

#### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA CARSTAIRS MUNICIPAL OFFICE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ADDED ITEMS

#### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) Adoption of agenda of February 10, 2025

Motion: To adopt the agenda of February 10, 2025

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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a) Adoption of minutes of January 27, 2025 (addendum 4.a) <a href="Motion">Motion</a>: To adopt the minutes of January 27, 2025



#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

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a) Land Use Bylaw Update



- 6. DELEGATIONS
- 7. BYLAWS AND POLICIES
- 8. NEW BUSINESS
  - a) Appointment of Returning Officer
  - b) Appointment of Substitute Returning Officer

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) POLICIES & PRIORITIES COMMITTEE
- b) MOUNTAIN VIEW REGIONAL WASTE COMMISSION
- c) MOUNTAIN VIEW REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION
- d) MOUNTAIN VIEW SENIORS HOUSING

#### 10. COUNCILOR REPORTS

a) COUNCILOR ALLAN

- b) COUNCILOR BALL
- c) COUNCILOR FRICKE
- d) COUNCILOR RATZ
- e) COUNCILOR ROBERTS
- f) COUNCILOR WILCOX
- g) MAYOR COLBY

#### 11. CORRESPONDENCE

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a) Beef & Barley Days Fireworks Request (addendum 11.a)



b) Hugh Sutherland School Scholarship Request (addendum 11.b)



c) Letter of Request-Lynne Dunsmuir (addendum 11.c)



- 12. CAO'S REPORT
- 13. COUNCILOR COMMENTS
- 14. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD
- 15. MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD
- 16. CLOSED MEETING
  - a) Section 197 of the MGA states that Council and Council Committees must conduct their meetings in public unless the matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Privacy (FOIP) (s. 16 to 29).
- 17. ADJOURNMENT

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2025, 7:00 P.M. CARSTAIRS MUNICIPAL OFFICE

ATTENDEES: Mayor Colby, Councilors Allan, Ball, Fricke, Ratz, & Roberts; Director

of Legislative & Corporate Services Shannon Allison; Director of Planning & Development Kirk Williscroft; CAO Rick Blair; Executive

Assistant Kayleigh Van Es

ABSENT: Councilor Wilcox

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Colby called the meeting of Monday, January 27, 2025, to order

at 7:00 p.m.

ADDED ITEMS: 1. Removal of Operating Budget 2025 from New Business 8.b.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** 

Motion 022/25 Motion by Councilor Allan to adopt the Regular Council agenda of

January 27, 2025, as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Motion 023/25 Motion by Councilor Ball to adopt the Regular Council Meeting

minutes of January 13, 2025, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Nil DELEGATIONS: Nil

BYLAWS & POLICIES: 1. Policy No. 11-022-25 Council and CAO Attendance at

Conferences & Development Sessions-Amended

Motion 024/25 Motion by Councilor Fricke to adopt Policy No. 11-022-25 Council and

CAO Attendance at Conferences & Development Sessions as

amended.

CARRIED

IEW PURINESS: 1 Capital Budget 2025

NEW BUSINESS: 1. Capital Budget 2025

S. Allison spoke to the proposed Capital Budget. Expenditures include the administration expansion, newly constructed columbarium, telephone upgrades, lift station transfer switch, and a growth study.

Councilor Allan requested clarification regarding the cost of a dump trailer for the golf course. CAO Blair assured that the quote provided

is the most competitive.

Motion 025/25 Motion by Councilor Ball to pass the Capital Budget as presented.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS: 1. P

1. Policies & Priorities Committee

-The minutes of January 16, 2024, were reviewed. Next meeting

February 21, 2025.

2. Mountain View Regional Waste Commission

-Next meeting April 2025.

3. Mountain View Regional Water Commission

-Mayor Colby gave a verbal update on the January 15, 2025, meeting, which included discussions on new reservoir projects for Didsbury and Carstairs, as well as the proposed Connection Policy. Councilor Fricke inquired about the timeline for the next reservoir, to which Mayor Colby estimated 20 years. Next meeting February 19, 2025.

**4. Mountain View Seniors' Housing**-Next meeting February 20, 2025.

5. Carstairs Public Library

-Council reviewed the 2024 Annual Report.

Motion 026/25 Motion by Councilor Ratz to accept all Committee Reports as

information.

CARRIED

COUNCILOR REPORTS: Councilor Allan

- January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee

meeting.
Councilor Ball

- Nothing to report at this time.

