

COUNCILLOR'S CORNER



Whether you prefer to call it Fall or Autumn, in the municipal world, we call it Budget Season!

Starting in the summer, staff and administration begin preparing and forecasting the resources we will need for the following year. In August/September, we have pre-budget meetings and ask our residents for feedback. For the past few weeks, we have been collecting results in our Citizen Budget and answering budget-related questions from our community.

Our incredible staff has compiled a video with our answers, and if you have not seen it yet - you can watch it here youtu.be/ngJjiVb1JYQ

In early November, Council and Administration will spend two and a half days together in a workshop, discussing the 3-year Operating and 10-year Capital budgets. It is important to remember that these budgets are guidelines; as we have learned this year, things are never concrete and can swiftly (and drastically) change.

I have been asked if we (council) listen to our residents and take their questions/comments into consideration. The answer is a resounding YES! we take our budget seriously, and resident feedback is indeed considered. With 2021 being an election year, this may be a final municipal budget for some of us, and that thought certainly weighs on my mind.

[It is worth noting that questions/comments which are written respectfully are taken more seriously than those that are rude and contain expletives or slurs.]

Before my municipal life, Autumn focused on back-to-school, harvest, and Thanksgiving. Being grateful for what you have is a vital component of your happiness. My wish for everyone this season is to find and express what you are grateful for and enjoy the holiday with your families.

Marina Appel
Councillor



October 2020

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Regular Meetings

October 13 | 7:00 p.m.

October 27 | Organizational Meeting | 7:00 p.m.

October 27 | To follow organizational meeting

Standing Committee

October 19 | 7:00 p.m.

Regular Council (RCC) and Standing Committee meetings (SCC) are closed to the public until further notice.

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*All meetings are held in Council Chambers
Civic & Culture Centre
5018 Waghorn St.*



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