

Council highlights

Telecommunication Tower Type A ~ 43080 Bow Valley Trail

Administration presented an application for a proposed telecommunication tower within The Cochrane & District Agricultural Society parcel. This proposal is aligned with the Town's Telecommunications Antenna Structure Siting Protocol.

Administration will present this to Council for formal consideration on December 8, at which time Council will review the proposal and decide whether to issue a Letter of Concurrence.

Cochrane Lions ~ Capital Funding Request

The Cochrane Lions Club has submitted a targeted capital funding request of \$131,750 for seven near-term safety and accessibility items.

Administration has completed a coordinated internal review of each requested item. Several are supported as essential safety improvements, while others are desirable but not required at this time.

Administration will return to Regular Council on December 8, 2025, to seek Council direction on the recommended funding scope.

Cochrane Lions Agreement Update

Earlier in 2025, Council directed Administration to develop a long-term agreement with the Cochrane Lions Club to

support the proposed Lions Legacy Park development on the Fifth Avenue lands.

Michelle Delorme, Director, Parks & Active Living, presented Committee of the Whole with a complete overview of the draft 50-year agreement, including how it aligns with the benchmarks set by Council, the safeguards included to mitigate risk and uphold public interest, the Council-approved development timeline, and the next steps in advancing the agreement.

Administration will return to Council on December 8, 2025, for further discussion.

Parks, Culture & Active Living Master Plan ~ Update

The Parks, Culture & Active Living Master Plan is a comprehensive, non-statutory plan that will guide Cochrane's investment, programming, and decision-making across parks, recreation, arts, culture, and pathway systems over the next decade. Results of Phase 2 community engagement were presented with more than 500 residents, youth, and community organizations participating.

Insights received will inform development of the Draft Master Plan, Phase 3, to be presented to Council in early 2026 for review and consideration.

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Community Associations/Town of Cochrane

Engagement Terms of Reference

In response to Council's Notice of Motion on Civic Leadership & Engagement (April 14, 2025), Administration completed the Community Association / Town of Cochrane Engagement Terms of Reference and presented it to Committee of the Whole for review and discussion.

Draft 2026 Budget

Alvin Allim, CFO & Director Financial & Assessment Services, presented the Draft 2026 Budget to Committee of the Whole. This draft version includes Council's direction received during budget deliberations held November 17, 19, 20 & 26, 2025.

The budget includes a three-year operating forecast outlining a path to sustainable service delivery and a 5-year capital plan.