

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2026

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

AT 1:00 PM

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Present: Mayor Chad Bachynski, in the Chair
Councillor Mark Burton
Councillor Victoria Flores
Councillor David Froh
Councillor Jason Mancinelli
Councillor Shobna Radons
Councillor Dan Rashovich
Councillor George Tsiklis
Councillor Sarah Turnbull
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak

Regrets: Councillor Clark Bezo

Also in Attendance: Acting City Manager, Jim Nicol
Acting City Clerk, Amber Ackerman
Acting Deputy City Clerk, Martha Neovard
City Solicitor, Shannon Williams
Deputy City Manager, City Operations, Kurtis Doney
Deputy City Manager, City Planning & Community Services, Deborah Bryden
Deputy City Manager, Communications, Service Regina & Tourism, Jennifer Johnson
Acting CFO/Deputy City Manager, Jeff May
Chief Human Resource Officer, Chris Frohlick
Director, Roadways & Transportation, Chris Warren
Director, Transit, Nathan Luhning
Manager, Budget & Long-Term Financial Planning, Trevor Black

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Councillor Shanon Zachidniak moved, seconded by Councillor Mark Burton, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted.

URGENT BUSINESS

Motion to waive notice to reconsider previous Council resolution of October 22, 2025 on Item *CR25-131 2026 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar*

Councillor Shanon Zachdniak moved, seconded by Councillor Mark Burton, that City Council waive notice to reconsider its decision of October 22, 2025, on item *CR25-131 - 2026 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar* to approve the 2026 meeting schedule for City Council, Executive Committee, Audit and Finance Committee and the Regina Planning Commission as outlined in Appendix A with an amendment to move the 2026 December Budget dates to December 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Pursuant to section 27(1)(b)(ii) of The Procedure Bylaw No. 9004, where members wish Council to reconsider any decision, they may do so, where the decision was made at a previous meeting if all members present vote to waive the requirement for a notice of motion and to reconsider the decision at the present meeting.

The motion to waive notice to reconsider a previous decision of Council was put and declared CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, as required by law.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Zachidniak
SECONDER:	Councillor Burton
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Mancinelli, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

Motion to reconsider previous Council resolution of October 22, 2025 on Item *CR25-131 2026 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar*

Councillor Shanon Zachdniak moved, seconded by Councillor Mark Burton, that City Council reconsider its decision of October 22, 2025, on item *CR25-131 - 2026 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar*, to approve the 2026 meeting schedule for City Council, Executive Committee, Audit and Finance Committee and the Regina Planning Commission as outlined in Appendix A with an amendment to move the 2026 December Budget dates to December 8, 9, 10 and 11.

A separate vote was taken for the reconsideration motion in accordance with Section 27(1)(b)(ii) of City Council's Procedure Bylaw No. 9004, which states that where members wish Council to reconsider any decision they may do so, where the decision was made at a previous meeting, if all members present vote to waive the requirement for notice of motion and to reconsider the decision at the present meeting.

The motion to reconsider Council's October 22, 2025 decision on item *CR25-131* was put and declared CARRIED.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Zachidniak
SECONDER:	Councillor Burton
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Mancinelli, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

Amending Motion

Councillor Shanon Zachidniak moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Mark Burton, that the resolution of item CR25-131 be amended to read as follows:

“That City Council approve the 2026 meeting schedule for City Council, Executive Committee, Audit and Finance Committee and the Regina Planning Commission as outlined in Appendix A with an amendment to move the 2026 December Budget dates to December 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 and the deadline to register as a delegate to 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 1, 2026.”

The amending motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Zachidniak
SECONDER:	Councillor Burton
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Mancinelli, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

Main Motion, as amended

The main motion, as amended, was put and declared CARRIED.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Zachidniak
SECONDER:	Councillor Burton
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Mancinelli, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

TABLED CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM26-6 2027 General Operating Overview

Recommendation

That City Council receive and file this report.

