

Council Highlights briefly identify decisions made by the Town of Blackfalds Council. Residents, businesses, and stakeholders are encouraged to keep in touch with Council news. Council Meetings are live-streamed on the Town's [YouTube channel](#). Official Minutes are posted on the Town of Blackfalds website at www.blackfalds.ca. Minutes from meetings before 2020 are available upon request.

Council Meeting Highlights – April 14, 2026

Regular Council Meeting | Civic Cultural Centre | 6:00 p.m.

The Town of Blackfalds Council held its Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026. Below are the key decisions and discussions from the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council adopted the Consent Agenda for April 14, 2026. This included the March 10, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the March 16, 2026, Standing Committee of Council Meeting Minutes, monthly reports for Enforcement & Protective Services and Development & Building, the 2027 Budget Planning Timeline, various board and committee meeting minutes, informational council highlights from Lacombe County and the City of Lacombe, library programming reports, and correspondence from provincial ministries, community organizations, and stakeholders.

DELEGATIONS

Alberta Emergency Services Medal Awards

Council recognized Ken Morrison and Mike Ernst with Alberta Emergency Services Medal Awards for their 12 years of service to the community.

Regional Red Deer Restorative Justice Society

Representatives from the Regional Red Deer Restorative Justice Society provided an overview of their work supporting community-based justice initiatives in partnership with Blackfalds RCMP, local schools, and regional stakeholders.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Population and Land Demand Analysis

Council adopted the updated Population and Land Demand Analysis, which provides a long-term growth outlook based on a 25-year planning horizon.

2026 Traffic Master Plan – Budget Amendment

Council approved a \$50,000 allocation from the General Operating Reserve to fund the expanded scope of the 2026 Traffic Master Plan update.

Future Meetings:

Standing Committee of Council Meeting – April 20, 2026

Regular Council Meeting – April 28, 2026

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5018 Waghorn Street

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5401 Blackfalds Industrial Way Redistricting – Bylaw 1351.26

Council gave First Reading to a bylaw proposing to redesignate a portion of land at 5401 Blackfalds Industrial Way from Industrial Heavy (I-2) to Parks and Recreation (PR). A public hearing is scheduled for May 12, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Municipal Development Plan Vision Statement Refresh

Council adopted an updated Municipal Development Plan Vision Statement, incorporating feedback and direction from the Standing Committee of Council.

2026 Property Tax Rate Bylaw – Bylaw 1352.26

Council gave First Reading to the 2026 Property Tax Rate Bylaw.

McKay Ranch Lift Station Borrowing Bylaw – Bylaw 1348.26

Council gave Second and Third Reading to the McKay Ranch Lift Station Borrowing Bylaw, authorizing funding for the project.

Council Procedural 2026 Amendment Bylaw – Bylaw 1353.26

Council passed all three readings of the Council Procedural 2026 Amendment Bylaw, including minor amendments discussed during the meeting.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Bylaw – Bylaw 1354.26

Council passed all three readings of a new bylaw establishing a Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and authorizing participation in an Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

Council and Administration Protocol Policy

Council adopted a new Council and Administration Protocol Policy, effective immediately.

Burman University School of Business Advisory Board

Council endorsed Mayor Laura Svab's appointment to the Burman University School of Business Advisory Board.

Disc Golf Course

Council directed Administration to develop a plan for a disc golf course in a McKay Ranch greenspace, utilizing equipment donated by the Optimist Club of Blackfalds.

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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Council met in closed session to discuss an amending lease and the South Street and Highway 2A intersection, in accordance with applicable legislation.

Upon returning to open session, Council defeated a motion to proceed with the South Street and Highway 2A intersection realignment project as originally presented.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

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