



City of Lacombe

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

June 14, 2021

4. Public Hearings

4.1 Land Use Bylaw 400.35 Amendment (Site Specific Use/Fitness Facility)

A public hearing was held regarding an application made to allow "Fitness facility" as a use on the West Part of Lot 30, Plan RN9. The subject site is located at 5346 50 Avenue and is the former site of the Lacombe Pentecostal Church.

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5. Requests for Decision (Regular)

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The proposed bylaw, if approved, would limit this use to the subject site. Administration had concerns regarding on-street parking/passenger pick up and drop off and traffic in the lane. Administration, therefore, recommended Council postpone the third reading of Bylaw 400.35 to the June 28, 2021 Council meeting to allow consideration of additional amendments from Administration.

Council gave second reading to Bylaw 400.35.

5.2 Kew Gardens Playground Replacement (Contract Award)

The Lacombe & District Recreation, Parks, and Culture Board recommended to Council a proposal from Canadian Recreation Solutions at \$149,750 plus GST. The proposal meets the City's needs while including unique features not available in other City playgrounds to date.

The project is scheduled to commence in early fall, completed by October 1, 2021.

Council approved the award of a contract to Canadian Recreation Solutions.

5.3 Security for Development Agreements (Surety Bonds)

Administration recommended Council endorse the use of surety bonds as an acceptable form of development security.

Benefits of doing so include:

- Improved liquidity for Developers

- Providing the City with the same financial assurance as irrevocable letters of credit
- The Developer can put their cash and credit towards new developments and further investment in the community
- Surety prequalification of Developers provides the City with additional assurance of the Developer's ability to complete their project

Council endorsed the use of surety bonds as an acceptable form of development security in the City of Lacombe.

5.4 2021 Snow Clearing Policy Review

The City's Snow Clearing Policy directly affects snow clearing and sanding service levels for public roads, sidewalks, and trails.

Now that the season has concluded, Administration invited Council's input on the service delivery in 2020-2021.

Council directed the Administration to add the Midway Centre roads to the Priority 2 snow clearing schedule in the Snow Clearing Policy.

5.5 Bylaw 253.3 (Responsible Alcohol Consumption in Parks)

Administration presented an amendment to Bylaw 253, the Parks and Facilities Bylaw, to allow Responsible Liquor Consumption in City Parks.

Council voted against the motion to pass the third reading to the Bylaw 253.3, meaning Responsible Liquor Consumption in City Parks will not go forward.

5.6 Municipal Election Bylaw 484

The next municipal election occurs on October 18, 2021, for Alberta municipalities. As a result, there are changes and edits to the Municipal Election Bylaw required to prepare for the election.

Administration created a new bylaw, Election Bylaw 484, which aligns with the updated Local Authorities Election Act.

Council gave second and third reading to Municipal Election Bylaw 484.

8. Notice of Motion

8.1 Councillor Konnik

Councillor Konnik previously made the motion: "That council include a ballot for a vote on a question at the next municipal election, asking citizens if they would like to see Video Lottery Terminals return within our city boundaries or that Council rescind Bylaw 244."

Council directed administration to begin the process of rescinding Bylaw 244.

9. In Camera

9.2 Legal (FOIP Section 16)

Council directed administration to draft a letter in support of Vesta Energy's application to the Alberta Energy Regulator as discussed.

Council additionally approved the installation of groundwater wells as requested subject to the listed conditions.

****The next scheduled Council Meeting:***

-Monday, June 28, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

-Monday, July 12, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

-Monday, August 9, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting at 5 p.m.