**Councilor Fricke** 

- January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee

meeting.

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- Participated in the Canadian Municipal Barometer, run through the University of Calgary. The deadline to participate is March 31, 2025.
- Participated in the Alberta Municipalities Advocacy Survey. The deadline to participate is January 28, 2025.

#### **Councilor Ratz**

- January 15, 2025, attended Heritage Festival meeting.
- January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee meeting.

#### **Councilor Roberts**

- January 15, 2025, attended Mountain View Regional Water Commission meeting.
- January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee meeting.

#### **Councilor Wilcox**

Absent

#### **Mayor Colby**

- January 15, 2025, attended Mountain View Regional Water Commission meeting.
- January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee meeting.

Motion 027/25 Motion by Councilor Roberts to accept all Councilor Reports as

information.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### 1. Sponsorship Request Letter-Aggie Days Mountain View

Council reviewed a request for the town to sponsor Aggie Days Mountain View by providing printing services. CAO Blair informed Council that contracting out the printing would be more cost-effective than completing it in-house.

Motion 028/25 Motion by Councilor Allan to accept the sponsorship request and

approve providing the printing services.

**CARRIED** 

#### CAO'S REPORT:

- -January 14, 2025, met with ISL to discuss growth study. -January 15, 2025, met with Enterprise to discuss fleet
- implementation.
- -January 16, 2025, met with CAOs from Mountain View County, Didsbury, Cremona, and Crossfield to discuss the Regional Policing Study.
- -January 16, 2025, attended the Policies & Priorities Committee meeting.
- -January 21, 2025, met with Urban Systems to discuss the growth study.
- -January 22, 2025, met with Kitstone developers.
- -Ongoing budget discussions
- -ICC meeting in February to discuss the IDP.

Motion 029/25 Motion by Councilor Ball to accept CAO's Report as information.

**CARRIED** 

#### **COUNCILOR COMMENTS: 1. Councilor Ratz**

-Commented on the fence being installed at Meadowpark.

#### 2. Councilor Fricke

-Asks for details about work near the arena. K. Williscroft explained that the services are being prepared for the Kitstone development.

**PUBLIC QUESTION** 

PERIOD:

Nil

**MEDIA QUESTION** 

PERIOD:

Nil

#### CLOSED MEETING:

Motion 030/25

Section 107 of the MGA states that Councils and Council Committees must conduct their meetings in public unless the matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) (s. 16 to 20).

Motion by Councilor Fricke that Council close the meeting to the public to discuss Third-Party Business Interests as per Section 16 of FOIP

at 7:28 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

#### AGENDA ITEM #a)

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Motion 031/25	Motion by Councilor Ball to come out of the close 7:39 p.m.	
NEXT MEETING:	Monday, January 27, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.	CARRIED
ADJOURNMENT: Motion 032/25	Motion by Councilor Ratz to adjourn the meetin at 7:40 p.m.	g of January 27, 2025,  CARRIED
		CARRIED
	Lance Colby, Mayor	
	Rick Blair, CAO	

## **WELCOME!**

#### What is a Land Use Bylaw?

A Land Use Bylaw or LUB, sometimes called a zoning bylaw, is a local bylaw, approved by Council, that guides day-to-day development activities.

One of the most important bylaws in Carstairs, the provincial Municipal Government Act requires that every municipality in Alberta have an LUB.

#### Why is the Town updating the Land Use Bylaw?

The current LUB was last comprehensively updated in 2007 (Bylaw No. 2007), and while there have been amendments over the past 18 years there is:

- · A need update procedures to align with current best practices and changes in regulation
- · An opportunity make the regulations more flexible to respond to evolving development trends

