

Town of Bon Accord
AGENDA
Regular Council Meeting
August 18, 2026 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers
Live streamed on Bon Accord YouTube Channel

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
 - 3.1. July 7, 2026; Regular Council Meeting (enclosure)
- 4. DELEGATION**
- 5. DEPARTMENTS REPORT**
 - 5.1. July/August 2026 (enclosure)
 - 5.2. Financial Report – Operating, July (enclosure)
 - 5.3. Financial Report – Capital, July (enclosure)
 - 5.4. June & July Bank Reconciliation (enclosure)
- 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
 - 7.1. Invitation to attend 2026 Alberta Tourism Economic Budget Forum (enclosure)
- 8. BYLAWS/POLICIES/AGREEMENTS**
 - 8.1. 2024-06 Fees and Charges Bylaw – 2nd and 3rd Readings (enclosure)
- 9. WORKSHOPS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCES**
- 10. COUNCIL REPORTS**
 - 10.1. Mayor Holden (enclosure)
 - 10.2. Deputy Mayor Bidney (enclosure)
 - 10.3. Councillor Gallant (enclosure)
 - 10.4. Councillor Larson (enclosure)
 - 10.5. Councillor May (enclosure)
- 11. CORRESPONDENCE**
 - 11.1. National Police Federation – Call to Action: Strengthening Public Safety in Alberta – Polling Results (enclosure)
 - 11.2. Calgary Counselling – National Depression Screening Day: Proclamation Request (enclosure)
 - 11.3. Municipal Accountability Program Review (enclosure)
 - 11.4. Federal & Provincial Town Hall (enclosure)

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12. CLOSED SESSION

12.1. Basement Rental Agreement – ATIA Section 29 Advice from Officials and
ATIA Section 19 Disclosure Harmful to Business Interests of a Third Party.

13. ADJOURNMENT

**Town of Bon Accord
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**COUNCIL
PRESENT**

Mayor Brian Holden
Deputy Mayor Lynn Bidney
Councillor Cindy Gallant – joined virtually at 5:08 p.m.
Councillor Timothy J. Larson
Councillor Tanya May

ADMINISTRATION

Bill Rogers – Chief Administrative Officer
Falon Fayant – Corporate Services Manager
Jessica Spaidal – Legislative Services & Communications Supervisor
Kyle Miller – Planner and Development Officer

CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Holden called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council adopt the July 7, 2026, agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-147

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

June 16, 2026; Regular Council Meeting

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council adopts the June 16, 2026, Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-148

June 23, 2026; Committee of the Whole Meeting

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council adopts the June 23, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-149

Councillor Gallant virtually joined the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

DELEGATION

Matt Roblin and Karen Mann – Sturgeon County Protective Services – Q1 and Q2 Bylaw Updates

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the delegation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-150

Amanda Houlihan – Harvest Days Committee Financial Request

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DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accepts the delegation as information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-151

NEW BUSINESS

Quarterly Financial Report – Operating

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts the attached quarterly financial operating report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-152

Quarterly Financial Report – Capital

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council accepts the attached quarterly financial capital report as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-153

May 2026 Bank Reconciliation

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accepts the May 2026 Bank Reconciliation as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-154

Harvest Days Committee – Donation Request

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council approves additional funding for Harvest Days in the amount of \$4,500 total for the 2026 year.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-155

BYLAWS/POLICIES/AGREEMENTS

Data Classification Policy & Personal Information Bank (PIB) Policy

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the Data Classification Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-156

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council approves the Personal Information Bank Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-157

Block Party Policy

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council approves the Block Party Policy as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-158

Fees and Charges Bylaw – 1st Reading

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council gives first reading to 2026-04 Fees and Charges Bylaw as presented.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-159

CORRESPONDENCE

Invest Alberta Information Session Invitation

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT Council directs administration to RSVP Mayor Holden, Deputy Mayor Bidney, Councillor Gallant, Councillor May, and Councillor Larson for the information session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-160

Town of Redwater Mayor & Council Golf Tournament Invitation

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council direct administration to register Deputy Mayor Bidney and Councillor Larson for the 2026 Redwater Mayor and Council Golf Tournament.

1 Opposed

CARRIED RESOLUTION 26-161

Minister of Municipal Affairs, 2026 Funding Allocations Letter

COUNCILLOR LARSON MOVED THAT Council accepts the letter as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-162

Urgent Request for Provincial Support – Letter from Minister Nally to Minister Dreeshen

DEPUTY MAYOR BIDNEY MOVED THAT Council accepts the letter as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-163

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILLOR MAY MOVED THAT the July 7, 2026, Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 6:19 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RESOLUTION 26-164

Mayor Brian Holden

Bill Rogers, Chief Administrative Officer

News | Projects | Events

News

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Projects

- Regional Transportation Plan groundwork is now underway, roadway assessment having been recently completed by Consultants.
- Emergency pumping of S.E. Stormpark area successfully completed to lower water levels that were threatening residents' homes.
- Met with Engineers to begin planning 2027 and future years' Capital Project works.
- Plans include re-visit of North West drainage improvements plans to help address flooding concerns.
- Joint Use Planning agreement with school boards has been completed by the Town and the St. Albert Catholic School Division. We are still awaiting the Sturgeon School Division's signed copy.
- Regional drainage planning underway for areas affected by Highway 28-adjacent drainage.

Events & Programs

- Canada Day, July 1st; it was another successful year for our Canada Day celebrations. Thank you to all staff and Council for their work and support for the day and all residents and visitors who attended. Approximately 375 people attended.
- Music in the Park will continue throughout the remainder of the summer on Tuesday evenings until September 1st.
- Harvest Days Parade; many residents and visitors came out to enjoy the parade on August 8th. There were 38 parade entrants.
- Summer camp - 28 days of camp were offered during July and August with a \$5.00 per kid per day charge. We've had 82 different children from the ages of 7-12 registered. We hosted 20-40 kids per day.
- Kids came from:

Bon Accord	29
Gibbons	10
Sturgeon County	37

Morinville	3
Strathcona County	1
Edmonton	2

- Upcoming events and programs include:
 - Sept 12 – Sunflower Showdown Contest Judging Day
 - September 27 – Rooted in Wellness Community Dinner

Conferences, Meetings, and Training

- 1 staff attended the Arrow Utilities Strategic Planning Focus Group on August 6th, 2026

Department Highlights

Planning | Development

- Review and issue development permits;
- Respond to resident inquiries;
- Support Bylaw enforcement on higher profile nuisance complaints; including direct correspondence with landowners;
- Coordinate Crossing Agreement and Utility Right of Way for installation of FortisAlberta power lines;
- Meet with Magna re: ongoing stormwater management projects;

Corporate Services

- Staff have begun working on the 2027 budget; more detailed budget planning sessions will be scheduled for the fall and winter for both administration and Council.
- Administration has moved to a new service provider for employee health and benefits through our partnership with ABMunis. The new provider has considerable cost savings for both employees and the Town while still maintaining our benefits profile.
- Staff have been coordinating with our engineering partners to reach out to the DFPP and FCM Grants to discuss extensions regarding the Stormwater Park project. At this time, there are no anticipated issues with receiving extensions.

Community Services

- The Communities in Bloom judges visited our community on July 30th. This went well, with the judges touring our community and enjoying the hospitality provided

by the Town and the Communities in Bloom (CiB) committee members. Thank you to all public works staff, the CiB committee, and town residents for keeping our community beautiful, and to our community services staff for helping to coordinate the judging event. We will now await the judges' report.

- As a reminder, the Communities in Bloom committee is looking for new members. Additional information is available on our website.
- The August field trip to the Botanical Gardens scheduled for August 15th has been cancelled due to low registration.
- Music in the Park has been a continued success despite multiple performances having to be moved to the arena or, more recently, the Community Hall due to the weather. Administration received an email of praise from one of the bands, so this event is enjoyed by all participants.
- Our summer youth programs have been a huge success, with high attendance and strong engagement among youth. Our programming has also included intergenerational collaboration with our seniors, multiple in-house field trips, and partnerships with outside organizations that provide learning opportunities for our youth. A special thank you goes out to our Community Services staff, our summer staff, and our leaders in training.
- Community Services has been busy planning for our fall and winter events. Larger events include our Rooted in Wellness series, which is scheduled to continue until the end of December, Bon Accord Connects, Halloween, and Winter Wonderfest.

Operations | Public Works

- It has been a challenging couple of months for Parks/Recreation and Public Works staff as record rainfall events have added many extra tasks to deal with, aside from their regular duties.
- Numerous large trees were cleaned up that had been uprooted by intense rain and strong winds. Trees had fallen in both the Town and at the cemetery.
- Due to the heavy rainfall, the Springbrook sewage lift station became dangerously close to being overcome with groundwater infiltration. Vac trucks were deployed on 2 separate occasions to help control the flows. The Town's storm pond was overflowing its regular levels, causing the alley east of 49A St. to become unusable. Staff used a 6" rental pump to transfer approximately 50,000 cubic meters of water (over 9 days) from the pond to an old lagoon storage cell south of Hwy28.
- Staff continue to deal with overland drainage issues on 51st St as plans and engineering for a permanent solution to the issue are underway.

- The 2026 capital road rehab project has been started on 50Ave. Hydro-vac daylighting of utility lines and the replacement of some sections of sidewalk have been completed. Due to the substantial rain of late, the project has been a little delayed as the contractor is looking for drier weather before opening the road. Attempts are being made to keep residents of 50Ave as informed of the project timelines as possible.
- 40 sidewalk panels on the north side of 50Ave between 49St and 50St have been replaced.
- “Truck brake retarder” sign has been installed on Hwy28 west of town.
- All Town fire hydrants have received a fresh coat of paint.
- Annual sanitary sewer flushing program has started.
- Parks staff are steadily mowing to keep up with the growth of the park lawns and green spaces.
- Monuments at Veteran’s park have had the stonework replaced.
- A set of exterior doors on the arena were replaced. Other exterior doors had hardware replaced and/or weather stripping installed.
- Staff assisted in the annual Harvest Days event and parade.
- A TNR (trap, neuter, release) event was held in the arena by animal control officers and the humane society to fix and vaccinate area feral cats.
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Attachments

- Chief Administrative Officer:
 - Action Item List
- Corporate Services Manager:
 - Variance Report

CAO Action List

Date: August 18, 2026
Reporting Period: June 13 – August 14, 2026
Submitted by: Bill Rogers, Chief Administrative Officer

Action Item	Status
Proposed Park Renaming Survey Results Council accepts this report as information and directs administration to investigate the cost of signage for said parks.	Cost to be included as part of the 10-year capital plan.
Nature-Based Stormwater Project Council approved engaging Magna Engineering Services to work on a Nature-Based Stormwater Park and to continue working on grant funding opportunities, capital planning, and landowner negotiations as required for this project.	Preliminary work has begun on this project, including Biological Impact Assessments
Resident Concern re: Neighbour Video Surveillance Council directs administration to consult legal and begin to plan for possible bylaw regarding video surveillance and drones.	In progress
Transport Trucks Council directs administration to look into alternatives to parking for transport trucks along Highway 28 and bring back at the February 24, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting.	To be included as part of the Regional Transportation Study.

**TOWN OF BON ACCORD
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

Meeting:	Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date:	August 18, 2026
Presented by:	Falon Fayant, Corporate Services Manager
Title:	Financial Report – Operating, July
Agenda Item No.	5.2

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL

Attached is the financial report for the period up to July 31st, 2026, comparing actuals to budget figures and further information of significant variances.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Administration provides a monthly financial report to Council.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Values Statement of **Stewardship**

- Administration and Council embody the responsible planning and management of our resources.

COSTS/SOURCES OF FUNDING

2026 operating budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION (by originator)

THAT ... Council accepts the July financial operating report as presented.

Year-to-Date Variance Report (Unaudited)
for the year ending December 31, 2026
Reporting period: up to July 31, 2026

DEPARTMENT	REVENUES			EXPENSES			NET	NET	NET	% Change between Actual & Budget
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance Actual-Budget	
General Municipal	2,802,111	2,757,935	44,177	232,643	253,804	(21,161)	2,569,468	2,504,131	65,337	3%
TOTAL MUNICIPAL	\$ 2,802,111.30	\$ 2,757,934.67	\$ 44,176.63	\$ 232,643.12	\$ 253,803.75	-\$ 21,160.63	\$ 2,569,468	\$ 2,504,131	\$ 65,337	3%
Election	-	-	-	150	-	(150)	150	-	150	100%
Council	-	-	-	78,824	88,755	(9,931)	(78,824)	(88,755)	9,931	-13%
TOTAL COUNCIL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,674	\$ 88,755	-\$ 10,081	-\$ 78,674	-\$ 88,755	\$ 10,081	11%
Administration	19,183	17,009	2,174	381,204	426,434	(45,230)	(362,022)	(409,425)	47,404	-13%
EV Chargers	89	438	(349)	2,059	6,502	(4,443)	(1,970)	(6,065)	4,095	-208%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 19,272	\$ 17,447	\$ 1,825	\$ 383,263	\$ 432,936	-\$ 49,673	-\$ 363,992	-\$ 415,490	\$ 51,498	12%
Fire Services	11,141	11,141	0	38,773	43,226	(4,453)	(27,632)	(32,085)	4,453	-16%
Emergency Services	-	-	-	11,904	12,995	(1,091)	(11,904)	(12,995)	1,091	-9%
Bylaw	2,596	1,779	817	34,633	36,106	(1,474)	(32,037)	(34,327)	2,291	-7%
TOTAL PROTECTIVE SERVICES	\$ 13,737	\$ 12,920	\$ 817	\$ 85,310	\$ 92,328	-\$ 7,018	-\$ 71,573	-\$ 79,408	\$ 7,835	10%
Municipal Planning	6,329	4,708	1,621	35,737	80,027	(44,290)	(29,408)	(75,319)	45,911	-156%
Economic Development	-	-	-	23,122	79,162	(56,039)	(23,122)	(79,162)	56,039	-242%
Safe Communities	-	60	(60)	-	420	(420)	-	(360)	360	#DIV/0!
TOTAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMEN	\$ 6,329	\$ 4,768	\$ 1,561	\$ 58,859	\$ 159,609	-\$ 100,750	-\$ 52,530	-\$ 154,840	\$ 102,310	66%
Public Works - Roads	50	-	50	275,975	302,879	(26,904)	(275,925)	(302,879)	26,954	-10%
Storm Sewer & Drain	-	-	-	61,096	16,784	44,312	(61,096)	(16,784)	(44,312)	73%
Water	311,486	297,916	13,570	281,049	326,376	(45,327)	30,437	(28,460)	58,897	194%
Sewer	222,581	233,262	(10,680)	253,401	301,764	(48,363)	(30,820)	(68,502)	37,683	-122%
Garbage	63,129	63,920	(791)	64,886	85,298	(20,413)	(1,757)	(21,378)	19,622	-1117%
Cemetery	9,650	4,000	5,650	7,683	9,130	(1,447)	1,967	(5,130)	7,097	361%
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 606,896	\$ 599,097	\$ 7,799	\$ 944,089	\$ 1,042,231	-\$ 98,142	-\$ 337,193	-\$ 443,134	\$ 105,941	24%
FCSS	40,175	26,661	13,515	74,142	75,664	(1,522)	(33,967)	(49,004)	15,037	-44%
TOTAL FCSS	\$ 40,175	\$ 26,661	\$ 13,515	\$ 74,142	\$ 75,664	-\$ 1,522	-\$ 33,967	-\$ 49,004	\$ 15,037	31%
Parks	84,281	69,316	14,965	96,408	108,689	(12,281)	(12,128)	(39,374)	27,246	-225%
Arena	154,300	173,769	(19,469)	197,298	227,497	(30,198)	(42,998)	(53,728)	10,729	-25%
Recreation	215,078	206,850	8,228	72,903	80,464	(7,560)	142,175	93,305	48,869	34%
TOTAL REC & COMMUNITY SERVICE	\$ 453,659	\$ 449,934	\$ 3,725	\$ 366,610	\$ 416,650	-\$ 50,039	\$ 87,049	\$ 204	\$ 86,845	42559%
Library	-	-	-	64,105	66,268	(2,163)	(64,105)	(66,268)	2,163	-3%
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 64,105	\$ 66,268	-\$ 2,163	-\$ 64,105	-\$ 66,268	\$ 2,163	3%
Total Excl. General Municipal	\$ 1,140,068	\$ 1,110,827	\$ 29,241	\$ 2,055,053	\$ 2,374,440	-\$ 319,387	-\$ 914,985	-\$ 1,263,613	\$ 348,628	-38%
Total Incl. General Municipal	\$ 3,942,180	\$ 3,868,762	\$ 73,418	\$ 2,287,696	\$ 2,628,244	-\$ 340,548	\$ 1,654,484	\$ 1,240,518	\$ 413,966	

Variance Report Notes

Reporting Period: up to July 31, 2026

Municipal:

To date, 79% of municipal taxes have been collected, compared to 81% at this time last year.

Penalties collected on taxes are \$9,605 over budget.

Franchise fee revenues are currently over budget by \$5,374 and investment revenue is \$30,490 over budget.

There were two assessment adjustments, which resulted in a \$2,549 decrease to taxes collected.

Administration

Sales of goods and services are over budget by \$1,637.

Consultants is over budget by \$52,500 for temporary CAO services, but this is offset by wages and salaries. Consultants was not budgeted for.

Roads, Water & Sewer:

Water sales are under budget by \$8,230.

Bulk water sales are over budget by \$2,448.

Penalties are over budget by \$3,051.

Sewer sales were under budget by \$10,665.

Revenues in water and sewer fluctuate throughout the year;

Bulk water sales can fluctuate based on seasons.

Garbage sales are under budget by \$791. This can fluctuate throughout the seasons as well, often due to landfill usage (i.e. residents dropping items off at the landfill and incurring charges on their utility bill.)

Expenses overall are currently under budget for water, wastewater, and garbage services.

Storm Water

Expenses for contracted services are for the 51st street drainage project.

Revenues for this project are approved from reserves.

Reserve transfers are completed at year-end.

Economic Development & Planning:

Planning permits and licenses are over budget by \$1,392, and business licenses are over budget by \$520.

FCSS & Community Services:

FCSS revenue is mainly the grant, \$11,099 received per quarter.

Rentals and program fees are over budget by \$1,532, mainly for summer youth programs.

Cemetery:

Plot sales are over budget by \$1,600 and open and close fees are over budget by \$4,050.

Recreation, Parks & Arena

The Sturgeon Recreation Funding Grant has been received, a total of \$352,256 which includes \$60,000 towards capital. The operating funds are allocated between parks, recreation, and the arena. The budgeted amount for the grant was \$350,791.

Funding of \$12,500 for the community needs assessment has been received.

**TOWN OF BON ACCORD
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

Meeting:	Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date:	July 7, 2026
Presented by:	Falon Fayant, Corporate Services Manager
Title:	Financial Report – Capital, July
Agenda Item No.	5.3

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL

Attached is the year-to-date financial information up to July 31st for the capital projects for the Town for 2026. The report details the budgeted figures for each approved project, the spend to date, as well as project status and any other applicable notes.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

The report details the budgeted figures for each approved project, the spend to date, as well as project status and any other applicable notes.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Values Statement of **Stewardship**

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COSTS/SOURCES OF FUNDING

2026 capital budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION (by originator)

THAT ... Council accepts the July financial capital report as presented.

2026 Capital Budget Financial Report

Capital Budget Projects		
General Capital Projects	Funding Source	Budgeted Cost
Transportation:		
50th Avenue Full Depth Reclamation	LGFF Grant/CCBF Grant	\$ 861,511
Sidewalk Replacement	CCBF Grant	\$ 40,000
Regional Transportation Project	Alberta Community Partnership Grant	\$ 200,000
Buildings:		
Administration Building Window Replacement	Facility Infrastructure Reserve	\$ 17,400
Arena Exit Door Replacement	Recreation Reserve	\$ 8,000
Fleet & Equipment:		
Arena Floor Scrubber	LGFF Operating Grant/Recreation Reserve	\$ 9,880
Indoor Station Compressor	General Reserve	\$ 5,000
Water:		
Vault Relocation	CCBF Grant	\$ 25,000
Fire Hydrant Replacement	Protective Services Reserve	\$ 30,000
Stormwater:		
Stormwater Park	DFPP Grant/FCM Grant/General Reserve/Unrestricted Surplus	\$ 2,000,000
51st Street Hwy 28 Drainage	Stormwater Reserve	\$ 230,000
Total Capital Projects		\$ 3,426,791

Variances (Actual to Budget to July 31, 2026)

50th Avenue Road Project:

- Actual cost to date: \$70,235
- Status: Project started in June; ongoing

Floor Scrubber purchase

- Actual cost to date: \$9,880
- Status: Project completed
- The floor scrubber was originally in the budget for \$6,000 and required a council resolution (Resolution #26-018) to purchase at a higher than expected cost. This was an *unplanned increase in expense*.

51st Street Hwy 28 Drainage

- Actual cost to date: \$44,249
- Status: Project ongoing

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Meeting:	Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date:	August 18, 2026
Presented by:	Falon Fayant, Corporate Services Manager
Title:	June & July 2026 Bank Reconciliation
Agenda Item No.	5.4

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL

Attached is June and July 2026 bank reconciliation statement showing our account at ATB Financial.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

As of June 30th, 2026, the ATB Financial account balance was \$6,587,923.

As of July 31st, 2026, the ATB Financial account balance was \$6,802,534.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Values Statement of **Stewardship**

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COSTS/SOURCES OF FUNDING

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RECOMMENDED ACTION (by originator)

Resolution #1:

THAT ... Council accepts the June 2026 Bank Reconciliation as presented.

Resolution #2:

THAT ... Council accepts the July 2026 Bank Reconciliation as presented.

Monthly Bank Reconciliation

for the month ending June 30, 2026

ATB General BANK Account Balance	\$ 6,587,923	
<u>ADD: Outstanding Deposits (1)</u>		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ 27,819
<u>DEDUCT: Outstanding Cheques/EFTs</u>		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ 35,587
Adjusted ATB Bank Account Balance		\$ 6,580,155
GL General BANK Account Balance	\$ 6,529,466.42	
<u>ADD: Outstanding Deposits (2)</u>		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ 72,791
<u>DEDUCT: Outstanding Withdrawals (3)</u>		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ 22,102
Adjusted GL Bank Account Balance		\$ 6,580,155
	variance	\$ -

Notes

(1) Outstanding deposits to the bank account include items such as cash/cheque deposits entered near the end of the month that are not reflected on the bank statement until the following month (timing).

(2) Outstanding deposits to the system GL bank account balance include items such as Government of Alberta deposits, as the funds are often received weeks before the deposit information statement. This also includes EFT payments from residents near the end of the month that are deposited in the bank but payment information is sent in the next couple of days.

(3) Outstanding withdrawals to the system GL bank statement include such items as EFT or pre-authorized bill payments that have not yet been entered.



Monthly Bank Reconciliation

for the month ending July 31, 2026

ATB General BANK Account Balance

\$ 6,802,534

ADD: Outstanding Deposits (1)

Subtotal \$ 196

DEDUCT: Outstanding Cheques/EFTs

Subtotal \$ 109,182

Adjusted ATB Bank Account Balance

\$ 6,693,549

GL General BANK Account Balance

\$ 6,582,972.67

ADD: Outstanding Deposits (2)

Subtotal \$ 144,271

DEDUCT: Outstanding Withdrawals (3)

Subtotal \$ 33,694

Adjusted GL Bank Account Balance

\$ 6,693,549

variance \$ -

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From: Julie Geldart <Julie@tiaalberta.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, 12 August 2026 09:34:49

To: Brian Holden <bholden@bonaccord.ca>

Subject: Invitation to Attend the 2026 Alberta Tourism Economic Budget Forum Dinner & GRIT Awards

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Dear Mr. Holden,

On behalf of the Tourism Industry Association of Alberta (TIAA), we are pleased to invite you to attend the 2026 Tourism Economic Budget Forum, Dinner & GRIT Awards, taking place on Monday, November 16, 2026, at the Edmonton Convention Centre.

As a municipal leader, you play a critical role in shaping Alberta's visitor economy. This event provides a unique opportunity to engage with industry leaders, destination organizations, elected officials, and tourism stakeholders from across the province as we discuss the economic and policy priorities that will influence Alberta's future tourism growth and competitiveness.

ECONOMIC BUDGET FORUM, DINNER & GRIT AWARDS

November 16, 2026

Hall D – Edmonton Convention Centre, 9797 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, AB

11:30AM – 4:30PM Economic Budget Forum

5:30PM – 6:30PM MLA Made-In-Alberta Reception

6:30PM – 8:30PM: Dinner & Alberta Tourism GRIT Awards

REGISTRATION OFFER

Recognizing the important role municipalities play in supporting Alberta's visitor economy, TIAA is pleased to extend a discounted registration rate to municipal representatives.

To register, please [CLICK HERE](#) and use the promotional code "FRIENDSOFTIAA". Early bird pricing is currently on until August 31, 2026.

Alberta's tourism industry continues to be a significant driver of economic diversification, community development, investment attraction, and job creation. The Tourism Economic Budget Forum brings together municipal and industry leaders to explore emerging opportunities, economic trends, workforce challenges, destination development priorities, and policy considerations leading into Budget 2027–28.

Tourism Economic Budget Forum

11:30 AM – 4:30 PM

- Economic outlook and implications for Alberta's visitor economy
- Tourism's role in economic diversification and community development
- Infrastructure, investment, and destination development opportunities
- Workforce and labour market considerations
- Policy discussions and priorities leading into Budget 2027–28
- Networking opportunities with tourism operators, destination organizations, municipalities, and industry partners

MLA Reception, Dinner & Alberta Tourism GRIT Awards

5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

- MLA Made-in-Alberta Reception
- Three-course chef-inspired dinner
- Presentation of the Alberta Tourism GRIT Awards, recognizing outstanding Growth, Resilience, and Inspiration within Alberta's tourism industry
- Remarks from provincial leaders and special guests
- The Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta, has been invited to attend and provide remarks

The evening reception and dinner offer a valuable opportunity to connect directly with Members of the Legislative Assembly, Ministers, tourism operators, and community leaders from across Alberta.

We hope you will join us for this important gathering as we work together to strengthen Alberta's tourism economy and create opportunities for communities across the province.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Geldart at julie@tiaalberta.ca.

Warm regards,

Darren Reeder

President and CEO

Tourism Industry Association of Alberta (TIAA)

TOWN OF BON ACCORD
REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting:	Regular Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	August 18, 2026
Presented by:	Jessica Spaidal, Legislative Services & Communications Supervisor
Title:	2026-04 Fees and Charges Bylaw – Second & Third Readings
Agenda Item No.	8.1

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL

The Fees and Charges Bylaw was last updated in 2024 and was due for review to keep costs in line with inflation and services available to the public.

Feedback from each department resulted in multiple changes and updates to the bylaw, as shown in the attached document and explained further below.

The proposed bylaw updates were presented to Council at the June 23, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting, and the bylaw received first reading at the July 2, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES

Key updates to the Fees and Charges Bylaw include:

- Replaced specific reference to Inspections Group with a generalized reference.
- Update references of “Town Manager” to “Chief Administrative Officer”.
- Addition of Utility Bill and Tax Notice Reprints charge.
 - Multiple people will call around income tax season to request a full year’s worth of reprints, which is time consuming for staff. Some of those requesting reprints are on e-billing. Many municipalities in the area charge fees for this service.
- Clarification that GST is included for Tax Certificates and Verbal Tax Searches.
- Updates for costs under Schedule “C” Public Works for labour.
 - Due to hourly rates differing between roles, removing specific costs/hourly rates and adding a 20% administrative fee allows for more effective cost recovery.
- Updates to Schedule “D” Planning and Development include:
 - Addition of section explanation.
 - Addition of the word “permit” after each type of permit for clarification.

- Planner-recommended increases for 3 fees under Commercial Development. Our planner notes that these updated costs still allow us to be the lowest cost in the region while realizing some additional cost recovery but not be so costly as to encourage non-compliance with the requirement to get a permit.
- Deletion of Schedule “E” Commercial Electronic Sign, as the sign no longer exists.
- Updates to Schedule “G” Facility Rentals include:
 - Removal of Arena Meeting Room, as it is used for town business;
 - Clarification of when the mezzanine is available for rentals;
 - Addition of Birthday Parties and Family Skates as an ice rental option;
 - Local and Non-Local definitions more clearly described and noted; and
 - Clarification of tournament rate time block.
- Grammatical updates for flow and consistency.

Updates Following the June 23, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting:

Further to Council’s inquiry of the Master Servicing Plan (MSP), administration has received clarification from the Town’s planner that the Town’s MSP consists of design standards and other supporting documents. Currently, the Town uses the City of Edmonton’s design standards, as prepared by Associated Engineering, as well as the Water Master Plan, Sanitary Master Plan, Stormwater Master Plan, and Transportation Master Plan. Mention of the MSP in the Fees and Charges Bylaw has been replaced with these specific Master Plans to correspond with the documents available on our website.

One additional amendment has been made to the description and cost for the Area Structure Plan (ASP) in Schedule “D”, Other Fees section, as per the Town’s planner.

Updates Following the July 2, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

Due to ball diamond rentals being requested from time to time, hourly rates have been added for Ball Diamond #1 and Ball Diamonds # 2, 3 & 4 under Section “G” Facility Rentals.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Value Statements of:

PROFESSIONALISM Administration and Council manage the affairs of Bon Accord in a competent, reliable manner, to maintain a safe and prosperous community to work and live.

TRANSPARENCY Open and accountable to our residents and encourage open communication.

STEWARDSHIP Administration and Council embody the responsible planning and management of our resources.

COSTS/SOURCES OF FUNDING

N/A

RECOMMENDATION (by originator)

Both of the following:

THAT Council gives second reading to 2026-04 Fees and Charges Bylaw as presented.

AND

THAT Council gives third and final reading to 2026-04 Fees and Charges Bylaw as presented.

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A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF BON ACCORD, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO ESTABLISH RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE MUNICIPALITY.

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26, as amended from time to time, authorizes Bon Accord Town Council to establish and adopt bylaws for municipal purposes respecting services provided by or on behalf of a municipality and the establishment of fees for license permits and approvals.

AND WHEREAS, the Safety Codes Act, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter S-1, as amended or repealed and replaced from time, authorizes an accredited municipality to make bylaws respecting fees for anything issued or any material or service provided pursuant to the Safety Codes Act;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Town of Bon Accord, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

1.1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Fees and Charges Bylaw" of the Town of Bon Accord.

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1. The following terms shall have the following meanings in this Bylaw:

- a. "Bylaw" means this Fees and Charges Bylaw established by the municipality.
- b. "Council" means the municipal Council for the Town of Bon Accord.
- c. "Town" means the municipal corporation of the Town of Bon Accord.
- d. "Chief Administrative Officer" means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Bon Accord or designate.

3. APPLICATIONS

3.1. The fees and charges shall be as detailed in the following Schedules, which are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:

- a. Schedule "A" Administration
- b. Schedule "B" Taxation & Assessment
- c. Schedule "C" Public Works
- d. Schedule "D" Planning & Development
- e. Schedule "E" Community Event Sign
- f. Schedule "F" Safety Codes Permits
- g. Schedule "G" Facility Rentals

3.2. In the event of a conflict between a Fee set out in this Bylaw and the amount of a fee, rate or charge in an applicable bylaw, the Fee set out in this Bylaw prevails.

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3.3.Despite Section 3.2, in the event a fee, rate or charge referenced in another Town bylaw has not been included in this Bylaw, the Town may continue to levy a fee, rate or charge that is prescribed in that bylaw.

3.4.In the event that the Government of Alberta establishes a fee, rate or charge for a matter otherwise governed by this Bylaw, the provincial fee, rate or charge shall prevail.

3.5.Safety Code Permit fees shall be prescribed by the applicable safety code agency Service Agreement.

3.6.The method of payment for fees, rates, and charges is at the discretion of the Town.

4. SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD REMUNERATION

4.1.Members-at-large remuneration for Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings shall be in accordance with this bylaw.

4.2.Any travel to and from the hearing for members-at-large will be compensated in accordance with Town mileage rates at the time of the hearing.

4.3.Council remuneration for Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings shall be in accordance with the Council Remuneration Policy.

5. SEVERABILITY

5.1.It is the intention of Council that each separate provision of this Bylaw shall be deemed independent of all other provisions, and it is further the intention of Council that if any provision of this Bylaw be declared invalid, that provision shall be deemed to be severed and all other provisions of the Bylaw shall remain in force and effect.

6. Bylaw 2024-11 is hereby repealed.

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of 3rd reading, regardless of the date that it is signed in accordance with section 213 of the Municipal Government Act.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 2nd day of July 2026.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS _____ day of _____ 2026.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS _____ day of _____ 2026.

SIGNED AND PASSED THIS _____ day of _____ 2026.

Mayor Brian Holden

Chief Administrative Officer, Bill Rogers

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Schedule “A”: Administration

All prices include GST unless otherwise stated.

PHOTOCOPYING	
The Town of Bon Accord will provide free use of photocopying facilities to Bon Accord non-profit organizations up to a maximum of 500 black and white and/or color copies annually (per calendar year). A record will be kept, and the organization representative will initial to confirm receipt of these copies. Free use will also be provided for mandated FCSS courses, training programs, and FCSS support clients as approved by the Corporate Services Manager or designate. An ongoing record will be kept so the related costs can be charged back to the department at year end. Charges for photocopying services for the general public and for non-profit organizations that exceed their annual limit will be as follows:	
Copies (colour, black & white; up to 10 pages)	\$2.00
Copies – Non-profit (colour, black & white; up to 10 pages)	\$1.00
Copies (colour, black & white; 11+ pages)	\$3.00
Copies – Non-profit (colour, black & white; 11+ pages)	\$2.00
FAXING	
Faxing services will be free for mandated FCSS courses, training programs, and FCSS support clients as approved by the Corporate Services Manager or designate. A record will be kept of the number of faxes so that the FCSS department can be charged back at year end.	
Faxing (up to 10 pages)	\$2.00
Faxing – Non-profit (up to 10 pages)	\$1.00
Faxing (11+ pages)	\$3.00
Faxing – Non-profit (11+ pages)	\$2.00
SCANNING	
Scan to email	\$0.50/page
DOCUMENT COPY FEES	
Land Use Bylaw	\$40.00/copy
Municipal Development Plan	\$50.00/copy
Area Structure Plan	\$40.00/copy
Master Servicing Plan	\$250.00/copy
Note: All the above documents are available free of charge on our website	
MISCELLANEOUS	
Penalty on Accounts Receivable	2% per month (net 30 days)
Landfill Permit Replacement	\$25 each
Processing returned EFT/Returned Cheques	\$25.00/transaction (GST exempt)
Fund Transfer (e.g. Utility Account to Tax Roll)	\$25.00 each (transfer amount minimum \$35)
Utility Bill Reprints (more than 2 months)	\$25
Tax Notice Reprints	Current Year: No Charge Any Prior Year: \$5 per notice

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Schedule "B" Taxation & Assessment

GST to be added on all items unless otherwise stated.

TAXATION	
Tax Certificate	\$35.00/property/certificate (GST included)
Verbal Tax Search	\$15.00/property (GST included)
Inspection of the Tax Roll	\$35
TAX RECOVERY NOTIFICATION	
Registration of Tax Notification	\$100/title/occurrence*
Public Auction	\$50.00 (GST exempt) + advertising costs**
*All costs for tax recovery notifications will be automatically applied to the tax roll. **Advertising costs are subject to GST.	
ASSESSMENT INFORMATION	
Assessment Complaint Fee	\$100.00/per property

Schedule "C" Public Works

GST to be added on all items.

PUBLIC WORKS RATES	
Public Works labour charge	Costs + 20%

Schedule "D" Planning and Development

Planning and development services manage land and building development, building permits, subdivision planning and all matters related to construction. Costs are GST exempt. Third party costs such as engineering or legal incurred by the Town will be passed on. No review processes or considerations will commence until all applicable fees are paid in full. Fees up to \$500 may be waived at the discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer.

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT	
Single Family Permit	\$250.00
Multi Family Permit	\$150.00 plus \$50.00 per unit
Laying Hens and Urban Beekeeping Permit	\$35.00
ACCESSORY DEVELOPMENT	
Deck/Fence Permit	\$75.00
Garage Permit	\$150.00
Basement Development Permit	\$93.50
Discretionary Uses Permit	\$150.00 plus regular permit fees
Signage Permit	\$110.00
Residential/Home Based Business Permit	\$150.00
Demolition Permit	\$150.00
Compliance Certificate	\$110.00
"RUSH" Compliance Certificate (within 3 business days)	\$165.00
Variance Fee	\$250.00 plus regular permit fees
COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT	
Permitted Use Permit	\$250.00
Discretionary Use Permit	\$550.00

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Accessory Development/Buildings Permit	\$200.00
Temporary Development/Structure Permit	\$100.00
Demolition Permit	\$150.00
Not for Profit and School Development Permit	50% off regular development permit fee
Signage Permit	\$200.00 (includes 3 signs) plus \$50 for additional
Compliance Certificate	\$110.00
"RUSH" Compliance Certificate (within 3 business days)	\$165.00
Variance Fee	\$250.00 plus regular permit fees
OTHER FEES	
Water during construction	\$0.11 per square foot of building size (one time charge)
Public Property Damage Deposit (New Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional)	\$440.00 (\$350 refundable provided no damage observed upon inspection. Any damage repaired by the town shall be taken from this deposit and any balance is to be refunded. Any charge above \$350 to be added to the tax roll.)
Landscape Deposit (Residential, Commercial, and Industrial)	100% of estimated landscaping costs with deposit to be fully refundable if landscaping conforms to approved landscaping plan and meets the satisfaction of the development officer.
Land Use Bylaw (LUB) Amendment	\$1100.00 plus advertising costs
Area Structure Plan (ASP) Amendment	\$1100.00 plus advertising costs
Electric Vehicle Level 3 Charger Fee	\$0.45/kWh
SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL FEES	
Subdivision and Development Appeal Fee	\$330.00/appeal Clerk services – per hour cost to the municipality of the staff member
Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Member-at-Large Remuneration	\$220.00/day for a meeting over 4 hours in duration \$110.00/day for a meeting 4 hours or less in duration

GST to be added on the following items.

SUBDIVISION FEES	
Subdivision	\$750.00 + 350.00 per lot (Lot Fee) + \$200 per lot (Endorsement Fee)
Recirculation	\$250.00
Extension	\$350.00
Title Search	\$15.00
BUSINESS LICENSE FEES	
Storefront	\$50.00
Home Occupation	\$35.00
Non-Resident Business	\$150.00
Non-Resident Contractor	\$300.00
Resident Contractor	\$150.00
Hawker & Peddlers	\$75.00/week

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	\$50.00/day
Student	\$0.00 with 1 free revision per year, each revision thereafter \$5.00.
The fee payable for a business license issued after the 30 th day of September in any year shall be one-half of the fee listed above.	

Schedule "E" Community Event Sign

GST to be added on all items. These fees are in accordance with the Town's Community Event Sign Policy.

COMMUNITY SIGN RENTAL FEES	
Personal messages (birthdays, anniversaries, etc.)	\$10 per week
Local* non-profits	Free
Non-local** non-profits	\$10 per week
Local* business	\$10 per week
Non-local** business	\$20 per week

* Bon Accord and surrounding Sturgeon County

** Outside Bon Accord and surrounding Sturgeon County

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Schedule "F" Safety Codes Permits

GST to be added on all items.



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BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

RESIDENTIAL/DWELLING UNITS/FARM

New Construction - Building Permit Levy (main level)	\$ 00.52 per sq. ft.
- Upper/Lower Floors	\$ 00.42 per sq. ft.
Additions/renovations/basement development	\$ 00.26 per sq. ft.
	\$ 131.25 (minimum fee)
Accessory Buildings	
Garages (attached or detached)	(under 624 sq. ft.) \$ 131.25
Shops, garages, storage buildings	(over 624 sq. ft.) \$ 00.39 per sq. ft.
Decks or garden storage sheds	\$ 00.39 per sq. ft. (min \$131.25)
Relocation of Home (set-up on basement or foundation)	\$ 00.39 per sq. ft. (min \$131.25)
Fireplaces (if not included in new construction) (flat rate)	\$131.25
Demolitions Residential (flat rate)	\$131.25
Geothermal Heating	\$262.50
Solar	\$131.25

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/INSTITUTIONAL

First \$1,000,000.00 construction value	\$ 6.30 per \$1,000 construction value
Over \$1,000,000.00 construction value	\$ 6,300.00 + (\$ 5.25 per \$1,000 construction value portions over \$1,000,000.00)
(Minimum Fee)	\$498.75
Demolitions Commercial (flat rate)	\$131.25
Sign (Pylon)	\$157.50

MOBILE AND MODULAR HOME

Modular Home (RTM's, etc)	\$351.75
Basement Development	\$ 0.39 sq. ft. (min. \$157.50)
Mobile Homes Set-up	\$ 210.00
Basement Development (if on foundation)	\$ 0.39 sq. ft. (min. \$157.50)

Note

Add applicable 'Safety Codes Council' levy to each permit; \$ 4.50 each permit or 4% of permit levy, whichever is greater!

A minimum cancellation fee of \$35.00 will be retained when a permit is cancelled or 25% of the fee if a drawing review has been completed or an inspection has been carried out.

Re-opening a previously closed permit will be charged to applicants at a rate of \$75 per permit.

Permit extensions will be charged at a flat rate of \$150.00 (plus levy) for a maximum of 1 year.

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GAS PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

Residential Installations	
Number of Outlets	Permit Fee
1 – 3	\$105.00
4 – 6	\$136.50
7 – 9	\$173.25
10 – 12	\$199.50
13 – 15	\$225.75
16 – 18	\$246.75
19 – 20	\$273.00

Non-Residential Installations	
B.T.U. Input	Permit Fee
10,000 – 30,000	\$94.50
30,001 – 60,000	\$99.75
60,001 – 90,000	\$105.00
90,001 – 120,000	\$110.25
120,001 – 150,000	\$110.25
150,001 – 180,000	\$115.50
180,001 – 210,000	\$120.75
210,001 – 300,000	\$131.25
300,001 – 450,000	\$147.00
450,001 – 600,000	\$162.75
600,001 – 750,000	\$178.50
750,001 – 900,000	\$194.25
900,001 – 2,000,000	\$231.00
Over 2,000,000 Add \$ 15.75 per 100,000 BTU	

Propane and Small Installations

Propane Tank Sets (New or Replacements)
Temporary Propane/Natural Gas Heating (Includes Tank Set)
Gas/Propane Cylinder Refill Centers
Replacement Commercial or Industrial Appliances (per unit)
1 - 400,000 BTU Input
400,001 - 3,000,000 BTU Input
Over 3,000,000 BTU Input

\$94.50 Per Appliance
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\$299.25 Per Appliance
\$131.25 per Unit
\$183.75 per Unit
\$341.25 per Unit

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PLUMBING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE (RESIDENTIAL)

# of Fixtures	Permit Fee	# of Fixtures	Permit Fee
1 – 3	\$99.75	22 – 24	\$210.00
4 – 6	\$115.50	25 – 27	\$225.75
7 – 9	\$131.25	28 – 30	\$241.50
10 – 12	\$147.00	31 – 33	\$257.25
13 – 15	\$162.75	34 – 36	\$273.00
16 – 18	\$178.50	37 – 40	\$294.00
19 – 21	\$194.25	<i>Add \$3.67 per fixture over 40</i>	

PRIVATE SEWAGE PERMITS

Private Sewage System - \$350.00
Holding Tanks - \$150.00

PLUMBING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE (COMMERCIAL)

# of Fixtures	Permit Fee	# of Fixtures	Permit Fee
1 - 3	\$99.75	52 – 54	\$367.50
3 – 6	\$115.50	55 – 57	\$383.25
7 – 9	\$131.25	58 – 60	\$399.00
10 – 12	\$147.00	61 – 63	\$414.75
13 – 15	\$162.75	64 – 66	\$430.50
16 – 18	\$178.50	67 – 69	\$446.25
19 – 21	\$194.25	70 – 72	\$462.00
22 – 24	\$210.00	73 – 75	\$477.75
25 – 27	\$225.75	76 – 78	\$493.50
28 – 30	\$241.50	79 – 81	\$509.25
31 – 33	\$257.25	82 – 84	\$525.00
34 – 36	\$273.00	85 – 87	\$540.75
37 – 39	\$288.75	88 – 90	\$556.50
40 – 42	\$304.50	91 – 93	\$572.25
43 – 45	\$320.25	94 – 96	\$588.00
46 – 48	\$336.00	97 – 100	\$614.25
49 – 51	\$351.75	<i>Add \$3.67 each fixture over 100</i>	

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ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

(For "Other Than" New Single Family Residential)

Installation Cost \$	Permit Fee	Installation Cost \$	Permit Fee
Under 2,000	\$99.75	39,000.01 – 42,000	\$435.75
2,000.01 – 3,500	\$115.50	42,000.01 – 45,000	\$456.75
3,500.01 – 5,000	\$136.50	45,000.01 – 48,000	\$472.50
5,000.01 – 6,500	\$152.25	48,000.01 – 60,000	\$488.25
6,500.01 – 8,000	\$168.00	60,000.01 – 90,000	\$561.75
8,000.01 – 9,500	\$183.75	90,000.01 – 120,000	\$651.00
9,500.01 – 12,000	\$199.50	120,000.01 – 150,000	\$740.25
12,000.01 – 15,000	\$215.25	150,000.01 – 180,000	\$834.75
15,000.01 – 18,000	\$231.00	180,000.01 – 210,000	\$929.25
18,000.01 – 21,000	\$288.75	210,000.01 – 240,000	\$1,029.00
21,000.01 – 24,000	\$320.25	240,000.01 – 350,000	\$1,275.75
24,000.01 – 27,000	\$341.25	350,000.01 – 500,000	\$1,590.75
27,000.01 – 30,000	\$357.00	500,000.01 – 650,000	\$1,905.75
30,000.01 – 33,000	\$367.50	650,000.01 – 800,000	\$2,241.75
33,000.01 – 36,000	\$383.25	800,000.01 – 1,000,000	\$2,640.75
36,000.01 – 39,000	\$399.00	Add \$84.00 for every \$50,000 over \$1,000,000	

ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

(For "NEW" Single Family Residential)

Square Footage	Permit Fee
Up to 1200 square feet	\$162.75
1201 to 1500 square feet	\$189.00
1501 to 2000 square feet	\$215.25
2001 to 2500 square feet	\$241.50
2501 to 3000 square feet	\$315.00
3001 square feet and over	\$346.50
Attached Garage	Include square footage of garage with house
Manufactured, Modular and RTM Connection	\$120.75
Basement development wiring – new home - if done at time of initial construction (otherwise as per above)	Include square footage of basement with house
Detached Residential Garage	\$.21 a sq. ft. (minimum fee \$99.75)

Note

Add applicable 'Safety Codes Council' levy to each permit; \$ 4.50 each permit or 4% of permit levy, whichever is greater!

A minimum cancellation fee of \$35.00 will be retained when a permit is cancelled or 25% of the fee if a drawing review has been completed or an inspection has been carried out.

Re-opening a previously closed permit will be charged to applicants at a rate of \$75 per permit.

Permit extensions will be charged at a flat rate of \$150.00 (plus levy) for a maximum of 1 year.

Variances will be charged at a rate of \$120/hour (min 2 hr) (plus levy).

Re-Inspections will be charged a rate of \$100.00 per inspection + Levy.

When work has commenced without first obtaining the required permit(s); the permit fees will be doubled up to a maximum of \$500.00 surcharge per permit.

(Effective Date: January 11, 2024)

**TOWN OF BON ACCORD
BYLAW 2026-04
FEES AND CHARGES BYLAW**

Schedule “G” Facility Rentals

GST to be added on all items. Arena will be staffed during rentals. A damage deposit of \$500 is required at the time of booking for **each** rental unless staffed by a Town employee. Weekend is considered from Friday at 4pm to Sunday at 6pm. Facility rentals must be accompanied by a contract, adequate insurance, and compliance with all Facility Rentals Procedures. Please be advised public spaces will remain open to the public during rentals (i.e.: amphitheatre, arena and sportsgrounds).

ARENA MEZZANINE [^]		
Room Capacity	120 pp	
	Local*	Non-Local**
Per Day	\$125	\$150
Per Hour	\$25	\$30
Weekends & After 4pm	\$250 includes Friday evening	\$300

[^] Mezzanine availability during the month of April is weekdays and weekends. Winter season availability is before 4pm on weekdays only.

CENTENNIAL PARK AMPHITHEATRE (50 th Street and 49 th Avenue)	
Local*	\$20/hr. \$180/day \$570/weekend
Local* with Power	\$25/hr. \$225/day \$712.50/weekend
Non-Profit	\$15/hr. \$135/day \$427.50/weekend
Non-Profit with Power	\$20/hr. \$180/day \$570/weekend
Non-Local**	\$25/hr. \$225/day \$712.50/weekend
Non-Local** with Power	\$30/hr. \$270/day \$855/weekend

BALL DIAMONDS	
Adult (Local or Non-Local)	Minor (Local or Non-Local)
\$200 per season	\$125 per season
\$175 per tournament	\$100 per tournament

BALL DIAMOND #1	
Includes shale infield, pitching mound, outfield fence	
Adult Local*	\$25/hr
Adult Non-Local**	\$35/hr
Minor Local*	\$15/hr
Minor Non-Local**	\$25/hr

**TOWN OF BON ACCORD
BYLAW 2026-04
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BALL DIAMOND #2, 3 or 4	
Includes shale infield	
Adult Local*	\$15/hr
Adult Non-Local**	\$20/hr
Minor Local*	\$5/hr
Minor Non-Local**	\$15/hr

SOCCER FIELDS	
Adult (Local or Non-Local)	Minor (Local or Non-Local)
\$200 per season	\$125 per season
\$175 per tournament	\$100 per tournament

ARENA ICE RENTAL FEES		
All rates per hour	Prime (4pm-10pm weekdays & 8am-9pm weekends)	Non-Prime
Local* Minor	\$135	\$120
Non-Local** Minor	\$195	\$160
Junior	\$195	\$160
Adult	\$215	\$195
Birthday Parties, Family Skates	\$135	\$100
Tournament – Local* Minor	\$110	n/a
Tournament – Non-Local** Minor	\$130	n/a
Tournament – Junior	\$135	n/a
Tournament – Adult	\$135	n/a

ARENA SLAB RENTAL FEES (APRIL – AUGUST)	
Local*	\$100/hr. \$750/day
Non-Profit	\$100/hr. \$750/day
Non-Local**	\$145/hr. \$1,087.50/day
Birthday Parties	\$57/hour

*Local is Bon Accord, Sturgeon County and communities within Sturgeon County

**Non-Local is outside Sturgeon County

Tournament Rate is charged as a block of time from the start of the tournament to the end of each day. E.g.:
8am-8pm is 12 hours at Tournament Rate.

TOWN OF BON ACCORD**Mayor Report – for period June 11 – August 11, 2026**

<i>June 11, 2026</i>	<i>State of Morinville address presented by Simon Boersma, Morinville's Mayor.</i>
<i>June 16, 2026</i>	<i>Chaired Regular Meeting of Council</i>
<i>June 18, 2026</i>	<i>Monthly Roseridge Meeting</i>
<i>June 19, 2026</i>	<i>Morinville National Indigenous Peoples Day. This was a great event with singing and dancing and other entertainment by the Indigenous Community</i>
<i>June 20, 2026</i>	<i>Morinville Pancake Breakfast. Always a good event with lots of food, entertainment and conversations.</i>
<i>June 23, 2026</i>	<i>Committee of The Whole Meeting. We discussed the Fees and Charges Bylaw Updates, New Data Classification Policy & Personal Information Bank (PIB) and Updated Block Party Policy. These policies will be brought back to next Regular Meeting of Council.</i>
<i>June 26, 2026</i>	<i>Sturgeon Composite High School Graduation Ceremony. The ceremony was at the Shaw Convention Centre. It was nice to be able to represent our town and its graduating students.</i>
<i>July 7, 2026</i>	<i>Chaired Regular Meeting of Council</i>
<i>July 9, 2026</i>	<i>Virtual Roseridge Meeting. This was a meeting to clean up some things before summer break.</i>
<i>July 11, 2026</i>	<i>Gibbons Pioneer Days Breakfast. This breakfast supports the gibbons seniors.</i>
<i>July 16, 2026</i>	<i>Met with Alanna Hnatiw regarding Data Centre. Mayor Hnatiw invited me to her office to hear my thoughts on the installation of the \$13 billion Data Centre in Sturgeon County.</i>
<i>July 22, 2026</i>	<i>Chaired Special Meeting Regarding Cemetery Bylaw. This bylaw will be brought back to the next Committee of the Whole meeting for review.</i>
<i>July 25, 2025</i>	<i>Participated in Legal's Fete Au Village Breakfast and Parade. Great day as usual.</i>
<i>July 30, 2026</i>	<i>Attended Community in Bloom's Breakfast Meeting. Informative conversations with the judges.</i>
<i>July 30, 2026</i>	<i>Attended Community in Bloom's supper</i>

- August 5, 2026 Attended Lunch with Arrow Utilities Lunch in Morinville to discuss current situations regarding wastewater and their plans moving forward.*
- August 6, 2026 Attended Redwater's Golf Tournament Supper.*
- August 8, 2026 Participated in Harvest Days Parade. It was a great parade and a great weekend. Nice to have Minister Dale Nalley and Michael Cooper MP on our float this year.*

Brian Holden
Mayor
Town of Bon Accord

TOWN OF BON ACCORD
Deputy Mayor Report – June 9 to Aug 11

June 16	<i>Attended the Regular Meeting of Council.</i>
June 17	Attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for Train 4 at Arrow Utilities plant. The addition of Train 4 will ensure capacity for continued growth in the Capital Region for many years.
June 19	Attended ARROW Utilities Board meeting.
June 20 -	Start of the unprecedented rainfall the region saw over the course of the weekend. During the next few days, I read/responded to many emails regarding the situation at ARROW Utilities plant. The dedication of both ARROW Utilities and Bon Accord Public Works staff is to be commended. These people worked 24/7 to keep residents safe and mitigate flooding.
June 23	Attended the Committee of the Whole meeting.
June 25	Attended Homeland Housing Board meeting. The federal Build Canada Homes program has replaced CMHC as a funder. The focus is on funding housing projects with a focus on mixed-income, mixed-model, innovation and energy efficiency.
June 26	Attended the virtual emergency meeting of ARROW Utilities re: unprecedented rain and plant operations/challenges.
June 29	Attended Minister Nally's Transportation and Infrastructure Committee meeting.
July 1	Attended the Canada Day celebrations and helped with the pancake breakfast. Great turn out as usual.
July 7	Attended the Regular Meeting of Council.
July 22	Attended the Special Meeting of Council.
July 25	Participated in the Fete au Village pancake breakfast and parade. Best part of the parade is always seeing how excited the littles are about the candy!
June 30	Attended the Communities in Bloom potluck supper hosted by the Golden Gems.
July 31	Attended "invest Alberta 101" hosted by Minister Nally. This is essentially a Provincial Crown Corporation aimed at attracting investors (national or foreign) to Alberta.
August 5	Attended the Partnership Lunch with Kate Polkowski (CEO) and Ken McKay (Board Chair) of ARROW Utilities.
August 6	Participated in the Redwater Mayor's Golf Tournament. It is a charity event and has raised over \$150,000.00 for local non-profits and projects over the last several yers. One initiative is the attraction and retention of physicians for the local Health Care Centre. Rural hospitals have been struggling to keep their facilities open 24/7.

Aug 8 - 9

Attended the Harvest Days parade and grounds. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who worked tirelessly to bring this to fruition.



Lynn Bidney
Deputy Mayor
Town of Bon Accord

Note: During the Wet Weather Event in June sewage treatment at the plant was complicated by the need to use excavators to clear incoming lines from "fatburgs" that clogged up transmission. In part, these are caused by flushing fats and other non-flushables (wipes).

TOWN OF BON ACCORD

Councillor Report – for period June 11- August 11, 2026

June 16, 2026	Attended Regular Meeting of Council
June 23, 2026	Attended Committee of the Whole Bylaw discussions, Data privacy policy being brought forward for discussion.
June 25, 2026	Attended a Climate Action Webinar, Climate action planning was discussed.
June 26, 2026	Edmonton Salutes Committee meeting Had a transition discussion and it seems to have resulted in the full disbandment of the committee
July 1, 2026	Attended Canada day pancake breakfast for the first time serving pancakes to the residents of town with the Mayor, Council, staff as well as Minister Dale Nally and MP Michael Cooper
July 7, 2026	Attended Regular Meeting of Council virtually from New Brunswick
July 22, 2026	Attended Special Meeting of Council to discuss an exemption to the Cemetery bylaw for the Briggs family.
August 8, 2026	Participated in the Harvest Days Parade for the first time as a member of the town Council with MP Cooper and MLA Nally. Had an absolute blast seeing all the residents come out for it. Then attend the festivities on the arena grounds. The committee did an amazing job organizing the event this year as usual!

Note: Looking forward to the return to regular business after a busy summer so far.

Cindy Gallant
Councillor
Town of Bon Accord

TOWN OF BON ACCORD

Councillor Report – for period June 10 – August 11, 2026

June 11, 2026,	Attended Morinville Mayor Simon Boersma's State of Morinville Address. It was valuable to hear about the town's current projects and how they are being completed.
June 16, 2026,	Attended the Regular Meeting of Council.
June 19, 2026,	Attended Morinville's National Indigenous Peoples Day event, which was both informative and entertaining.
June 20, 2026,	Attended the Morinville Pancake Breakfast and enjoyed good conversations with community members and elected officials.
June 23, 2026,	Attended the Committee of the Whole meeting.
June 25, 2026	Sturgeon County Mayor's Golf Tournament always a benefit to the charities it sponsors including the Oak Hill Ranch which have provided a safe and supportive environment for young people, The Jessica Martel Memorial foundation domestic Treatment centre, When I golfed with Lynne Martel, I found a great appreciation for what this foundation has accomplished. Another charity was the Sturgeon Hospital Foundation.
June 29, 2026	CRNWSC Regular Board Meeting
July 01, 2026,	Canada day, was great day severed pancake to the community great to see so many people come out. Kudos to the All the staff that help organized event.
July 03, 2026,	CRNWSC subcommittee policies
July 7, 2026,	Attended the Regular Meeting of Council.
July 15, 2026,	CRNWSC interviews
July 22, 2026,	attended a Special Council Meeting on the Cemetery Bylaw, which will be reviewed at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.
July 25, 2026,	Participated in Legal's Fête au Village Breakfast and Parade. The event had strong community support, and the children clearly enjoyed it.
July 27, 2026,	CRNWSC workshop

July 30, 2026,	Attended the Communities in Bloom breakfast meeting. I learned a great deal about this excellent program, which depends on volunteers and welcomes new members.
July 30, 2026,	Attended the Communities in Bloom supper, which provided another great opportunity to speak with community members and enjoy a meal prepared by local volunteers.
July 31, 2026,	Attended Invest Alberta 101, hosted by Minister Nally, with Councillors Bidney and May. The session focused on attracting national and foreign investment to Alberta.
August 04, 2026,	SREMP Committee Agenda Review
August 6, 2026,	Attended Redwater's Golf Tournament and supper. It was a good opportunity to connect with local industry and business representatives who help support our communities.
August 8, 2026,	Participated in the Harvest Days Parade. Staff did an excellent job, and we appreciated the attendance of Minister Dale Nally and MP Michael Cooper.

Timothy Larson
Councillor
Town of Bon Accord

This was a great discussion on the Regional Investment Initiative. This program has gained 76+ investments, valued at \$45.9 billion, and has created 45,035 job opportunities. They are looking into opportunities to bring investors to Alberta and are hoping for great growth moving forward.

Note: This summer has been a busy one for many people. We have had a lot of rain and some remarkably interesting storms.

On that note I would personally like to thank Public Works, and everyone involved for all their hard work this summer. From helping the community with downed trees and areas flooding our teams were there right away. They are very much appreciated in our community, and their work does not go unnoticed.

I would also like to mention everyone involved in the Harvest Days event. You did a wonderful job this year again and managed to still make this a free event. Which I am sure allows a lot more people to attend. Excellent job and the fireworks were amazing!!

Tanya May
Councillor
Town of Bon Accord

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Dear Mayor Brian Holden and Town of Bon Accord Council,

On behalf of the National Police Federation,

As the Government of Alberta continues to consider changes to policing and public safety across the province, municipalities have an important opportunity to speak with a unified voice on issues that directly affect their communities.

The National Police Federation (NPF) proudly represents nearly 20,000 RCMP Members serving across Canada and internationally, including over 3,100 who serve in Alberta. We are inviting municipalities and stakeholder groups to support the attached Call to Action. It urges the Government of Alberta to pause further investment in an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) until a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study is completed. It also calls for evidence-based investments in policing, the justice system, mental health and addiction support, and community-based crime prevention.

Also attached is our latest public opinion polling, which confirmed once again that 76% of Albertans are satisfied with the RCMP and 67% feel they have not been adequately consulted by creating an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service. The polling also indicates that most Albertans do not support replacing the RCMP and believe the province should prioritize other public safety needs.

If your municipality or stakeholder group is interested in signing onto the Call to Action, please reply to this email and include your municipality's logo no later than **September 30th, 2026**. Your logo will be included alongside the other participating organizations in the final public release.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the initiative further, we would be pleased to set up a presentation or meeting time with you or members of your Council.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope the Town of Bon Accord will join us in advocating for transparent decision-making and practical investments that strengthen public safety for all Albertans.

Sincerely,

Melissa Barnes, Government Relations Advisor

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CALL TO ACTION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA

Dear Premier,

Albertans deserve safe and healthy communities where residents can rely on essential public safety, health, social, and justice systems. Provincial and municipal governments share responsibility for achieving these outcomes, and municipalities expect the Government of Alberta to be a transparent, accountable, and reliable partner in delivering them.

Municipalities are on the front lines of community safety, working closely with residents, businesses, and law enforcement partners every day. Despite this, municipalities have not been provided with a clear, transparent, and evidence-based plan outlining the full financial, operational, and public safety implications of establishing an Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) or transitioning policing responsibilities away from the RCMP. No comprehensive feasibility study, detailed costing model, or long-term funding framework has been made available to inform municipal decision-making or public understanding.

At the same time, Alberta's existing policing and public safety systems are under increasing pressure. Challenges related to rural crime, mental health and addictions, and violent repeat offenders require immediate and sustained investment. Rather than diverting significant public funds towards the creation of a new police service, the Government of Alberta should prioritize strengthening and properly resourcing the systems already in place.

Policing reform must be guided by evidence, transparency, and public confidence. Decisions of this magnitude, affecting community safety, municipal budgets, and taxpayer dollars, must be made in partnership with municipalities and with the clear support of Albertans.

We, the undersigned, call on the Government of Alberta to:

- Cease further investment in and advancement of the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service as a replacement for RCMP municipal policing.
- Release a comprehensive, independent, and publicly available feasibility study, including full lifecycle costing, governance structures, and operational impacts of any proposed policing model changes.
- Seek explicit public support before proceeding with any plan to replace or significantly restructure policing in Alberta.
- Strengthen Alberta's existing policing model by:
 - Increasing RCMP officer levels and resources in communities, while ensuring sustainable and predictable funding; and
 - Invest in the Alberta Sheriffs' existing mandate as a complementary public safety service, including targeted enforcement, rural crime initiatives, and court security.
- Strengthen the justice system by addressing bail reform challenges and repeat violent offending; increasing the number of Crown prosecutors and Provincial Court judges; and ensuring timely access to justice.
- Expand integrated public safety approaches, including police and mental health crisis teams, addiction supports, and community-based crime prevention initiatives that address root causes of crime.

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Wave 9

May 2026

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Methodology

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Field Window	Wave 9 – April 24 to May 11, 2026
Sampling	Online survey of randomly-selected sample of 1,210 Adult (18+) Alberta Residents
Reliability	As a guideline, a probability sample of this size carries a margin of error of ± 2.8% , 19 times out of 20. The margin of error is larger for sub-segments.
Weighting	Data has been weighted using the most current age, gender, region, and education Census data, to ensure the sample reflects the actual population of adult Albertans.

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION		
REGION	UNWEIGHTED Counts	Margin of Error
Calgary	215	±6.7%
Edmonton	214	±6.7%
Calgary Suburbs	100	±9.8%
Edmonton Suburbs	105	±9.6%
Rural North	176	±7.4%
Rural Central	200	±6.9%
Rural South	200	±6.9%
TOTAL ALBERTA	1,210	± 2.8%

WAVE	DATES IN FIELD	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
W1	Oct 21 – 28, 2020	1,300
W2	Apr 30 – May 7, 2021	1,228
W3	Oct 21 – Nov 4, 2021	1,221
W4	Jul 6 – 19, 2022	1,206
W5	Sept 15 – Oct 4, 2023	1,202
W6	Jun 14 – 24, 2024	1,200
W7	April 17 – 28, 2025	1,201
W8	Aug 8 – 20, 2025	1,200
W9	April 24 – May 11, 2026	1,210

Priorities & Impressions



Affordability & Cost-of-Living tops list of priority issues for Albertans

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- Affordability & cost-of-living (46%) remains top priority that respondents would like Premier Danielle Smith and the Alberta government to address, far ahead of health care (22%) and Alberta's economy (16%).
- Affordability & cost-of-living is top priority of majority of 18-34s (50%) and 35-54s (51%).
- Policing and public safety is the top priority of only 2% of Albertans.

Priority Issues	TOTAL				REGION								GENDER		AGE		
	W9	W8	W7	W6	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	All Rural	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+
Affordability and Cost-of-Living	46	43	41	48	48	41	46	41	50	49	49	49	44	49	50	51	39
Health Care	22	20	27	24	13	27	22	36	20	25	24	23	19	26	15	16	33
Alberta's Economy	16	19	16	14	19	18	19	8	14	15	10	13	20	11	16	14	16
Climate Change & Environment	3	3	4	4	5	4	2	1	1	-	3	1	3	3	4	5	2
Education	3	4	3	3	4	3	0	2	3	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	1
Policing and Public Safety	2	1	2	1	2	3	4	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	2
Indigenous Reconciliation	1	2	1	0	-	1	1	-	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	1	0



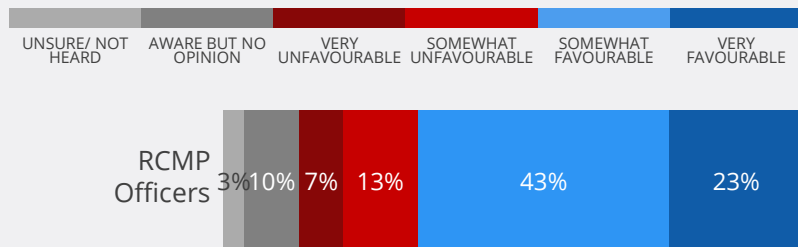
2. When it comes to the following issues facing Alberta today, which is your top priority that you would like the Premier Danielle Smith and the Alberta government address? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200).

Two-thirds of Albertans have favourable impression of RCMP Officers

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- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers (66%) within range of results over past eight waves (65% to 71%).
- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers are highest in Calgary suburbs (77%) and Edmonton suburbs (76%).

Impression of RCMP



% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)

TOTAL	REGION							RCMP SERVED	
	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	Yes	No/ Unsure
W9									
66	63	67	77	76	59	71	65	71	63

	W9	W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1
RCMP Officers	66	70	66	67	69	66	71	65	70

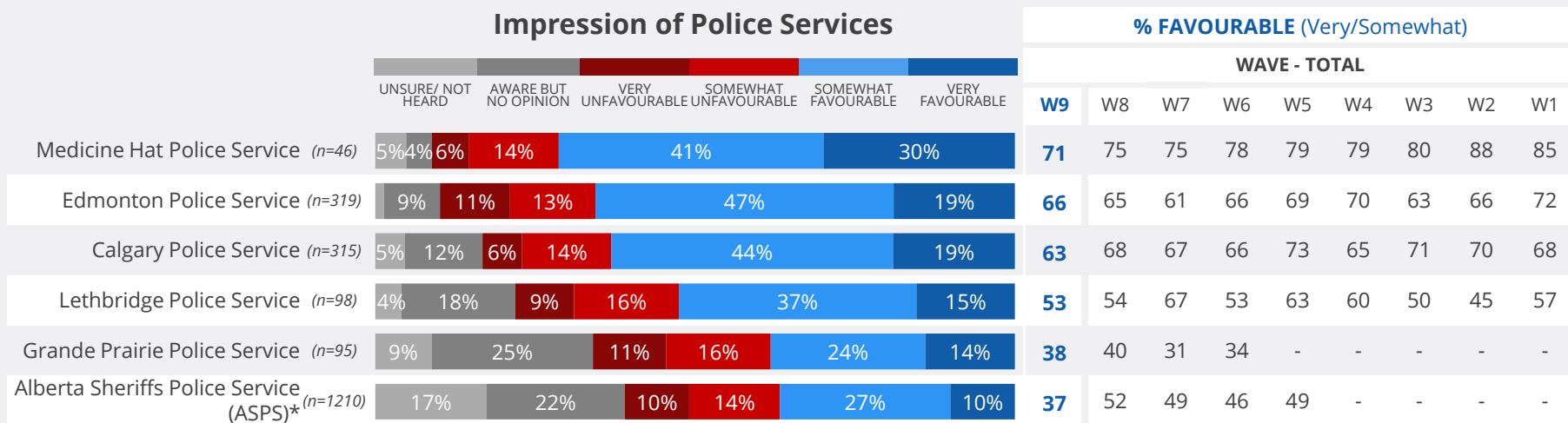


3. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option.
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Police and Sheriff services in Alberta have net-favourable impressions

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- Awareness of Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) (61%) is lower relative to "Alberta Sheriffs" in wave 8 (74%).
- ASPS has net-favourable impressions with 37% favourable and 24% unfavourable.
- Police services tested are net-favourable. Edmonton Police Service (66%) is within range of wave 1-8 results, while Calgary Police Service (63%) is at a lower level relative to previous waves.



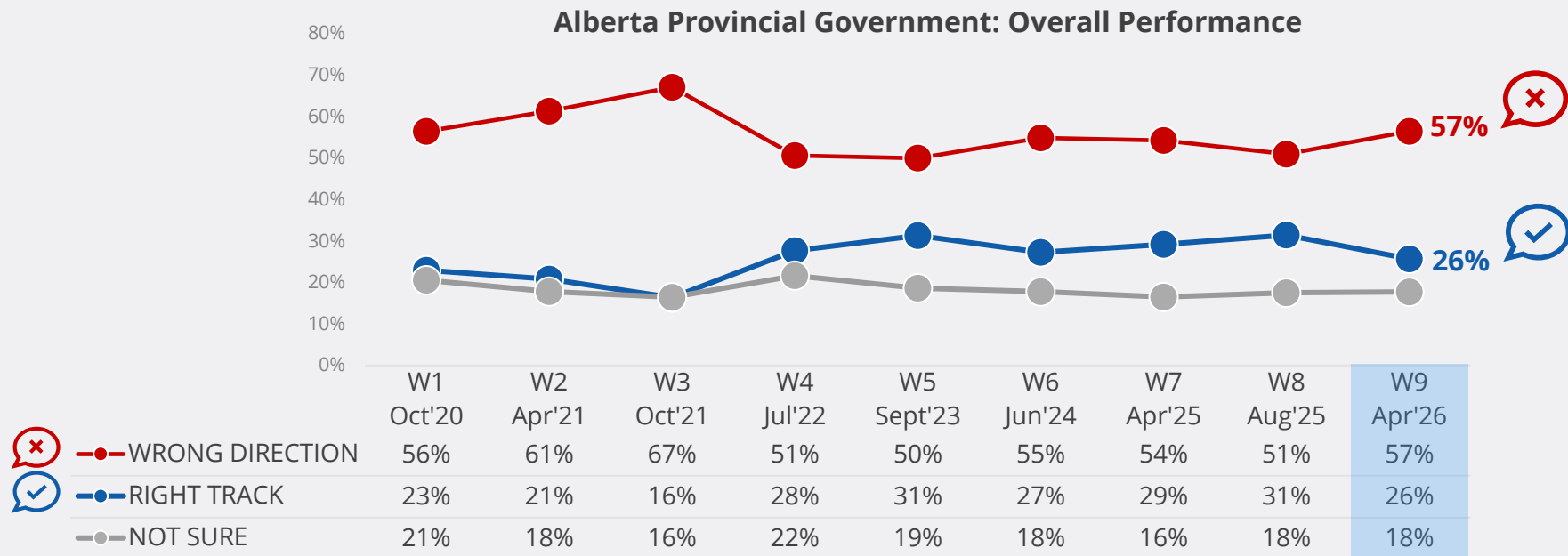
3. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option.
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=Varies). Note: Data <2% not labeled. *Previous versions listed "Alberta Sheriffs"

National Unity

Majority of Albertans say provincial government heading off in wrong direction

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- Those saying provincial government is on “right track” declines 5% since wave 8.

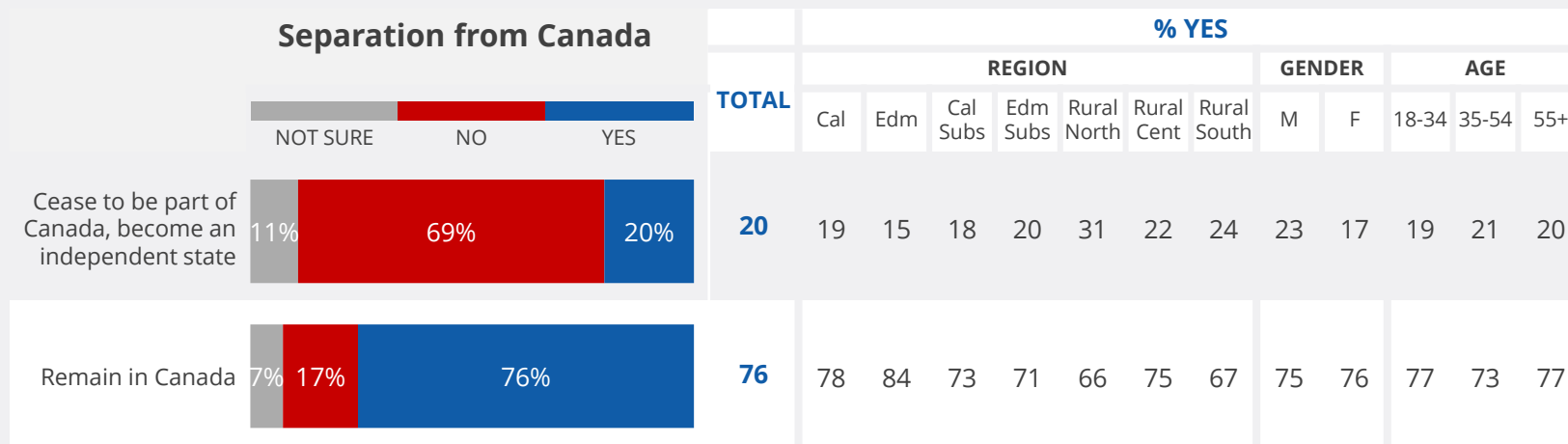


1. In Alberta today, do you think the provincial government is on the right track, or do you think it is heading off in the wrong direction?

Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Three-quarters choose remaining in Canada

- 76% agree Alberta should remain in Canada while 17% disagree. In an alternate question, 20% agree Alberta should cease to be a part of Canada to become an independent state, while 69% disagree.
- Results are consistent by age, but marginally different by gender (23% men, 17% women) with women more likely to be undecided (15%) vs. men (7%).



4A. Do you agree that the Province of Alberta should cease to be a part of Canada to become an independent state?

4B. Do you agree that Alberta should remain in Canada?

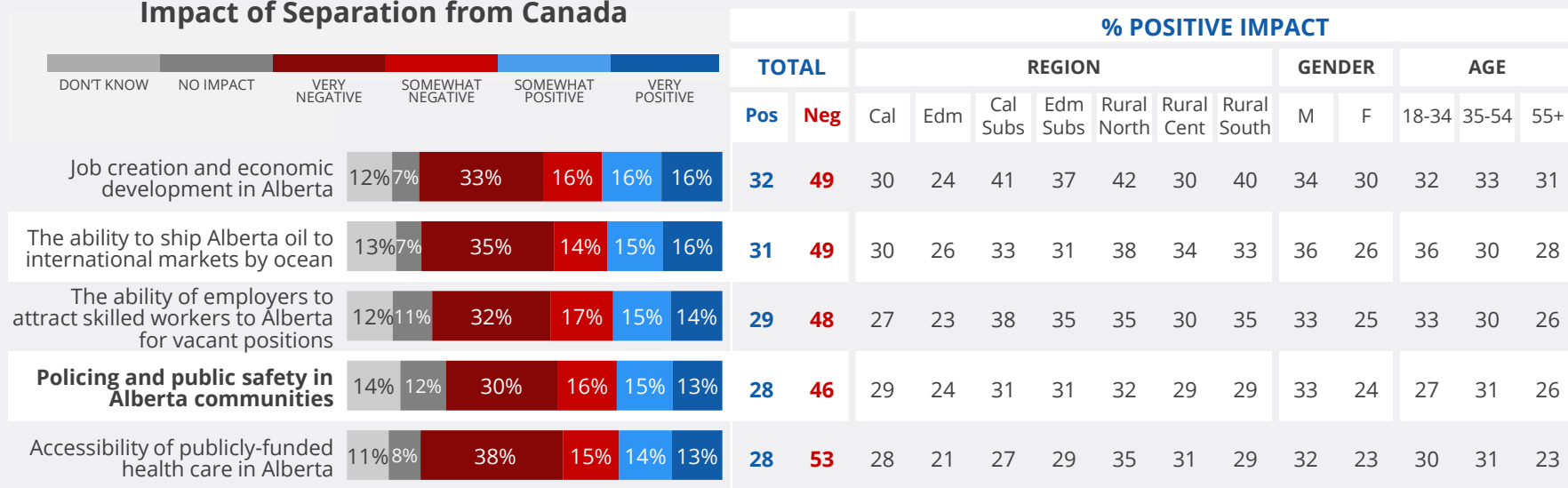
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Plurality say separating from Canada will have negative impact on a range of issues, but positive impact is higher than current support for separation

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- With support from separation ranging from 17% to 20%, those saying separation will have a positive impact on Canada in key areas is at a higher level (28% to 32%) suggesting that there is room to grow for separatist sentiment.
- On policing and public safety in Alberta communities, 28% say separation would have a positive impact.

Impact of Separation from Canada



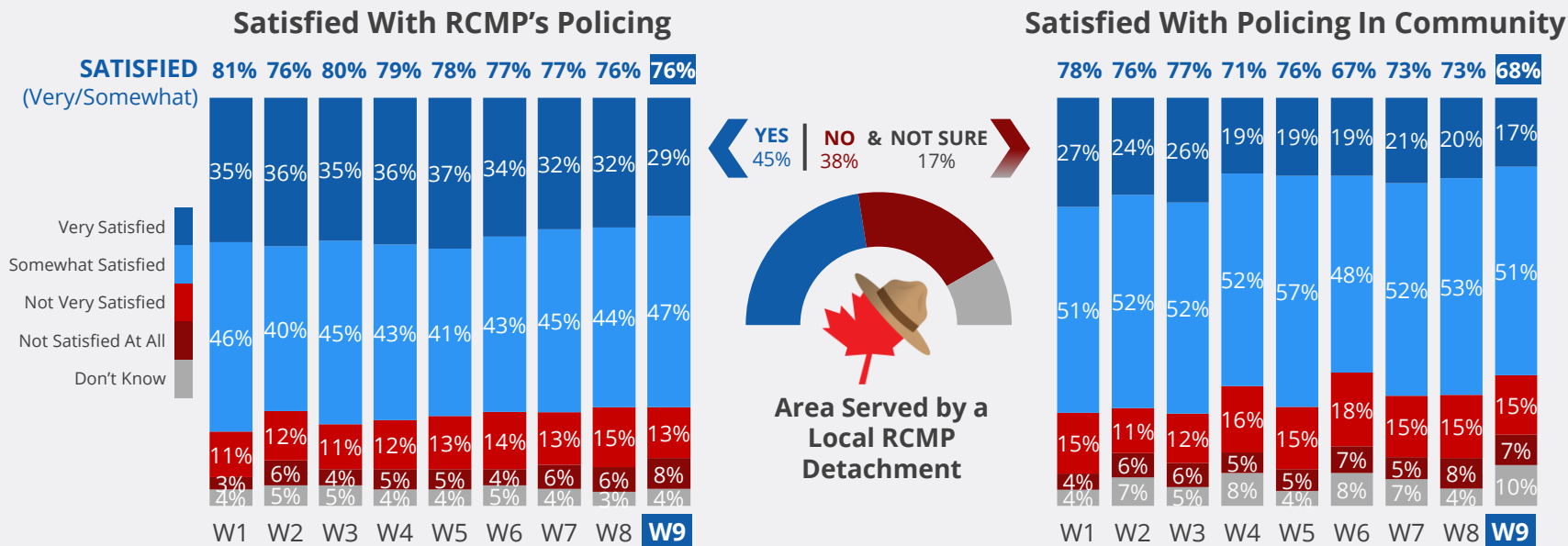
5. If Alberta were to separate from Canada and become an independent country, what impact do you think this would have on each of the following?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

RCMP Satisfaction, Confidence, and Believability

Over three-quarters satisfied with RCMP's policing

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- Satisfaction with RCMP's policing of their community (76%) consistent with wave 8; those very satisfied (29%) marginally declined.
- Satisfaction with policing in non-RCMP communities (68%) declines 5% compared to wave 8, and level of those very satisfied (17%) lower than RCMP-served communities.

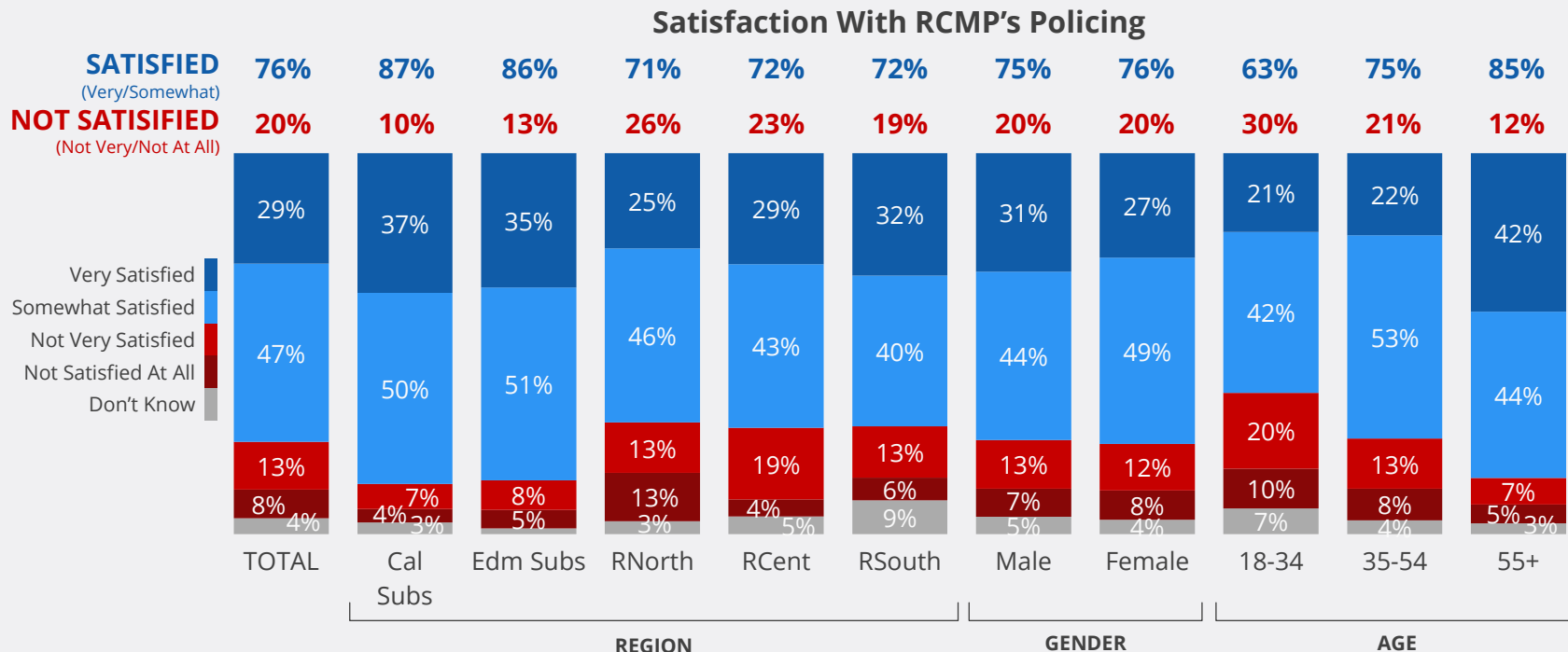


Now, here are some questions about policing in Alberta. | 12. Is your municipality or local area served by a local RCMP detachment? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201) | 13. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=687); W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=696); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809) | 14. How satisfied are you with the policing in your community? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=523); W8 (N=471); W7 (N=483); W6 (N=522); W5 (N=503); W4 (N=510); W3 (N=494); W2 (N=495); W1 (N=491).

Satisfaction with RCMP's policing 71% or above across RCMP-served regions

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- Regionally, satisfaction ranges from 71% in Rural North to 87% in Calgary suburbs.
- 55+ age group most satisfied with RCMP's policing (85%); men (75%) and women (76%) at about same level of satisfaction.



13. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community?
Base: Local Area Served by RCMP W9 (N=687). Note: Data <2% not labeled.

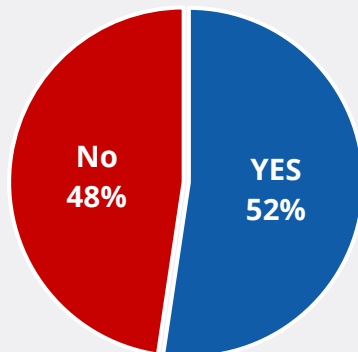
RCMP Contract Renewal and Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

Slim majority aware of Alberta government's plan to create the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

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- 52% awareness of Alberta government's plan to create the ASPS, with higher level of awareness among 55+ age group (69%), men (59%), and rural Alberta residents (56%).

**Awareness of Alberta's Plan to
Replace RCMP with Alberta
Sheriffs Police Service**



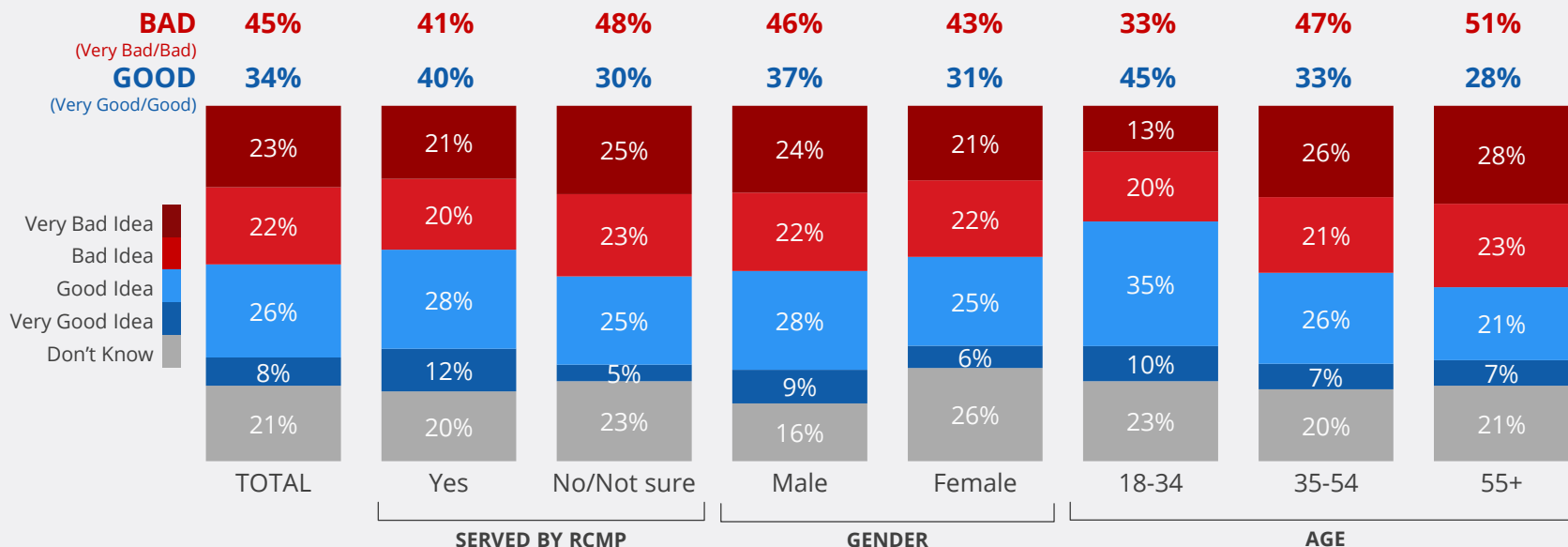
22. Before responding to this survey, had you read, seen or heard anything about the Alberta government's plan to create a new provincial police service called the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Plurality says creating a new ASPS at this time is a “bad idea”

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- 45% say creating the ASPS at this time is a bad idea, including 23% who say it's a “very bad idea”. Young people – 18-34 age group – are more likely to say it's a good idea (+12% good vs. bad) compared to 35-54 (-14%) and 55+ (-23%).

Perception on Creating a New Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)



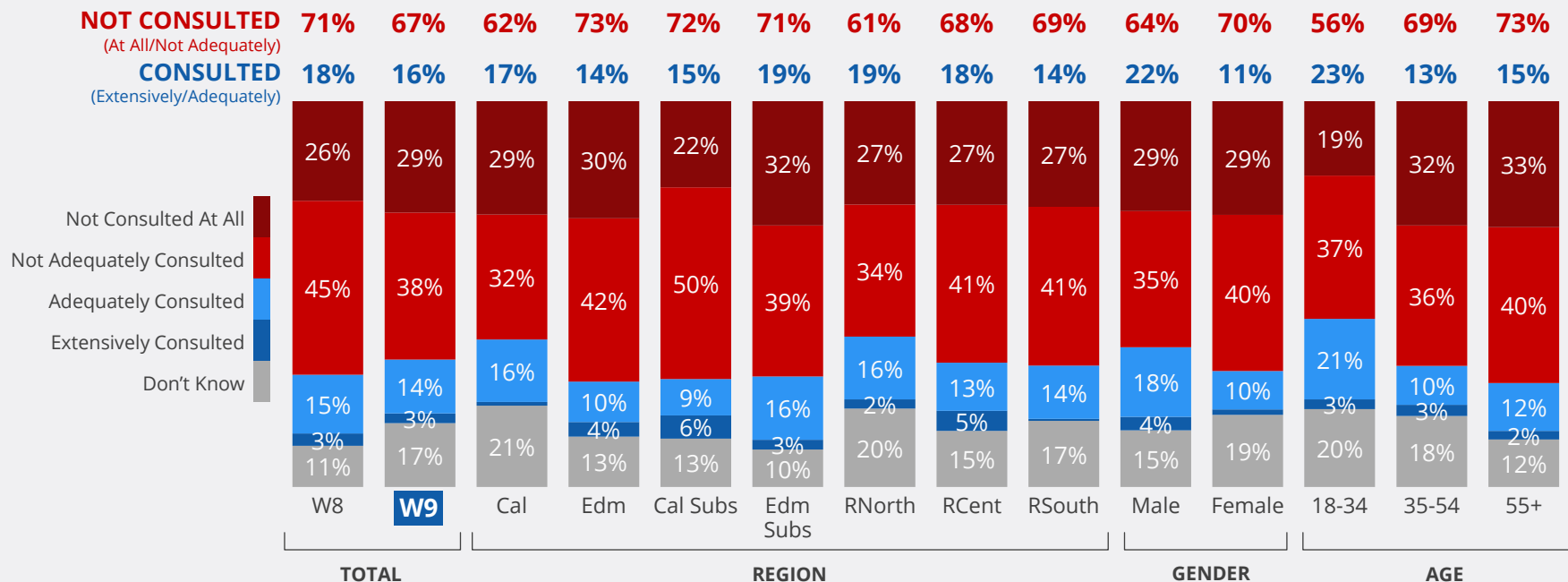
23. In February 2026, the Alberta government announced its plan to create a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Thinking about this, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

Two-thirds say that the public has not been adequately consulted about creating a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service

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- Broad consensus across gender, age, and region groups that consultation has not been adequate.

Perceived Extent of Public Consultation About Creating a New ASPS

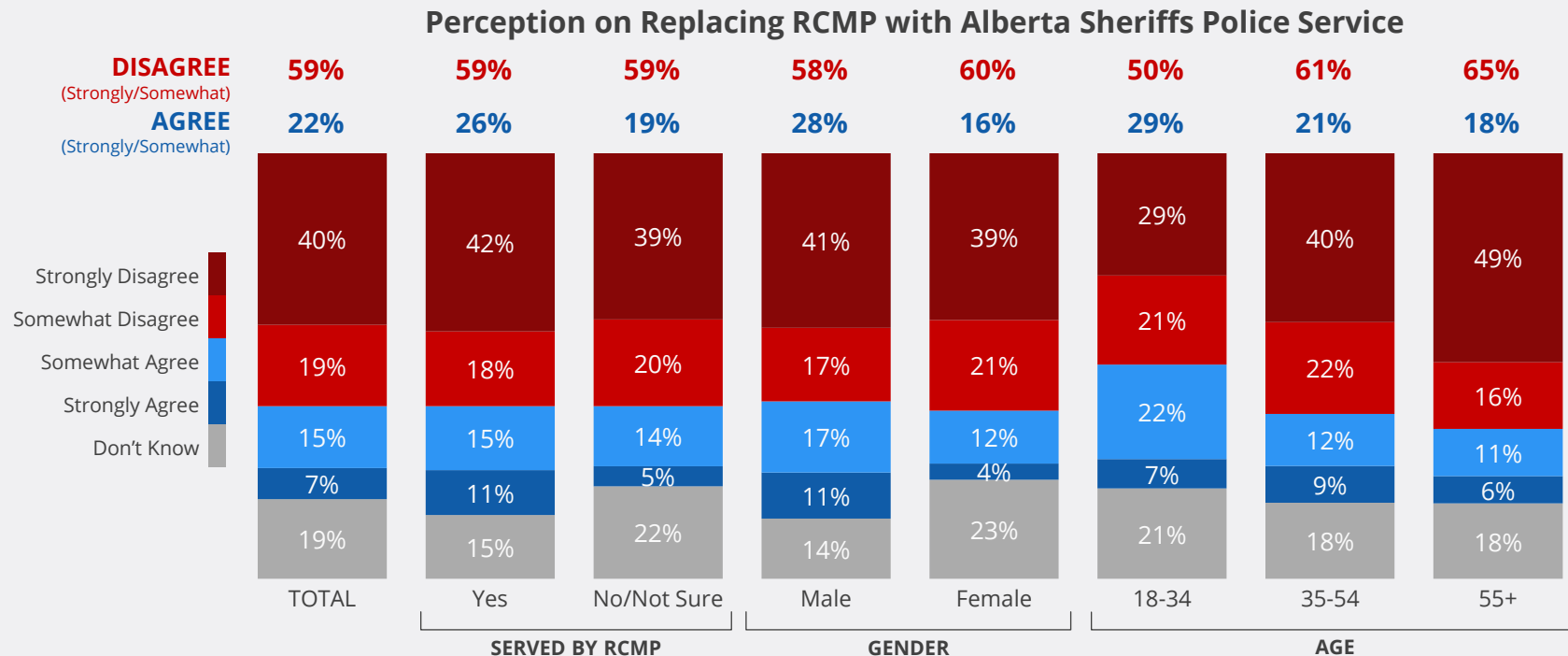


24. To what extent do you think the public has been consulted about creating a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200). Note: Data <2% not labeled.

Majority disagree that ASPS should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when RCMP contract expires in 2032

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- Majority disagree across age, gender, and region groups that ASPS should replace RCMP in 2032.



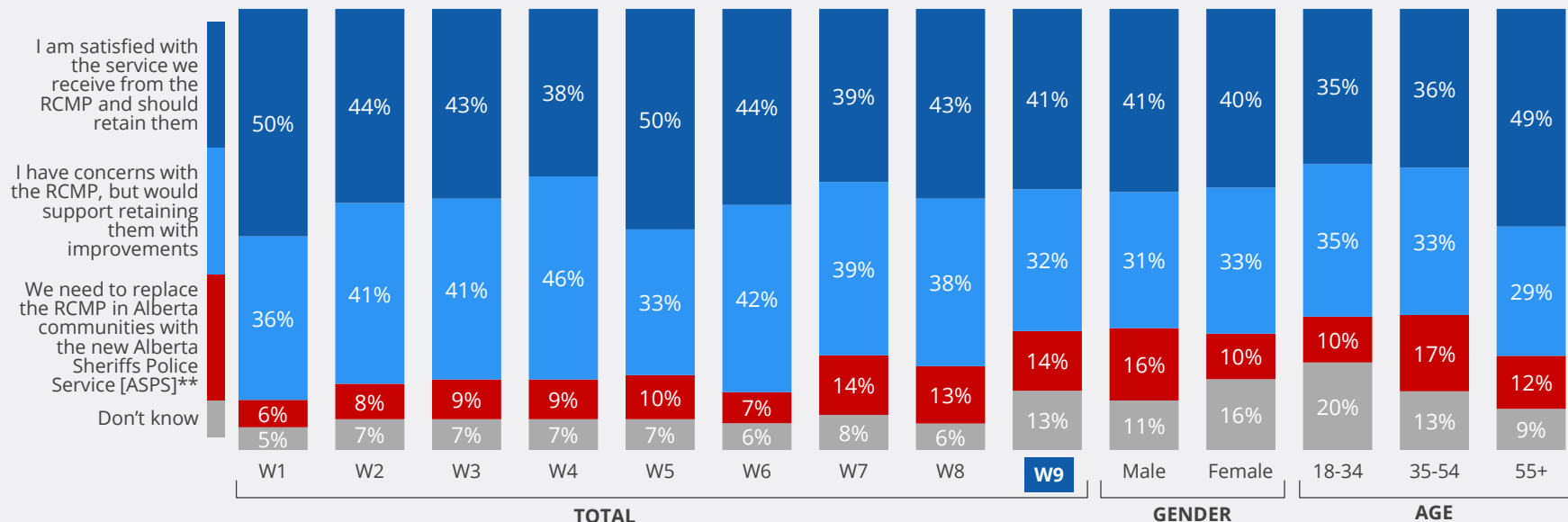
25. Do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

In RCMP-served areas, over 7-in-10 satisfied or prefer retaining them with improvements, while 1-in-7 choose replacing the RCMP with ASPS

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- Separatist voters are split with 18% satisfied with RCMP, 26% choosing to retain with improvements, and 42% choosing to replace RCMP with ASPS.
- Level of satisfied/retain with improvement has declined from 86% in wave 1 to 73% in wave 9; the replace RCMP option has moved from 6% to 14% across wave 1 to 9, while undecided has risen to 13%. Undecided is higher among 18-34s (20%) and women (16%).

Viewpoint on Replacing or Retaining the RCMP



26. Which of the following statements best reflects your point of view?

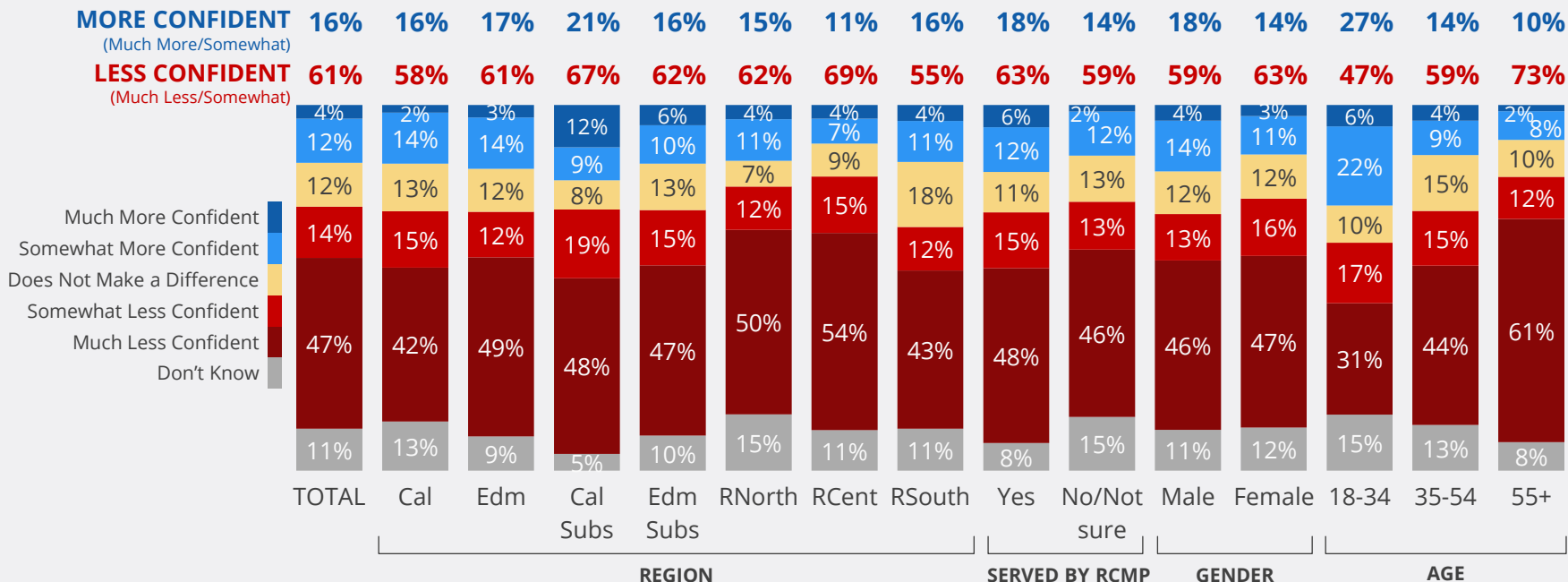
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Training comparison between RCMP and ASPS makes majority feel less confident about Alberta government's policing plan

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- Plurality much less confident based on comparison of training for RCMP officers (26 weeks) and ASPS (6 weeks). Overall, 47% are much less confident (61% overall less confident). Almost half (48%) of those in RCMP-served areas are much less confident.

Perceptions of RCMP Training Compared to Proposed Alberta Sheriffs Training



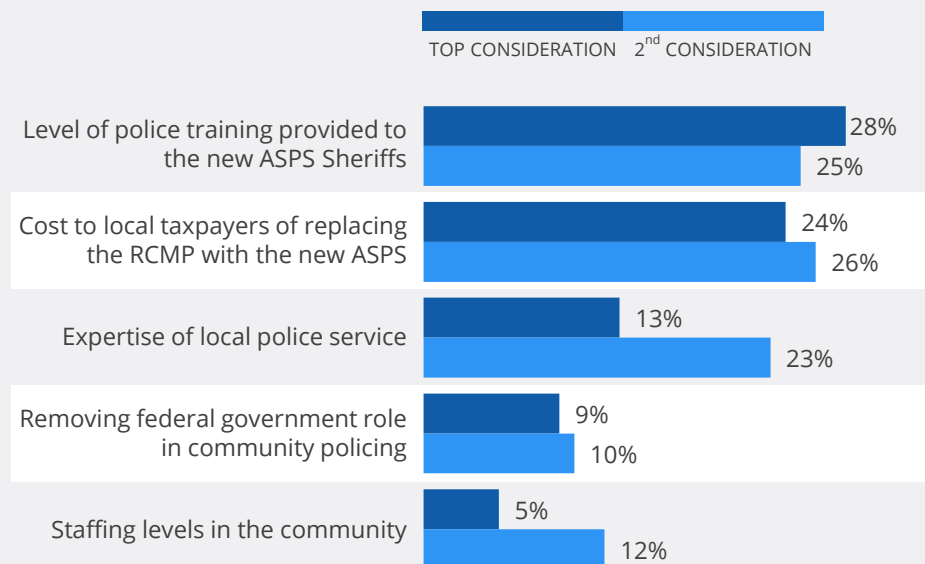
27. RCMP officers undergo 26 weeks of training at the RCMP Training Depot in Regina. The Alberta government is proposing that Alberta Sheriffs receive 6 weeks of training to become police officers. Thinking about this, does it make you feel more confident or less confident about the Alberta government's policing plan for communities in Alberta, or does it make no difference? Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Level of police training and taxpayer cost are leading considerations for those in RCMP-served areas

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- 18-34 place equal importance on level of training and cost to taxpayers, while 35-54 place higher importance on cost to taxpayer, and 55+ place higher importance on level of training.

Most Important Considerations If Replacing RCMP with ASPS



OVERALL CONSIDERATION										
TOTAL	REGION					GENDER		AGE		
	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+
48	53	49	45	48	53	45	52	43	44	56
47	47	55	44	46	40	45	49	40	52	46
33	31	42	25	33	33	34	32	30	33	35
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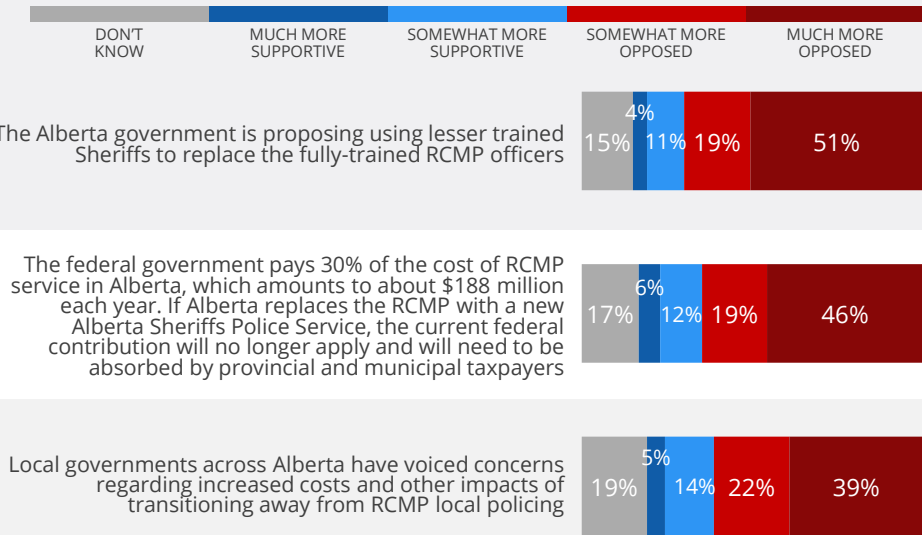


28/29. The Alberta government has stated that its intention is to offer the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) as an option to communities for their local policing, to replace the RCMP. What do you think should be the most important consideration for communities in considering whether to replace the RCMP with the newly-created Alberta Sheriffs Police Service? Base: Local Area Served by RCMP W9 (N=687)

Using lesser trained officers/sheriffs makes half much more opposed to creation of new ASPS

- 7-in-10 (70%) more opposed to ASPS based on Alberta government proposing to use lesser trained Sheriffs to replace fully trained RCMP officers. Messaging outlining federal government 30% contribution and local governments voicing concerns make over 6-in-10 (65%) more opposed, and consistent with previous waves.

Support/Opposition For ASPS*



% OPPOSED (Much More/Somewhat More)															
TOTAL	GENDER		AGE			REGION							TOTAL		
W9	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	W8	W7*	W6*
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65	62	68	52	64	74	63	72	66	66	57	60	63	64	65	-
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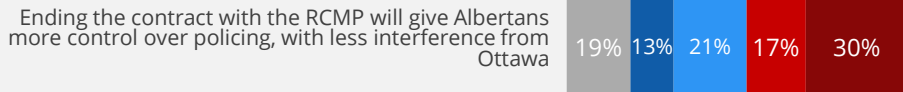
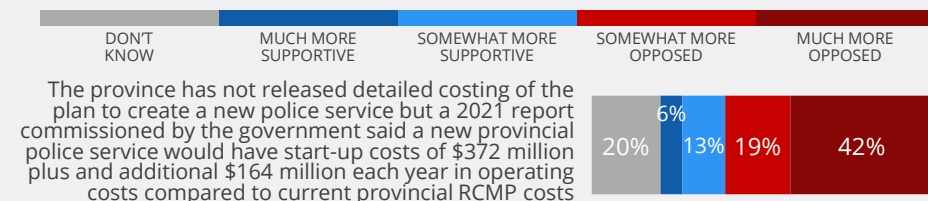
Q 30. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to the creation of a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?
 Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). *Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPS.

Non-disclosure of detailed costing makes majority more opposed to ASPS plan

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- Of those who say replacing the RCMP with the ASPS is a good idea, 33% become more opposed to the plan based on non-disclosure of detailed costing. 55+ age group more likely to be more opposed (71%).

Support/Opposition For ASPS*



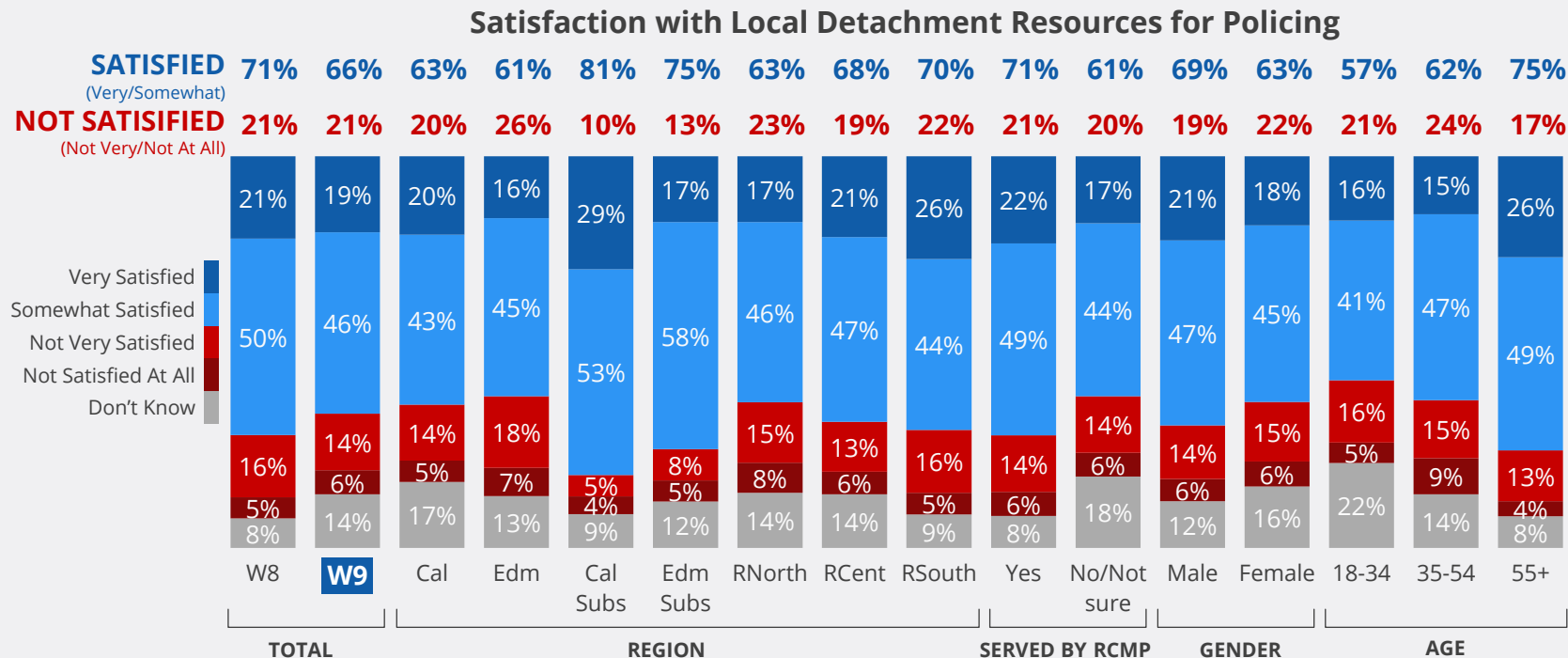
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51	52	49	46	48	57	49	60	43	53	45	50	42	-	-	-
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30. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to the creation of a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). *Note: The name of the agency has changed from APPS to ASPS.

Two-thirds satisfied that their local detachment has adequate resources to police their community

- 66% say they are satisfied with resources for local detachment, with higher level in RCMP-served areas (71%).



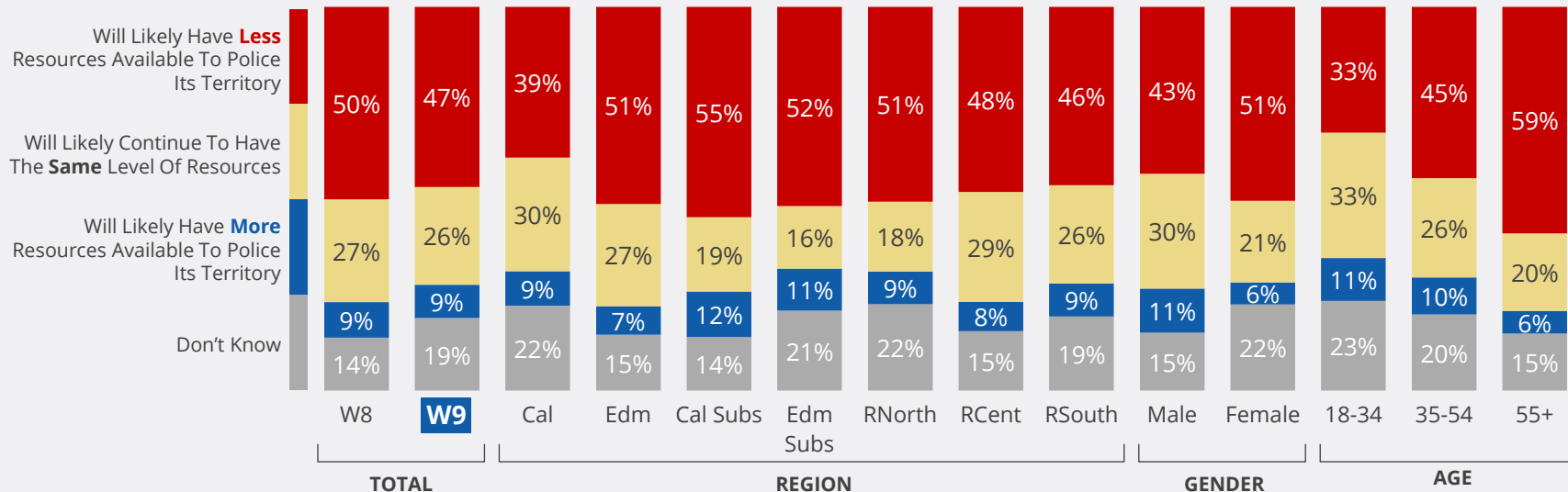
31. Thinking about policing in your community, how satisfied are you with your local detachment having adequate resources to police your community?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200).

About half say there will likely be less resources available to police its territory if RCMP is replaced with ASPS

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- 47% say there will likely be less resources available to police its territory if RCMP is replaced with ASPS, including half of those in RCMP-served areas (50%), women (51%) and 55+ age group (59%).

Expected Resource Levels if RCMP is Replaced with Alberta Sheriffs Police Service



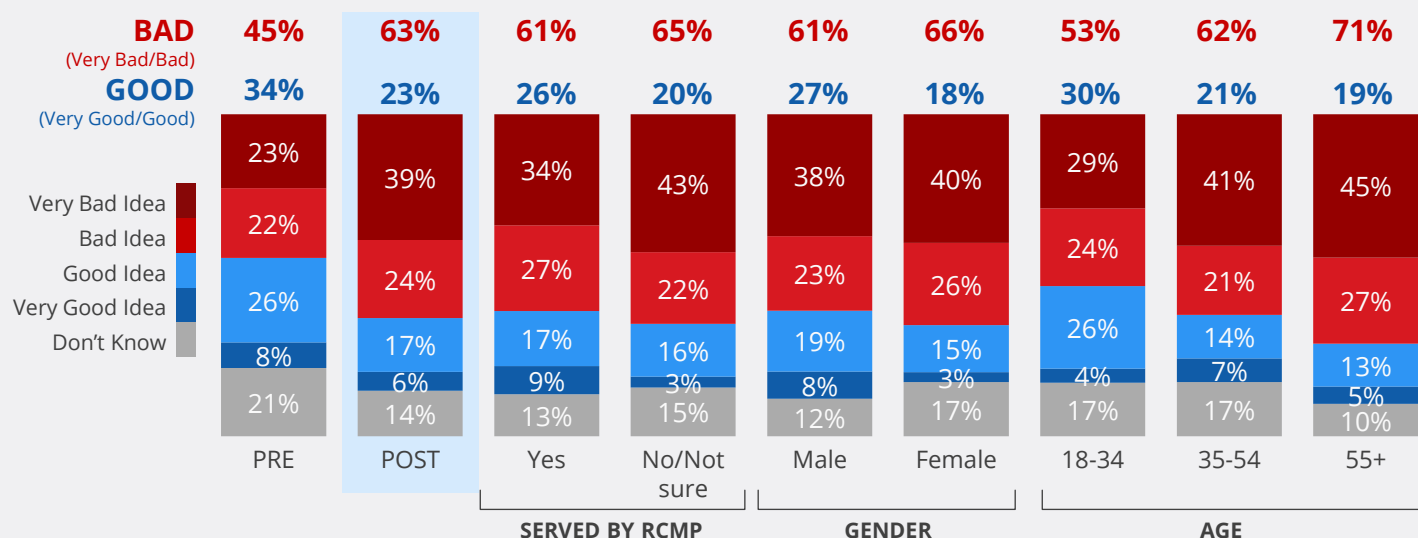
Post-Tests:
RCMP Contract Renewal and
Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

Post-test: Majority now say creating a new ASPS at this time is a “bad idea” after more information is provided

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- Proportions feeling it's a bad idea increases 19pts from 45% to 63%, with 16pt increase in those who say it's a “very bad idea”.
- Majority of those in RCMP-served areas feel it's a bad idea (61%); increase of 21pts compared to pre-test.
- Increase of +21pts among 18–34-year olds and +20pts among 55+ year olds who feel it is a “bad idea”.

Post Test: Perception of Creating a New Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)



23. In February 2026, the Alberta government announced its plan to create a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Thinking about this, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?

34. Based on the additional information you've reviewed, do you feel the Alberta government creating an additional provincial police service – the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) – at this time is a good idea or a bad idea?

Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210)

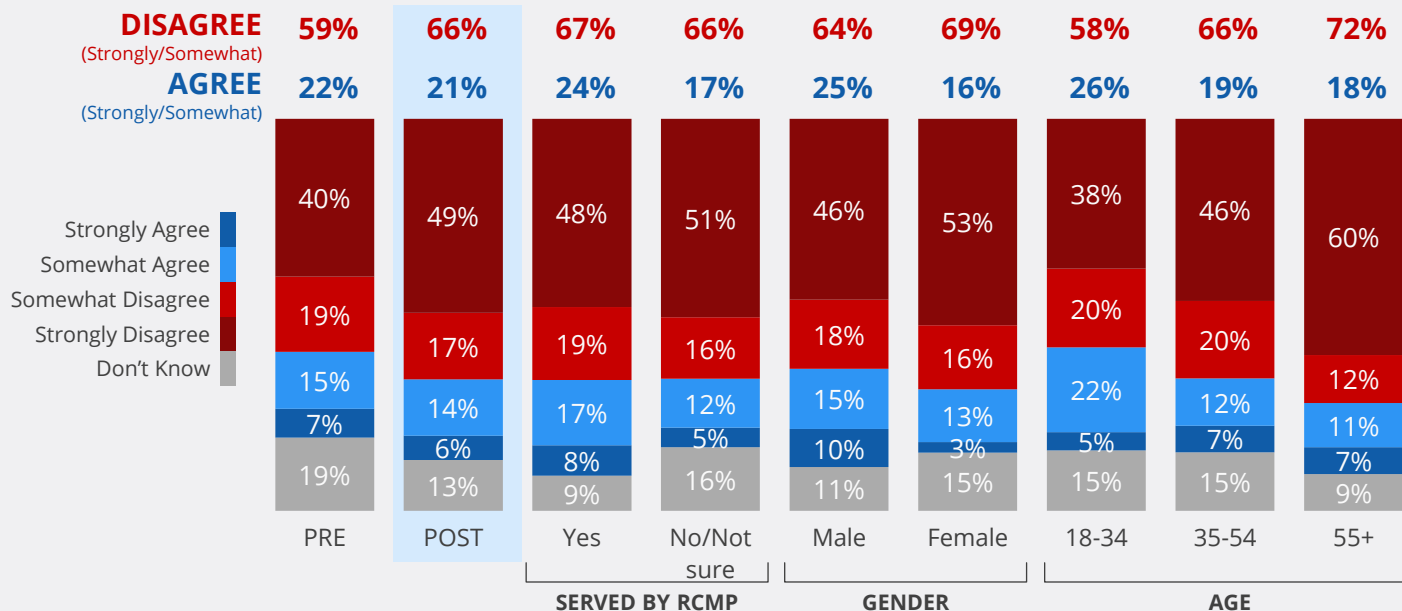


Post-Test: Majority continue to disagree that ASPS should replace the RCMP; 7pt increase in disagreement, while proportions who agree remain steady

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- 7pt increase in disagreement among RCMP-served region, and 9pt increase among 18-34 year olds after receiving more information.

Post Test: Perception on Replacing the RCMP with the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service



25. Do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
35. And, do you think the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service should replace the RCMP in all RCMP-served communities in Alberta when the RCMPs contract expires in 2032?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Public Safety & Politics

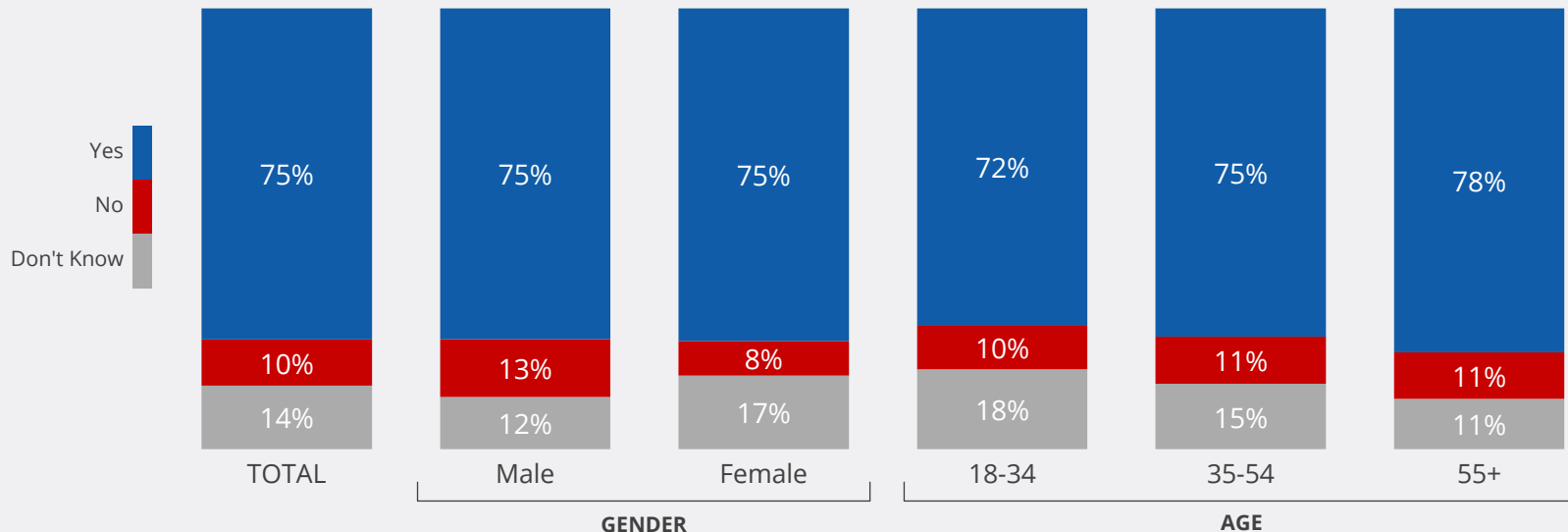


3-in-4 Albertans say the government should ask voters for approval in a province-wide referendum before proceeding with plan to replace the RCMP

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- Broad consensus (75%) among Albertans to have province-wide referendum before proceeding with any plan to replace the RCMP with a provincially run Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS). Consistent support among age and gender groups.
- Remain voters (78%) more likely to support province-wide referendum compared to Separatist voters (68%).

Public Views on Whether Alberta Should Replace the RCMP with a Provincially Run Police Service



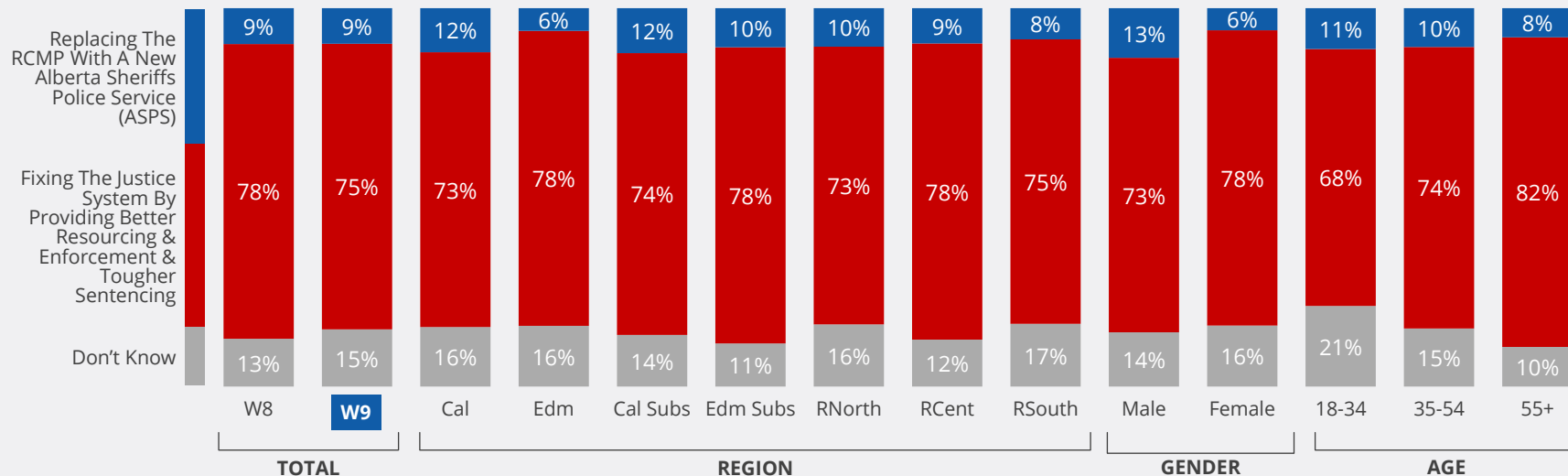
36. The Alberta government is putting forward nine referendum questions to voters this fall, none of which relate to policing. Before proceeding with any plan to replace the RCMP with a provincially run Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS), should the government ask Alberta voters for their approval in a referendum?
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

Almost 3-in-4 Albertans prefer focus on fixing the justice system instead of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS)

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- Most Albertans prefer Premier to focus on fixing the justice system by providing better resourcing and enforcement and tougher sentencing (75%) compared to replacing the RCMP with a new ASPS (9%).

Premier Danielle Smith and UCP Government's Focus on Public Safety in Alberta



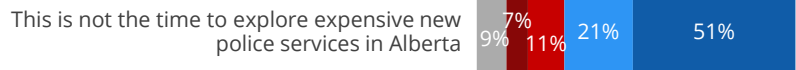
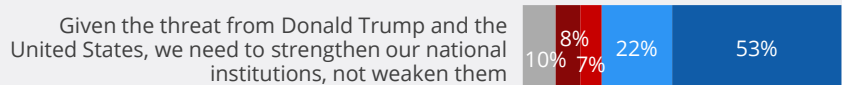
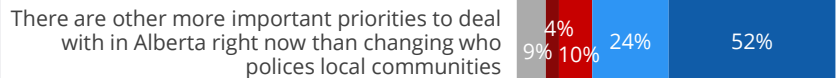
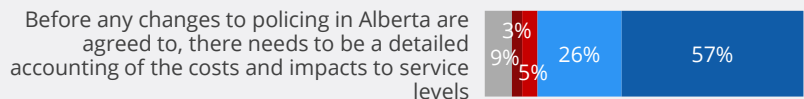
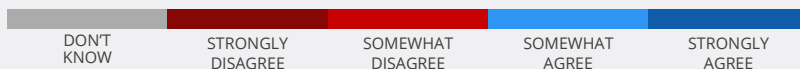
37. When it comes to public safety in Alberta, do you think the Premier and the United Conservative Party (UCP) governments focus should be on...
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200).

3-in-4 agree that we need to strengthen national institutions, not weaken them

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- Over 8-in-10 (83%) Albertans agree that there needs to be a detailed accounting of costs/impacts to service levels.
- Over 3-in-4 (76%) agree that there are “more important priorities to deal with in Alberta right now than changing who policies local communities”, including 83% of 55+ voters.

Agreement with Policing Statements



% AGREE (Strongly/Somewhat)

TOTAL	GENDER		AGE			REGION							TOTAL		
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76	72	80	69	75	83	77	81	77	72	69	77	75	81	81	84
75	75	76	73	71	81	77	81	70	74	67	73	70	81	80	-
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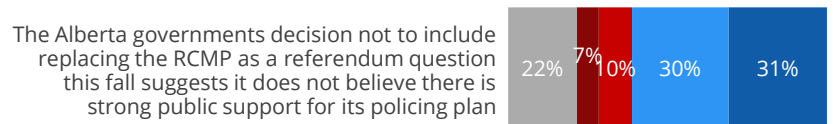
Q 39. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:
Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210); W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200). *W6 Scale Read: SUPPORT (Much More/Somewhat).

Over 7-in-10 agree government should be boosting funding for existing local police services instead of spending millions of dollars on setting up ASPS

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- Majority (72%) agree that Alberta government should be boosting funding for local police services than spending dollars setting up the ASPS and majority (61%) agree that not putting policing on referendum ballot suggests government does not believe its plan has strong support.

Agreement with Policing Statements



% AGREE (Strongly/Somewhat)													
TOTAL	GENDER		AGE			REGION							
W9	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	W8
72	70	74	71	66	78	70	80	69	73	66	70	66	-
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Post-Test: Retaining RCMP

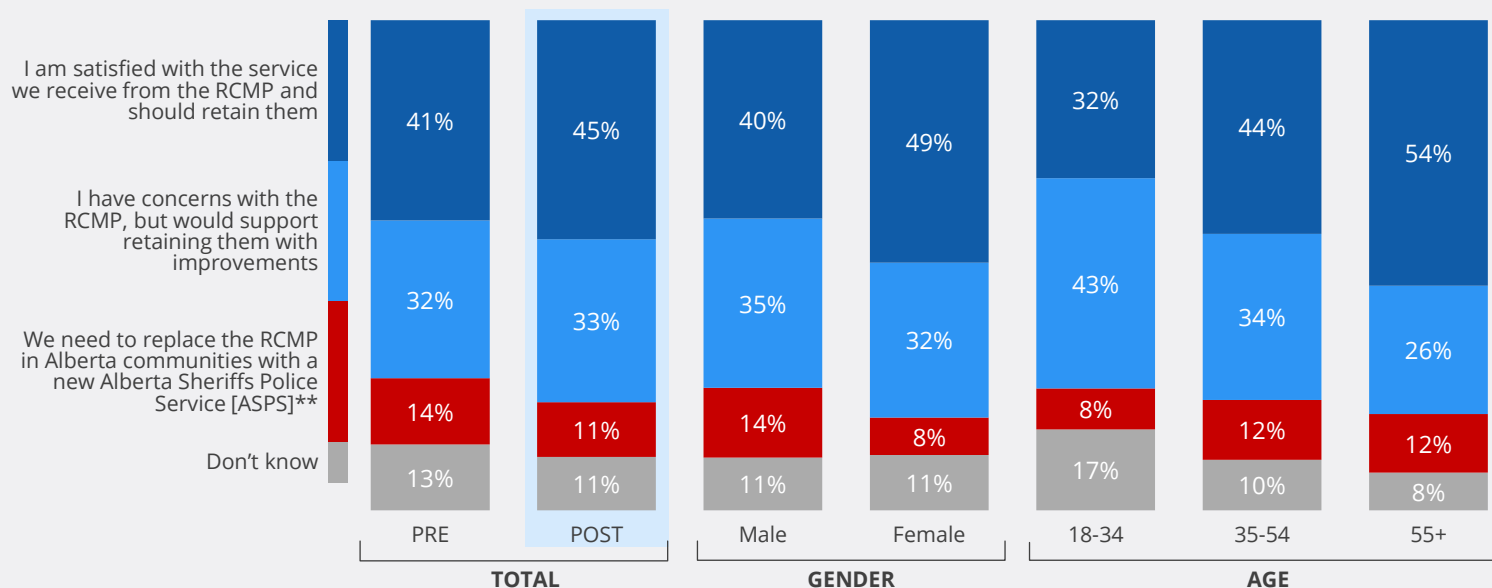


Post-test: Almost 4-in-5 in RCMP-served communities say they are satisfied with the service from RCMP and should retain them / with improvements

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- In the post-test, those saying that the RCMP needs to be replaced in Alberta communities with a new ASPS drops from 14% to 11%, while retain / retain with improvements rises from a combined 73% to 78%.

Post Test: Viewpoint on Replacing or Retaining the RCMP



26. Which of the following statements best reflects your viewpoint?

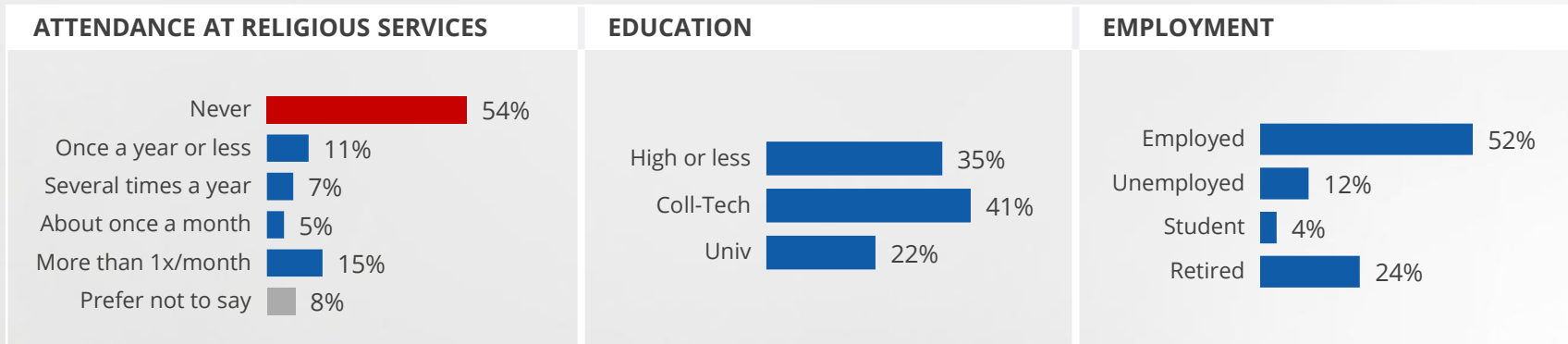
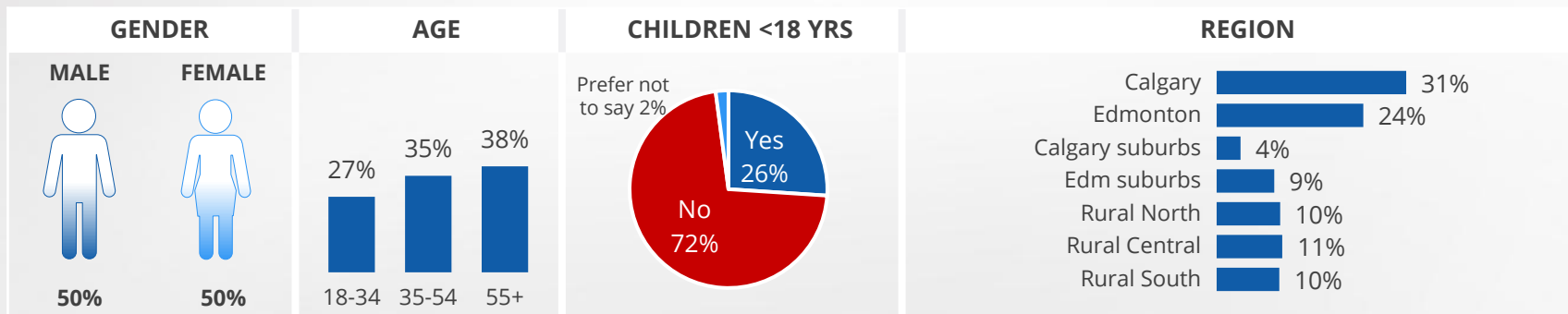
40. Now that you reviewed additional information, which of the following statements best reflects your point of view?

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APPENDIX

Demographics

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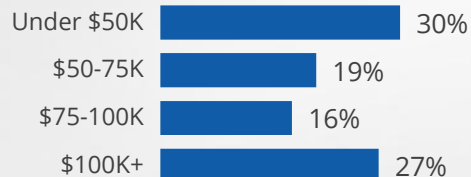


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Demographics

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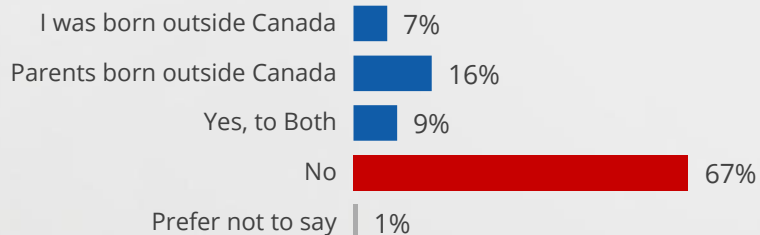
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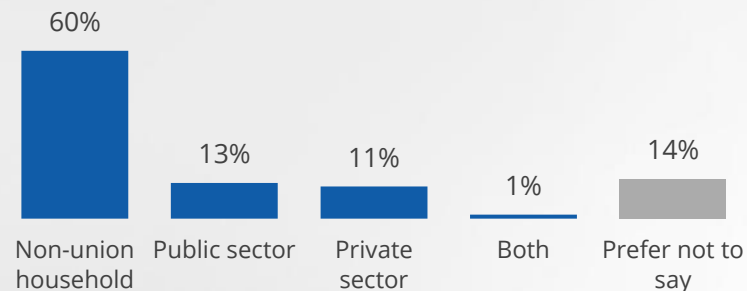
ETHNICITY



BIRTHPLACE OUTSIDE CANADA



UNION MEMBERSHIP



Base: TOTAL W9 (N=1,210).

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From: Julianna Adair <julianna.adair@calgarycounselling.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2026 4:33 PM
To: Brian Holden <bholden@bonaccord.ca>; Bill Rogers <cao@bonaccord.ca>
Subject: Request for Proclamation: National Depression Screening Day – October 8, 2026

Some people who received this message don't often get email from julianna.adair@calgarycounselling.com. [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear Mayor Holden and Members of Bon Accord Council,

I'm reaching out on behalf of [Counselling Alberta](#) to invite your municipality to proclaim **October 8, 2026 as National Depression Screening Day**.

Since 2005, Counselling Alberta and Calgary Counselling Centre have hosted National Depression Screening Day as a free public service to raise awareness about depression and the importance of checking in on our mental health. Each year for one week in October, Albertans are encouraged to visit areyoufeelingok.com to take a free, anonymous online screening for symptoms of depression. The screening doesn't provide a diagnosis but helps identify signs of depression and encourages people to seek support if needed.

Last year, over 2,200 Albertans used the online screening tool—and many more accessed counselling services through Counselling Alberta, including individuals from your own community. A local proclamation would help normalize conversations about mental health, reduce stigma, and encourage even more people to take that first step toward feeling better.

About Counselling Alberta

Counselling Alberta is a division of Calgary Counselling Centre, offering professional, affordable online counselling to individuals across the province, as well as in-person services in Edmonton, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, and Red Deer. We offer a sliding fee scale, no waitlist, and services in multiple languages to ensure support is accessible to all Albertans.

We've included a sample proclamation below for your consideration. We hope you'll join us in this province-wide effort to support mental health and make it easier for your residents to access help.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to community well-being.

Example proclamation:

Counselling Alberta is committed to providing affordable and professional counselling services that help build better lives for Albertans. Since 2005, National Depression Screening Day (NDSD) has raised community awareness by offering a free and anonymous online screening tool for depression.

Whereas: Depression is the most treatable mental health issue, early treatment promotes faster recovery and prevents long-term effects on individuals and their families;

Whereas: In 2025, of the 2,286 Albertans who participated in the NDSD online screening test, 63 percent were recommended to seek further evaluation;

Whereas: During the week of October 5-11, 2026, Albertans are encouraged to check in on their mental health and take the free online screening test at areyoufeelingok.com

On behalf of Town Council, I hereby proclaim October 8, 2026 as National Depression Screening Day

Thank you again for your consideration, and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.



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July 15, 2026

Mr. Bill Rogers
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Bon Accord
PO Box 779
Bon Accord, AB T0A 0K0

Dear Mr. Rogers:

Subject: Municipal Accountability Program Review Schedule for 2026/27

The Municipal Accountability Program (MAP) was initiated in 2018 to collaboratively support effective local governance and build administrative capacity in municipalities. Municipal accountability advisors review municipal processes and procedures to develop and enhance municipal knowledge of mandatory legislative requirements. Through these efforts, Municipal Affairs supports Alberta municipalities in achieving legislative compliance. The process enables chief administrative officers to confirm areas of strength and receive guidance on areas for improvement.

Since 2018, 216 municipalities have participated in the MAP, resulting in 294 reviews completed to date. The program is mandatory for municipalities with populations of 2,500 or less, with eligible municipalities scheduled for review once every five years.

I am pleased to advise you that your municipality has been selected to participate in a MAP review during the 2026/27 program year. As your municipality may have previously undergone a MAP review, you may already be familiar with the program. To ensure the MAP continues to provide value to municipalities, the program has been revised to include legislative requirements not previously addressed and to support understanding and awareness of recent legislative changes.

The MAP process will involve a meeting with you to review municipal documents and discuss policies, procedures, and processes. Ministry staff will provide a report identifying areas of legislative compliance and any gaps. To assist you in addressing areas of non-compliance, the report will also include tailored recommendations and resources for each identified gap.

It is my expectation that the report will be shared with council at a public council meeting to inform them of any areas requiring further action.

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A municipal accountability advisor will contact you shortly to provide program details, discuss requirements, and schedule the review. Scheduling will take into consideration your workload and availability.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact a municipal accountability advisor toll-free by dialing 310-0000, then 780-427-2225, or by email at map@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jonah Mozeson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jonah Mozeson
Deputy Minister

Attachment: Municipal Accountability Program Fact Sheet

Bill Rogers

Subject: 6:00-7:30 Bon Accord, You're Invited! Dale Nally EAC & Michael Cooper MP Host an Evening of Information Town Hall in Gibbons
Location: Gibbons Community Cultural Centre; <https://maps.apple/p/qt25zWV6RMPmk6>
Start: Wed 8/19/2026 6:00 PM
End: Wed 8/19/2026 7:30 PM
Show Time As: Tentative
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: Not yet responded
Organizer: Morinville-St. Albert

I would like to personally invite you, and your spouses, friends, and family to join us for a Federal & Provincial Town Hall in Gibbons on Tuesday, August 19, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

This special evening is an opportunity to come together as a community, share your thoughts, raise concerns, and discuss the issues that matter most to you with your Federal and Provincial representatives. Whether your priorities involve public services, infrastructure, affordability, economic growth, community safety, or other local matters, we want to hear from you.

Your input helps shape the decisions that affect our region, and this town hall provides a valuable opportunity to participate directly in that conversation.

I truly hope you will join us. Hearing from Municipal leaders is one of the most important parts of representing our region, and I would be delighted to see you there. The more voices we have at the table, the stronger our community becomes.

Please feel free to share this invitation with your constituents as all are welcome. However, we do ask that all guests please RSVP by August 17 so we can ensure there is plenty of food and refreshments for everyone.

RSVP

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I look forward to seeing you on August 19 for what promises to be an informative, engaging, and important discussion.



Hon. Dale Nally, ECA

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Michael Cooper
MP For St. Albert-Sturgeon River



Hon. Dale Nally
MLA for Morinville-St. Albert

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