

# Council highlights

## Council Schedule

Council moved to cancel the November 17, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting to accommodate an evening budget deliberation meeting.

Council will deliberate the 2026 Draft Budget on:

- Nov 17 at 6 p.m.
- Nov 19 & 20 from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- Nov 26 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (if required)

## Ironman 70.3 Triathlon

Council endorsed Cochrane hosting the 2026 Ironman 70.3 Triathlon. This event, organized by Platinum Racing Events, represents a significant tourism and economic opportunity for the community while further establishing Cochrane's identity as a premier recreation destination.

Administration will finalize the event permit and related agreements to support a successful international event in July 2026.

## Unlocking lands for affordable housing

Administration presented the opportunity to explore procuring the property at 359 First Street East (former RCMP Detachment) for the purpose of developing affordable housing.

Council gave their endorsement and support Administration's submission of an expression of interest to acquire the land.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Report

Administration provided Council with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Report ending September 30, 2025. The report outlined both operational and capital performance to date, including a financial forecast for year-end.

Council received this report for information.

## Appointment of Audit Firm

Cochrane's contract for audit services expired after the completion of the 2024 year-end audit. The Financial Services team underwent an open competition for audit services for 2025-2027. Council appointed the successful proponent, Metrix Group LLP Chartered Professional Accountants (Metrix Group), as Cochrane's auditor firm for the 2025-2027 fiscal years.