Administration made a PowerPoint presentation respecting items *CM26-6 2027 General Operating Overview* and *CM26-7 2027 Preliminary Forecast - Service Details*, a copy of

which is on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Councillor Jason Mancinelli moved, seconded by Councillor George Tsiklis, that the recommendation contained in the report be concurred in.

RECESS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 33(2.1) of City Council's *Procedure Bylaw No. 9004*, a 15 minute recess was called.

City Council recessed at 2:33 p.m.

City Council reconvened at 2:57 p.m. in the absence of Councillor Victoria Flores.

(Councillor Victoria Flores returned to the meeting.)

Referral Motion

Councillor Sarah Turnbull moved, seconded by Councillor Shobna Radons that City Council refer this matter back to Administration to report back as part of the published 2027/2028 Proposed Budget report for Council's consideration at its December 7, 2026 budget meeting, that includes the following information:

- 1. Per capita comparisons to comparator cities for:**
 - a. Tax revenue allocation per service category including Transit, Recreation, Police, Library, and municipal corporations such as Economic Development Regina;**
 - b. Rate of necessary mill rate increase to maintain service levels at each comparator city's status quo; and**
 - c. Organizational depth & span of control, number of employees, by category;**
- 2. Levels of management and organizational structure (management hierarchy/reporting structure), number of assigned employees under each management position, and compensation comparisons with similar government organizations throughout the province of Saskatchewan and comparator cities across Canada;**
- 3. Applying an inflation rate to expenses and rate of growth in determining the mill rate;**
- 4. Tax incentives, and any potential missed revenue (i.e. religious property taxes, business incentives, non-profit exemptions), including tax categories that exist in other comparable cities that do not currently exist in our tax incentive and collection models;**
- 5. A detailed account that includes potential consequences, risks, and other implications of the suggested service cuts optioned by Administration in Table**

2 of CM26-6 for Council's consideration;

6. Number of vacant FTE positions currently being funded;
7. Of the overall forecasted increases, how much of the increases are due to contracts compared to those that are estimates by Administration staff;
8. A summation of the procured value of Canadian-sourced goods and services compared to value of U.S.-sourced imports of goods and services;
9. Reasons for fluctuations to contributions to capital expenses (shown in Appendix A of CM26-6) from 2024 to 2027;
10. A more fulsome explanation for changes to Transfers to a Reserve expense, as outlined in Expenses by Category table shown on page 6 of Appendix A in CM26-6;
11. Costs to reinstate the Sandbox Program, that was eliminated by City Council through the 2026 budget deliberations; and
12. A more detailed explanation for 2024 to 2026 increases to funding allocated to Transit.

The referral motion was put and declared **CARRIED**.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Mancinelli
SECONDER:	Councillor Tsiklis
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Mancinelli, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CM26-7 2027 Preliminary Forecast - Service Details

Recommendation

That City Council receive and file this report.

Councillor Mark Burton moved, seconded by Councillor Shanon Zachidniak, that the recommendation contained in the report be concurred in.

(Councillor Jason Mancinelli left the meeting.)

RECESS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 33(2.1) of City Council's *Procedure Bylaw No. 9004*, a 15 minute recess was called.

City Council recessed at 4:26 p.m.

City Council reconvened at 4:50 p.m.

Referral Motion

Councillor Sarah Turnbull moved, seconded by Councillor David Froh, that City Council refer this matter back to Administration to report back as part of the published 2027/2028 Proposed Budget report for Council's consideration at its December 7, 2026 budget meeting, that includes information on the implications of adding ongoing playground grant stream funding to the base operating budget.

The referral motion was put and declared CARRIED.

RESULT:	CARRIED [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Councillor Turnbull
SECONDER:	Councillor Froh
IN FAVOUR:	Councillors: Burton, Flores, Froh, Radons, Rashovich, Tsiklis, Turnbull, Zachidniak and Mayor Bachynski

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Shobna Radons moved, seconded by Councillor George Tsiklis, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary