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Brushing up our Town's Beauty! Check out the new Mural at the Garden Club Shed on White City Drive

> Council BBQ & Theatre in the Park Wednesday August 21, 2024 See Page 6 for More Details!

AUGUST 2024

Councillor Blog

Welcome back fellow residents of White City (and those reading from the surrounding area) for the August 2024 edition of the White City Councillor Blog. This month's blog topic is related to the upcoming municipal elections on November 13, 2024.

As Mayor of White City, I am excited to encourage all of you to consider taking an active role in shaping the future of our town by running in the 2024 Municipal Election. White City thrives on the dedication and passion of its residents, and serving on Town Council is one of the most impactful ways to contribute. Your involvement can make a significant difference in our town's development and governance.

Why Serve on Council?

Serving on Council is not just about attending meetings and making decisions. It's about representing your neighbours, addressing community concerns, and working towards a better future for everyone. It's an opportunity to bring your ideas, skills, and perspectives to the table and collaborate with others to achieve common goals. You'll gain a deeper understanding of municipal governance, develop leadership skills, and make lasting contributions to our community.

Here are some steps you can take to explore this rewarding opportunity:

1. Read Council Packages on CivicWeb: www.whitecity.civicweb.net

Understanding the issues and projects Council handles is essential for any potential candidate. Start by reading the Council packages available on CivicWeb. Agendas are posted no later than the Friday prior to a meeting. These documents provide detailed information on the topics discussed during Council meetings, including financial reports, project updates, and community feedback. By reviewing these packages, you can gain insight into the ongoing initiatives and the decision-making processes that shape our town.

2. Attend a Committee or Council Meeting

Experiencing a Council meeting firsthand is invaluable. Attending a meeting allows you to observe the dynamics of discussions and the procedural aspects of how decisions are made. You'll see how Council members collaborate, debate, and resolve issues. This experience will give you a clearer understanding of Council's role and the type of commitment required. Meetings are open to the public, and the schedule is available on our town's website.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday August 19, 2024 Committee of the Whole - 4:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday September 3, 2024 Committee of the Whole - 7:00 p.m.

Monday September 16, 2024 Committee of the Whole - 4:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.



3. Reach Out to a Current Council Member

If you're considering running for Council, speaking with a current member can provide you with valuable insights. Reach out to a current Council member to learn about their experiences, challenges, and the rewards of serving on the Council. They can offer a realistic perspective on what it takes to be an effective Council member and answer any questions you might have about the role. Our contact information is available here: https://whitecity.ca/p/council.

4. Review the Government of Saskatchewan's Guide

The Government of Saskatchewan has prepared a comprehensive guide for prospective municipal Council members: https://www.saskatchewan.ca/ government/municipal-administration/elections/ running-for-municipal-Council. These resources cover the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of Council members. Reviewing these materials will give you a solid foundation of knowledge and help you understand the commitment required to serve effectively. They are an excellent starting point for anyone considering a run for municipal office.

KEY ELECTION DATES

Nominations Opens September 24, 2024

Nominations Close October 9, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Withdrawal Deadline October 10, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Advance Polls Dates To Be Determined

> **Election Day** November 13, 2024

Inaugural Meeting (Swearing In) November 18, 2024

If you have any questions, have a comment, want more information, or want to suggest a topic for a future blog please email townoffice@whitecity.ca or call 306-781-2355 – we look forward to hearing from you!

-Mayor Brian Fergusson

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Running for municipal office is a significant decision, but it's also a wonderful opportunity to contribute to the future of White City. Serving on the Council allows you to directly influence policies and projects that impact our community. If you have a passion for our town and a desire to make a positive difference, I strongly encourage you to consider this path.

Nominations are open September 24 to October 9, 2024 – If you're interested in running for Council, I encourage you to begin your journey now and consider the time and effort required to serve effectively on Council. I hope to see your name on the ballot in November!



Town Calendar AUGUST 2024

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Town Calendar SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Office Closed Labour Day	3 7:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting	4	5 7:30 pm Running & Strength Class	6	7
8	9	10 10:00 am Forever in Motion	11 9:00 am Toddler & Me 1:30 pm Seniors Social Club	12 10:00 am Forever in Motion 7:30 pm Running & Strength Class	13	14
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22 White City Fun Run	23 Branch Chipping Program Begins	24 10:00 am Forever in Motion	25 9:00 am Toddler & Me 1:30 pm Seniors Social Club	26 10:00 am Forever in Motion	27	28
29	30 Office Closed National Day for Truth and Reconciliation					

Forever in Motion

Forever... in motion is back this Fall at the White City Community Centre. Drop in and join our instructor every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10am-11am beginning September 10, 2024. No registration is required! Participants are strongly encouraged to bring their own equipment, masks are optional. Want to learn more? Contact Meaghann White at mwhite@whitecity.ca or 306-781-2355 ext. 237

> Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 - 11:00 am

Senior Social Club

Seniors Social Club meets every Wednesday beginning September 11 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm at the White City Community Centre. There is free coffee and board games provided, but the fun times won't start until you're there!

