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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## RE: Town Council Meetings during Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic

Please be advised that for the duration of the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic, and until the Government of Alberta has given an "All Clear", that council meetings will continue to be closed to in-person attendance. The public will be able to participle virtually, by means of the Town's YouTube Channel at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZIsdY7YnEiKcO\_aNpqlkPw">www.youtube.com/channel/UCZIsdY7YnEiKcO\_aNpqlkPw</a>

The Government of Alberta has issued an order in council, the COVID-19 Suppression Regulation, which can be found by way of the following link <a href="http://www.qp.alberta.ca/507.cfm">http://www.qp.alberta.ca/507.cfm</a> which allows for the following:

During the COVID-19 health emergency, when the *MGA* requires a council, board or commission to hold a meeting, an electronic meeting (e.g., live-stream, teleconference, etc.) meets that requirement as long as:

- notice of the electronic meeting is provided and states the electronic means being used and gives the information necessary for the public to access the meeting;
- the public is able to hear the meeting as it is occurring;
- anybody entitled to make submissions, before and during the meeting, can make submissions by email or any other method that the council, board, or commission considers appropriate; and
- the following people attend by electronic means:
- CAO or designated officer;
- For a commission, growth management board or subdivision and development appeal board, the chair or vice-chair
- For a composite or a local assessment review board, the presiding office.



Council agendas will continue to be posted on our website, and the current meeting schedule of every first and Third Tuesday at 7:00PM, will be maintained with the exception of July and August, when there is usually only one meeting anticipated

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