



Council highlights

Social Media Policy Amendment

Council adopted amendments to Cochrane's social media policy. The policy updates ensure compliance with regulations and alignment with best practices.

Community Grants Program Policy

Council adopted amendments to the Community Grants Program Policy. The updated policy introduces a more structured, transparent and equitable approach to municipal grant funding.

Further, Council approved the 2025 Community Investment Fund allocations as follows:

- Community Operational Grants: \$84,727
- Events Grants: \$125,000
- Community Projects: \$18,000
- Community Organization Support: \$10,500
- Youth Innovation & Engagement: \$2,000
- Legacy Transition Support: \$157,457

Traffic Bylaw Amendment

Council gave first reading to Bylaw 13/2025. This bylaw updates and modernizes regulations related to bicycles, e-scooters, micromobility devices, and multi-use pathways to align with Cochrane's Active Transportation Design Guidelines and current transportation needs. The amendment ensures the Town's regulatory framework keeps pace with community growth, safety, and infrastructure investment.

Parks & Open Spaces Bylaw Amendment

Council gave first reading to the Bylaw 17/2025. The proposed amendments look to ensure alignment with the proposed updates to the Traffic Bylaw.

Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation – Southbow MOU

Members of the Glenbow Ranch Park Foundation (GRPF) presented to Council at the May 20th Committee of the Whole meeting to propose establishing a Visitor Centre at Southbow Landing Park, positioned at the entrance to the new Bow River bridge. Council voted to endorse a Memorandum of Understanding in collaboration with the GRPF to formalize the Foundation's involvement in discussions with the Southbow Landing developer regarding the planning and build-out of the park space, ensuring alignment with the Town's planning documents, and to identify opportunities to enhance the park's design and programming.

Civic Leadership and Engagement

Following a Notice of Motion from Councillor McFadden, Administration presented a report reviewing the feasibility, operational impact, strategic alignment, peer comparisons, and readiness for implementation, of launching five civic leadership and engagement initiatives in Cochrane. Council received the report for information and moved that a draft Terms of Reference for the Community Association Engagement initiative come back to Council in September for review and feedback. Further, that the remaining four proposed leadership and engagement initiatives be brought forward to the new Council for consideration prior to budget consideration in the fall.

1. Leadership Cochrane Program
2. Mayor's Youth Council
3. Youth Representation on Council Committees
4. Creation of a Citizen Panel



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Land Use Bylaw Amendment: Historic Downtown Direct Control District

Council defeated second reading for a proposed re-designation within the Historic Downtown at 217 and 221 Second Avenue West and 216 Third Avenue West. The parcels are currently designated Historic Downtown District and Bylaw 14/2025 proposed to re-designate them to a newly created Direct Control District that allows for automotive focused businesses.

Invest Greater Calgary – MOU Endorsement Request

Council approved endorsement of the Memorandum of Understanding between Calgary Region Partners and the Invest Greater Calgary Secretariat.

Bylaw 15/2025 Off-Site Levy Bylaw

Council gave First Reading to Bylaw 15/2025 and set a Non-Statutory Public Hearing for September 8, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

The intent of the 2025 Off-Site Levy update as established by Bylaw 15/2025, is to revise project costs where applicable, account for expenditures and collections since the last levy update, update growth assumptions, and include new infrastructure.

Bylaw 16/2025 Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement

Council gave First Reading to Bylaw 16/2025. The proposed bylaw to enter into a renewed ATCO Natural Gas Distribution Franchise Agreement for 10 years will replace the expiring agreement. All terms and conditions remain consistent with the current agreement. Following the required public notice, the agreement is intended to come back to Council for approval in the fall.

Notices of Motion

Bill 50 Implications and Deputy Mayor

Appointment

Councillor Fedeyko presented a motion requesting Administration release all legal and related staff costs tied to meetings, investigations, and sanctions involving Councillor Fedeyko. The motion also requests that Councillor Fedeyko serve as Deputy Mayor from June 26 to October 20, 2025.

This follows the recent passage of Bill 50 (the Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 2025), which received royal assent on May 15, 2025, and renders all Code of Conduct bylaw provisions unenforceable.

Councillor Fedeyko's Deputy Mayor rotation had already been reinstated.

Council approved a revised motion to publicly release all legal costs related to investigations and sanctions involving Councillor Fedeyko. Thereafter Council passed a motion arising that in conjunction with the release of legal costs, a summary sheet identifying the context and timeline be included, subject to legal advice.