#### Where in the Update Process Are We?



Phase 1: Understanding Local Needs



Phase 2: Section-By-Section Update



Phase 3: Community Engagement

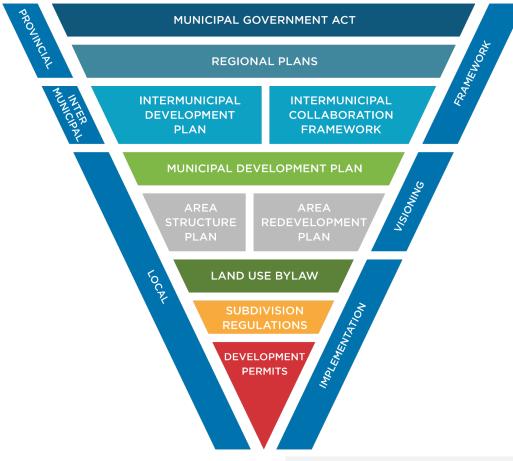


Phase 4: Refine, Circulate & Adopt

To learn more about the LUB Update, please contact: info@ISLengineering.com



## WHY DOES THIS MATTER?



- Content is regulated by the Municipal Government Act (MGA)
- Land Use Bylaws are the "closest to the ground" – directing day-to-day development decisions
- The LUB is the Implementation tool for local Statutory Plans such as the Municipal Development Plan (MDP)
- An LUB regulates and controls the use and development of land and buildings within a municipality to achieve the orderly and economic development of land
- Land use districts separate incompatible land uses so that the Town develops in an organized manner that meets the needs of the community (i.e., the LUB prevents someone from opening a factory next to your home!).

## PROCEDURAL IMPROVEMENTS

- LUB Content has been reorganized and renumbered to make it easier to read the bylaw
- Definitions have been moved to their own Section at the back of the LUB so they are easier to find (like a book)
- The title of Development Officer has been changed to Development Staff
- Decisions on Discretionary Uses have been shifted from the Municipal Planning Commission to Development Staff
- e) Application Fees have been removed from the LUB and readers are directed to the Fees and Rates Bylaw which is reviewed by Council annually

- The variance authority of Development Staff has been increased from 10% of a measurable factor to 25%
- The Appeals Section has been updated to Reflect Current Legislation
- Public Notice Requirements are now clearly outlined in a table

Table 2: **Public Notice Requirements** 

Review of a:	Notice sent to surrounding registered owners prior to decision	Notice published on Town website prior to decision	MPC meeting required	Notice sent to surrounding registered owners after decision	Notice published on Town website after decision
Permitted Use	No	No	No	No	No
Permitted Use with a Variance ≤ 25%	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Permitted Use with a Variances > 25%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Discretionary Use	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Discretionary Use with a Variance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes







AGENDA ITEM #a)



## PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Parking Requirements have been relaxed and brought into alignment with neighbouring Towns **Current Regulations** 

#### **Proposed Regulations**

<u>Uses</u>	· ·	Parking Spaces
Commerc	ial	
Re	etail stores	
	District shopping centres	5.0 per 100 m2
	Neighbourhood shopping centres	4.0 per 100 m2
	Other	3.5 per 100 m2
Co	mmercial/recreational &	
	entertainment facilities	5.0 per 100 m2
Fir	nancial Institutions	3.0 per 100 m2
Ga	as bars	2.0 per 100 m2
	fices	2.5 per 100 m2
Ho	itels	1.0 per guest room
	rsonal services	2.5 per 100 m2
	pair services	2.0 per 100 m2
	edical clinics	6.0 per 100 m2
	permarkets	4.0 per 100 m2
Dr	ive-in businesses	5.0 per 100 m2
Ea	ting/drinking establishments and lounges	2.85 per 10 <sup>m2</sup>
Ve	hicle and equipment sales	2.0 per 100 m2
Mi	xed use developments	
	Drinking and eating establishments	1.7 per 10 m2
	All other C1A commercial uses	2.0 per 100 m2
Industry		
Ma	anufacturing industry	
	Minimum provision	6.0
	Office area	2.0 per 100 m2
	Other area	1.0 per 100 m2
W	arehousing and Storage	
	Minimum provision	4.0
	Office area	2.0 per 100 m2
	Storage area	0.7 per 100 m2
Public		
	ospitals and nursing homes	1.0 per 4 beds and 1.0 per 2 workers
	eligious Institutions	1.0 per 4 seats
P	ublic assembly buildings	1.0 per 4 seats
S	chools (private, public or separate)	
	Elementary and junior high	1.0 per 1 worker
	Senior high	1.0 per 1 worker and 1.0 per 20 students
Si	chools, within a commercial district	1.0 per 1 worker and 2.0 per 3 students
Resident	ial	
	partments, attached dwellings and multiple	
	ousing developments	1.75 per dwelling unit
	ccessory suite	1.0 per suite
	dult Care Residence	2.0 per 3 units of accommodation
	ed & Breakfast Establishment	1.0 per guest room
Α	Il other	2.0 per dwelling unit
Uses not	listed above The number of space	s shall be determined by the MPC having regard to

