



THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

Minutes of Community Services Advisory Committee

**September 1, 2026, 6 p.m.
Community Engagement Space
414 King Street
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2C7**

Members Present: Councillor Carter
Kimberley Shuya, Chair
Neil Quaid, Vice-Chair
Gene Kushnir
Hannah Dunbar
Shae Douglas (joined at 6:18 p.m.)
Tessa Scott

Also in Attendance: Celeste Kremzar, Recording Secretary
Scott Rodda, Acting Administrative Liaison

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kimberley Shuya called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Adoption of the Agenda

Resolution: CSAC-036-26

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Unanimously Carried

3. MINUTES

3.1 Approval of Minutes - Community Services Advisory Committee - June 9, 2026

The following amendment was made to the June 9, 2026 Community Services Advisory Committee Minutes:

Add Tessa Scott to the attendance list.

Resolution: CSAC-037-26

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the June 9, 2026 Community Services Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved as amended.

Unanimously Carried

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Parks and Open Space Master Plan

Jeanine Merkus, Director of Recreation and Culture, Meaghan Carey from RC Strategies, and Dr. Jen Leo from the University of Alberta Steadward Centre, provided a presentation on Parks and Open Spaces Master Plan.

Committee thanked Jeanine Merkus, Meaghan Carey, and Dr. Jen Leo for the presentation.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

There were no Administrative Updates on the agenda.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no Business Items on the agenda.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no Information Items on the agenda.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution: CSAC-038-26

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee go into Closed Session at 6:56 p.m. under the following section of the *Access to Information Act*:

Item 8.1 2026 Microgrant Applications, Evaluations and Approvals - September 1, 2026
Section 29; Advice from officials

Item 8.2 2026 Community Grant Applications and Approvals - September 1, 2026
Section 29; Advice from officials

Unanimously Carried

8.1 2026 Microgrant Applications, Evaluations and Approvals - September 1, 2026

The following persons were also in Closed Session to provide information or administrative support for item 8.1 2026 Microgrant Applications, Evaluations and Approvals - September 1, 2026:

Scott Rodda and Celeste Kremzar.

8.2 2026 Community Grant Applications and Approvals - September 1, 2026

The following persons were also in Closed Session to provide information or administrative support for item 8.2 2026 Community Grant Applications and Approvals - September 1, 2026:

Scott Rodda and Celeste Kremzar.

8.3 Return to Open Session - September 1, 2026

Resolution: CSAC-039-26

Moved by: Tessa Scott

THAT Committee return to Open Session at 8:02 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

9.1 2026 Microgrant Applications, Evaluations and Approvals - September 1, 2026

Resolution: CSAC-040-026

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee approve funding of \$1,500 to Alberta First Responders Association for their We Got Your Six-KM run.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-041-026

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee approve funding of \$1,500 to Spruce Grove Golden Age Club to re-cloth their pool tables.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-042-026

Moved by: Neil Quaid

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee approve funding of \$1,100 to Rehoboth Christian Ministries for a new Internal Digital Community Calendar.

Unanimously Carried

9.2 2026 Community Grant Applications and Approvals - September 1, 2026

Resolution: CSAC-043-26

Moved by: Tessa Scott

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$7,500 for one year to Africentric Arts for the Young Entrepreneur Program.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-044-26

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$19,950 to Alberta AdaptAbilities for BeYou Rec Programming

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-045-26

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$5,000 to In Their Honour Foundation for the Invitational Hockey Tournament.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-046-26

Moved by: Neil Quaid

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$8,000 to Parachutes for Pets for PAWS for Mental Health.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-047-26

Moved by: Tessa Scott

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$8,000 to Parkland Food Bank for the Client Access and Call Centre Capacity Enhancement project.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-048-026

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$2,000 to Parkland Music Teachers' Association for the Parkland Music Festival.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-049-026

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$10,000 in 2027, \$5,000 in 2028, and \$0 in 2029, for a total three-year funding recommendation of \$15,000, to Rotary Club of Spruce Grove for the Grove Rotary Ribfest.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-050-026

Moved by: Neil Quaid

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$17,450 in 2027, \$15,000 in 2028, and \$15,000 in 2029, for a total three-year funding recommendation of \$47,450, to Rotary Club of Spruce Grove Community Partners Society for Our Community Pantry.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-051-026

Moved by: Tessa Scott

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$5,100 to Spruce Grove Curling Centre for Addition of New Rock Handles and direct the Spruce Grove Curling Centre to explore the microgrant stream.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-052-026

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$15,000 in 2027, \$15,000 in 2028, and \$15,000 in 2029, for a total three-year funding recommendation of \$45,000, to St. Augustine's Parkland Anglican Church for Auggie's Café.

Unanimously Carried

Resolution: CSAC-053-026

Moved by: Gene Kushnir

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee recommend to City Council funding of \$15,000 in 2027, \$20,000 in 2028, and \$20,000 in 2029, for a total three-year funding recommendation of \$55,000, to Tri Region Men's Shed to support the growth of its workshop programs for senior men.

Unanimously Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution: CSAC-054-26

Moved by: Hannah Dunbar

THAT the Community Services Advisory Committee meeting adjourn at 8:13 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Kimberley Shuya, Chair

Celeste Kremzar, Recording Secretary

Date Signed