# **CEA Partnering with Industry Symposium**

## Strathcona County - Capital Projects



January 2025







# Introduction

## **Relevant departments:**

- Transportation Engineering and Operations (TEO)
  - Planning studies
  - Transportation design projects
  - Roadway upgrades or new growth projects
  - Maintenance and rehab of transportation infrastructure
- Utilities
  - Water, wastewater, stormwater
- Recreation, Parks and Culture
- Fleet and Facility Management
- Economic Development and Tourism

## For more information: strathcona.ca



# Budget

## 3 Year Budget Approval 2024-2026

- In 2024, Council approved a three-year capital budget including \$112 million in 2024, \$184 million in 2025, and \$57 million in 2026.
- Annually there will be a verification and adjustment process.
  - 2025 capital budget adjusted to \$167 million.
- Tax Increases Approved.
  - 5.87% in 2024 budget, 3.90% in 2025 budget.
- 2025 Total Operating Budget is \$470 million.
- Capital and Operation Budgets are aligned to Council priorities based on Priority Based Budgeting and Asset Management processes.





# Budget

# Budget process was changed to align with the council terms

- The next general municipal election will be held on October 20, 2025.
- The elected Council will have one year in term before being asked to contemplate a detailed 2027 to 2030 capital budget.





# **Procurement and Contracts**

## **Procurement Process**

### • **RFP Scope Documents**

- The department project manager develops the scope, and the Procurement Contract Advisor assembles the RFx package.
- Review all documents thoroughly and ensure submission requirements are met.
- Ask questions during the question period if anything is unclear.

### • Evaluations

- Evaluation criteria outlined in the RFx. Bids are not compared to each other.

### • Debriefs

- A debrief offers bidders the chance to receive feedback on their bid and allows the county to gather feedback on their process, enabling improvements for both parties.

## **Procurement Opportunities**

• Bonfire

- Document viewing, downloading and bid submissions are completed through Bonfire.

- Alberta Purchasing Connection (APC)
  - Notices of all opportunities are posted on APC.





# **Procurement and Contracts**

## **Procurement Process**

- **Read the RFx Carefully**: Ensure to thoroughly read the Request for Quote/Proposal (RFx) and understand all requirements and criteria. Ensure all required documentation is submitted, and it aligns with what is asked for.
- **Follow Instructions**: Ensure to follow all instructions precisely, including formatting, submission deadlines, and required documentation.
- **Ask Questions**: Proponents are encouraged to ask questions during the question period if any part of the RFx is unclear. The RFx may be still be changed at this time, but cannot be changed once it closes.
- **Provide Complete Information:** Include all necessary information and documents, such as certifications, references, and detailed responses to all criteria.
- **Review and Proofread**: Review and proofread bids to avoid errors or omissions.
- **Compliance with Terms and Conditions**: Ensure to understand and agree to all terms and conditions outlined in the RFP.
- **Highlight Key Points**: Suggest that you highlight how your bid meets or exceeds the requirements and adds value.
- **Submit on Time**: Submit your bid before the deadline to avoid disqualification.





# **Procurement and Contracts**

## Service Alberta Statutes Amendment Act, 2024 (Bill 30)

- Bill 30 amends the Prompt Payment and Construction Lien Act (PPCLA).
- Amendments allow consulting professionals to opt out of certain PPCLA requirements, including the 10% holdback.
- The County is updating procurement and contract documents to implement these changes once the bill is in force.





## **Approved Capital Plan Transportation Engineering and Operations**

- Sherwood Drive Roundabout Construction
  - Enhancing existing geometry during rehabilitation
- Ardrossan Main Street Bridge Replacement Construction
- Wye Road Landscaping, Brentwood Blvd. to Clover Bar Road Construction
  - Sherwood Drive and Granada Way Improvements Construction
- Class II Rural Roadway Improvements (location not yet assigned) Design



## **Approved Capital Plan** Transportation Engineering and Operations

## **Annual programs**

- Annual Sidewalk Missing Links
- Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvements
- Traffic Signal / Intersection Replacements
- Annual Rehabilitation Programs
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For more information:<a href="mailto:strathcona.ca/transportation-roads/">strathcona.ca/transportation-roads/</a>





## **Annual Rehabilitation Programs Transportation Engineering and Operations**

## **Annual rehabilitation programs**

- Rural Roads
- Urban Roads
  - Residential Rehabilitation
  - Arterial Rehabilitation
- Asphalt Trails
- Gravel Roads
- Parking Lots
- Bridges

## **Other upcoming Requests** for Proposals

- Engineering consulting services for annual bridge program
- Consultant Open Order for **Miscellaneous Engineering Services** (rostered)

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## **Open Space Projects** Recreation, Parks and Culture

## **2025 Projects**

- St. Nicholas sport court life cycle (2 tennis courts and a basketball court).
- 3m wide asphalt trails: Peter's Pond and other locations.
- Trail, parking lot and associated amenities in support of the River Valley Alliance Pedestrian Bridge at TWP RD 540.
- Other various trails construction from existing design contract.
- Gazabos at Cottonwood Park and other TBD locations.

## **Typical projects include:**

- Parks and outdoor sport courts
- Landscaping
- Trails







## **Capital Projects** Fleet and Facility Management

## **Projects approved**

- The Pointe Agriculture Event Centre.
  - Site and facility underway, completion in Q3 2025.
- Fire Station 7 Planning and design 2024 and 2025 with construction in 2027.
- Multi-Use Indoor Fieldhouse Procurement began in 2024. Project is proposed to be completed with IPD delivery process starting construction 2026.

