



Mayor's Weekly Update

The week of February 8 to February 14

Monday started with the Community Living Standing Committee, followed by a one on one with Kevin, and then into an EMRB/Sturgeon IAC Pre-Brief. And I finished off my day in the Charitable Gaming review.

Tuesday morning I participated in the ARMA Futures Working Group. This is a new committee of ARMA to figure out how we can fit into the EPR structure. I was made the chair of this committee, but I don't think it will be a lot of work. In the afternoon I had a one on one with Kevin, followed a quick SISB check in, then into the preparatory AUMA webinar related to banning conversion therapy, and finished off my day in agenda planning.

Wednesday morning I prepped for my EMRB meeting, followed by the Chamber Luncheon with Angus Watt. I've been struggling with IT issues all week, so I had meeting with them in hopes I could have my IT issues resolved; which has yet to happen. In the afternoon I virtually met with Marie Renaud She wanted to know what capital projects she should be helping us fight for. I simply said no particular project just fight for MSI overall. And the rest of the afternoon was spent prepping for my AUMA MG Committee meeting.

Thursday I didn't leave my office as I was jumping back and forth between the AUMA Executive Committee and EMRB meetings all day. Rayann was starting to get worried after the 5th hour had gone by and I didn't surface for air.

Friday was spent at the AUMA Municipal Governance Committee. Good conversation about how to present the education property tax to our residents especially if it goes up significantly. We will find out on February 25th when the province releases their budget.

The long weekend will be spent loving up on my family and finding ways to celebrate Valentines Day and Family Day within the Covid boundaries. ❤️ 😊

The week of February 22 to February 28

Monday and Tuesday were dedicated to Strat Planning, which I thought was very productive. I am really looking forward to the last months of our term. They could be the most impactful. I did get a little emotional looking around at this group marvelling at how much we have accomplished as a team. After Strat Planning I had a meeting with the RCMP related to some online harassment and then into Agenda Planning.

Wednesday I started my day recording an AUMA webinar on banning conversion therapy. I will share a link to it if anyone is interested. The afternoon was spent in the St. Albert - Sturgeon County Intermunicipal Affairs Committee. Glad it was super quick.

All day Thursday was spent attending the AUMA Board of Directors Governance meeting. We did get invited into the embargoed pre-budget session with Minister Toews. As you all know we are looking at a significant reduction in MSI. We will need to look at our three year capital plan and see how to compensate. The 1.5% tax levy for RMR is now very much not enough. Dale Nally was nice enough to give me a call and go over the budget with me.

Friday morning I attended the Edmonton Global Shareholder Virtual Briefing, followed by a meeting with Cindy de Bruijn about proclamations and flag raisings, and the rest of the afternoon was spent in the Recovery Task Force - Strategic Envisioning Meeting. I had to miss the AUMA's Budget Webinar, but thankfully it was recorded, so I will watch it later. The evening was spent participating in a Town Hall with Jason Kenney and Minister McIver.

I'm working today getting ready for Monday's meeting and catching up on my reading. In the evening I enjoyed a Taste of Africa! 😊

The week of March 1 to March 7

Monday started with a Gazette interview regarding the Provincial budget, followed by ARMA meeting prep, then a call with Mayor Brown, from Airdrie. We were trying to figure out how our two cities could be included in provincial operational funding for shelters. After that was my Council prep meeting, my one on one with Kevin, then a SISB task force pre brief, and then into our Council meeting.

Tuesday morning was spent in the ARMA G & A Committee, followed by my one on one with Kevin, and then did my Corporate Grant Review Survey. I hope you all got yours completed. In the afternoon I had an internal SISB pre brief meeting, then agenda planning, and I finished off my day meeting with folks to chat about my Little Free Library experience. 😊

Wednesday morning, I met briefly with Minister Nally, Al Henry, Tony Druett, and Dave Burkhart to chat about BLESS. They have some legitimate concerns with Flourish. They will be presenting on the 15th during the public hearing. After that I participated in the

first Recovery Task Force Engagement session with Board Chairs, then I did some meeting prep for the SISB meeting, and the rest of the afternoon was spent in the Mid Sized City meeting. We had a guest from Invest Alberta speak to us about how to seize opportunities.

Thursday morning, I met with Scott Roberts to debrief on an EQ-i assessment I took, and the afternoon was spent in the SISB Task Force Meeting. We have approved the final product! It is a bit watered down as it allows for easily accessible off ramps for initiatives, but at least it is done.

Friday morning, I popped into the Elected Women Supporting to say Hi, but couldn't stay as I had a meeting with the fellow that essentially created the EPR program in B.C. He had great insights. Had to leave that one early to speak to a grade 6 class at Ron Harvey. 😊. The rest of the afternoon was spent in an EMRB Strategic Planning Session.

Saturday looks free and clear and Sunday I will participate in the International Women's Week and make a proclamation.