



Council Budget Deliberations
Wednesday, November 20, 2025
Council Chambers
900 Mountain Avenue
Crossfield, Alberta, T0M 0S0

PRESENT: Mayor Harris
Deputy Mayor Gustafson
Councillor Benson
Councillor Brennan
Councillor Cosh
Councillor Nielsen

REGRETS: Councillor Knight

STAFF: Kinza Barney, CAO
Amber Ouellette, Chief Finance Officer
Russ Nash, Director of Community & Protective Services
Steve Altena, Director of Infrastructure and Community Growth
Lindsey Nash, Legislative and Administrative Services Manager (Recording Secretary)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harris called the council meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. BUDGET PRESENTATION AND DELIBERATION

Chief Financial Officer Amber Ouellette provided Council with a recap of Day 1 deliberations, which included a motion to add \$10,000 to the Recreation Board contribution, increasing the annual contribution to \$40,000. As directed by Councillor Knight during the November 19 budget deliberations, Administration also presented comparative findings on the value of using internal versus external resources to facilitate the Strategic Planning Session.

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MOVED by Councillor Nielsen that Council retains the funds in the budget for a consultant to facilitate the 2026-2029 Strategic Planning Session.

CARRIED

Chief Financial Officer Amber Ouellette then presented the draft 2026 capital budget, which Council then deliberated.

The draft 2026 budget will be brought forward to December 2, 2025, council meeting for Councils review and approval.

3. ADJORN

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MOVED by Councillor Nielsen that the Council meeting adjourns at 7:55 p.m.

CARRIED



Mayor Harris



Kinza Barney, Chief Administrative Officer