required.

**5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.** Lessee acknowledges that the vendor, manufacturer and specifications of the Equipment were selected by Lessee for the purpose of this Lease Contract. Lessor makes no warranty, express, implied, or legal, as to any matter whatsoever including the condition of the Equipment, its merchantability or its fitness for any particular purpose and as to Lessor, Lessee is renting the Equipment on an AS IS basis. In no event shall Lessor have any liability for, nor shall Lessee have any remedy against Lessor for, consequential, special, incidental or punitive damages or any loss of profits or savings, loss of use, or any other commercial loss in connection with this Lease Contract and the Equipment. Lessee agrees to indemnify Lessor from any and all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, costs, expenses, damages, and liabilities arising out of, connected with or resulting from the Equipment. If the Equipment is not properly installed, does not operate as represented or warranted by the vendor or manufacturer of the Equipment or is unsatisfactory for any reason, Lessee shall make any claim on account thereof solely against the vendor or manufacturer of the Equipment and shall nevertheless pay to Lessor all amounts payable under this Lease Contract. Lessee acknowledges that Lessor is not an agent of the manufacturer or vendor of the Equipment and that the vendor and manufacturer of the Equipment are not agents of Lessor. To the extent that they are assignable, all warranties from the vendor and manufacturer in respect of the Equipment are hereby assigned to Lessee. Lessee acknowledges that its name has not been set out in its official formation filings in its jurisdiction of organization, in an English form and a French form, or in a combined English and French form.

**6. EQUIPMENT TO REMAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY.** Lessor and Lessee hereby agree that the Equipment shall always remain and be deemed personal or movable property even though the Equipment may hereafter become attached or affixed to realty. Lessee shall be responsible for the installation and removal of the Equipment and shall indemnify and save Lessor harmless from any damage to any real estate, building or structure arising from the installation or removal of the Equipment. Lessee shall not, without the prior written consent of Lessor, make any alterations, additions or improvements to the Equipment. All such alterations, additions and improvements shall become part of the Equipment and shall be the property of Lessor. Lessor shall have access to the Equipment at all reasonable times for the purpose of inspecting the Equipment.

**7. LAWS, TAXES AND FEES.** Lessee shall, at its sole expense, comply with all laws, regulations and orders relating to this Lease Contract and the Equipment and agrees to pay when due all license fees, assessments and all other taxes or penalties and interest now or hereafter imposed in respect of the Equipment, its use or any interest therein, or any rental payments, including, but not limited to, all federal, provincial or local taxes however designated, levied or assessed, whether upon Lessee, Lessor or the Equipment or its sale, lease, ownership, use or operation (but excluding income and capital taxes of Lessor). Lessee acknowledges that Lessor may file a financing statement or similar registration with respect to this Lease Contract so as to give notice to any interested parties. To the extent permitted by law, Lessee agrees to waive all rights to notice as may be applicable under any such registration of this Lease Contract, including without limitation, notice of any financing statement, financing change statement, amendment or verification statement evidencing any such financing statement, financing change statement or amendment. Lessee agrees to pay to Lessor a minimum documentation fee of \$100.00 to be billed with the first rental payment to cover the account set-up administration and registration costs of Lessor. Lessee also agrees to pay a fee of \$5.00 for each rental invoice, notice or statement produced and sent to Lessee should payment hereunder, for whatever reason, not be made by pre-authorized means.

**8. ASSIGNMENT.** Lessee agrees not to transfer, sell, assign, sublet, pledge or encumber either the Equipment of any part of the Equipment or any rights or obligations under this Lease Contract without the prior written consent of Lessor and, notwithstanding Lessor's consent, Lessee, its heirs, executors, liquidators, administrators, successors, trustees and assigns and any guarantor shall remain jointly and severally liable (or solitarily liable if the laws of the Province of Québec apply) under this Lease Contract together with Lessee's assignee or sub-lessee. Lessor shall be paid a minimum fee of \$400.00 on account of its processing costs associated with an assignment or sub-lease. Lessor may at any time assign all or part of its right, title and interest in this Lease Contract and the Equipment and Lessor may grant security interests in the Equipment subject to Lessee's rights therein as set forth in this Lease Contract and, in such events, all of the provisions of this Lease Contract for the benefit of Lessor shall inure to the benefit of Lessor's assignee but such assignee shall not be liable for or be required to perform any of Lessor's obligations to Lessee. All rental payments due and to become due under this Lease Contract and assigned by Lessor shall be paid directly to Lessor's assignee upon written notice of such assignment to Lessee and the right of such assignee to the payment of assigned rentals and the performance of all Lessee's obligations and to exercise any other rights of Lessor hereunder shall not be subject to any defense, counterclaim or set-off which Lessee may have or assert against Lessor and Lessee hereby agrees that it will not assert any such defenses, set-offs or counterclaims and claims against Lessor's assignee.

**9. TERMINATION AND RENEWAL.** At the termination of this Lease Contract, Lessee may, at its own expense, deliver the Equipment to Lessor at such place as Lessor may designate in writing. The Equipment shall be delivered to Lessor in good order and repair except that ordinary wear and tear shall be accepted. In the case of computer or similar Equipment, Lessee shall remove all confidential data and all passwords and security protection from hard drives and other storage media and shall return such Equipment boxed with units in padded carrying cases or bubble wrap. Lessee shall give Lessor 90 days written notice prior to termination of this Lease Contract of its intention to return the Equipment. If Lessee chooses to return the Equipment upon the termination of this Lease Contract but returns it incomplete, Lessee shall be fully liable to Lessor for the value of the unreturned components as determined by Lessor. If Lessee does not return the Equipment to Lessor upon the termination of this Lease Contract in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, then this Lease Contract shall be automatically renewed for an additional twelve (12) month term subject to the same terms and conditions hereof (including the renewal provision) and the periodic rental payable during such renewal period will be the amount due for the last such period prior to the expiry of the initial Term of this Lease Contract.

**10. INSURANCE.** Lessee assumes the entire risk of loss or damage to the Equipment from any cause whatsoever. No loss or damage to the Equipment or any part thereof, shall affect or impair the obligations of Lessee hereunder which shall continue in full force and effect. Lessee shall obtain and maintain for the entire term of this Lease Contract, at its own expense, insurance against loss or damage to the Equipment including without limitation, loss by fire and theft, naming Lessor as the sole loss payee. The amount of insurance covering damage to or loss of the Equipment shall not be less than the full replacement value of the Equipment. Such insurance and written evidence thereof shall be delivered to Lessor or Lessor's designee upon request and must be satisfactory to Lessor. If Lessee fails to provide such evidence within 60 days of any request to do so, then Lessor shall have the right, but not the obligation, to have Lessor's own insurance placed at Lessee's expense. Lessor may at Lessor's discretion use Lessor's insurance on the Equipment at Lessee's expense until evidence of satisfactory insurance is received by Lessor or Lessor's designee. Lessee's expense shall include the full premium paid for Lessor's insurance (not reduced by any credit or refund or any other amount due or paid to Lessor or Lessor's affiliate with respect to Lessor's insurance) and any charges or fees of Lessor and of its designees associated with Lessor's insurance. Lessee shall pay such amounts in equal installments allocated to each lease payment plus interest on such amounts at 1.5% per month (18% per annum) or the highest rate permitted by law, whichever is less. In the event that any item of the Equipment shall become lost, stolen, destroyed or damaged beyond repair for any reason, or in the event of any condemnation, confiscation, theft or seizure or expropriation of such item, Lessee shall promptly pay to Lessor an amount equal to (1) the cost that the subject lease is based on and (2) the amount of income earned by Lessor to the date of repudiation as determined by generally accepted and standard accounting principles as they pertain to installment payment transaction and (3) the amount of any sales taxes remitted by Lessor in respect to Lessee's unpaid payments less the total of the rental payments and unencumbered rental deposits, if any, not including sales taxes, made by Lessee.

**11. COLLECTION CHARGES.** If any part of any sum is not paid when due, Lessee agrees to pay Lessor a late charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) for each month said amount is delinquent, plus interest on the delinquent payment from the due date until paid at the rate of 24% per annum. If a cheque is returned to Lessor by Lessee's bank, Lessee agrees to pay Lessor a charge stipulated at the greater of \$75.00 or the actual bank charges to Lessor.

**12. NOTICE.** Until Lessor and Lessee notify each other of any new address in writing, any invoice or notice required by this Lease Contract or by law is validly given when mailed postage prepaid by first class mail to the address provided herein, subject to applicable law. Lessor and Lessee hereby agree that all documents, including this Lease Contract, sent by facsimile or other means of electronic transmission to the other party shall be considered original documents.

**13. DEFAULT; REMEDIES.** If Lessee fails to pay any rent or other amount herein provided within five (5) days after it is due and payable, or if Lessee fails to observe, keep or perform any other provision of this Lease Contract, or if Lessee ceases doing business as a going concern, or if a petition is filed by or against Lessee under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) or any amendment thereto, or if a receiver is appointed for Lessee or its property, or if Lessee becomes insolvent, makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, offers a composition or extension of any of its indebtedness, or if Lessee, without Lessor's prior written consent, attempts to remove, sell, transfer, encumber, sublet or part with the possession of the Equipment, or if Lessor deems the Equipment to be in jeopardy, or if, in Lessor's determination, a material adverse change occurs in the financial condition, business, operations or prospects of Lessee, then this Lease Contract shall be in default. If the default is not remedied by Lessee within five (5) days of any written notice, then Lessor or its agent shall have the right to exercise any one or more of the following remedies: (a) to declare the entire amount of rent due or to become due under this Lease Contract immediately due and payable, without any further notice or demand to Lessee; (b) to sue for and recover from Lessee an amount equal to the unpaid balance of the rent due and to become due during the term of this Lease Contract; (c) terminate this Lease Contract and (d) to enter upon Lessee's premises, with or without notice, court order or other process of law, to take possession of any or all items of the Equipment without demand or notice wherever same may be located. Upon retaking possession of any or all items of the Equipment, Lessor may, at its option: (i) lease the repossessed Equipment, or any part thereof, to any third party on such terms and conditions as Lessor may determine, or (ii) sell the Equipment, or any part thereof, at a public auction or by private sale on such terms and conditions as Lessor may determine. All net proceeds of the foregoing shall be applied against amounts owing pursuant to the terms of this Lease Contract after deducting all reasonable costs incurred in connection with such disposition. Lessee shall remain liable for any deficiency. Lessee hereby waives any and all damages occasioned by such taking of possession. Any said taking of possession shall not constitute a termination of this Lease Contract and shall not relieve Lessee of its original obligations herein unless Lessor expressly so notifies Lessee in writing. Should any legal proceedings be instituted by Lessor to recover any monies due and to become due herein or for the repossession of the Equipment, Lessee shall be liable for and pay for all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred. Additionally, Lessee shall pay to Lessor as compensation for additional administrative and clerical work, an amount equal to 15% of the total amount payable hereunder. Interest on the total amount payable, at the rate of 18% per annum, will be calculated monthly from the date of default.

**14. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Lease Contract contains the entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee and may not be modified except by a written agreement properly executed by Lessor and Lessee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee hereby authorizes Lessor, without further notice, to complete the description of the Equipment including the quantity and serial numbers and other identification data when such is determined, to fill in any blank spaces on this Lease Contract, to date the Lease Contract and to make such other clerical modifications as may be required. This Lease Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their permitted successors and assigns.

**15. GOVERNING LAW.** This Lease Contract shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Province wherein the Equipment is located. To the extent permitted by law or statute and to the extent the same extends to and relates to this Lease Contract, Lessee hereby waives the benefit of all provisions of any applicable statutes and regulations made thereunder in any and all provinces of Canada, which would in any manner, affect, restrict, or limit the rights of Lessor hereunder including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all of its rights, benefits and protection given or afforded to it by the provisions of The Limitation of Civil Rights Act (Saskatchewan), the Sale of Goods Act (British Columbia) and the Law of Property Act (Alberta) and any amendments thereto. For the purposes of the laws of the Province of Quebec, this Lease Contract shall constitute a contract of leasing pursuant to Article 1842 and seq. of the Civil Code of Québec, provided however during any renewal pursuant to section 9 above, this Lease Contract shall be deemed to constitute a lease pursuant to Article 1852 and seq. of the Civil Code of Québec.

**16. CREDIT INVESTIGATION.** Lessee hereby consents to Lessor conducting a personal investigation or credit check upon Lessee subject to applicable legislation.

**17. ADD-ON EQUIPMENT.** Lessee and Lessor agree that additional equipment ("Add-On Equipment") may be leased pursuant to this agreement. The agreement for such Add-On Equipment shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Lease Contract except as specifically provided in writing. Any such writing, which may include a purchase order issued by Lessee for such Add-On Equipment, shall provide: (1) reference to this Lease Contract; (2) a description of the Add-On Equipment; (3) the Term of such Agreement; (4) the payment frequency and number of payments, and (5) the payment amount for the Add-On Equipment.

**18. CONTRACT REPLACEMENT.** If Lessee has a rental or lease contract that is being terminated and replaced by this Lease Contract, Lessee hereby acknowledges and consents that the remaining balance of payments and other amounts owing under any such replaced contract are included in the payment amounts due under this Lease Contract.

**19. PURCHASE MONEY SECURITY INTEREST AND PROCEEDS.** This Lease Contract grants to Lessor a purchase money security interest in the Equipment and in the proceeds of the Equipment of whatever nature and kind and howsoever arising within the meaning of the personal property security acts of any province or territory in Canada in force or to come into force from time to time.

**20. CONSENT.** Lessee acknowledges that Lessor and its affiliates may use contact, financial and other information about Lessee collected by or provided to Lessor for the purpose of offering other products and services to Lessee that may be of interest. Lessor or its affiliates may communicate with Lessee through various channels, including mail, telephone, computer or any other electronic channel using the most recent contact information provided by Lessee.

**21. MISCELLANEOUS.** Time is of the essence with respect to this Lease Contract. No waiver by Lessor of any default shall constitute a waiver of any other default by Lessee or waiver of Lessor's rights. If more than one party signs this Lease Contract as Lessee and Co-Lessee, each party shall be jointly and severally liable (or solidarily liable if the laws of the Province of Québec apply). At the Lessor's request, Lessee shall send Lessor its audited and/or unaudited financial statements within fifteen (15) days of such request. Any provision of this Lease Contract which is unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. Customer hereby acknowledges that a referral fee may have been paid by RCAP in connection with the transaction contemplated herein. This Lease Contract and all other documents associated with this Lease Contract and all communications shall be in English. Les parties aux présentes conviennent à ce que ce document et tous autres documents et communications associés seront rédigés en anglais.

**22. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION.** Any information, disclosure, request, instruction, signature, acceptance, agreement, document, instrument or other communication sent, received or accepted by or on behalf of Lessee by way of any telecommunication or electronic transmission method, including computer, internet, telephone, e-mail or facsimile, (an "Electronic Communication") shall be considered an original thereof, duly authorized by and enforceable against Lessee, even if the Electronic Communication was not actually by or from Lessee or a person representing Lessee or differs in any way from any previous Electronic Communication. Lessee shall keep copies of all Electronic Communications and shall produce them to Lessor upon request. Lessor's records of Electronic Communications shall be admissible in any legal, administrative or other proceeding as conclusive evidence of the contents thereof and, where applicable, execution by the parties in the same manner as a writing on paper, and Lessee waives any right to object to the introduction of such records in evidence, including any right to object based on the best evidence rule. Lessor may convert paper records of this Agreement and any other information, disclosure, request, instruction, signature, acceptance, agreement, document, instrument or other communication delivered to Lessor on paper (each, a "Paper Record") into electronic images (each, an "Electronic Image") as part of Lessor's normal business practices. Each such Electronic Image shall be considered as an authoritative copy of the Paper Record, shall have the same legal value as the Paper Record, shall be legally binding on the parties and admissible in any legal, administrative or other proceeding as conclusive evidence of the contents thereof in the same manner as the original Paper Record, and Lessee waives any right to object to the introduction of any Electronic Image into evidence, including any right to object based on the best evidence rule.

**23. FOR QUEBEC RESIDENTS ONLY/POUR LES RÉSIDENTS DU QUÉBEC SEULEMENT: LANGUAGE/LANGUE.** The parties hereto have expressly requested that this Lease Contract be drafted in English only, after such agreement was remitted by Lessor to Lessee in French, and that all documents related thereto, including notices and communications, be drafted in English exclusively. Les parties aux présentes ont expressément demandé que ce Contrat de Location soit rédigé exclusivement en anglais, après la remise d'une version française dudit contrat par le Locateur au Locataire, et que tous les documents y afférents, y compris les avis et les communications, soient rédigés en anglais exclusivement.





## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department: Legislative Services**

**Submitted by: Rick Binnendyk**

**SUBJECT: Parkland Regional Library System  
- Town of Penhold 2024 Return on Investment**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accepts the Parkland Regional Library System's Town of Penhold 2024 Return on Investment as information.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

In discussing this with our local Library Manager we were advised that the services provided by the larger regional system is extremely valuable to our local library.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** Report/Document: Attached X Available     Nil    

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 - Section 207 – Chief Administrative Officer's Responsibilities. Advises and informs the council on the operation and affairs of the municipality. This report is an extension of the CAO's update report.

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

That Council is apprised of information that either impacts the Town of Penhold directly or provides information of interest.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Council acknowledges the benefits to the Penhold & District Library.

**GENERAL:**

See attachments

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

**FINANCIAL:**

**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

**COMMUNICATION:**

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the** Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold

  
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CAO

# Town of Penhold

2024 Return on Investment

## Benefits to your Library

**Total Financial Benefits**

**\$668,271.71**

**Return on Investment**

**\$1.00 = \$18.53**

Based on a population of **3,928**, the cost of membership to the Parkland Regional Library System for the Town of Penhold was **\$36,059.04** in 2024.

### Cost benefits of PRLS services

The **direct financial return** as a result of membership to Parkland Regional Library System to Penhold & District Public Library:

2024 materials allotment	\$ 4,438.64
Rural Library Services Grant	\$ 15,321.60
Allotment from Red Deer County <sup>1</sup>	\$ 3,518.82
Computers for library use	\$ 5,341.60
Software & Licensing	\$ 6,902.15
SuperNet Connection	\$ 10,242.00
Items borrowed from other libraries <sup>2</sup>	\$ 496,391.50
Digital items borrowed from PRLS <sup>3</sup>	\$ 126,115.40
<b>Combined Savings</b>	<b>\$668,271.71</b>

<sup>1</sup> Red Deer County assigned a rural population of 3,114 to the Town of Penhold

<sup>2</sup> Average price of an item \$46.75

<sup>3</sup> Average price of an eBook \$40.06, average price of an eAudiobook \$84.26

# 2024 Quick Facts



**664,784** items  
in the collection



**1,310,828** physical items  
circulated



**44,398** items added  
to the catalog



**26,029**  
cardholders



**925,450** items  
sent on van runs



**1,514** consulting  
sessions



Over **170**  
attendees at the  
2024 PRLS  
Conference



**1,269,757** Wifi  
usages



**156,839** digital items  
circulated



**58,104** eLibrary  
sessions

## Other Parkland Facts:

- Provides access to virtual materials across the province through TRAC.
- Provides training for libraries, boards, friends' groups and more.
- Provides centralized IT support on hardware, software, internet, SuperNet.
- Provides access to shared regional collections of books, tech, program kits, and much more.



# Recruiting and Selecting Library Board Members

## A Guide for Municipal Councils

One of the many important things a municipal council can do is make appointments to its local library board. In Alberta, council appoints and unappoints library board members to municipal and intermunicipal library boards under the terms set out in the *Libraries Act* (sections 4, 5, 12.3, and 31), and the *Libraries Regulation* (section 17.1).

A municipal library board must have a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 board members. Intermunicipal library boards must have a minimum of 7 and a maximum of 10 board members.

Upon appointment, a board member becomes part of a legal entity (the library board) responsible for governing the delivery of public library service in the community and receiving local and provincial tax dollars to provide quality library service. Board members have a fiduciary responsibility to employ the duty of care – acting with competence and diligence – as well as the duty of loyalty – acting in the best interest of library service in the community.

Only the council of the municipality that established the board or signed the intermunicipal agreement can appoint to a library board. The council of a neighboring municipality cannot appoint board members to a board that they did not have a role in establishing.

However, the council of the establishing municipality(ies) can appoint individuals from neighboring municipalities to the library board, as there are no residency requirements imposed by the legislation. Having individuals from neighboring municipalities can help to strengthen relationships and bring a broader perspective to the table.

For municipal library boards, council may appoint up to two board members who are also councillors on their council (i.e., councillors of the municipality that established the library board). For intermunicipal boards, each municipality that is party to the agreement may appoint one board member who is also a councillor on their council.

- If a councillor is appointed to the library board, they have the same role and responsibilities as the other board members and should not be referred to as a “Council Rep” or something similar. There is no designated role for a municipal councillor on a municipal or intermunicipal library board.



- Councillors from neighboring municipalities may be appointed to the library board and do not count against the limit of councilors as they are not from the establishing municipality(ies).
- Council may also choose to not appoint any councillors to the library board.

An employee of the library board cannot be appointed to the library board.

There is no provision for alternates to be appointed to a municipal or intermunicipal library board.

All appointments to the municipal or intermunicipal library board shall be for a term of up to three years.

A library board member is eligible to be reappointed for up to two additional consecutive terms. If council wishes to appoint a board member for more than three terms, at least 2/3 of the whole council must pass a resolution stating that the member may be reappointed as a member for more than 3 consecutive terms. This must be done each time the member is reappointed beyond three consecutive terms.

Libraries are corporations established under the *Alberta libraries Act*. Like all corporations, boards are responsible for operating within not only the *Libraries Act* and *Regulation*, but other legislation including *Employment Standards*, *Occupational Health and Safety*, *FOIP*, and the *Copyright Act*. In addition to knowing and conforming to legislation, effective boards;

- develop a Plan of Service to establish goals and objectives for the library
- support ongoing professional development opportunities for its staff and its board members
- ensure delivery of significant programs and services that reflect the diversity of the community
- provide leadership through supporting the identification and development of emerging local programs
- measure the impact of existing community programs and provide library resources and services that will enhance community results
- present a budget to the municipal council that reflects the library's Plan of Service and identified community needs
- evaluate the performance of the library within the community and adjust its goals and objectives where needs are not being met
- ensure excellent management of the library on behalf of the community within the budget approved by the municipality



- hire the library's Chief Executive Officer and evaluate their performance within the management goals set by the Board
- ensure adherence to the *Libraries Act*, its *Regulation*, and any other legislation affecting the operation of the library within the community
- support the core value of intellectual freedom
- be able to set aside personal biases in the interests of what best serves the community in the areas of library collections, programs, and services.

Given the significant responsibilities and demands placed on library board members, potential trustees should exhibit the following characteristics. They should be:

- interested in making a difference in the future success of their community
- available to attend board and committee meetings and to come prepared to contribute to discussions and decisions
- willing to become more aware of the bigger picture by learning about public library issues and concerns at both the provincial and the national levels
- prepared to represent the interests, concerns, and attitudes of your community
- open to learning about library programs and services that give their community the level of access to information and enrichment that it needs.
- enthusiastic about working with other board members and the Chief Executive Officer in a team process designed to provide programs and services that meet the greatest number of needs in their community
- committed to being an active participant in board leadership activities in their community

When soliciting for board members, some simple steps will assist with finding suitable candidates. These include:

- Advertising vacancies
- Requiring all candidates to attend a mandatory information session
- Developing criteria for selection of candidates

Your council may also choose to establish a selection committee and develop a structured interview process.

You may also choose to consult with the exiting library Board Chair and the library manager to determine the current needs of your community and gaps which may exist in the current board composition.



The appointments to the library board shall be made on the date fixed by council. Any vacancy arising from any cause must be filled by council as soon as reasonably possible for council to do so.

When appointing board members, make sure the motion lists the name(s) of the individual(s) and includes the length of term (one, two, or three years).

Council should also send the library board a list of appointments, including the length of terms, and send a letter to each appointee with their term length and expiry date.

Effective boards provide effective library service. Good recruitment and selection now will prevent a host of troubles later.

#### References:

"Choosing an Effective Public Library Board" Ontario Library Association, © Copyright 2014, Revised 2018 [2018-Choosing-an-Effective-PL-Board-Resource.pdf \(accessola.com\)](#) Accessed 1 March 2024.

"Municipal Councils and Library Boards – Roles and Responsibilities" Government of Alberta January 11, 2022, Municipal Affairs [Municipal Councils and Library Boards: Roles and Responsibilities \(alberta.ca\)](#) Accessed 1 March 2024.





## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**Department:** Legislative Services

**Submitted by:** Bonnie Stearns

**SUBJECT:** Council Correspondence

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receives the correspondence for information as presented.

**CAO COMMENTS:**

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:** Report/Document: Attached \_X\_ Available \_\_ Nil \_\_

**KEY ISSUE(S)/CONCEPTS DEFINED:**

This listing identifies correspondence either attached or emailed to Council for review.

**ATTACHED:**

- Dec. 1 FCM October 2025 Board of Directors Meeting Report to Council
- Nov. 27 letter from Brian Sauve, president and CEO of the National Police Federation
- Innisfail Municipal Detachment Crime Statistics (Jan - Nov 2021 – 2025)
- Letter from Minister of Assisted Living and Social Services – 2024-2025 Minister's Seniors Service Award
- Notice of Settlement in Class Action Lawsuit
- Bringing Responsible Rail to Alberta

**EMAIL:**

- Nov. 19 Alberta Municipalities re: The Weekly - November 19, 2025
- Nov. 20 Municipal World Daily re: Your Municipal World Daily for Nov. 20, 2025
- Nov. 26 PSES Police Review Commission re: Police Review Commission Status Update Nov 26: 5 More Sleeps Until December 1!
- Dec. 1 Chinook's Edge Board e-News November 2025
- Dec. 8 email from Rick re: policing costs
- Dec. 10 CAEP re: CAEP Spark: Rocky Mountain House High! What's happening in 2026!
- Dec. 11 Alberta Municipalities re: The Weekly - December 10, 2025

**RELEVANT POLICY:**

Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26 – Section 201 (a) states in part that Councillors have the role of "..... Developing and evaluating the policies and programs of the municipality".

**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:**

Keeping Council informed on current related events.

**DESIRED OUTCOME(S):**

That Council is apprised of information that either impacts the Town of Penhold directly or provides information of interest.

**RESPONSE OPTIONS:**

1. Council may wish to have something further investigated; this item will be moved for further administrative review.
2. Council may wish to act on something and move the item for action.
3. Council may wish to move the items as information.

**PREFERRED STRATEGY:**

Determined upon response.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

No further action on correspondence.

**GENERAL:**

The information shared with Council can have a direct impact on Penhold or provide information beneficial to Penhold.

**ORGANIZATIONAL:**

Legislative department receives and forwards relevant information to Council.

**FINANCIAL:**

No cost unless directive taken

**FOLLOW UP ACTION:**

As determined by Council.

**COMMUNICATION:**

May be directed to specific departments if potential impact.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

**Presented at the Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Penhold**

  
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# **FCM October 2025 Board of Directors Meeting *Report to Council***



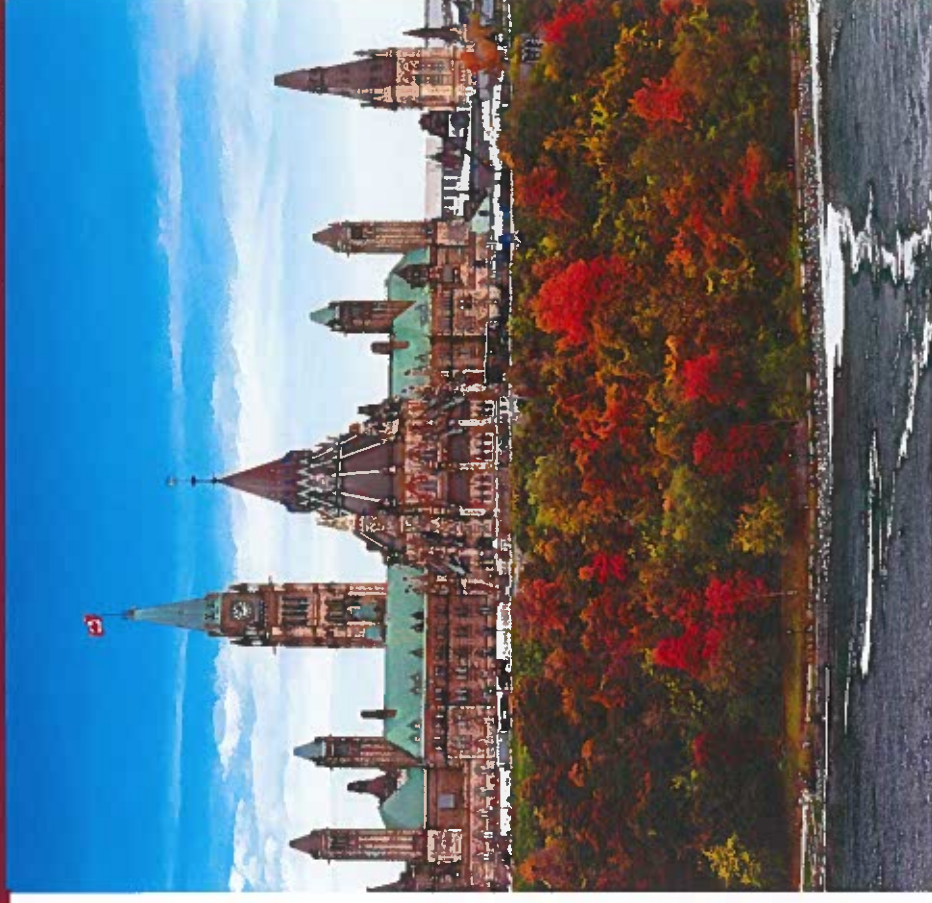
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# Context

- ▶ Board meeting held in person in Ottawa on **October 29**. Committee meetings held virtually two weeks prior.
- ▶ This board meeting took place during FCM's Advocacy Days, with over 90 meetings held between FCM board and committee members and parliamentarians across party lines.
- ▶ This board meeting also took place just before the federal budget was tabled on November 4, helping to underpin and empower our advocacy efforts over this period.



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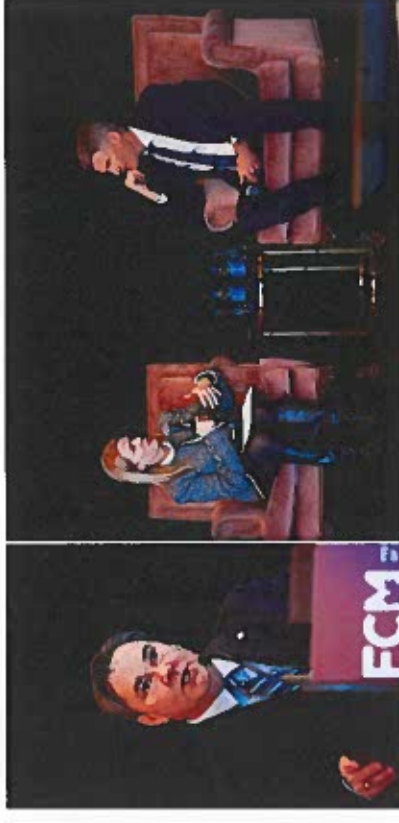
# Advocacy Discussion – Budget 2025

- ▶ At this board meeting, FCM's President and CEO spoke to our strategy for the fall 2025 federal budget.
  - ▶ They highlighted the vital importance of municipal infrastructure, the **economic backbone** of the country. Municipalities are ready to partner with the government to focus on the key issues of **housing, infrastructure, public safety and climate resilience**.
  - ▶ Municipalities' capacity to help build a stronger Canada is clear. Supporting local infrastructure means **strengthening our economy for the long-term**.
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# FCM's Advocacy Days 2025

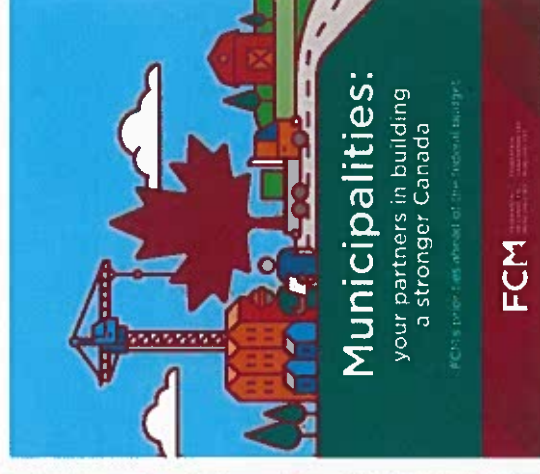
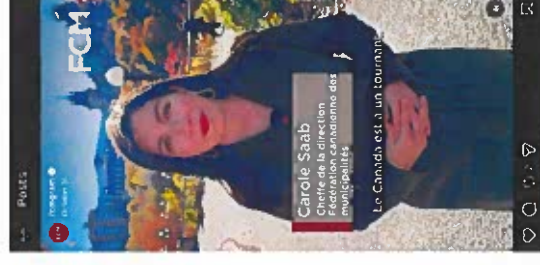
- ▶ Over 90 meetings were held between municipal leaders and parliamentarians on Parliament Hill.
- ▶ FCM board and committee members advanced our key priorities via these in-person meetings.
- ▶ A key focus in these meetings was investment in municipal infrastructure as being an investment in Canada's economic backbone, with municipalities ready to partner up and help to achieve stated federal goals.
- ▶ Municipal concerns were heard by parliamentarians across political lines, setting the stage for municipalities to continue playing their vital role in the current moment for Canada.
- ▶ FCM board and committee members engaged in Q&As with Minister of Housing and Infrastructure Gregor Robertson (LPC), Shadow Minister of Housing Scott Aitchison (CPC), and the interim NDP leader, Don Davies. FCM's Rural Forum also met with Secretary of State (Rural Development) Buckley Belanger, and Chair of the National Liberal Rural Caucus Kody Blois.



## FCM's recommendations

FCM's advocacy ahead of the federal budget and at our Advocacy Days included the promotion of our recommendations. This was accomplished through:

- ▶ Presenting federal decision-makers and staffers with our recommendations in a concise, physical format (see QR code at start of presentation)]
- ▶ Directing MPs and senators to our web content which outlined our recommendations in full (see QR code)
- ▶ Pushing our message via video and multimedia content published in time with our Advocacy Days schedule on LinkedIn, Instagram, X, Facebook, and other platforms.
- ▶ Equipping FCM members with a toolkit of digital resources to continue their own advocacy on these key issues in the period after Advocacy Days.



# Board Meeting

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Decisions taken  
and resolutions  
adopted





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## Decisions Taken

1.1. Approval of a decision memo on tax-exempt municipal bonds.

## Resolutions adopted

1.1. Preventative cancer screening for firefighters



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# Resolutions adopted

1.2. Strengthening the criminal code to protect first responders.

1.3. Ensuring road safety and durability of line markings

1.4. Enhanced communication from railway companies

1.5. Sustainable funding for small water systems



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# Resolutions adopted

1.6. Rail safety – noise nuisance from train whistles

1.7. Sale of uninspected meat and dairy

1.8. International student programs

1.9. Increased income support thresholds for veterans



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## Board meeting – other highlights

- ▶ Ratification of new board director – Cori Ramsay, President of Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM).
- ▶ The chair of the Finance and Audit Committee provided the committee report including the financial report as of June 30, 2025.
- ▶ The Board approved the FCM membership fees for 2026-2027:
  - 3.5% increase on per capita fee (municipal members) and affiliate member fee.
- ▶ The chairs of the Human Resources Committee and the Governance Committee provided their committee reports.
- ▶ Brittany Merrifield, FCM director and member of the Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Council presented the GMF annual report.



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2024 – 2025 GMF  
annual report in full



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# **Next FCM board meeting**

- ▶ **February 17-20, 2026:**  
Committee Meetings (virtual)
- ▶ **March 3-5, 2026:**  
Board week –  
St. John's, Newfoundland and  
Labrador





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**Sent:** Thursday, November 27, 2025 2:20 PM  
**To:** Info <[info@townofpenhold.ca](mailto:info@townofpenhold.ca)>  
**Cc:** Michael Yargeau <[myargeau@townofpenhold.ca](mailto:myargeau@townofpenhold.ca)>  
**Subject:** An Update for Town of Penhold From the National Police Federation

Good afternoon Mayor Yargeau,

This letter is being sent on behalf of Brian Sauvé, President and CEO of the National Police Federation.

Please see the attached for your consideration. I am available to schedule a meeting with yourself and/or Council at your earliest amenable opportunity should you like to discuss the attached further.

Sincerely,

**Maryanne King**

Advisor, Government Relations | Conseiller, relations gouvernementales

**Pronouns: She/Her**

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November 27, 2025

Mayor Mike Yargeau  
Town of Penhold  
via email: [info@townofpenhold.ca](mailto:info@townofpenhold.ca)

Dear Mayor Yargeau,

On behalf of the National Police Federation (NPF) and its Members, I want to congratulate you on starting your term as Mayor of The Town of Penhold. We further congratulate your Council members on their successful election or acclimation as well.

As you may know, the NPF is the sole certified bargaining agent representing close to 20,000 Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) across Canada and internationally, including over 3,100 serving in Alberta. The NPF's mission is to provide strong, fair, and progressive representation, that promotes and enhances the rights of RCMP Members while advancing public safety outcomes across Canada.

Our Members are proud to deliver policing services through 113 detachments across Alberta, serving more than 1.5 million residents and covering 99% of the province's geography. Given recent developments, we would like to share important updates with you and your councils regarding the state of RCMP policing in Alberta. In July 2025, the RCMP Commissioner reaffirmed to Premier Smith the RCMP's ongoing commitment to serving Albertans now and well into the future. Likewise, in [October 2025](#) the federal Minister of Public Safety confirmed that early negotiations with contracting partners for policing agreements beyond 2032 will begin in the coming months. Provinces such as [British Columbia](#) and [Nova Scotia](#) have already announced their intent to renew and strengthen their RCMP contracts, reinforcing the long-term stability of the RCMP policing model.

Alberta is also seeing positive momentum. The first all-Alberta troop began training at Depot in September 2025, demonstrating strong interest from new recruits who have chosen Alberta as their preferred posting. As of late 2025, the Alberta RCMP's vacancy rate sits at approximately 16%—including 152 hard vacancies (8.6%) and 133 soft vacancies (7.5%)—rates that are comparable to other police services when accounting for medical, parental, and other approved leaves. In addition, the Government of Canada is [hiring 1,000 new RCMP personnel](#) nationally, further underscoring a clear message: the Alberta RCMP is here to stay.

We invite you to consider the attached polling which demonstrates public support for the Alberta RCMP. Five years of polling conducted by Pollara Strategic Insights show Albertans support their RCMP, with 81% agreeing that there are more important priorities for Alberta than changing who polices communities. To this end, 76% of Albertans in RCMP-served areas are satisfied with their policing. These results echo the findings made by many recent municipal police services reviews, which found low public support for wholesale changes in policing, alongside quantifiable cost impacts. We further invite you to consider the findings of recent police service model reviews:

- [Red Deer's \(2020\) review](#): Found transition costs of \$13.5M and 16% higher annual operating costs (~\$7M). Chose to retain the Alberta RCMP.
- [Airdrie's \(2024\) review](#): No change; public safety concerns raised were not unique to the RCMP.



- Grande Prairie's (2023) review: Transition approved, despite projected one-time costs of \$19M and \$2-\$4M more in annual operating costs.
  - As of May 2025, an additional \$7m in provincial funding has been granted to Grande Prairie in addition to the previously committed \$9.7m from the GoA, demonstrating the immense increase in financial support required to push the service toward a feasible launch.
- Beaumont's (2024) review: Recommended efficiencies to improve the existing RCMP model.
- Olds' (2024) review: Found municipal policing cost 57% more in Year 1, increasing to 84% by Year 3; chose to retain the RCMP.
- Rocky Mountain House (2025) review: Found increased costs were ineffective and the current contract could be better optimized rather than considering a new regional service, an APPS, or a new municipal service.

Prior to the 2025 Municipal Election, the Government had announced the formation of the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) unilaterally without consultation with communities, Albertans, or organizations such as Alberta Municipalities or the Rural Municipalities of Alberta. Despite there being no costing, plan, or open-door consultation, Government is proceeding with the creation of this service. The only fact we can rely on is that another duplicate service will cost all Albertans more, risking increased property taxes for your community or reduced services for municipalities to fund this experiment. In 2021, the government's own report estimated **\$372 million in start-up costs** and **\$164 million more in annual operating costs** for a provincial police service. Today, there are no updated cost estimates, despite inflation and a major shift in the province's fiscal reality.

These developments require a cohesive approach to effectively address in the best interests of communities. If you would like us to present to your Council on Alberta's public safety landscape, or to further discuss public safety concerns, please contact Maryanne King, Government Relations Advisor, at [mking@npf-fpn.com](mailto:mking@npf-fpn.com).

Once again, we congratulate you and we look forward to connecting with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Brian Sauvé  
President and CEO

*Attachments: Polling 2025*

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# National Police Federation Alberta

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Wave 8

August 2025

**pollara**  
40 years of strategic insights

# Methodology

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Field Window	Wave 8 – August 6 to 20, 2025
Sampling	Online survey of randomly-selected sample of <b>1,200 Adult (18+)</b> Alberta Residents
Reliability	As a guideline, a probability sample of this size carries a margin of error of <b>± 2.8%</b> , 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 Census data, to ensure the sample reflects the actual population of adult Albertans.

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION		
REGION	UNWEIGHTED Counts	Margin of Error
Calgary	200	±6.9%
Edmonton	200	±6.9%
Calgary Suburbs	101	±9.8%
Edmonton Suburbs	104	±9.6%
Rural North	184	±7.2%
Rural Central	204	±6.9%
Rural South	207	±6.8%
<b>TOTAL ALBERTA</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>± 2.8%</b>

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 – Jun 24, 2024	1,200
W7	April 17 to 28, 2025	1,201
<b>W8</b>	<b>Aug 6 to Aug 20, 2025</b>	<b>1,200</b>

# Leader Impressions & Priorities

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

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- Policing & Public Safety is top priority issue for 1% of Albertans. It ranks last on a list of seven priorities provided to respondents.

	TOTAL			REGION								GENDER		AGE			
	W8	W7	W6	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	All Rural	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	
Affordability and Cost-of-Living	43	41	48	43	43	38	47	43	45	43	44	41	45	49	46	36	
Health Care	20	27	24	19	22	18	20	19	20	24	21	18	23	8	16	32	
Alberta's Economy	19	16	14	22	15	25	17	19	20	12	18	23	15	21	19	17	
Education	4	3	3	3	5	3	2	5	3	3	4	2	5	3	5	3	
Climate Change & Environment	3	4	4	3	5	1	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	
Indigenous Reconciliation	2	1	0	2	1	5	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	
Policing and Public Safety	1	2	1	-	2	4	-	2	4	-	2	2	1	2	1	1	



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 W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200). Some other issue (5%); None of the above (1%); Not sure (2%)



## Over two-thirds of Albertans have favourable impression of RCMP Officers

- Increase in favourable impressions of RCMP Officers (70%) to higher end of range (65% to 71%) over 8 waves.
- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers range from 62% to 74% across the regions, with highest level in Edmonton (74%).

### Impression of Organizations




% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)															
WAVE - TOTAL							REGION							RCMP SERVED	
														Yes	No/ Unsure
		</													

## Police and Sheriff services in Alberta have net-favourable impressions

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- Over half (52%) have favourable impression of Alberta Sheriffs compared to 22% with unfavourable impression.
- Two-thirds (68%) of City of Calgary and Calgary suburbs residents have favourable impression of Calgary Police Service; 65% of City of Edmonton and Edmonton suburbs residents have favourable impression of Edmonton Police Service.
- Favourable impressions for smaller police services (note: smaller samples) range from 40%/33% (favourable/unfavourable) for Grande Prairie Police Service to 54%/35% for Lethbridge Police Service, and 75%/25% for Medicine Hat Police Service.

### 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	W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1			
Medicine Hat Police Service (n=55)	10%	15%		53%		22%	75	75	78	79	79	80	88	85			
Calgary Police Service (n=301)	7%	16%		46%		22%	68	67	66	73	65	71	70	68			
Edmonton Police Service (n=304)	9%	7%	17%	44%		21%	65	61	66	69	70	63	66	72			
Lethbridge Police Service (n=107)	3%	9%	14%	21%	39%	15%	54	67	53	63	60	50	45	57			
Alberta Sheriffs (n=1200)	9%	17%	7%	15%	41%	11%	52	49	46	49	-	-	-	-			
Grande Prairie Police Service (n=87)	5%	22%	10%	23%	30%	10%	40	31	34	-	-	-	-	-			



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 W8 (N=Varies).

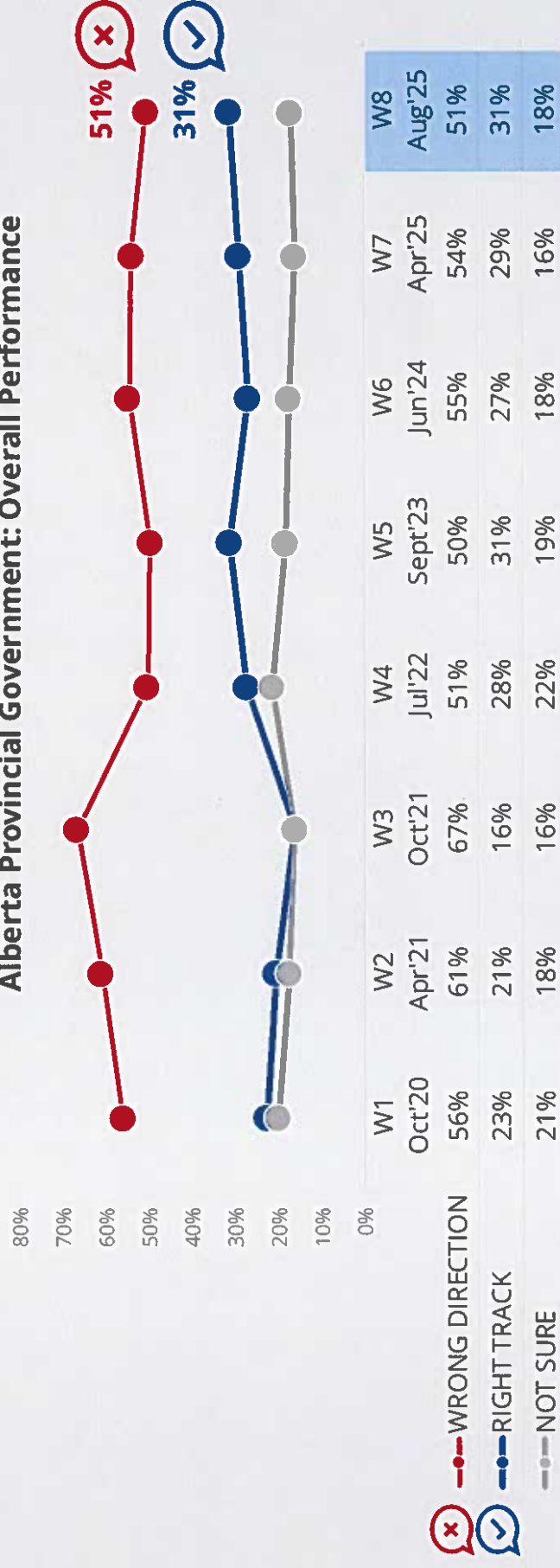
# Alberta Politics and AB NEXT Panel



# Majority of Albertans say provincial government heading off in wrong direction

- Those saying provincial government is on "right track" increased marginally (+4%) since wave 6.

Alberta Provincial Government: Overall Performance



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 W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

## Less than 1-in-5 support separation option in competing questions

- Two questions were asked of respondents, one from 'pro Canada' advocates and one from 'pro Alberta separation' advocates.
- In the pro separation question, 18% said they agreed that "the province shall become a sovereign country and cease to be a province of Canada" while 70% did not agree (13% not sure).
- In the pro Canada question, 14% disagreed that "Alberta should remain in Canada" while 77% agreed ("yes").



Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200)

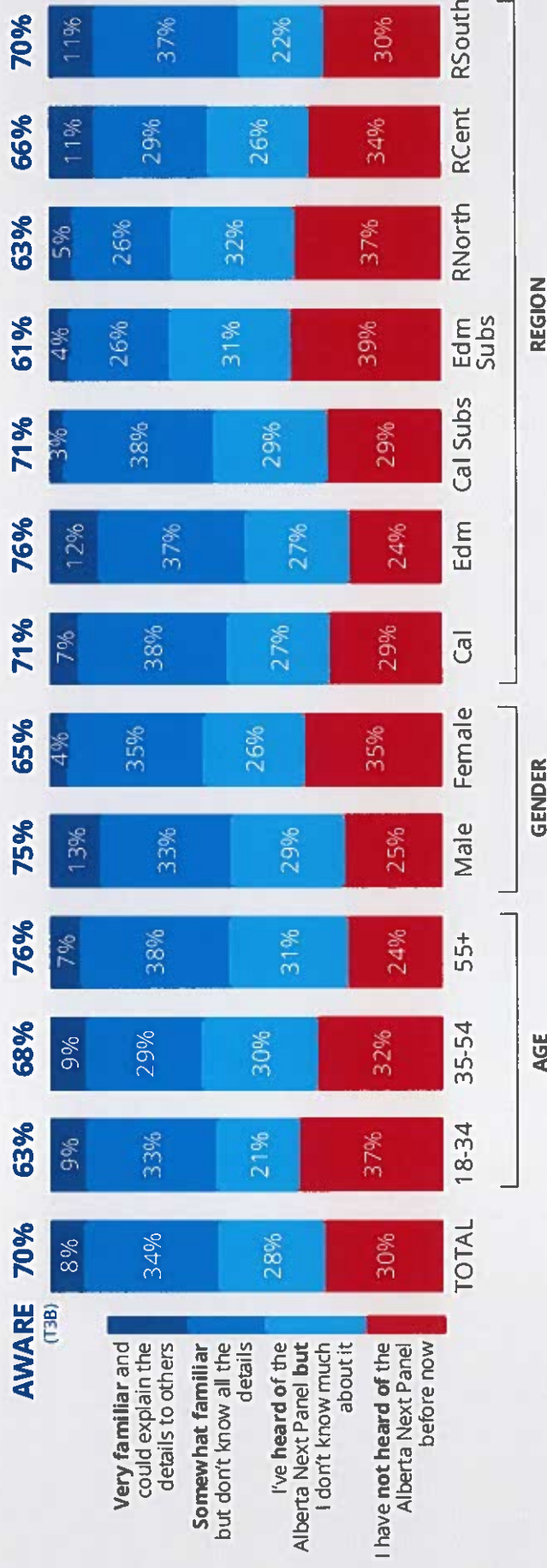
3A - Do you agree that the province shall become a sovereign country and cease to be a province of Canada? [pro separation Q]

3B - Do you agree that Alberta should remain in Canada? [pro Canada Q]

## Over two-thirds say they are familiar with Alberta Next Panel

- Familiarity ranges from 63% among 18-34 age group to 76% among 55+ age group.
- Men are more likely to say "very familiar" (13%) compared to women (4%).

Familiarity with the Alberta Next Panel



7. Premier Danielle Smith and her government launched the Alberta Next Panel which has been touring the province of Alberta convening community town hall meetings. How familiar are you with the Alberta Next Panel? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

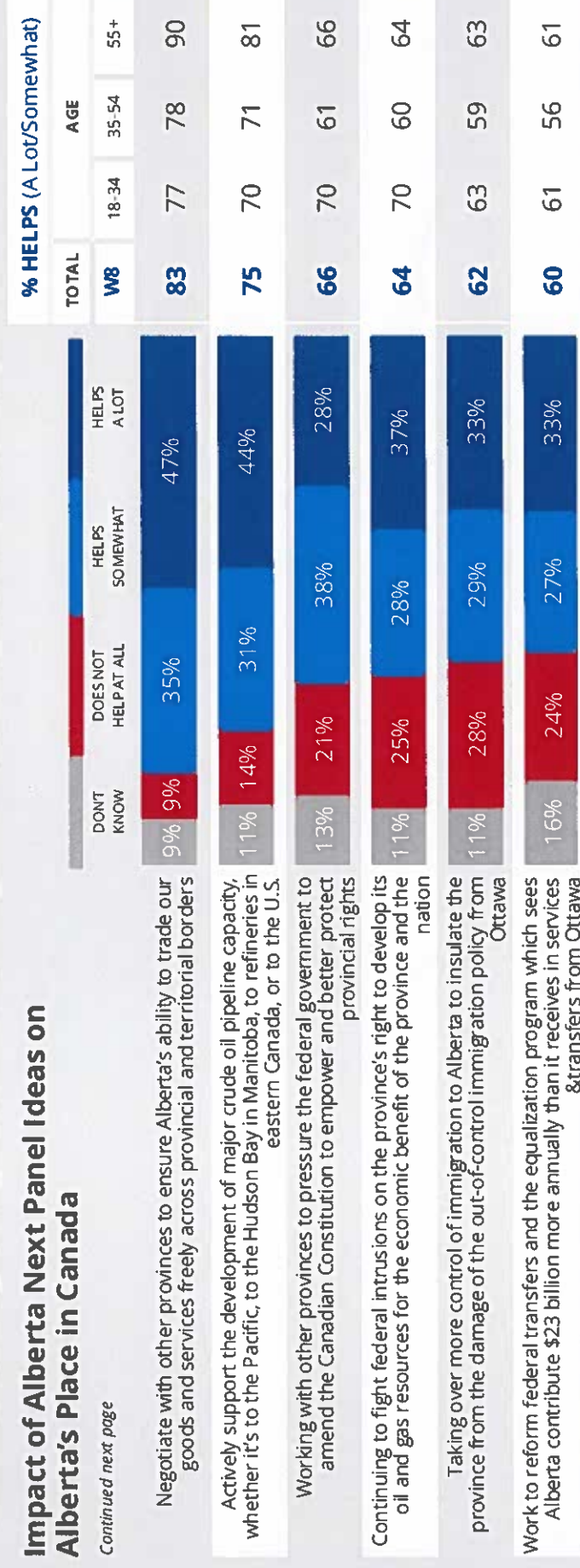
# Improving Alberta's place in Canada: economic priorities and provincial rights among Albertans' top priorities in improving place in Canada

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- Trading freely across provincial and territorial borders and supporting the development of major crude oil pipeline capacity are top two priorities overall that help improve Alberta's place in Canada.
- Of the 12 items tested, other top 6 priorities include: amend the Constitution to better protect provincial rights, fight federal intrusions on oil and gas, taking more control over immigration, and reforming federal transfers and equalization

## Impact of Alberta Next Panel Ideas on Alberta's Place in Canada

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8. The Alberta Next Panel, chaired by Premier Danielle Smith, states that it is exploring ideas and policies to assert Alberta's sovereignty and constitutional rights within a united Canada. To what extent do each of the following ideas help Alberta improve its place in Canada?  
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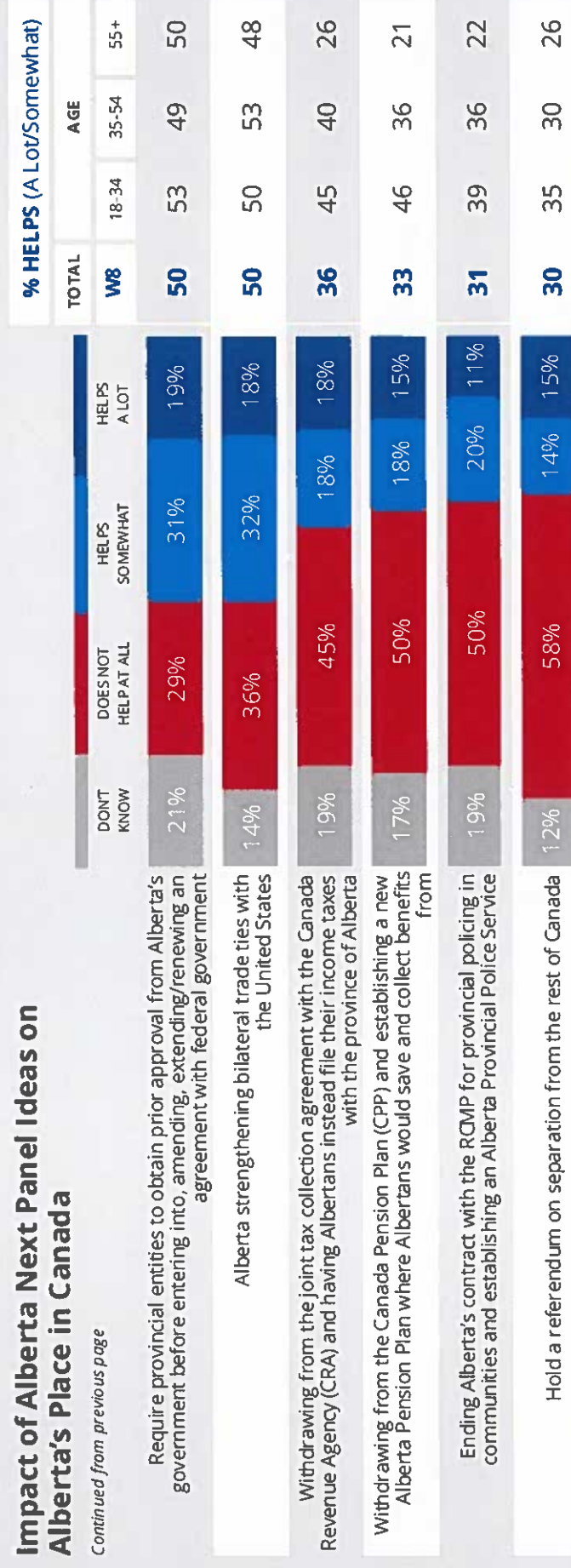
# Improving Alberta's place in Canada: majority say ending RCMP contract/ establishing Alberta Provincial Police Service "does not help at all"

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- Half (50%) say ending Alberta's contract with the RCMP ... and establishing an Alberta Provincial Police Service "does not help at all"
- while 31% say it helps (a lot/somewhat).
- Of 12 items tested, ending the RCMP contract/establishing provincial police service ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in terms of helping improve Alberta's place in Canada, at about the same level as "hold a referendum on separation from the rest of Canada" (30%)

## Impact of Alberta Next Panel Ideas on Alberta's Place in Canada

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## 3-in-4 agree "This is not the time explore expensive new police services in Alberta"

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- Majority (56%) agree "if the federal government approves an oil pipeline, the Alberta government should drop its plan to replace RCMP".
- Almost 9-in-10 (87%) Albertans continue to agree that there needs to be a detailed accounting of costs/impacts to service levels.
- Over 4-in-5 (81%) agree that "given the threat from Donald Trump... we need to strengthen our national institutions, not weaken them".

### Agreement With Key Statements



% AGREE (Strongly/Somewhat)														
TOTAL	GENDER		AGE			REGION							TOTAL	
W8	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	W7	W6
87	87	87	83	84	92	84	89	82	83	92	90	90	89	87
81	79	83	78	79	85	82	83	71	79	80	80	85	80	-
81	78	84	76	80	86	83	84	74	73	80	80	78	81	84
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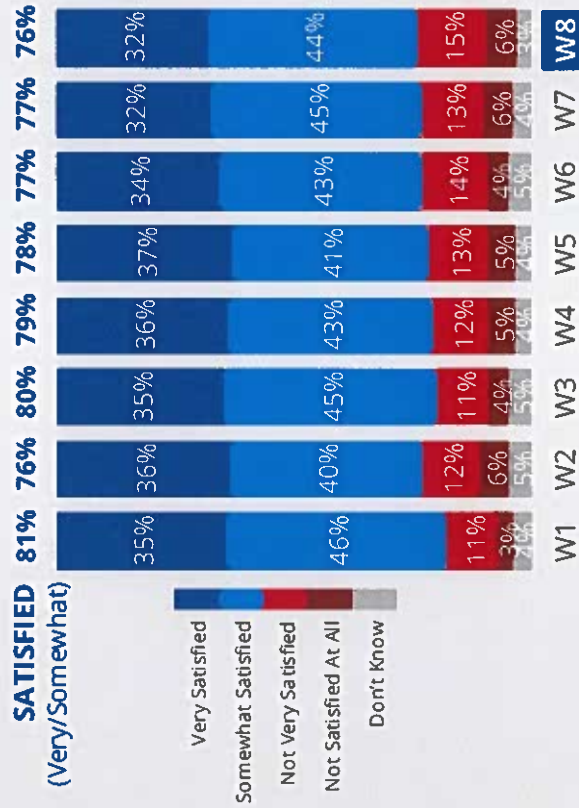
25. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:  
Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201)

# RCMP Satisfaction

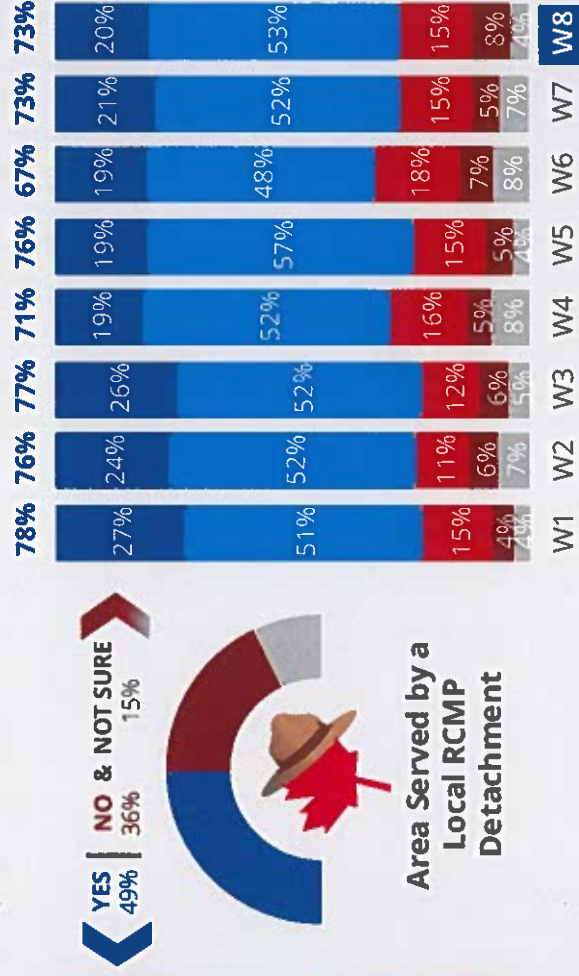
# Over three-quarters satisfied with RCMP's policing

- Satisfaction with RCMP's policing of their community (76%).
- Almost three-in-four satisfied with policing in non-RCMP served communities (73%).

Satisfied With RCMP's Policing



Satisfied With Policing In Community

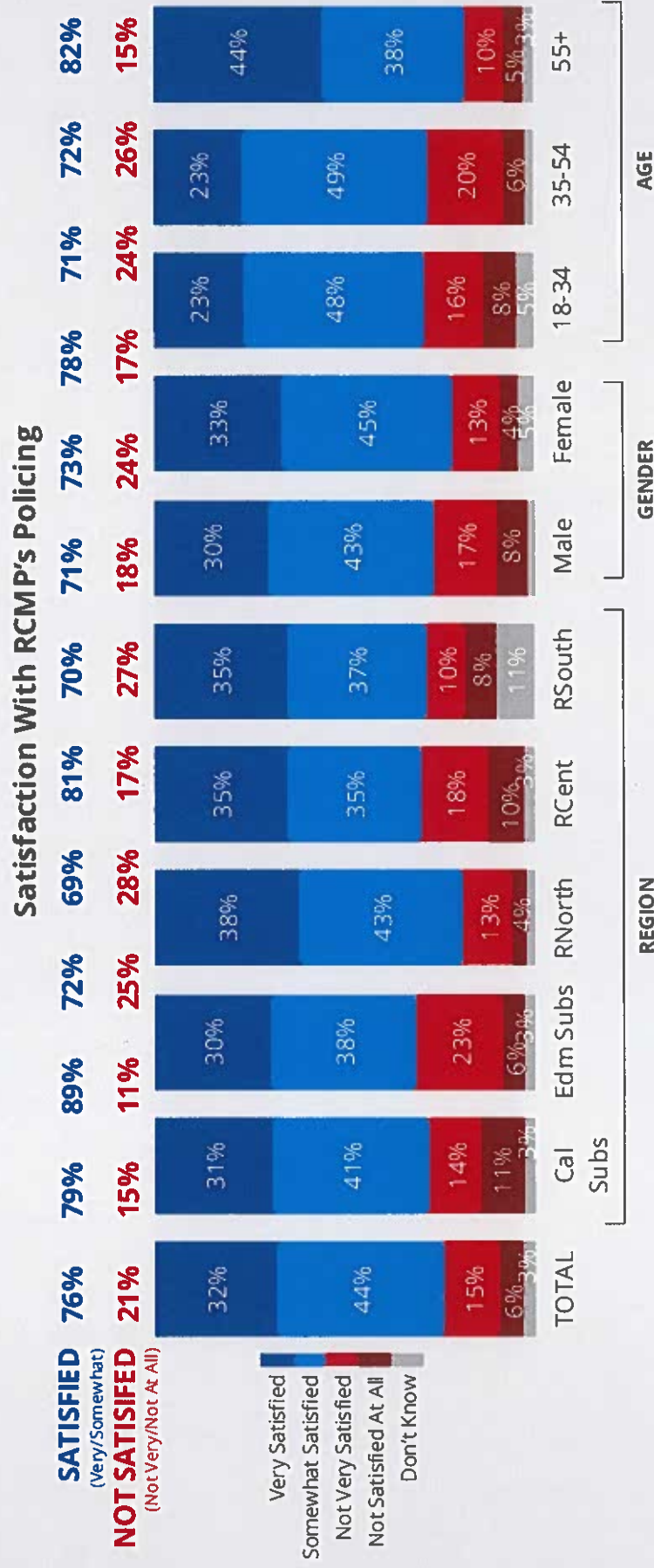


Now, here are some questions about policing in Alberta. | 9. Is your municipality or local area served by a local RCMP detachment? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201) | 10. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community? Base: Yes, at Q4: W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=696); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809) | 11. How satisfied are you with the policing in your community? Base: No or Not Sure at Q4: 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:

- Regionally, satisfaction ranges from 70% in Rural Central to 84% in Calgary suburbs.
- Women more likely to be satisfied with RCMP's policing (82%); 55+ age group most satisfied with RCMP's policing (83%).



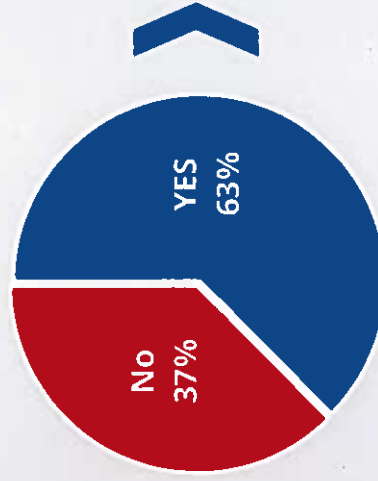
10. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community?  
Base: Local Area Served by RCMP: W8 (N=729).

# Alberta Provincial Police Service [APPS]

# Majority aware of Alberta's plan to replace RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service

- Read, seen, heard comments about Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS) include government plan to have own police force, defunding the RCMP, criticism of government, broadening role of sheriffs, and comments related to Alberta separation.

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



## Read, Seen or Heard

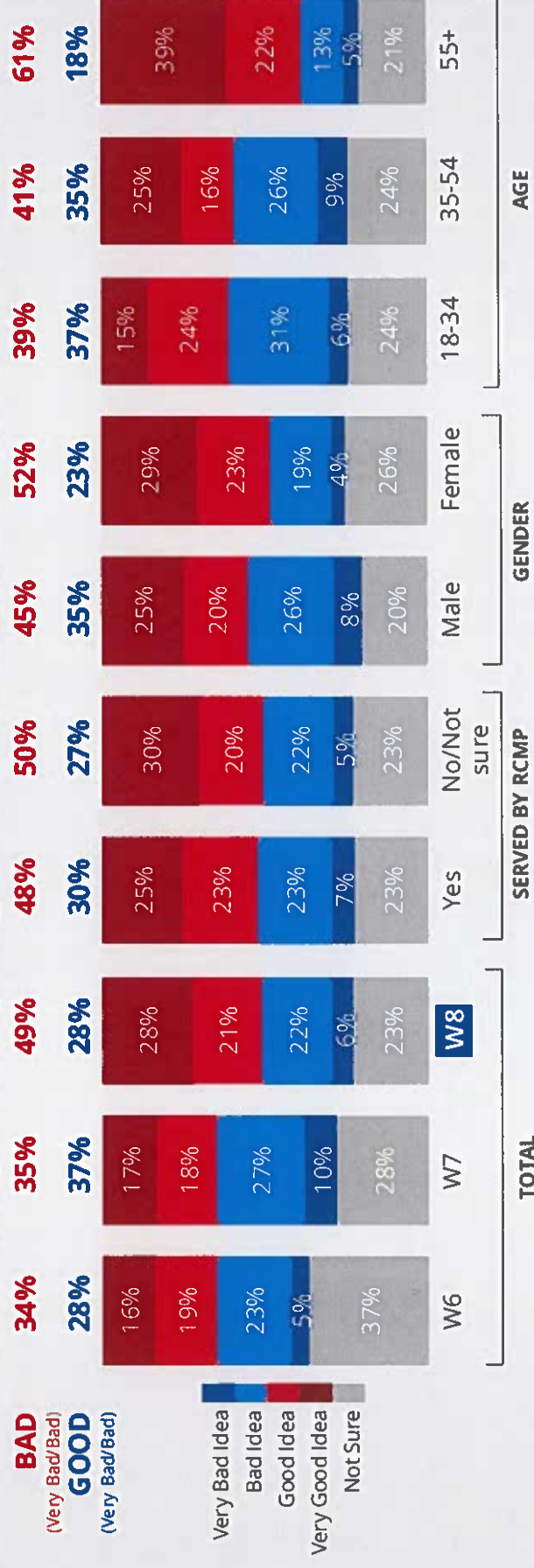


13. Before responding to this survey, had you read, seen, or heard anything the Alberta government's plan to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200) | 14. And what have you read, seen or heard? BASE: Yes, at Q13 (N=804).

# Almost half say replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service is a "bad idea"

- Those saying APPS is a bad idea (49%) includes majority of women (52%), 55+ age group (61%).
- Those saying APPS is a good idea (28%) is higher among men (35%), 18-34 age group (37%).

Perception of Replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service - Pre Test

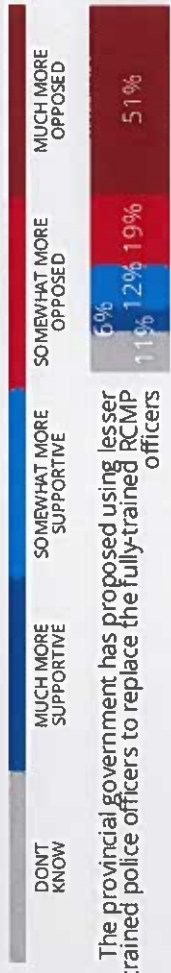


15. Based on what you have read, seen, or heard, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea?  
 Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS. Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201).

# Using lesser trained police officers to replace fully-trained RCMP officers is top among messages driving opposition to replacing RCMP with APPS

- Over 7-in-10 (71%) are more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on using lesser trained officers to replace fully-trained RCMP officers, including over half (51%) that are much more opposed.
- A range of 63-64% are more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on increased costs and potential impact on rural areas.

## Support/Opposition For APPS\*



The federal government pays 30% of the cost of RCMP service in Alberta, which amounts to about \$188 million each year. If Alberta replaces the RCMP with a provincial police service, the current federal contribution will have to be absorbed by provincial and municipal taxpayers

Ending the RCMP contract and moving to a new provincial police service model will put more attention on Edmonton and Calgary, and rural communities won't receive the attention they deserve

The province has not released detailed costing of the plan to create a new provincial police service, but a 2021 report commissioned by the government said a new provincial police service would have start-up costs of \$372 million plus and additional \$164 million each year in operating costs

TOTAL		GENDER		AGE			REGION					TOTAL
W8		M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Cal Rural	Edm Rural	Cal Rural Cent	W7*
71	67	74	64	66	79	68	72	66	67	77	74	59
64	60	67	54	61	73	65	62	54	61	67	67	65
63	58	69	55	58	74	62	60	63	64	67	70	61
63	59	66	51	60	73	64	63	57	59	63	65	59

16. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS.



# Majority more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on local government concerns

- Majority (58%) more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on local governments voicing concerns regarding increased costs, including 61% of women, 66% of 55+ age group and 66% of Rural Central.
- "Ending the contract with the RCMP will give Albertans more control over policing..." made 37% more supportive of plan to replace RCMP with APPS.

Support/Opposition For APPS\*



Local governments across Alberta have voiced concerns regarding increased costs and other impacts of a transition away from RCMP local policing

Several Alberta municipalities – including Red Deer, Airdrie, Beaumont, and Olds – have conducted policing reviews in the past five years &, after careful analysis of policing costs, chose to retain RCMP

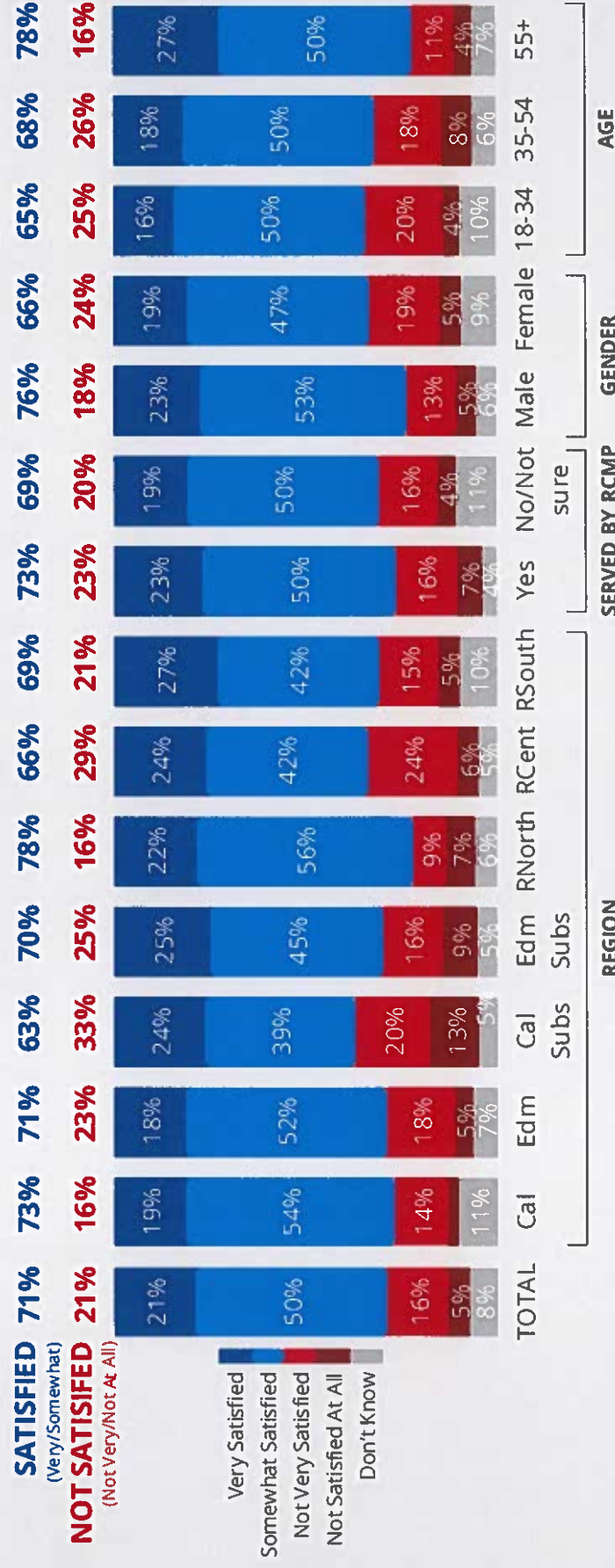
% OPPOSED (Much More/Somewhat More)											
TOTAL		GENDER		AGE			REGION				
W8		M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	South
58	54	61	52	48	46	56	47	52	58	66	62
57	63										
51	49	52	48	46	56	47	52	46	53	56	60
51											

16. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). Note: comparing APPS (W8) to previously proposed IAPS (W6/W7)

# Over 7-in-10 satisfied that their local detachment has adequate resources to police their community

- Across rural areas, satisfaction ranges from 66% in Rural Central to 69% in Rural South and 78% in Rural North.

## Satisfaction with Local Detachment Resources for Policing



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

## Majority say their community's police service will have less resources available to police its territory if RCMP replaced with APPS

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- While half (50%) say their community will likely have less resources for policing, 9% said it is likely there would be more resources available, and 27% said it is likely their community will have the same level of resources for policing.

**Expected Resource Levels if RCMP is Replaced with Alberta Provincial Police Service**



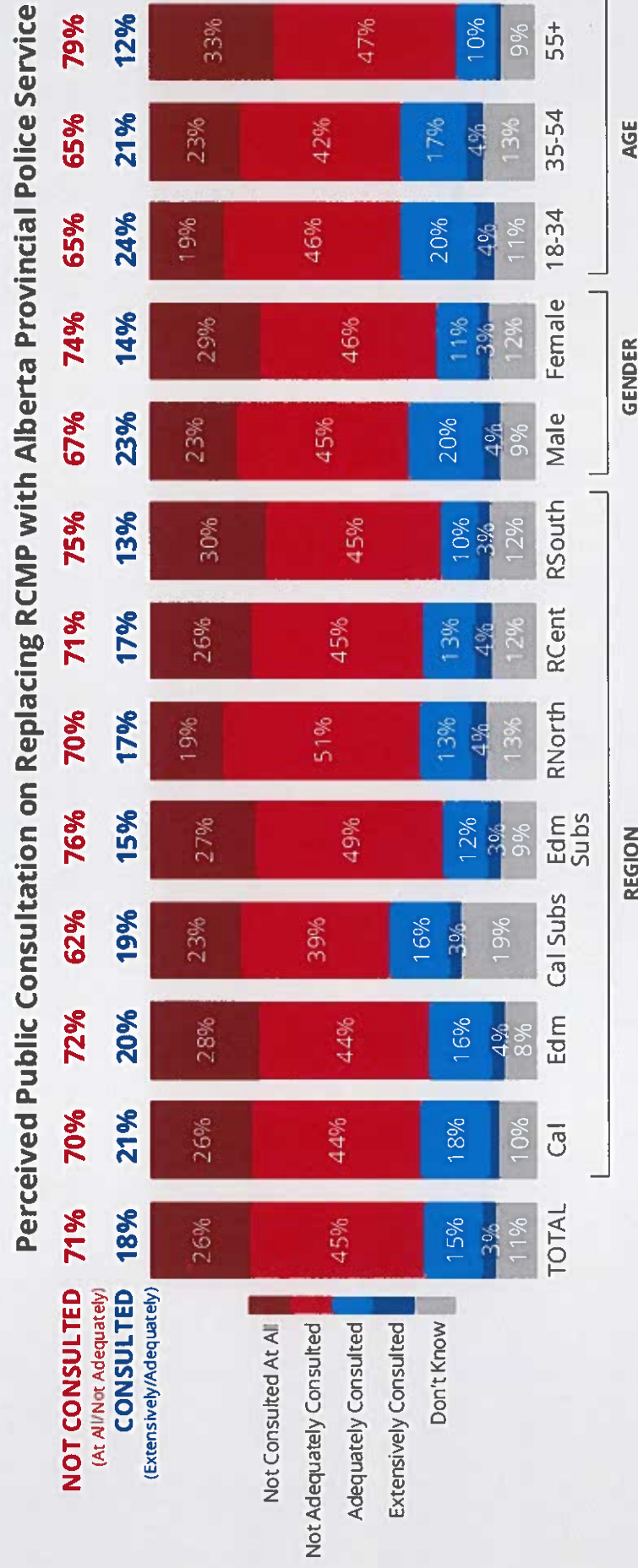
18. The community police service in each municipality in Alberta is funded by the local government. RCMP-served communities receive additional funding from the federal government. If Alberta replaces the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service, the current federal contribution would have to be absorbed by provincial and municipal taxpayers. Thinking about this, 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 W8 (N=1,200).





## Over 7-in-10 say public has not been adequately consulted on idea of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service

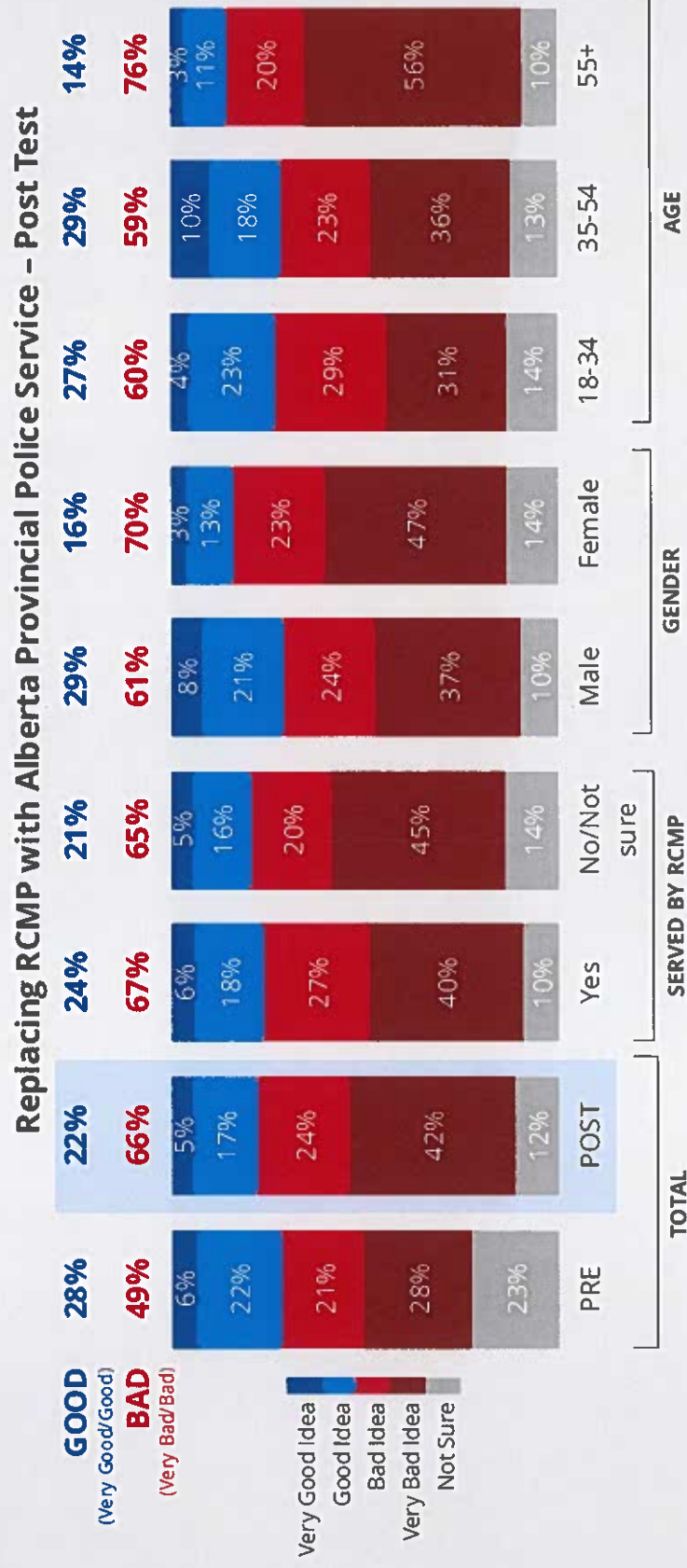
- Over 1-in-4 (26%) say the public has “not been consulted at all” including 33% of 55+ age group.



