



CITY OF ST. ALBERT
**STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES - UNADOPTED**

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

9:30 AM Council Chambers/Hybrid

1. Attendance (at start of meeting)

PRESENT

Mayor Scott Olivieri
Councillor Shelley Biermanski
Councillor Sandy Clark
Councillor Neil Korotash
Councillor Ken MacKay
Councillor Amanda Patrick

ABSENT

Councillor Sheena Hughes

STAFF PRESENT:

W. Fletcher, Chief Administrative Officer
D. McMordie, Managing Director, Corporate and
Emergency Services/Chief Financial Officer
A. Slaght, Managing Director, Infrastructure & Planning
D. Alex, Managing Director, Operations
M. Caufield, Director, Legal, Legislative & Records
Services/Chief Legislative Officer
C. Wong, Deputy City Clerk
G. Magyar, Legislative Officer

2. Adoption of Agenda

2.1 AR-26-051 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Councillor MacKay

That the March 10, 2026 Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Presentations, Delegations, and Announcements

Councillor Hughes arrived at 9:41 a.m.

David Roberts, Resident, Brent Korobanik, Resident, Andrew Rota, Resident, Marnie Yohemas, Resident, Colleen Roberge, Resident, Jeremiah Hendley, Resident, and Crystal Gossmann, Resident, addressed the Committee in regards to the Youth Transitional Housing Project.

5. Approval of Minutes

5.1 MIN-26-020 Standing Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2026

Moved by Councillor Clark

That the Standing Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2026 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. New Business - For Information Only

6.1 AR-26-087 Youth Transitional Housing Project Update

Presented by: Elizabeth Budd, Director, Community Services, Connie Smigielski, Senior Manager, Community Services; Vlad Ruban, Social Housing Coordinator, Community Services

Councillor Hughes left the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Committee recessed at 12:04 p.m.

Committee reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

The Youth Transitional Housing Project Update was received by the Committee for information only.

- 6.2** AR-26-097 Reducing Construction Debris in Neighbourhoods
Presented by: Trevor Duley, Senior Manager,
Government/Indigenous Relations and Environment
Councillor Hughes joined the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

Brett Bolkowy, Resident, addressed the Committee in regard to Reducing Construction Debris in Neighbourhoods.

Reducing Construction Debris in Neighbourhoods was received by the Committee for information only.

8. Information Requests / Notices of Motion / Announcements

Notice of Motion - Councillor Biermanski

That Council Policy C-FS-05, Budget & Taxation Guiding Principles, section 14(b)(v) is amended to change the threshold to be eligible to apply the prior year's assessment growth from 5% tax increase to 3.5 % tax increase.

Notice of Motion - Councillor Biermanski

That Council amend Financial Policy C-FS-05 to revise the allocation of new assessment growth as follows:

1. Reduce the allocation to New Growth Business Cases from 55% to 45%; and

2. Increase the allocation to the Growth Stabilization Reserve by 5%; and

3. Allocate 5% of new assessment growth to a newly established Debt Offset Reserve for the purpose of reducing reliance on tax-supported debt financing for future capital projects; and

That Administration update Financial Policy C-FS-05 and return any necessary bylaw amendments establishing the Debt Offset Reserve for Council approval by July 14, 2026.

Information Request - Councillor Korotash

Could Administration please provide information (background, objectives, steps, timeline) related to the short-term and long-term initiatives with respect to improving our customer / resident interface including but not limited to upgrades to the Spruce It Up / See Click Fix tool, the 'Customer Relationship Management Direction & Implementation' referenced in the Corporate Quarterly Report, and the ongoing EMM-AM Project.

Information Request - Councillor Korotash

Can Administration please provide any necessary background information that may have already been prepared related to the replacement of the Arden Theatre / AHF Marquee signs, and what steps would be necessary to enhance communication with new digital display(s) either in their current or new locations.

If possible, could Administration also provide a cost estimate for the replacement of the signs with a digital display(s) and potential for cost recovery by selling advertising space.

9. In Camera

9.1 INC-26-019 Council Dialogue

Presented by: Mayor Olivieri

Moved by Councillor Clark

That Council move in camera to have a confidential dialogue in accordance with section 28(1)(b) of the Access to Information Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee went in camera at 2:24 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Hughes

That Committee reconvene in Public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee reconvened in public at 2:37 p.m.

10. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF LEGISLATIVE OFFICER