

Public Budget Meeting Summary

November 18, 2019

On November 18, Leduc City Council and Administration gathered in Council Chambers for the final meeting in the 2020 Public Budget Meeting series. The evening's presentations focused on the Environmental Initiatives Business Case, the Fees and Charges Overview, and follow-up on several questions that arose during the course of the public budget meetings.

The proposed Environmental Initiatives Business Case was endorsed as a service-level enhancement during deliberations. The additional resource will aid in delivery of several initiatives such as bees and hens, grants research, organics diversion, public engagement and the overall environmental plan. The Fees and Charges Overview featured a proposed LRC user fee increase of 2 - 3 per cent. City permit fees also experienced a similar proposed increase of 2 - 3 per cent.

Discussions focused on continuing to support our community groups through Grants to Organizations and enhancement initiatives, such as sustaining the Seniors Active Afternoons at the LRC and the importance to maintain funding for the summer student program with the City of Leduc. With the recent completion of the Telford Lake multiway, council endorsed enhancements including two temporary washroom facilities and three rest points along the trail. In terms of community enhancements, playground equipment upgrades have been realigned to reflect the current economic conditions and will be revisited in the future, and the timing of future upgrades – concerning the scope of the parking lot – to the Leduc Golf and Country Club was also proposed to be revisited in the future. These items will be part of the budget finalization on Dec. 2, 2019, with other items being revisited for consideration in the future.

Administration and council are committed to maintaining and enhancing our community while continuing to strive for a modest multi-year tax strategy. At the end of the evening a revised multi-year tax strategy of 0.27 per cent, 1.49 per cent and 1.48 per cent for 2020, 2021 and 2022, respectively, was presented for consideration on Dec. 2, 2019. The 2020 Budget is set to be approved by Leduc City Council in Council Chambers at the Leduc Civic Centre on Monday, Dec. 2, 2019.

Click here to see the full presentation.

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