19. To what extent do you think the public has been consulted about the idea of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service?  
Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

## Post-test: Those saying replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police is a bad idea increases significantly

- Those saying replacing the RCMP with APPS is a bad idea moves from 49% (pre-test) to 66% (post-test), including an increase among those saying it's a "very bad idea" from 28% to 42%.

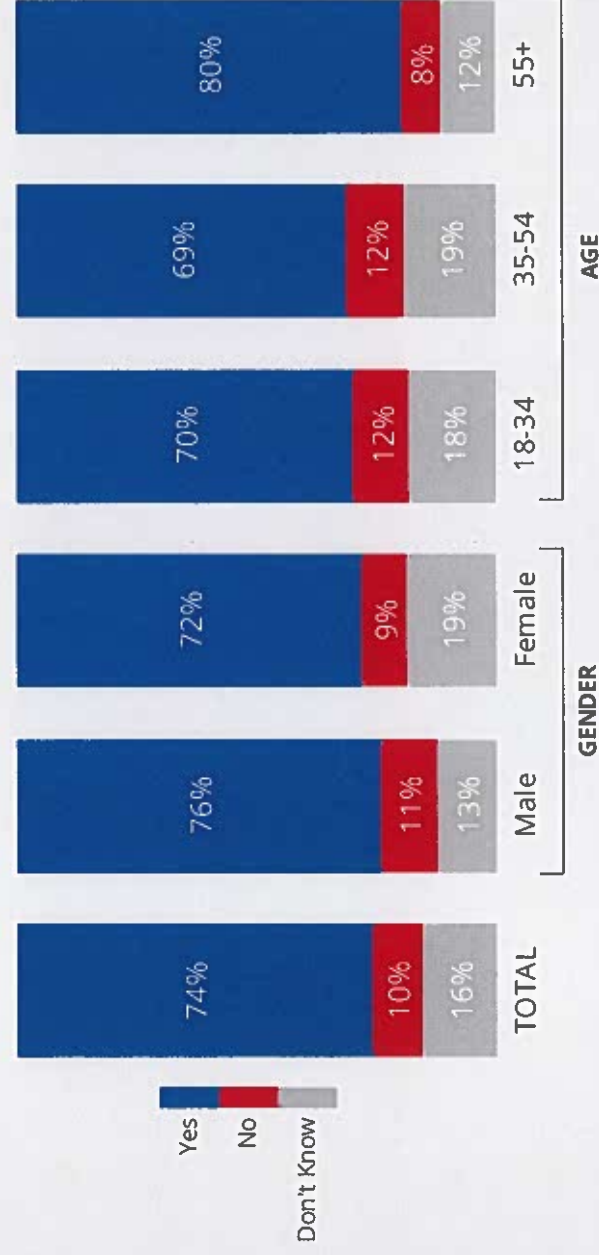


20. Now that you reviewed additional information, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea?  
 PRE: 15. Based on what you have read, seen, or heard, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea?  
 Note: The name of the agency has changed. Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

## About 3-in-4 say a decision to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service should require approval by referendum

- If provincial government moves to replace the RCMP with a new APPS, those saying it should require approval by referendum, and broad support among gender and age groups.

### Approval by Referendum for Replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service



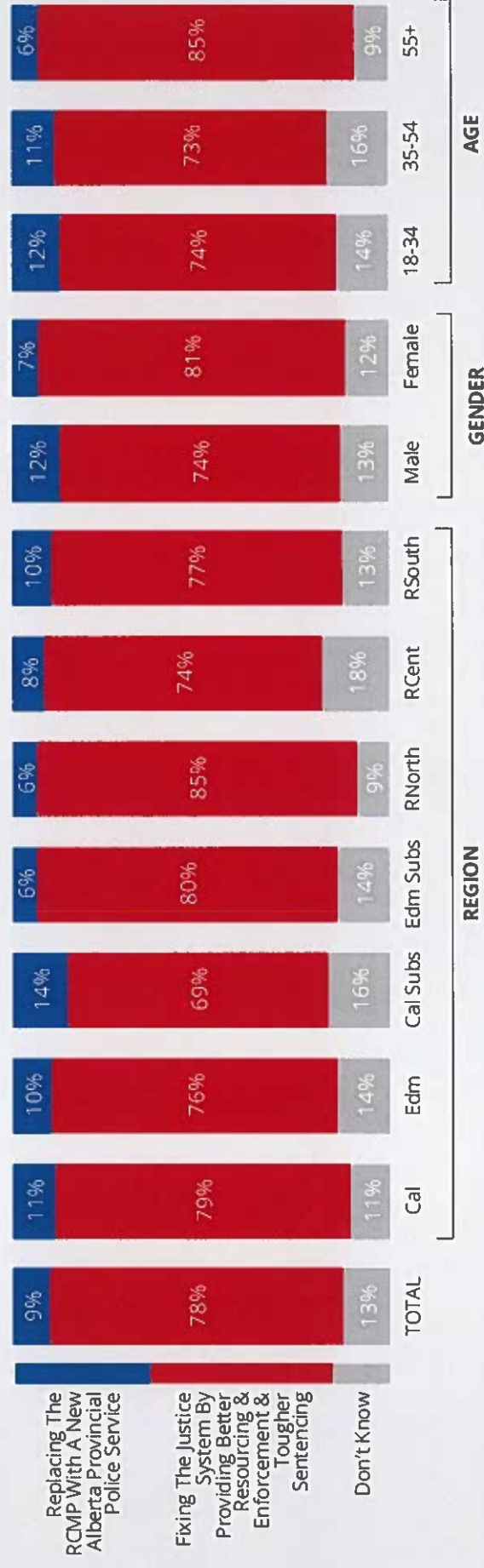
22. The provincial government recently held a province-wide referendum on equalization measures. If a decision is made by the provincial government to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service, should that decision also require approval by referendum? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

# Vast majority want government's focus on fixing the justice system rather than replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service

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- Almost 4-in-5 (78%) prefer "fixing the justice system by providing better resourcing and enforcement, and tougher sentencing" over "replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service" (9%).

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



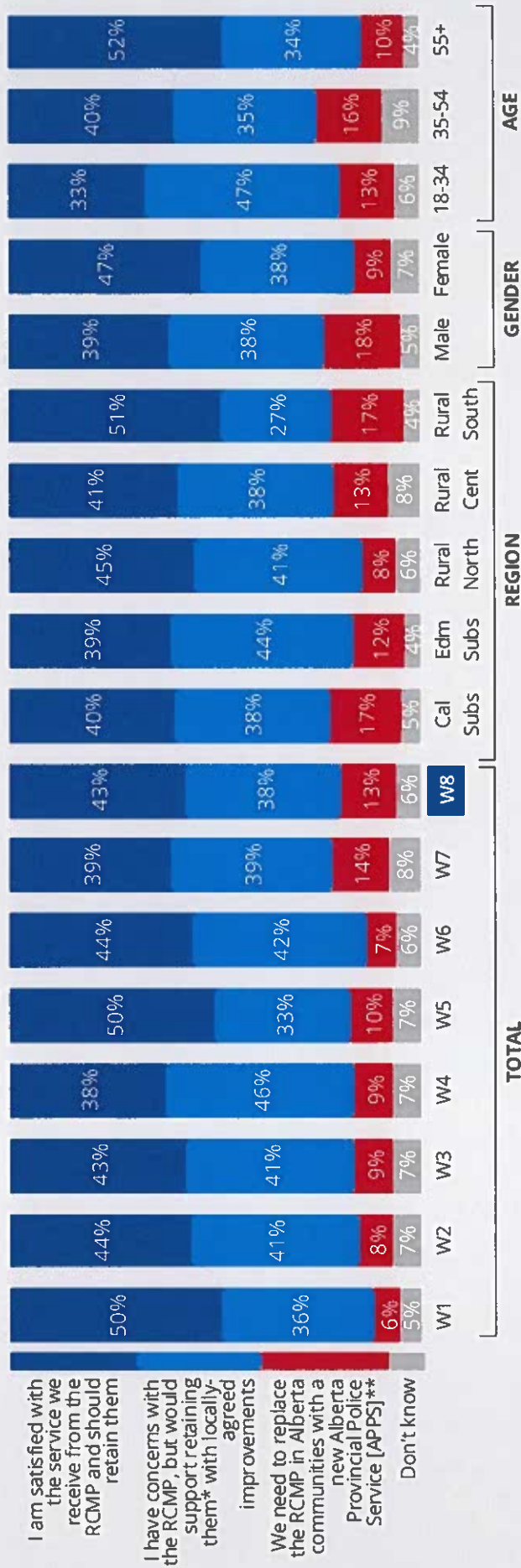
Q 23. When it comes to public safety in Alberta, do you think Premier Danielle Smith and the UCP government's focus should be on...  
Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).



## Post-test among RCMP Communities: Tracking across 8 waves

- Among those in RCMP-served communities, 81% would retain RCMP which is within the range (78% to 86) over 8 waves.
- Those saying the RCMP needs to be replaced is at 13%, marginally lower than wave 7, but higher than levels in waves 1-6.

Viewpoint of RCMP Served Communities On Key Issues

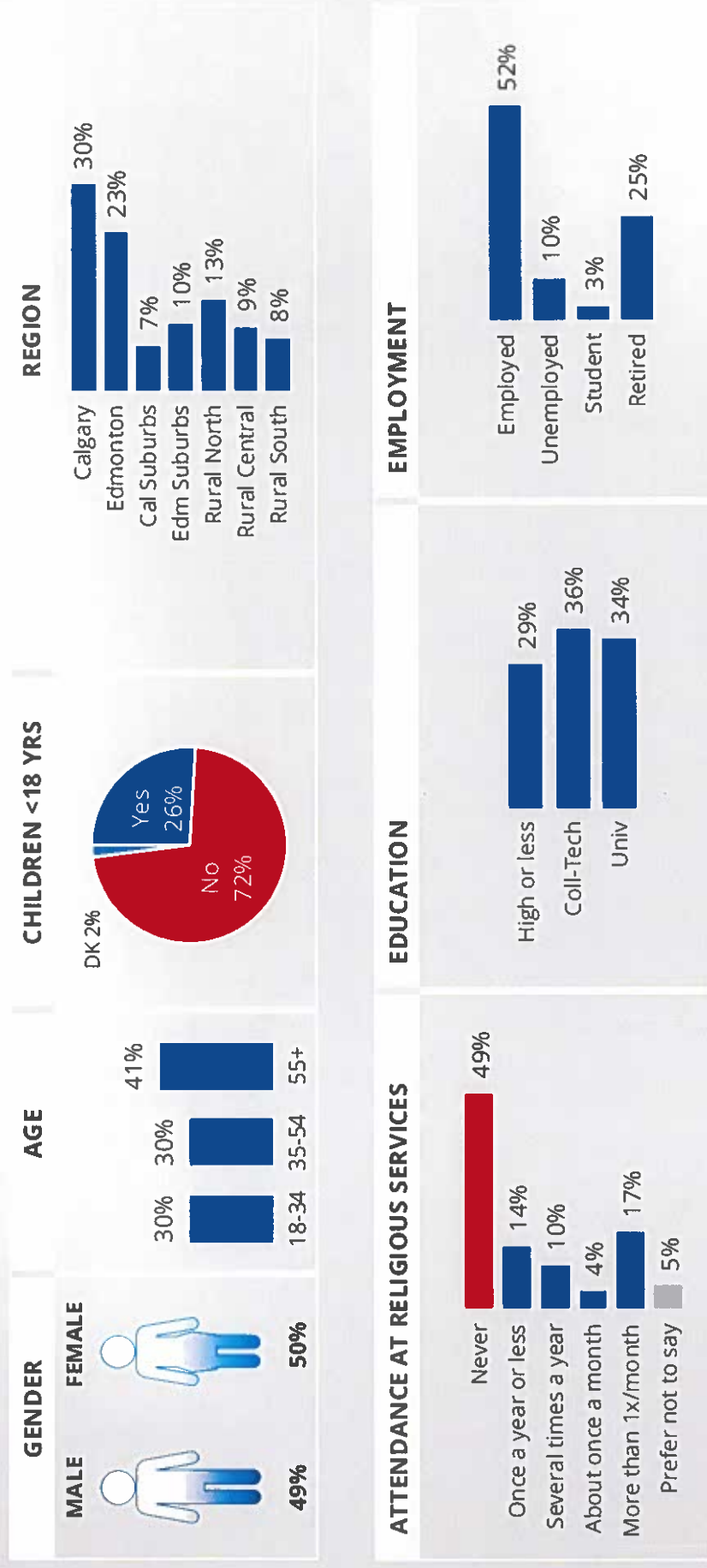


26. Which of the following statements best reflects your viewpoint? Base: Rural / RCMP Communities: W8 (N=718); W7 (N=729); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=695); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809). \*W1 Read: "...if there were significant improvements". \*\*Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS.

# DEMOGRAPHICS

# Demographics

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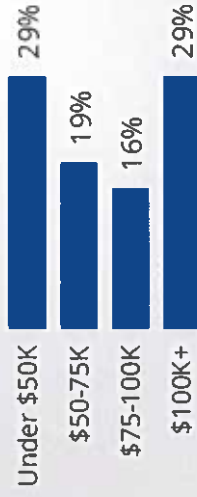


Q Base: TOTAL (N=1,200).

# Demographics

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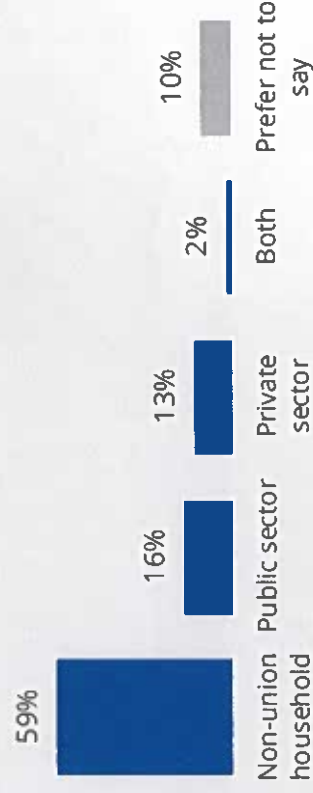
## ETHNICITY



## BIRTHPLACE OUTSIDE CANADA



## UNION MEMBERSHIP



Q Base: TOTAL (N=1,200).



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**Innisfail (Provincial) Crime Statistic Summary – January to November****2025/12/03*****Innisfail (Provincial) – Highlights***

- **Break & Enters** are showing a 64.9% decrease when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 37 fewer actual occurrences (from 57 in 2024 to 20 in 2025).
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles** decreased by 9.7% when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 3 fewer actual occurrences (from 31 in 2024 to 28 in 2025).
- **Theft Under \$5,000** decreased by 57.8% when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 74 fewer actual occurrences (from 128 in 2024 to 54 in 2025).