## **Projects not formally approved**

- Sherwood Park Arena Upgrades budgeted at \$12 million for 2027.
- Seniors' Centre Earmarked at \$10M for 2027 and 2028.



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## **Capital Projects** Utilities Department

## **2025 Major Construction Projects**

- Brentwood Blvd (North) Wastewater
- Josephburg Watermain Renewal
- CRNWSC Meter Vault
- Ardrossan Water Transmission Main and Truck Fill expansion
  - Design RFP Spring 2025
- 17th Street Reservoir Solar
- Construction procured

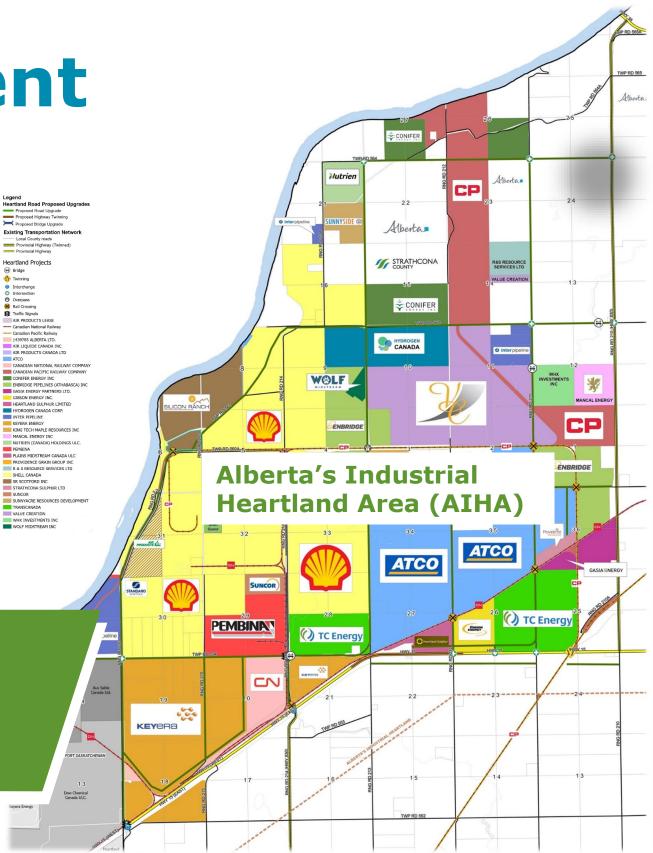


# **Economic Development**

- Growth areas: Refer to this site for active development areas: <u>https://www.strathcona.ca/business-and-</u> <u>development/zoning-and-land-use/developing-</u> <u>and-planned/</u>
- Heartland: Ongoing major investments, centered on carbon capture, hydrogen and a solar farm
- Business: For any businesses thinking of moving to Strathcona County, see the following link: <u>https://selectstrathcona.com/</u>

### For more information on the Heartland Area:

- <u>https://industrialheartland.com/</u>
- <u>https://www.strathcona.ca/business-and-</u> <u>development/development/albertas-industrial-heartland/</u>



# **Online resources**

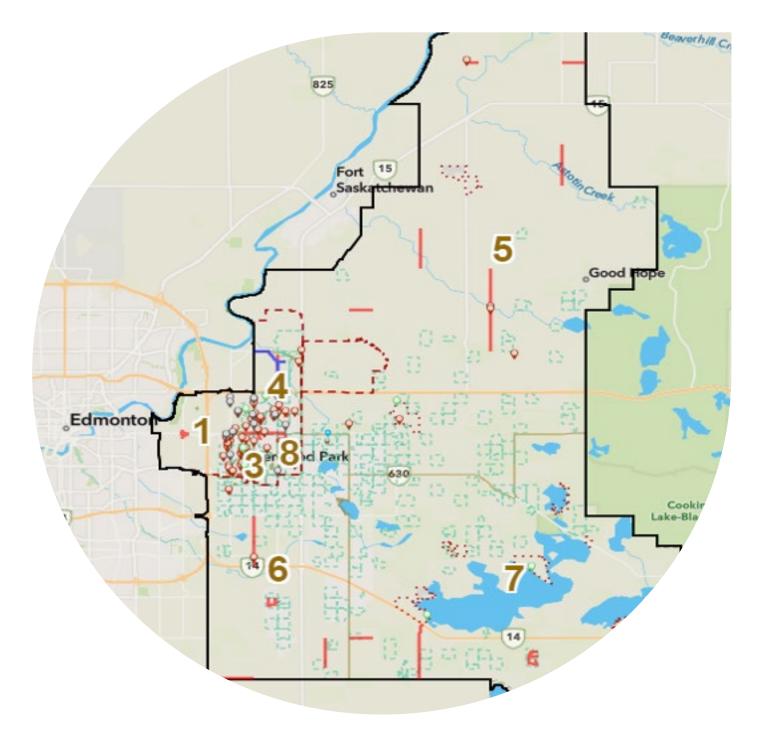
Click the links below to access resources available on <u>www.strathcona.ca</u>

## Engineering

- Transportation and Roads
  - <u>Traffic Management</u>
  - Traffic Counts and Noise
- <u>CountyWorks Map</u>
- Design and Construction Standards
  - Please review DCS bulletins regularly
- <u>CAD Standards</u>

## Other

- <u>Annual Budget</u>
- Business and Development
- <u>Maps</u>





# Thank you!



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