



**Town of Edson**  
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**For Immediate Release**

## ***Council Notes***

*January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015*

**1. Public Hearings.** Four public hearings were held for rezoning.

1620 Edson Drive – A motion was made to proceed to second reading of a bylaw to rezone this lot from Single Family Residential to Low Density Multiple Family Residential to accommodate an illegal basement suite. Numerous residents were on hand to express concerns with parking, noise, vandalism, and other issues relating to basement suites that are not owner occupied. Council voted unanimously to defeat the bylaw.

5912 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue - A motion was made to proceed to second reading of a bylaw to rezone this lot from Single Family Residential to Low Density Multiple Family Residential to accommodate an illegal basement suite. Once again adjacent landowners were on hand to speak to issues regarding on-street parking, noise levels and related issues. During the rezoning application process, the house was actually sold and the new owner had indicated she intends to operate the suite as an owner occupied unit. Council voted unanimously to defeat the rezoning bylaw.

5114 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Developers were on hand to speak to the rezoning to allow for a triplex consisting of three, two bedroom units with one bathroom in each unit. This is a new build to replace an old building and Council felt it was a benefit to the Town and will bring in new assessment value as well. Council voted unanimously to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of the rezoning bylaw.

924 50<sup>th</sup> Street – The same developers of the previous property spoke briefly to this and the plan is for the same style of triplex. Council voted unanimously to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of the rezoning bylaw.

- 2. Delegation.** Council had a presentation from Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development regarding the Alberta Land Use Framework. It was noted that as the Framework is put together the Province will be seeking feedback from the various Municipalities and land owners/users.
- 3. Policing.** Council accepted for information an invoice from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police “K” Division in the amount of \$594,443.95 (GST Exempt) with respect to municipal policing costs for the period from October 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014. The policing costs are already approved in the 2014 Budget.
- 4. Land Purchase.** Approval was given to purchase a piece of land at 108 63<sup>rd</sup> Street for the price of \$185,000.00 (Plus GST). This land purchase will help facilitate the West End Sewer Line project and it's expected the costs could be recouped by selling the land on the open market at a later date.
- 5. Rebranding.** Following a rebranding presentation at Council Retreat, Council has directed administration to put the rebranding project on hold for now.

6. **New School Discussion.** Council has agreed to set up a Board to Council meeting with the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division to discuss areas of mutual interest and potential partnership.
7. **Meeting Cancellation.** The regular Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. has been cancelled.

**The next Council Meeting is scheduled for February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm in the Council Chambers of the Edson Civic Building.**

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