



## **JULY 4 Committee of the Whole**

### **Delegation: Rocky View Foundation**

Chief Administrative Officer for Rocky View Foundation (RVF), Carol Borschneck, provided an update on the Foundation's work, including the new 60 affordable lodge units at the new Airdrie location. RVF will not be able to provide affordable housing at the new Airdrie location without Provincial government support through the LAP grant. Accessing that grant requires that 60 affordable lodge units in the new Airdrie lodge are added by Ministerial Order. RVF needs support from all six partner municipalities to add the Airdrie Lodge to their Ministerial Order. After reviewing the request, Administration will bring the final letter for Council consideration at the July 11 meeting.

### **"The Trail" Capital Project Request**

The Rotary Club of Cochrane is requesting the addition of "The Trail" capital project to the Town of Cochrane 2022 Capital Budget. This project will be funded through contributions from the Calgary Foundation, Rotary Club, and Federal and Provincial Grants and will not financially impact Cochrane taxpayers. Adding this capital project to the 2022 Town of Cochrane Capital Budget will allow flow through funding to bring the project to fruition.

### **Budget Survey Results**

The results from the Budget Survey were presented to Committee of the Whole. The survey was conducted to gather feedback from the public on service levels and funding sources. Administration will use the results to help guide the 2023-2025 budget process.

### **Mid-year Organizational Update**

Administration presented an update on organizational staffing increases to meet the current requirements of the community. The report focused on work completed to date and staffing capacity plans over the next six months.

In the first six months of 2022, the Town of Cochrane hired 96 staff, including 30 Parks Seasonal staff, eight (8) casual Firefighters and 42 backfill positions due to resignations or retirements.

### **Lot Area Study for Bylaw 01/2022**

Following the introduction of the new Land Use Bylaw in February, Council passed a resolution requesting administration explore the possibility of amending the minimum lot area for single-family homes from 270m<sup>2</sup> to 300m<sup>2</sup>. Administration concluded that returning to the 300m<sup>2</sup> lot minimum would likely result in a slight decrease in the density of neighbourhoods. Still, the overall visual impact of communities and streetscapes would be negligible. Council determined that other mechanisms, including the upcoming MDP Amendment, would meet their goals specific to neighbourhood streetscapes and confirmed with Planning that no further action be taken on amending the minimum lot area.