similar uses listed above and the estimated traffic generation and attraction

	Parking Spaces
Commercial	
District Shopping Centres	2 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Retail (Small) < 1000 m2	2 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Retail (General) 1000 - 4000m2	1.5 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Retail (Large) > 4000 m2	2 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Commercial Recreational and Entertainment Facility	2 stalls per 100 m gfa
Financial Institution	1.5 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Gas Bar	2.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Office	2.5 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Hotel	1.0 per guest room
Medical clinic	6.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Drive-in businesses	5.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Eating or Drinking Establishment	3 stalls per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Vehicle and equipment sales	2.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> gfa
Industry	
Manufacturing	1.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> (6.0 minimum) + 2.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> additional spaces
Warehousing	0.5 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> (4.0 minimum) + 2.0 per 100 m <sup>2</sup> additional spaces
Public	
Care Facility	1.0 per 4 beds and 1.0 per 2 workers
Religious Institution	2 stalls per 100 meters <sup>2</sup> gfa
Public and Quasi Public Uses	As required by the Development Authority
School	As requested by the respective School Board
Residential	
Apartments, attached dwellings and multiple housing developments	1.75 per dwelling unit
Secondary Suite	1.0 per suite
Adult Care Residence	2.0 per 3 units of accommodation
Bed & Breakfast Establishment	1.0 per guest room
All other	2.0 per dwelling unit
Uses not listed above	The number of spaces shall be determined by the Development Authority having regard to similar use: listed above and the estimated traffic generation an attraction of the proposed use.

Table 4: Parking Stall Requirements











AGENDA ITEM #a)

## **ACCESSORY SUITES**

Accessory Suites now clearly differentiate between Internal Garden and Lane Suites -- A minimum of one (1) off-street parking space is required for any suite

#### **Current Definition & Regulations**

"Accessory suite" means a separate and subordinate dwelling unit, which must conform to current Alberta Building Code standards and is contained within a detached dwelling with separate access to the outside, or located on the same parcel as a detached dwelling, including above a detached garage. If it is not contained within a detached dwelling, the total floor area must not exceed 65 m2 (700 ft2) and the maximum parcel coverage shall still apply to accessory suites:

#### 6(12) Accessory Suites

- Accessory suites may be situated within a detached dwelling or as a separate building in either the rear or side yard of a parcel containing a detached dwelling.
- No parcel shall have more than one (1) accessory suite.
- Accessory suites shall not exceed 65 m<sup>2</sup> (700 ft<sup>2</sup>) in total floor area excluding the area covered by stairways.
- One additional off-street parking space will be provided in accordance with Section 3(1) of Schedule B.
- Accessory suites must meet current Alberta Building Code standards.
- Shall not exceed one storey in height unless it is situated on the second floor of a detached garage.

#### **Proposed Definition & Regulations**

SECONDARY SUITE (LANE) means an accessory secondary dwelling unit that is located above a detached garage, facing the rear lane and has an entrance separate from the vehicle entrance to the garage. This use does not include a secondary suite (internal) or secondary suite (garden).

SECONDARY SUITE (GARDEN) means a single-storey, accessory secondary dwelling unit that is located in a building separate from the principal dwelling. This use does not include a secondary suite (internal) or secondary suite (lane).

SECONDARY SUITE (INTERNAL) means an accessory secondary dwelling unit that is located within the principal dwelling. This use does not include a secondary suite (garden) or secondary suite (lane).

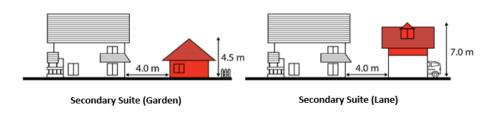
A Secondary Suite (Garden) shall:

- Be located in a rear yard,
- Be a maximum of 4.5 m in height
- Meet side yard setback requirements for the principal building,
- Meet the rear yard setback requirements for an accessory building/structure.
- Have a maximum gross floor area of 75.0 m2, and
- Be architecturally compatible with the principal dwelling unit.

A Secondary Suite (Lane) shall:

- Be located directly adjacent to a rear lane
- Be a maximum of 7.0 m in height
- Meet side yard setback requirements for the principal building,
- Meet the rear yard setback requirements for an accessory building/structure,
- Have a maximum gross floor area of 75.0 m2, and
- Be architecturally compatible with the principal dwelling unit.

Figure 4: Secondary Suite Illustrations





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GENDA ITEM #a

## **HOME-BASED BUSINESSES**

Home-Based Businesses are now differentiated between the intensity of the use – a Home Office that aligns with the LUB does not require a development Permit

#### **Current Definition**

"Home Occupation" means any occupation, trade, profession, or craft carried on by an occupant of a residential building as a use secondary to the residential use of the building;

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R1S – Low Density District	Discretionary
R1 – Single Detached	Discretionary
R1N – Narrow Parcel	Discretionary
R2 – Two Dwelling District	Discretionary
R3 – Attached Dwelling	Discretionary
R4 – Multi-Dwelling	Discretionary
RMH – Manufactured Home	Discretionary
UR – Urban Reserve	Permitted

#### **Proposed Definitions**

**HOME OFFICE** means any occupation, trade, profession, or craft carried on as a secondary use of a dwelling unit which does not involve any employees or customers coming to the dwelling unit, on-site storage or display of materials, or the creation of any nuisance whatsoever.

**HOME-BASED BUSINESS (CLASS 1)** means a use where business is conducted in a Principal Building or Accessory Building/Structure with moderate weekly visits and with one employee who does not live on the property. Uses are secondary to the residential use of the parcel and do not change the residential appearance of the land and buildings. Typical development includes day homes, music lessons, or a hairdresser.

HOME-BASED BUSINESS (CLASS 2) means a use where business is conducted in a Principal Building or Accessory Building/Structure that is operated by a permanent resident of the dwelling unit, which may have four employees who do not reside on the property, with limited outdoor storage. Typical activity includes contractor services, landscape supplies, commercial vehicles parking, automotive and auto body repair, and on-site light fabrication.

Land Use District	HBB Class 1	HBB Class 2
R1S – Low Density District	Discretionary	Discretionary?
R1 – Single Detached	Discretionary	
R1N – Narrow Parcel	Discretionary	
R2 – Two Dwelling District	Discretionary	
R3 – Attached Dwelling	Discretionary	
R4 – Multi-Dwelling	Discretionary	
RMH – Manufactured Home	Discretionary	
UR – Urban Reserve	Permitted	Discretionary







## **SOLAR PANELS**

#### The LUB introduces new Solar Panel Regulations

SOLAR COLLECTOR (FREESTANDING) means a non-reflective accessory structure not attached to a building, used to collect sunlight that is part of a system used to convert radiant energy from the sun into thermal or electrical energy.

SOLAR COLLECTOR (ROOF/WALL) means a non-reflective accessory structure attached to a building, used to collect sunlight that is part of a system used to convert radiant energy from the sun into thermal or electrical energy.

A Solar Collector (Roof/Wall) in compliance with the National Building Code - Alberta Edition and this LUB does not require a **Development Permit** 

A Solar Collector (Freestanding) shall:

- Not project vertically beyond the height of any existing roofline or any roof peak of the principal building,
- Comply with the setback requirements for accessory buildings of the District,
- Only be located in a side yard or rear yard,
- Not encroach into the front yard when located in a side yard,
- Be located and arranged so that,
  - a. Glare is not directed at an adjacent site and indirect glare does not adversely affect an adjacent site, and
  - b. Traffic safety is not adversely affected, and
- not be located adjacent to a Residential District.







AGENDA ITEM #a

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## **OTHER IMPROVEMENTS**

#### Commercial activity has been reorganized by the size of the building

**RETAIL (SMALL)** means a Development used for the sale of goods and services in a physically small building with a gross floor area less than 1,000.0 metres<sup>2</sup>. Typical uses include a convenience store or sandwich shop.

**RETAIL (GENERAL)** means a Development used for the sale of goods and services in a medium-sized building with a gross floor area between 1,000.0 - 4,000.0 metres<sup>2</sup>. Typical uses include a clothing store or pharmacy.

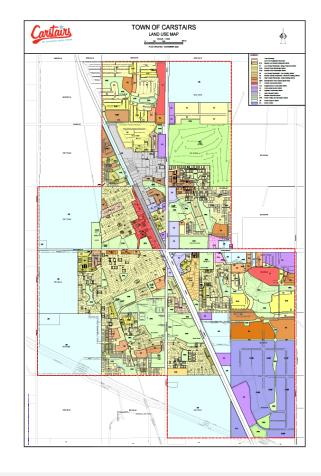
**RETAIL (LARGE)** means a Development used for the sale of goods and services in a large-sized Building with a gross floor area larger than 4,000.0 metres<sup>2</sup>. Typical uses include 'big box' retailer or supermarket.

