

Present: Mayor B. Young, Councillors G. Finstad, B. Hamilton, L. Hansen, T. Lazowski and L. Tillack

Absent: Councillor B. Beckett

Also Present: P. Benedetto, City Manager, and M. Hormazabal, Deputy City Clerk

Mayor B. Young called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor L. Tillack that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

II. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND RELATED BUSINESS

A. Selected Items for Debate

The following items were selected for debate:

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. Cannabis Report – What We Heard
- B. Cannabis Update – Public Use

B. Vote on Items not Selected for Debate

Votes recorded under item headings.

III. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Monday, February 26, 2018

MOVED by Councillor L. Tillack that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Monday, February 26, 2018, be approved as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

IV. RECOGNITION ITEMS

There were no recognition items.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

S. O'Neill, L. Rossi, K. Neiman and their K9's from Dynamo Dogsports, a local dog club, in conjunction with a Canada wide 2020 International Federation of Cynological Sports ("IFCS") in Canada, is submitting a proposal to the Agility Association of Canada (AAC) to host the IFCS World Agility Championships in Leduc in 2020. A handout was provided to Council (Attached). Hosting this event would bring economic gains from 150 competitors and team support members. It is estimated between 800-1000 spectators will be in attendance over the 4-day competition. The media coverage, including live web broadcasting, would reach global audiences.

The group has met with Administration and requested to reserve the Sobey's Arena. Additionally, they are seeking a letter of support from Council to submit with their bid this April.

Council expressed their support and recommended the group follow-up with Administration to obtain the letter.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

VII. PRESENTATIONS**A. Introduction of Manager, Economic Development**

K. Woitt, Director, Engineering, introduced H. Wilson, Manager, Economic Development.

Mayor, Council and P. Benedetto, City Manager, welcomed H. Wilson to the City of Leduc.

VIII. BUSINESS**A. Cannabis Report – What We Heard**

S. Losier, Manager, Current Planning, provided a PowerPoint presentation (Attached) on:

- the legal framework,
- survey results,
- what other municipalities are doing,
- Administration's preliminary thoughts, and
- next steps relative to the Land Use Bylaw and the Business License Bylaw.

S. Losier, answered Council's questions.

MOVED by Councillor G. Finstad that Council:

- Direct Administration to initiate the amendment process of the Land Use Bylaw by adding new required definitions and by amending existing definitions to add clarity around cannabis related land uses as presented in this report;
- Direct Administration to initiate the amendment process of the Land Use Bylaw by adding Cannabis Production and Distribution into the Light Industrial and Medium Industrial district as a discretionary use;

- Accept the separating distance contained in the Order in Council by the Province as a starting point on which Council may decide to build their own strategy;
- Direct Administration to prepare a report evaluating alternatives on managing cannabis related land uses other than Cannabis Production and Distribution and present it at the March 19, 2018 Committee of the Whole; and
- Direct Administration to initiate the Business Licence Bylaw amendment process as presented in this report.

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Cannabis Update – Public Use

C. Chisholm, Manager, RCMP Administration & Enforcement Services, made a PowerPoint presentation (Attached) on the Public Use Survey highlights and the three different approaches to legalized cannabis.

IX. BYLAWS

A. Bylaw No. 967-2017 – Redistricting Black Stone Stage 3 (Part of the NW ¼ Section 22-49-25-W4) (1st Reading)

Administration recommends that Bylaw No. 967-2017 receive first reading.

MOVED by Councillor L. Tillack that Council give Bylaw No. 967-2017 First Reading.

Motion Carried Unanimously

B. Bylaw No. 968-2017 – Redistricting Black Stone Stage 3 (Part of the NW ¼ Section 22-49-25-W4) (Direct Control) (1st Reading)

Administration recommends that Bylaw No. 968-2017 receive first reading.

MOVED by Councillor L. Tillack that Council give Bylaw No. 968-2017 First Reading.

Motion Carried Unanimously

C. Bylaw No. 969-2017 – Redistricting Black Stone Stage 4 (Part of the NW ¼ Section 22-49-25-W4) (1st Reading)

Administration recommends that Bylaw No. 969-2017 receive first reading.

MOVED by Councillor L. Tillack that Council give Bylaw No. 969-2017 First Reading.

Motion Carried Unanimously

X. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There was no public commentary.

XI. IN-CAMERA ITEMS

There were no In-Camera items.

XII. RISE AND REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA ITEMS

XIII. UPDATES FROM BOARDS & COMMITTEES

A. Council Member Updates from Boards & Committees

There were no updates.

B. Council Member Updates from Commissions, Authorities, Other

There were no updates.

XIV. INFORMATION REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

B. Building Inspector's Report

C. Newly Issued Business Licences

There was no discussion.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

"Original Signed"

L. Hansen
DEPUTY MAYOR

"Original Signed"

M. Hormazabal
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Dynamo Dogsports bidding to host the 2020 IFCS WORLD AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIPS in Leduc.

What is Dog Agility?

"Dog agility is a dog sport in which a handler directs a dog through a course of jumps, tunnels, dogwalks and other obstacles, in a race for both time and accuracy. Dogs run off leash with no food or toys as incentives, and the handler can touch neither dog nor obstacles. Consequently, the handler's controls are limited to voice, movement, and various body signals, requiring exceptional training of the animal and coordination of the handler." (Wikipedia) The main elements of the sport are good sportsmanship and fun for the dogs and handler.

Dogs and handlers (teams) compete in trials where they earn points contributing to titles. As teams advance in levels, courses become more complex drawing upon years of training, acquiring skill and practicing communication. Elite dogs and handlers earn spots on the national Agility Association of Canada (AAC) team and are chosen to represent Canada at World Championship competitions held in various European countries each year.



Christina and Quasi - Team Canada members

The Agility Association of Canada (AAC) was founded in 1988 and is "committed to promoting inclusive, competitive dog agility at a local, regional, national and international level, for all handlers and dogs without regard to pedigree." (AAC website). The AAC currently has 120 registered member clubs across Canada from Yellowknife, NWT to Campbell River, BC to Darlings Island, NB. Clubs run classes and hold agility trials or competitions. Thousands of enthusiasts participate in agility across Canada.

The *International Federation of Cynological Sports (IFCS)* was formed in 2001. The member countries follow the principles as outlined in the Olympic Charter. These principles include inclusiveness, respect, cooperation and importance of sport (and particularly cynological sport) in social and physical wellbeing. Canada joined the IFCS Federation in 2002 and is represented by the Agility Association of Canada (AAC).

Every year, the IFCS hosts the World Championships. In 2017, 206 handler/dog teams from 15 countries competed in the IFCS World Championship held in Spain. Canada placed 3rd overall.

The IFCS World Agility Championships coming to Leduc?

Dynamo Dogsports, a local dog club, in conjunction with a Canada wide "2020 IFCS in CANADA" bid committee, is submitting a proposal to the AAC to host the IFCS World Agility Championships in Leduc in 2020. Dynamo Dogsports (<http://dogsport.org>) was founded in 2010 by a group of people who love their dogs, love dog sports, and wanted to develop some new and exciting ways for people to play with their dogs. (Facebook). Dynamo has a history of organizing numerous sanctioned AAC agility trials, Regional Championships and the AAC National Championships. Many of these events took place at the Lede Park in Leduc. They will be hosting the Canadian Classic International Dog Agility Championship in Leduc in September, 2018.

There are thousands of dog agility competitors in Canada, but the agility community in the Edmonton area has more members per capita than any other community in Canada. More elite world AAC team members also come from Edmonton than any other community. There would be considerable support for hosting this event in terms of volunteers and spectators. It is anticipated that many spectators will travel across Canada and the US to watch these elite teams.

This would be the first time that any dog agility world championship or international competition has been held in Canada.

Why Leduc?

- Leduc Recreation Centre is a world class facility.
- City of Leduc is known for it's support of sporting events.
- Stellar volunteer support from Alberta agility community.
- Proximity to airport, hotels, restaurants.
- Proximity to Banff and Jasper will be an additional draw for visitors.

Benefits for Leduc?

- Economic gains from 150 competitors and team support members such as managers, physiotherapists, trainers, etc.
- 800-1000 expected spectators over the 4 day competition.
- Media coverage including live web broadcast reaching global audiences.
- Web presence on IFCS venue webpages.

Web links:

Dynamo Dogsports - www.dogsport.org

Agility Association of Canada (AAC) - www.aac.ca

AAC National Agility Team - www.aacnationalagilityteam.com

International Federation of Cynological Sports (IFCS) - <http://ifcsdogsports.org>

IFCS 2018 World Championships - <http://worldagilitychampionship.com/>

Cannabis – What we heard

2017-CR-135



Outline

- Legal framework
- Survey results
- Other municipalities
- Administration's preliminary thoughts
- Next steps

Legal framework

- Federal Government (GoC)
- Provincial Government (GoA)
- Municipality (CoL)

**All levels of government must play a role
in education and awareness**

Federal Government

- Legalise and define cannabis
- Regulate and monitor the producers
- Enable personal growing and set limit to 4 plants per dwelling housing
- Create the framework for provinces

Provincial Government

- Regulate and monitor the distribution and retailing of cannabis
- Online sale - Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC)
- Retailing – private sector on independent premises
- AGLC to conduct background checks

Provincial Government

- Manage retailing licenses through AGLC
- Set the age for consumption
- Set the hours of operation for retailers
- Order in Council setting 100 meters separating distances for Schools, SR, and health facility (Leduc Hospital)

Provincial Government

- Guidelines on naming of recreational cannabis businesses
- Other regulations/guideline might be created
- Create the framework for municipalities

Municipality

- Maintain same powers under the MGA
- Need to amend Land Use Bylaw
- May decide to amend other bylaws (e.g. Business License, Health, Community Standards, etc.)

Survey results

- Survey ran from Jan. 12 to Feb. 2
- Advertised in Leduc Representative (Jan. 19 & 26) & Social Medias
- Just under 1,500 participants
- Focusing on the retailing component

Survey results

Question 1

How familiar are you with the roles of each level of government and the various objectives and strategies related to cannabis legalization?

Somewhat familiar	40%	Familiar	19%
Not familiar	29%	Very familiar	10%
		I don't know	2%

Survey results

Question 2

While preparing the legal framework that will allow the City of Leduc to manage cannabis related land uses, emphasis should be put on:

Finding the right balance between economic growth opportunities and ensuring the health and wellness of our community	62%
Taking this opportunity for economic growth and diversification	23%
Ensuring the health and wellness of our community	15%

Survey results

Question 3

While preparing the legal framework that will allow the City of Leduc to manage cannabis related land uses, the City of Leduc should:

Regulate cannabis land use similar to liquor stores	51%
Increase the regulations for cannabis related land use compared to liquor stores	17%
Increase the regulations for both cannabis related land use and liquor stores	15%
Decrease the regulations for cannabis related land use compared to liquor stores	11%
I don't know enough about liquor store regulation in the city	6%

Survey results

Question 4

Within Leduc, which areas of the city should cannabis retail be permitted. Please indicate all those that apply:

Commercial (Leduc Common, 50 St., 50 Ave. west of QEII., etc.)	81%
Downtown	54%
Industrial Parks	37%
Mixed Use (amenities located at entrance of communities)	32%
Residential	14%
Other	7%

Survey results

Question 5

In regards to separating distance between schools/ parks and cannabis retail stores, the City of Leduc should apply:

A minimum of 100 metres as it is currently for alcohol	45%
A minimum of 400 metres	38%
A distance between 100 and 400 metres	14%
I do not have enough information to answer this question	3%

Survey results

Question 6

Should the City of Leduc impose additional restrictions on hours of operation for cannabis retail stores?

No	61%
Yes	36%
I do not have enough information to answer this question	3%

Survey results

Question 7

While considering potential locations for cannabis retail stores, the City of Leduc should:

Let market dictate the concentration of cannabis stores in strategic area(s) of the city	44%
Favour the dispersion of cannabis retail stores in strategic area(s) of the city	23%
Favour the concentration of cannabis retail stores in strategic area(s) of the city	18%
I do not have enough information to answer this question	15%

Survey results

Question 8

Are there any other topics related to cannabis that the City of Leduc should discuss and/or investigate?

Education/ research	17%	Youth	6%
Liken to alcohol	15%	Prohibit legalization	6%
Consumption locations	13%	Odour	4%
Enforcement	12%	Number of liquor stores	3%
Retail location/ regulation	10%	Minimum age increase	3%
Economic development	9%	Health impacts	2%

Survey results

Question 9

Please identify which category you belong to:

Resident	87%
Other	9%
Business owner	4%

Survey results

- Cannabis is a topic of high interest and social acceptance varies
- Many see cannabis stores similar to liquor stores
- Participants support retail in commercial areas
- Recognition that all regulations are not currently known

Other municipalities

- 11 municipalities throughout Alberta to learn about their LUB initiatives
- Most focused on medical or medicinal cannabis so far
- Fast evolving environment

Other municipalities

- 6 municipalities throughout Alberta to learn about their Business License Bylaw initiatives
- Most don't expect major changes or were awaiting LUB progress
- Fast evolving environment

Preliminary thoughts

- A stepped and balanced approach is desirable
- Clarifying definitions is a must
- Cannabis Production & Distribution seems a natural fit within Light and Medium Industrial districts
- Other related land uses need additional attention

Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- add definitions for:

Cannabis	Cannabis café
Cannabis Counselling	Cannabis Lounge
Cannabis Production and Distribution	Retail Store (Cannabis)

Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- Modify definitions for:

Agriculture	Bars and neighbourhood pubs
Commercial storage Facility	Eating and Drinking Establishment
Eating and Drinking Establishment Limited	General Industrial (light)
General Industrial (medium)	Greenhouse

Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- Modify definitions for:

Health Services	Home Occupation
Home Office	Late Night Club
Personal Service	Private Club

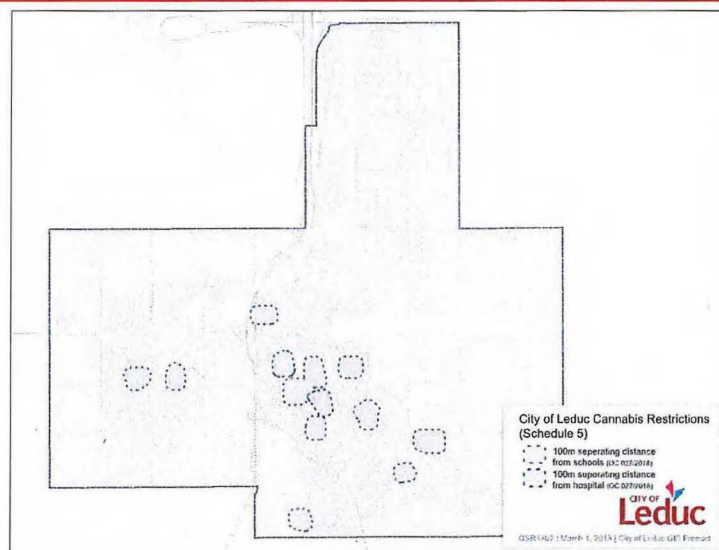
Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- Amend section 14.4 (IL) and 14.6 (IM) for Cannabis Production and Distribution – discretionary use
- Need to prepare a report on other land uses related to cannabis and separating distances

Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- Order in Council – 100 meters
 - ✓ Schools
 - ✓ School Reserves
 - ✓ Public health (Leduc Hospital)

Next steps - Land Use Bylaw



Next steps - Land Use Bylaw

- Other uses could be considered sensitive
- Clustering of cannabis retailing
- Next report (March 19)
- Introduction of amending bylaw – 1st reading (March 26 or early April)

Next steps – Business License

- No major changes is expected
- Conflict between “restricted product” and allowed cannabis accessories under Federal Act
- Removal of restricted product section

Next steps – Business License

- Update of 2 definitions and their references
- Introduction of amending bylaw – 1st reading (March 26 or early April)
- contemplate a review in 2019 or 2020

Next steps

Question ?

Cannabis Update - Public Use

March 12, 2018
Committee of the Whole
Report # 2018-CoW-043

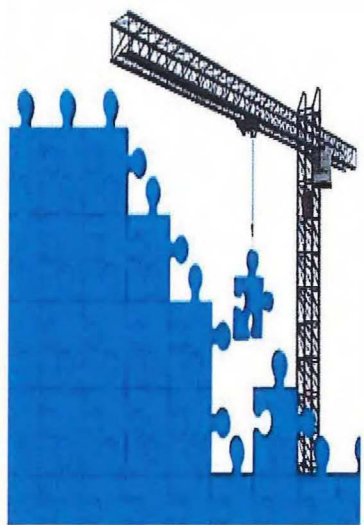


Cannabis Update - Public Use

The Federal Government is legalizing adult cannabis possession and consumption in the summer of 2018



Cannabis Update - Public Use



Alberta Provincial Government Framework Setting the legal age at 18+

Once legal, adults may:

- Possess up to 30 grams;
- Grow 4 plants indoors per household;
- Smoke in areas smoking tobacco is allowed (exclusions currently include; vehicles, hospital, school or daycare property, near playgrounds, sports fields, skateboard or bicycle parks, outdoor theatres and outdoor pools or splash pads)

Driving and Working while impaired will remain illegal

Cannabis Update - Public Use

What We Heard



Survey Highlights

- More than 91% want it to be same as or more restrictive as current tobacco regulations.
- 78% said vaping of cannabis should be subject to same regulations as our Health Bylaw
- 74% felt it was not acceptable to smoke/vape in areas frequented by seniors/vulnerable groups and 54% said no to parks
- 44% responded it was not acceptable while walking down the streets, in the downtown area, on multiways and industrial areas

Cannabis Update - Public Use

What We Heard



Survey Highlights (cont.)

- 66% stated cannabis should only be used in designated areas at events while 19% said it should be banned entirely.
- Preferred distances from prohibited locations --
 - 27% less than 25 metres,
 - 27% 25-100 metres and
 - 14% greater than 100 metres.
- The survey reflected the age demographics of our community.


Cannabis Update - Public Use

As a municipality.....

- can determine where, or if, we would like to allow retail cannabis stores, cannabis production facilities, or consumption on public land.
- three different approaches to legalized cannabis
 - A) Open
 - B) Moderate
 - C) Restrictive



Cannabis Update - Public Use Approach	
OPEN	<p>What this means..... Public Use - Adults could use cannabis in public but not in or near areas prohibited by the Province</p>
MODERATE	<p>Set up stricter policies for where cannabis can be smoked or vaped.</p> <p>What this means for... CONSUMPTION - Adults could not consume cannabis on some public lands in addition to currently prohibited areas covered by the Province.</p>
Restrictive	<p>Make our policies on cannabis restrictive.</p> <p>What this means for... CONSUMPTION - Adults may consume cannabis on private property but not on public lands.</p>

Cannabis Update - Public Use	
	<p>March 19th Committee of Whole Council Discussion on Options</p> <p>- End of Presentation -</p>