

2024 COUNCIL PRIORITIES

In preparation for the business plan and budget, on June 28, 2023 Council approved the following Programs and Services priorities.

Peace Officers

1

PROTECT COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE

Protecting the integrity of our infrastructure by supporting provincial acts and regulations that specify maximum vehicle and axle weight allowances.

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PATROL SERVICES

Enforcement of provincial statutes, municipal bylaws, and the investigation of complaints within the county and urban municipalities.

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COMM. VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Performing Commercial Vehicle Safety Inspections to ensure the safety of commercial vehicles in Flagstaff County.

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COMMUNITY SAFETY PROGRAMS

Working with community groups who request specific training or educational programs such as bicycle safety, child restraints, farm safety programs, and other public relations safety events.

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FARM TRUCK SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Includes educational news columns, workshops, webinars, and podcasts as well as providing financial support for continued research and education.

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ANIMAL CONTROL

Flagstaff County provides funds for the safe handling of dogs as well as training and provisions to hire contractors.

Planning and Development

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ENFORCEMENT OF UNSIGHTLY PROPERTIES

Enforcing through bylaw and written orders the mowing and clean-up of problem properties.

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ENFORCEMENT OF NON-CONFORMING PROPERTIES

Applying for a Development Permit prior to construction is required and can alleviate potential problems.

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DEMOLITION OF DERELICT PROPERTIES

When a property is determined a danger to the public, or uninhabitable, the County can proceed with the demolition process.

Transportation

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ROAD MAINTENANCE

Includes grader maintenance on Arterial, Collector, Local and Field Access Roads within 9 maintenance areas (summer and winter) and eliminating curbs and grade repairs.

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ROAD RECOVERY AND REHAB

Annually, a total of twenty-five (25) miles of road are included in the budget for rehabilitation under the Road Recovery Program.

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GRAVEL PROGRAM

Approximately 150,000 tonnes of gravel is required annually which includes re-graveling, arterial roads, washouts, patching, dust suppressant, construction and recovery, culverts and gravel sales.

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ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Criteria such as safety, historical maintenance, average daily traffic, sight lines, grade width, sideslopes/back-slopes, drainage and type of traffic are used to determine construction.

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HAMLET WATER/WASTEWATER

Water treatment and distribution and wastewater collection and treatment are services provided to the residents within the Hamlets of Strome and Galahad.

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DUST SUPPRESSANT

The program includes dust control at strategic locations, oiled/pavement road maintenance, residential dust control, and test products to reduce maintenance and improve safety.

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FLAGSTAFF REGIONAL AIRPORT

Includes maintenance of a paved 2,950 foot runway along with an Aircraft Radio Control of Aerodrome Lighting (ARCAL) System. We also offer a 24-hour cardlock fuel system.

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HAMLET BEAUTIFICATION

There is a potential to beautify our hamlets with items such as flower planters, trees, benches, gazebo, or improvements to hamlet entrances.

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SALE OF HAMLET LOTS

County-owned lots in Galahad and Strome are for sale at fair market value.

Agricultural Service Board

WEED MANAGEMENT

Identify and control weeds in a timely, efficient and cost-effective manner as per the Weed Control Act.

PEST CONTROL

Services and products are offered to control agricultural pests.

ROADSIDE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Control the growth of vegetation along municipal right-of-ways to improve visibility, reduce snow trapping, and help prevent wildlife collisions.

WATER LOADING STATIONS

Seven (7) water loading stations are available for non-potable uses.

PARKS

Provide maintenance and improvements to campgrounds and other County-owned land.

SHELTERBELT ESTABLISHMENT PROGRAM

Assist citizens with the selection and establishment of trees to maintain field shelterbelts and trees within rural yard sites.

CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Administer conservation easements on private property at the request of landowners.

EXTENSION PROGRAM

Includes news columns, workshops, webinars, and podcasts on various agricultural issues that are facing the local agricultural industry.



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Economic Development

ATTRACTING NEW INVESTMENT

Building strategies to entice investors to locate and do business within Flagstaff.

GROWING LOCAL BUSINESSES

Performing needs determinations to offer programs that aid in building capacity of local businesses.

ATTRACTING AND RETAINING RESIDENTS

Using tools and programming to make the community an attractive place for people who are new to the area.

ASSISTING THE SUCCESSION OF BUSINESSES

Using workshops and other supports to ensure that businesses continue to remain in the community after their current owners move on.

SUPPORTING NEW ENTREPRENEURS

Offering educational opportunities to people who want to start their own business and providing information on current opportunities.

LOCAL PROCUREMENT

Working with both suppliers and local purchasers to encourage buying goods and services locally.

INCREASING ACCESS TO FINANCING

Advocating for the needs of local businesses with local financial institutions, creating awareness of grant opportunities, and exploring solutions to access financing.

ATTRACTING VISITORS THROUGH TOURISM

Includes educational news columns, workshops, webinars, and podcasts as well as providing financial support for continued research and education.

Regional Programming

1 FIRE PROTECTION

Flagstaff County is a member of the Flagstaff Regional Emergency Services Society which provides both rural and urban fire service.

2 GARBAGE COLLECTION/LANDFILL

Garbage collection is provided by Flagstaff Regional Solid Waste Management Association of which Flagstaff County is a member.

3 REGIONAL RECREATION GRANT FUNDING

The County provides conditional recreation grants to the Agricultural Societies within our Region based on a funding formula.

4 FLAGSTAFF FAMILY AND COMM. SERVICES

FFCS is an intermunicipal agency that offers a wide variety of individual, family and community support programs.

5 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

The County provides funding to non-profit organizations that have a significant impact towards the rural quality of life and are an important contribution to the community.

6 PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY

The County provides financial support to Parkland Regional Library through a requisition to bring cost-effective service to libraries across central Alberta.

7 STARS DONATION

The County provides \$8000/year (approximately \$2.00 per capita) to Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society (STARS).

8 CEMETERIES ASSISTANCE GRANT

The County provides \$625/year to rural community groups and municipalities who are operating a cemetery to complete improvements and maintenance.

9 HERITAGE INVENTORY

The County allocates financial resources to assist requests for identification and designation of heritage assets within the County.