The Current Land Use Districts have been retained. Two have been renamed to reflect the fact that the are general Districts that could be located in other parts of Town

Land Use Name	Code
BUSINESS PARK DISTRICT [FORMERLY DCBP]	ВР
AGRIBUSINESS DISTRICT [FORMERLY DC1]	AB



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Kelly Casebeer Carstairs & District Agricultural Society Box 926, Carstairs, AB TOM 0N0

January 25, 2025

Town of Carstairs Box 370, Carstairs, AB TOM 0N0

Subject: Beef and Barley Days 2025 Fireworks Display

The Carstairs and District Agricultural Society Beef and Barley Days Committee is planning and preparing for Beef and Barley Days 2025.

The Fireworks Display at Beef and Barley Days is anticipated and enjoyed by the Carstairs and District Community. The Town of Carstairs has generously provided the fireworks display for Beef and Barley Days since 2022; it is a great way to kick off the weekend and is enjoyed by all. We would like to ask that the Town of Carstairs continue to provide the Fireworks display for Beef and Barley Days on Friday July 18, 2025.

Thank-you in advance for your continued support,

Kelly Casebeer Carstairs & District Agricultural Society carstairsag@gmail.com 403-335-6041

www.carstairsagsociety.ca



## Hugh Sutherland School Carstairs, AB

Principal: Dean Nielsen
Vice-Principal: Kristina Rentz
Vice-Principal: Teri Sadek

Dream It, Believe It,
Achieve It

January 27, 2025

Dear Town of Carstairs,

The Hugh Sutherland School Cap and Gown ceremony will be held on June 25, 2025. You have been a generous supporter of our Cap and Gown Ceremony in the past through bursaries, scholarships and awards. Your support of our community's students is greatly appreciated and vital in recognizing their achievements. Please consider providing support again this year.

If you are interested in continuing your sponsorship or if you have questions, feel free to call the school at 337-3326 or email me at spike@cesd73.ca.

As a donor you are invited to attend that Cap and Gown ceremony on June 25, 2025. Please RSVP to Sherry Pike at <a href="mailto:spike@cesd73.ca">spike@cesd73.ca</a> or 403-337-3326.

Once again, thank you for supporting our students and the Cap and Gown Ceremony.

Sincerely,

Sherry Pike

Sherry Pike Hugh Sutherland School

#### **Kayleigh Van Es**

 From:
 lynne dunsmuir

 Sent:
 January 31, 2025 6:00 8

Sent: January 31, 2025 6:00 PM
To: CAO

Subject: public art inquiry

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

As a resident of the town I have become aware that the town does not offer much in the way of public art to residents, and wonder if the town would be willing to accept a donation of art in an effort to perhaps encourage others to step forward with similar donations, or to encourage the town to reflect upon the importance of art in the health of our society. There is a sculptural work that I feel might be a lovely way to encourage residents to contemplate art and wellness, and if the town is open to accepting the donation of this work, then I think we could work together to make this gift happen. The work that potentially could be gifted to the town of Carstairs is "Pas Seul" (Not Alone) by Frances Semple (photo attached below). I think the message of "pas seul" is an important one and one that the town might feel worthy of support. My personal thought is that the sculpture would be beautifully placed in Memorial Park, at the top of a rise where there are already benches in place and two beautiful fir trees. The park is utilized by many and the sculpture could be enjoyed by everyone who walks through the park. Of course, there are many other locations that might also be well suited to this particular work of art.

I would be interested to know if the town has any interest at all in procuring art for the enjoyment of its residents. If there is any interest at all, I would be pleased to discuss this with the appropriate town representatives at your convenience.

Sincerely

Lynne Dunsmuir



#### **Kayleigh Van Es**

From: lynne dunsmuir
Sent: February 3, 2025 9:20 AM

To: CAO

Subject: Re: public art inquiry

Thank you very much for your consideration of this matter. I realized after I sent the initial email that it might have been helpful if I'd sent the link to the sculpture with additional details of the work. It is available in two sizes - 48" and 60". I've included the link for the smaller size, in part due to the fact that I think the larger piece might be too imposing but also there is a significant cost differential.

I hope the additional information is helpful.

Sincerely,

Lynne

https://oenogallery.com/artists/frances-semple/art/pas-seul-48