***Innisfail (Provincial) – Criminal Code Offences Summary***

Crime Category	% Change 2024 – 2025 (January to November)
Total Persons Crime	<b>7.3% Decrease</b>
Total Property Crime	<b>38.9% Decrease</b>
Total Criminal Code	<b>31.1% Decrease</b>

From January to November 2025, when compared to the same period in 2024, there have been:

- 8 fewer **Persons Crime** offences;
- 165 fewer **Property Crime** offences; and
- 185 fewer **Total Criminal Code** offences;

***Innisfail (Provincial) – November, 2025***

- There were 0 **Thefts of Motor Vehicles** in November: 0 cars, 0 trucks, 0 minivans, 0 SUVs, 0 motorcycles, 0 other types of vehicles, and 0 vehicles taken without consent.
- There were 0 **Break and Enters** in November: 0 businesses, 0 residences, 0 cottages/seasonal residences, 0 in some other type of location, and 0 unlawfully being in a dwelling house.
- There were a total of 2 **Provincial Roadside Suspensions** in November (2 alcohol related and 0 drug related). This brings the year-to-date total to 19 (19 alcohol related and 0 drug related).
- There were a total of 2 files with the **Spousal Abuse** survey code in November (November 2024: 4). This brings the year-to-date total to 29 (2024: 41).
- There were 201 files with **Victim Service Unit** referral scoring in Innisfail Provincial: 2 accepted, 7 declined, 0 proactive, 0 requested but not available, and 192 files with no victim.



## Innisfail Provincial Crime Gauge

2025 vs. 2024  
January to November

### *Criminal Code Offences*



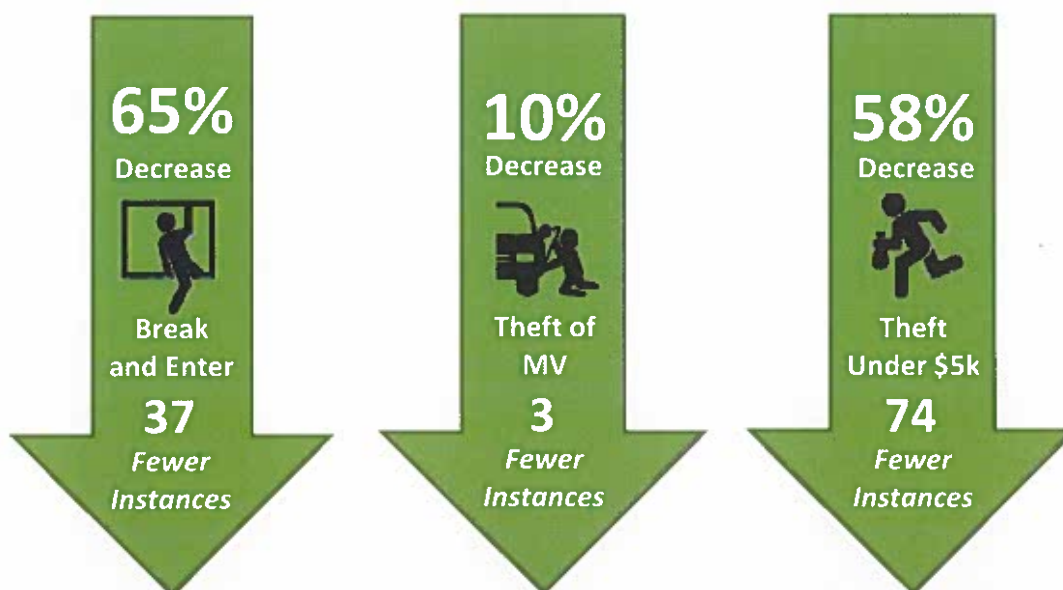
**Total  
Criminal Code  
Offences:**

**31%**

**Decrease**

When compared to  
January to November, 2024

### *Select Property Crime*





**Innisfail Provincial Detachment  
Crime Statistics (Actual)  
January to November: 2021 - 2025**

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

December 3, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Robbery		4	2	3	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.9
Sexual Assaults		12	10	14	12	12	0%	0%	0.2
Other Sexual Offences		4	2	4	2	3	-25%	50%	-0.2
Assault		49	60	70	51	48	-2%	-6%	-1.1
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		4	2	1	0	1	-75%	N/A	-0.8
Extortion		1	2	3	0	4	300%	N/A	0.4
Criminal Harassment		15	11	24	26	18	20%	-31%	2.1
Uttering Threats		23	25	26	17	16	-30%	-6%	-2.2
<b>TOTAL PERSONS</b>		112	114	145	110	102	-9%	-7%	-2.4
Break & Enter		58	67	65	57	20	-66%	-65%	-8.6
Theft of Motor Vehicle		47	18	23	31	28	-40%	-10%	-2.5
Theft Over \$5,000		9	22	16	10	9	0%	-10%	-1.2
Theft Under \$5,000		130	99	112	128	54	-58%	-58%	-12.3
Possn Stn Goods		63	64	64	42	18	-71%	-57%	-11.2
Fraud		34	47	53	68	55	62%	-19%	6.3
Arson		5	7	2	3	3	-40%	0%	-0.8
Mischief - Damage To Property		79	66	67	59	47	-41%	-20%	-7.1
Mischief - Other		14	16	26	26	25	79%	-4%	3.2
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>		439	406	428	424	259	-41%	-39%	-34.2
Offensive Weapons		12	4	11	6	9	-25%	50%	-0.4
Disturbing the peace		15	19	22	13	8	-47%	-38%	-2.0
Fail to Comply & Breaches		27	22	20	21	15	-44%	-29%	-2.5
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		25	14	29	21	17	-32%	-19%	-0.9
<b>TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		79	59	82	61	49	-38%	-20%	-5.8
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>		630	579	655	595	410	-35%	-31%	-42.4





## Innisfail Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) January to November: 2021 - 2025

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

December 3, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		10	12	16	10	7	-30%	-30%	-0.8
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		17	4	12	12	13	-24%	8%	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		1	2	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
<b>Total Drugs</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-29%</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>-1.2</b>
Cannabis Enforcement		1	2	3	2	5	400%	150%	0.8
Federal - General		7	11	4	7	1	-86%	-86%	-1.6
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>		<b>36</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>-28%</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>-2.0</b>
Liquor Act		14	12	6	9	1	-93%	-89%	-2.9
Cannabis Act		13	4	0	2	0	-100%	-100%	-2.8
Mental Health Act		60	59	81	76	55	-8%	-28%	0.7
Other Provincial Stats		102	88	81	140	116	14%	-17%	8.0
<b>Total Provincial Stats</b>		<b>189</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>-24%</b>	<b>3.0</b>
Municipal By-laws Traffic		2	1	3	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Municipal By-laws		35	20	32	29	42	20%	45%	2.3
<b>Total Municipal</b>		<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Fatals		3	1	0	2	1	-67%	-50%	-0.3
Injury MVC		24	33	48	34	31	29%	-9%	1.5
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		216	297	260	238	183	-15%	-23%	-12.5
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		23	47	34	42	37	61%	-12%	2.3
<b>TOTAL MVC</b>		<b>266</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>-5%</b>	<b>-20%</b>	<b>-9.0</b>
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		22	22	29	17	19	-14%	12%	-1.1
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
<b>Total Provincial Traffic</b>		<b>3,231</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>1,302</b>	<b>-60%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>-448.8</b>
Other Traffic		8	10	4	8	7	-13%	-13%	-0.4
Criminal Code Traffic		48	44	39	42	39	-19%	-7%	-2.0
<b>Common Police Activities</b>									
False Alarms		43	42	40	29	36	-16%	24%	-2.7
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		35	57	49	59	57	63%	-3%	4.6
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		277	197	203	196	142	-49%	-28%	-27.1
Persons Reported Missing		11	14	6	16	8	-27%	-50%	-0.4
Search Warrants		2	2	0	0	1	-50%	N/A	-0.4
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		50	35	39	41	29	-42%	-29%	-3.6
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		17	18	19	12	8	-53%	-33%	-2.4



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December 3, 2025

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Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		2	1	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.4
Other Sexual Offences		1	0	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Assault		4	1	4	5	2	-50%	-60%	0.0
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Extortion		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Criminal Harassment		1	1	3	2	3	200%	50%	0.5
Uttering Threats		8	1	2	3	0	-100%	-100%	-1.4
<b>TOTAL PERSONS</b>		17	5	12	11	5	-71%	-55%	-1.8
Break & Enter		6	8	4	0	0	-100%	N/A	-2.0
Theft of Motor Vehicle		4	1	6	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.8
Theft Over \$5,000		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Theft Under \$5,000		7	7	5	8	5	-29%	-38%	-0.3
Possn Stn Goods		3	3	8	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.7
Fraud		4	3	2	9	2	-50%	-78%	0.2
Arson		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		3	5	3	2	3	0%	50%	-0.3
Mischief - Other		2	0	2	1	3	50%	200%	0.3
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>		29	27	31	24	13	-55%	-46%	-3.5
Offensive Weapons		1	2	1	2	3	200%	50%	0.4
Disturbing the peace		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Fail to Comply & Breaches		2	0	4	3	2	0%	-33%	0.3
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		2	0	3	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
<b>TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		5	2	9	6	5	0%	-17%	0.4
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>		51	34	52	41	23	-55%	-44%	-1.9



## Innisfail Provincial Detachment

### Crime Statistics (Actual)

November: 2021 - 2025

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

December 3, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		3	2	0	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.6
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		2	1	1	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
<b>Total Drugs</b>		5	4	1	2	1	-80%	-50%	-1.0
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		1	2	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>		6	6	1	3	1	-83%	-67%	-1.3
Liquor Act		1	0	2	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Cannabis Act		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Mental Health Act		4	7	7	11	3	-25%	-73%	0.2
Other Provincial Stats		4	4	3	13	4	0%	-69%	0.9
<b>Total Provincial Stats</b>		11	11	12	24	7	-36%	-71%	0.5
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		3	0	3	6	4	33%	-33%	0.8
<b>Total Municipal</b>		3	0	3	6	4	33%	-33%	0.8
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		5	3	2	3	1	-80%	-67%	-0.8
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		38	45	46	41	28	-26%	-32%	-2.4
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		1	6	6	7	4	300%	-43%	0.7
<b>TOTAL MVC</b>		44	54	54	51	33	-25%	-35%	-2.5
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		4	3	3	0	2	-50%	N/A	-0.7
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
<b>Total Provincial Traffic</b>		259	132	144	78	80	-69%	3%	-41.2
<b>Other Traffic</b>		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
<b>Criminal Code Traffic</b>		2	6	2	1	5	150%	400%	0.1
<b>Common Police Activities</b>									
False Alarms		4	1	6	2	7	75%	250%	0.7
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		12	3	3	6	7	-42%	17%	-0.7
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		15	6	17	13	14	-7%	8%	0.5
Persons Reported Missing		0	1	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.3
Search Warrants		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		5	2	4	4	2	-60%	-50%	-0.4
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		1	0	2	2	0	-100%	-100%	0.0

**Innisfail (Municipal) Crime Statistic Summary – January to November****2025/12/03*****Innisfail (Municipal) – Highlights***

- **Break & Enters** are showing a 35.7% decrease when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 10 fewer actual occurrences (from 28 in 2024 to 18 in 2025).
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles** decreased by 28.6% when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 6 fewer actual occurrences (from 21 in 2024 to 15 in 2025).
- **Theft Under \$5,000** decreased by 30.5% when compared to the same period in 2024 (January to November). There were 51 fewer actual occurrences (from 167 in 2024 to 116 in 2025).

***Innisfail (Municipal) – Criminal Code Offences Summary***

Crime Category	% Change 2024 – 2025 (January to November)
Total Persons Crime	<b>7.6% Increase</b>
Total Property Crime	<b>14.2% Decrease</b>
Total Criminal Code	<b>7.3% Decrease</b>

From January to November 2025, when compared to the same period in 2024, there have been:

- 10 more **Persons Crime** offences;
- 69 fewer **Property Crime** offences; and
- 54 fewer **Total Criminal Code** offences;

***Innisfail (Municipal) – November, 2025***

- There were **0 Thefts of Motor Vehicles** in November: 0 cars, 0 trucks, 0 minivans, 0 SUVs, 0 motorcycles, 0 other types of vehicles, and 0 vehicles taken without consent.
- There were **1 Break and Enters** in November: 1 businesses, 0 residences, 0 cottages/seasonal residences, 0 in some other type of location, and 0 unlawfully being in a dwelling house.
- There were a total of **0 Provincial Roadside Suspensions** in November (0 alcohol related and 0 drug related). This brings the year-to-date total to 6 (6 alcohol related and 0 drug related).
- There were a total of 2 files with the **Spousal Abuse** survey code in November (November 2024: 6). This brings the year-to-date total to 59 (2024: 69).
- There were 182 files with **Victim Service Unit** referral scoring in Innisfail Municipal: 2 accepted, 15 declined, 0 proactive, 0 requested but not available, and 165 files with no victim.





## Innisfail Municipal Crime Gauge

2025 vs. 2024  
January to November

### Criminal Code Offences



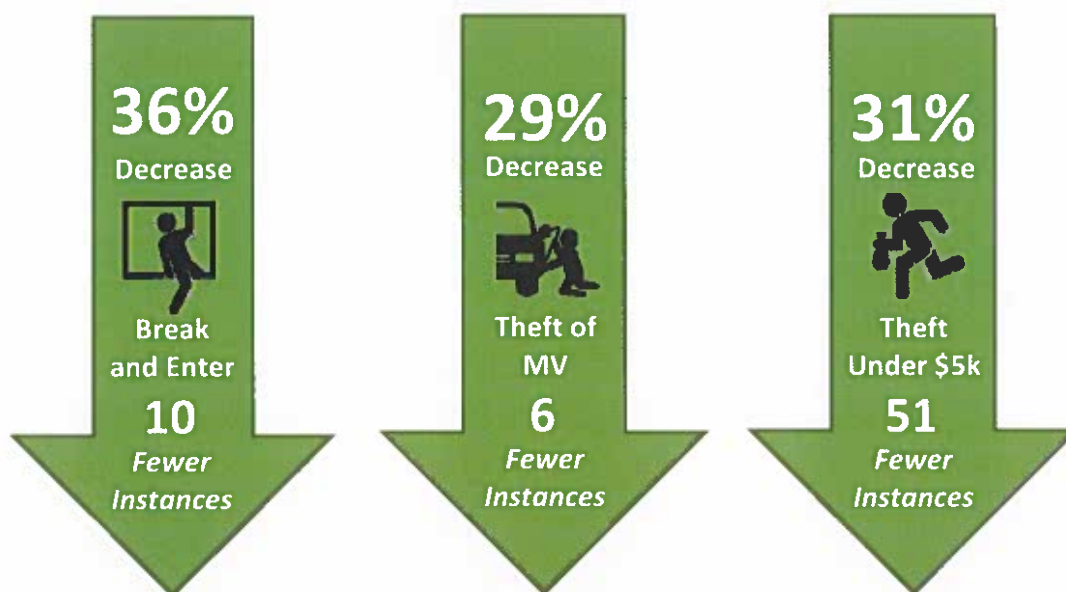
**Total  
Criminal Code  
Offences:**

**7%**

**Decrease**

When compared to  
January to November, 2024

### Select Property Crime





## Innisfail Municipal Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) January to November: 2021 - 2025

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

December 3, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Robbery		1	2	5	1	2	100%	100%	0.1
Sexual Assaults		3	7	9	5	4	33%	-20%	0.0
Other Sexual Offences		3	0	7	4	4	33%	0%	0.6
Assault		53	60	60	67	72	36%	7%	4.5
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	2	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Extortion		1	1	5	3	3	200%	0%	0.6
Criminal Harassment		9	16	26	19	25	178%	32%	3.5
Uttering Threats		34	29	28	33	32	-6%	-3%	0.0
<b>TOTAL PERSONS</b>		104	118	141	132	142	37%	8%	9.0
Break & Enter		48	35	21	28	18	-63%	-36%	-6.7
Theft of Motor Vehicle		29	35	18	21	15	-48%	-29%	-4.2
Theft Over \$5,000		8	3	4	7	6	-25%	-14%	0.0
Theft Under \$5,000		131	131	123	167	116	-11%	-31%	0.6
Possn Stn Goods		37	39	39	34	14	-62%	-59%	-5.1
Fraud		57	57	65	66	76	33%	15%	4.7
Arson		1	3	1	2	1	0%	-50%	-0.1
Mischief - Damage To Property		109	141	60	83	91	-17%	10%	-9.4
Mischief - Other		40	38	38	77	79	98%	3%	11.7
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>		460	482	369	485	416	-10%	-14%	-8.5
Offensive Weapons		21	8	6	10	6	-71%	-40%	-2.8
Disturbing the peace		33	39	42	60	76	130%	27%	10.7
Fail to Comply & Breaches		39	43	21	36	26	-33%	-28%	-3.3
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		25	25	14	20	23	-8%	15%	-0.9
<b>TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		118	115	83	126	131	11%	4%	3.7
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>		682	715	593	743	689	1%	-7%	4.2



## Innisfail Municipal Detachment

### Crime Statistics (Actual)

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December 3, 2025

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Possession		13	10	5	9	5	-62%	-44%	-1.7
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		11	11	13	19	13	18%	-32%	1.2
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
<b>Total Drugs</b>		24	21	18	29	18	-25%	-38%	-0.4
Cannabis Enforcement		1	1	1	0	1	0%	N/A	-0.1
Federal - General		5	3	7	3	2	-60%	-33%	-0.6
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>		30	25	26	32	21	-30%	-34%	-1.1
Liquor Act		17	11	8	11	16	-6%	45%	-0.2
Cannabis Act		8	3	2	3	0	-100%	-100%	-1.6
Mental Health Act		80	91	137	137	223	179%	63%	33.2
Other Provincial Stats		164	97	121	169	178	9%	5%	10.0
<b>Total Provincial Stats</b>		269	202	268	320	417	55%	30%	41.4
Municipal By-laws Traffic		7	4	5	2	9	29%	350%	0.2
Municipal By-laws		65	49	68	70	79	22%	13%	4.9
<b>Total Municipal</b>		72	53	73	72	88	22%	22%	5.1
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		8	10	13	2	9	13%	350%	-0.6
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		58	79	80	43	56	-3%	30%	-4.0
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		8	10	21	24	23	188%	-4%	4.4
<b>TOTAL MVC</b>		74	99	114	69	88	19%	28%	-0.2
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		9	15	27	13	6	-33%	-54%	-0.8
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	4	2	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.4
<b>Total Provincial Traffic</b>		515	577	571	382	425	-17%	11%	-37.5
Other Traffic		6	5	2	3	6	0%	100%	-0.2
<b>Criminal Code Traffic</b>		28	33	39	28	16	-43%	-43%	-2.9
<b>Common Police Activities</b>									
False Alarms		75	68	58	55	60	-20%	9%	-4.3
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		50	55	67	95	58	16%	-39%	5.6
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		210	176	139	183	147	-30%	-20%	-11.9
Persons Reported Missing		29	24	29	37	30	3%	-19%	1.5
Search Warrants		4	6	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-1.3
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		71	69	49	69	59	-17%	-14%	-2.4
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		19	19	23	21	21	11%	0%	0.6



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Offences Related to Death		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Other Sexual Offences		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Assault		5	6	6	2	2	-60%	0%	-1.0
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Criminal Harassment		1	0	1	2	2	100%	0%	0.4
Uttering Threats		1	1	3	5	1	0%	-80%	0.4
<b>TOTAL PERSONS</b>		7	10	12	9	5	-29%	-44%	-0.5
Break & Enter		3	3	2	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.7
Theft of Motor Vehicle		1	1	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.2
Theft Over \$5,000		0	0	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Theft Under \$5,000		11	9	12	16	9	-18%	-44%	0.3
Possn Stn Goods		2	4	6	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.6
Fraud		6	7	8	4	4	-33%	0%	-0.7
Arson		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		8	18	5	6	8	0%	33%	-1.2
Mischief - Other		4	1	3	5	5	25%	0%	0.6
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>		35	43	39	34	28	-20%	-18%	-2.3
Offensive Weapons		2	1	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.5
Disturbing the peace		0	2	1	3	4	N/A	33%	0.9
Fail to Comply & Breaches		4	3	1	2	1	-75%	-50%	-0.7
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		4	3	1	2	1	-75%	-50%	-0.7
<b>TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		10	9	3	7	6	-40%	-14%	-1.0
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>		52	62	54	50	39	-25%	-27%	-3.8





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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		2	1	1	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.2
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		4	2	2	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.8
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
<b>Total Drugs</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-83%</b>	<b>-67%</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
Cannabis Enforcement		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Federal - General		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-71%</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
Liquor Act		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Cannabis Act		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Mental Health Act		2	11	9	16	21	950%	31%	4.3
Other Provincial Stats		11	10	14	14	9	-18%	-36%	0.0
<b>Total Provincial Stats</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>4.0</b>
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Municipal By-laws		3	4	4	2	2	-33%	0%	-0.4
<b>Total Municipal</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		1	1	0	0	3	200%	N/A	0.3
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		7	10	6	7	13	86%	86%	0.9
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		1	4	0	3	3	200%	0%	0.3
<b>TOTAL MVC</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>111%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	1	2	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.0
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
<b>Total Provincial Traffic</b>		<b>37</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>-2.3</b>
<b>Other Traffic</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-100%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>Criminal Code Traffic</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-50%</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Common Police Activities</b>									
False Alarms		10	15	3	5	6	-40%	20%	-1.8
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		5	4	0	6	4	-20%	-33%	0.0
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		12	16	11	21	7	-42%	-67%	-0.5
Persons Reported Missing		1	2	3	3	1	0%	-67%	0.1
Search Warrants		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		6	7	3	6	2	-67%	-67%	-0.9
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		1	4	0	3	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3



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Assisted Living and Social Services

*Office of the Minister*

Linda Briggs  
PO Box 886  
Penhold AB T0M 1R0

Dear Linda Briggs:

Congratulations on your nomination for a 2024-2025 Minister's Seniors Service Award. In the past 27 years, 181 Albertans have received a Minister's Seniors Service Award for exceptional service in improving the lives of Alberta seniors and their communities.

On behalf of the Government of Alberta, it is my honour to present the enclosed certificate to recognize your nomination for the outstanding work you do for older Albertans. Over the last year, I have heard many stories of individuals, organizations and businesses who have selflessly given their time, energy, and resources to ensure the safety and well-being of seniors and to help make Alberta's communities great and inclusive places to live. I am in awe of the outstanding work being done across Alberta.

Although you were not selected for an award this year, I thank you for your valuable contributions toward making a positive difference in the lives of seniors in Alberta.

Congratulations again on your nomination.

Sincerely,

Jason Nixon  
Minister of Assisted Living and Social Services  
Minister responsible for Housing

Attachment

cc: Tracy Leiper  
Teresa Cunningham

# NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT

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In October, ABmunis received a letter from Napoli Shkolnik Canada and Freeman Litigation asking us to share a notice with our members about a class action lawsuit against pharmaceutical companies related to the opioid crisis.

At first, we weren't sure how to proceed. We had never received a letter like this before and wanted to ensure we were sharing accurate information. To clarify, we spoke directly with one of the lawyers involved in the case.

Here's what we learned, so you can better understand the notice too.

## **What is the class action lawsuit about?**

Municipalities are suing several pharmaceutical companies involved in the marketing, promotion, distribution or sale of pharmaceutical opioid products in Canada. The lawsuit alleges that these companies made misrepresentations about opioid products, and seeks monetary damages for the costs municipalities incurred relating to opioid addiction.

## **What does class mean in this lawsuit?**

The City of Grande Prairie and the Corporation of the City of Brantford are acting as representative plaintiffs on behalf of all municipalities and local governments in Canada. This means every municipality and local government in Canada is automatically a member of the class — unless they choose to opt-out.

## **What is the notice about?**

The plaintiffs and Mylan Pharmaceuticals, one of the pharmaceutical companies named in the lawsuit, have reached a proposed settlement. As Mylan Pharmaceuticals is a minor player relative to other pharmaceutical companies named in the suit, the settlement is small and will be used towards legal costs as the suit against larger players continues. As part of this process, the court requires the plaintiffs' legal counsel to notify all class members (any municipality and local government in Canada) in case they wish to opt-out of the settlement.

## **What do you need to do as a municipality?**

If you have questions or concerns about the lawsuit or settlement or wish to opt-out, visit the [Napoli Shkolnik Canada Mylan Settlement](#) or contact the law firm directly at 1.888.531.0675.



# Bringing Responsible Rail to Alberta

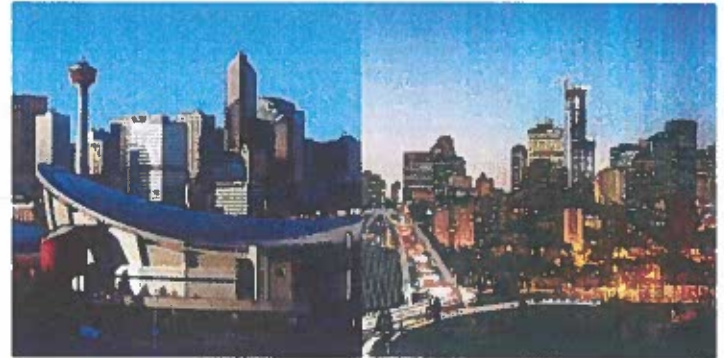
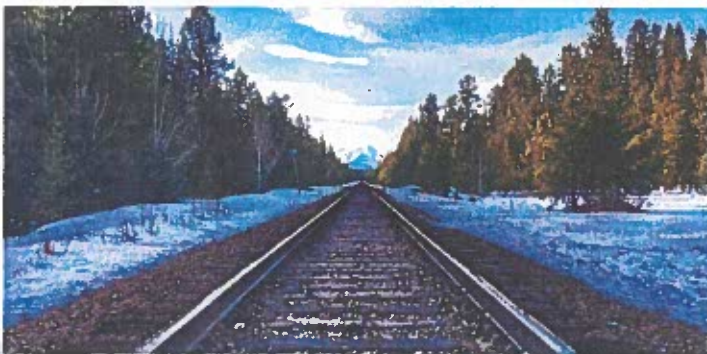
## We are Alberta Regional Rail

We are a group under the corporate name of Alberta Regional Rail Inc. (ARR) who are passionate about bringing Responsible Rail passenger train connecting Edmonton to Calgary, with further interest in connecting Montana with Alberta.

**Our vision:** We envision a future where regional rail is a cornerstone of our transportation system, providing affordable and sustainable options for travel between Edmonton and Calgary, from Alberta, and to Montana.

**Our mission:** To develop and run a world class responsible regional rail transportation system that is reliable, efficient, and environmentally sustainable for Alberta and for the benefit of all Albertans.

**Our approach:** While high-speed rail like they have in other parts of the world sounds exciting, the realities are that this kind of approach is very expensive to build and maintain. We think there is a much more effective and practical way to bring passenger rail back using new technologies on the same rails we have now. This approach will benefit the communities and corridor, not just the big cities. We call it **"Responsible Rail"**.



## RR benefits to the Calgary-Edmonton corridor.

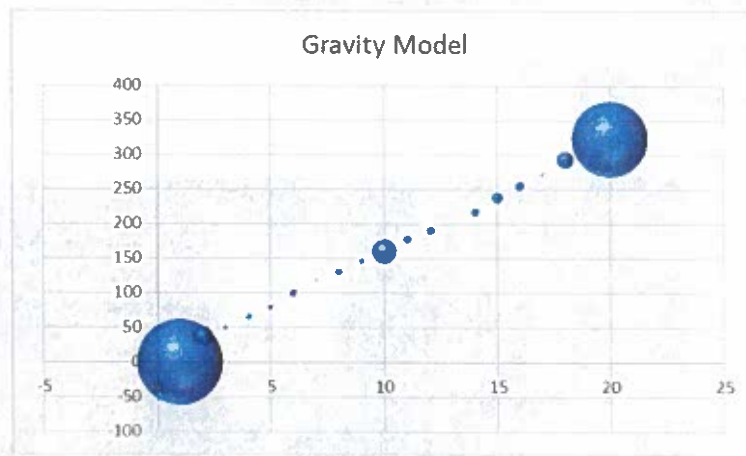
- Reduced congestion on roads and highways, improved access to employment and education opportunities, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions.
- Drive economic growth and sustainability in smaller Alberta communities and enhances the quality of life for communities along the corridor.
- Connect two major international airports for capacity sharing and building for airlines and help smaller communities to choose departure airport gateways.
- 30% lower emissions: Travel by rail results in significantly lower CO2 emissions compared to travel by air between the same city pairs using existing airline and passenger rail infrastructure. Savings are higher for cities connected by electrified rail.

## Responsible Rail (RR) approach Here the 5 pillars of Responsible Rail

1. **Safety:** Implementing safety measures such as redundant signaling systems, automatic train control, and collision avoidance systems to prevent accidents.
2. **Sustainability:** Utilizing sustainable technologies and practices such as electric or hydrogen-powered trains, and incorporating energy-efficient design elements into infrastructure and stations.
3. **Practical:** Utilizing existing technologies CFR, AAR, FRA compliant freight compatible rolling stock.
4. **Accessibility:** Accessible and convenient for all. Ensuring that rail systems are accessible and convenient for all users, including providing ramps and elevators at stations, and offering special accommodations for passengers with disabilities or mobility limitations.
5. **Equality:** Working all communities including indigenous communities to ensure that rail projects are developed in a way that respects the rights and interests of these communities.

## Gravity Model Analysis of Regional Rail in the Calgary – Edmonton Corridor

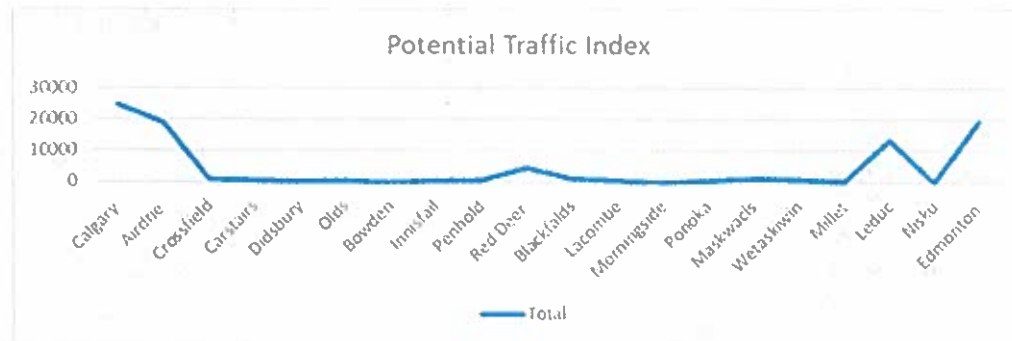
This analysis uses data provided in the 2021 Alberta Census, and using Gravity Model equations to calculate what a Regional Rail System market level could reach.



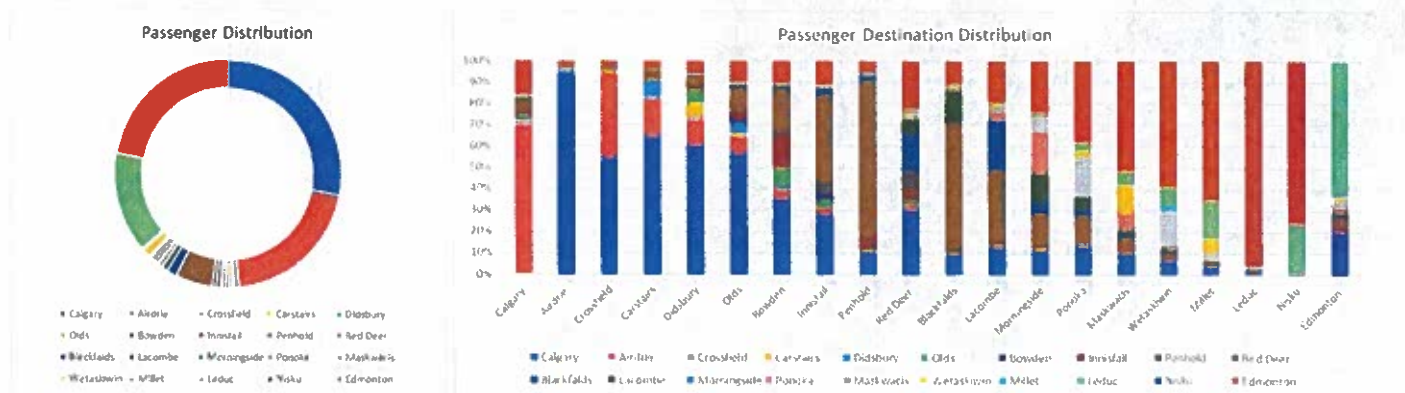
According to transport economic theory, the traffic between two cities is proportional to the populations of these two cities and inversely proportional to the square of the Generalized Cost considered as the sum of the cost and value of time to travel the distance separating them.

Using the theoretical assumptions, we obtained the percentage for Regional Rail System market share on each relation.

Using the Gravity Model calculations, we estimate regional rail ridership to be in the region of 5.2 million passengers per year.



Due to the nature of Calgary being the financial and business hub, Edmonton being the Government Centre with the Provincial Legislature, and the corridor being an established Industrial Corridor, the overall ridership can be estimated to be significantly larger than what is calculated through this Gravity Model.



This Gravity Model does not take into account the potential ridership draw of the Calgary International Airport, nor the Edmonton International Airport and the nearby Premium Outlet Collection mall, both of which could be easily connected to the regional rail system by means of an automated people mover.

Also not taken into account is the status of the Calgary – Edmonton corridor being an established Industrial Corridor, with travel from within the corridor to the business hub of Calgary and the Government Centre of Edmonton.