> Wednesdays 1:30 - 3:30 pm

The Summer Play Program is	Registe
underway - don't miss out upcoming	
sessions – there are still spots	

Summer Play Program

Upcoming Themes: August 6-9: Science & Magic August 12-16: Infinity & Beyond August 19-23: Under the Sea

available!!

SUNDAY

Register for Summer Play below!

This week's theme Science & Magic

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This week's theme:

Under the Sea

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Running & Strength Class

This class is designed for beginner and intermediate levels but is open to anyone and everyone! Each class will incorporate running (or walking) and strength training into one fun class per week. This class is perfect for those training for summer runs (especially our White City Fun Run) or those looking to get outside and be more active this spring! \$75 for the Session or \$15 per drop-in class.

> Thursdays 7:30 - 8:15 PM

Register online at:

Council BBQ & Theatre in the Park

We're bringing you dinner AND a show! Starting off the evening, we will be having a FREE BBQ with our Town Council as an opportunity to mingle, ask questions, and get acquainted with your local councillors. Then, stick around for a FREE musical theatre show presented by SaskExpress and performed by a talented cast and live band. The only thing you need to bring is a lawn chair, we'll take care of the rest!

> August 21 BBQ 5:30 PM - Show 7:00 PM

Fun Run

Registration is now available! An inclusive walk/run for all skills and abilities dedicated to bringing the community together to have fun and be active. Registration fees cover the costs of running the event including official time tracking for all participants, post-race nutrition, a run bag filled with swag and a finisher token.

> September 22 9:00 AM

> > AUGUST 2024



Toddler & Me

Come try out our Toddler and Me Drop-In program; it's completely FREE! A program that provides a space for parents and caregivers to connect, unwind and enjoy time together while your children enjoy self-directed play. Toys and mats will be available for use. Infants are also welcome to attend. Adult Supervision is required as the Town of White City does not provide supervision services during this program time.

Wednesdays 9:00 - 11:00 am

Art Workshop: Walking Sticks

Join us for a new art workshop on Saturday September 21! Each participant will be provided with a raw diamond willow stick. There will be a large selection for participants to choose from. Participants will learn how to remove the bark, carve out the diamonds, sand and finish their stick. You will be instructed on safe handling of knives, using dremel rotary tools and detail sanders and provided with two finishing products.

Stay tuned for registration details!

Theatre IN THE

PART OF 2024 Town Council BBQ Wednesday, August 21

> BBQ 5:30 – 7:00 PM

Hosted at the Community Centre / Serbu Ball Diamonds

Theatre Performance 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Council Summaries

June 24, 2024 – Committee of the Whole

The meeting included a presentation by the White Butte RCMP Detachment, who discussed an increase in provincial traffic offences due to warmer weather and increased patrols in school zones, a recent bear incident in residential areas where they assisted Ministry of Environment Conservation Officers, and plans to provide additional resources during the Greenall Highschool Graduation evening. Department updates included the Finance Activity Report, which discussed drawing long-term borrowing for project funding calls from the WCRM158 Wastewater Management Authority, and the Community Planning and Development Report, which highlighted the TransCanada Trail planting plan, ongoing planting on Royal Park Boulevard in the Town Centre, final development permits for White City Plaza, and updates on new home development permits.

Corporate items discussed included the 2023 Annual Report, which was commended and recommended for Council approval, and the Harassment Prevention Policy, which was discussed and recommended for Council approval after amendments for clarity. A Discretionary Use Application for 417 Fairway Place was approved, allowing a home-based carpentry business with no expected additional traffic. The meeting concluded after a closed session on departmental reports.

June 24, 2024 - Regular Council Meeting

The Consent Agenda, including previous meeting minutes and payroll ratifications, was approved. The Town Manager reported on a supportive meeting with the Ministry of Highways concerning the proposed pathway along Ramm Avenue. New business included the routine approval of signing authority appointments. Bylaw discussions led to the adoption of Bylaw No. 706-24, allowing alcohol consumption at Serbu Park events, the unanimous passing of Bylaw No. 707-24 to increase public delegation opportunities, and the first reading of Bylaw No. 708-24 for long-term borrowing to fund the WCRM158 Wastewater Management Authority Wastewater **Expansion Project Phase 2.**

During the roundtable, councillors shared updates on various community events and meetings, including bylaw enforcement issues with the RCMP, the Treaty 4 Flag Raising ceremony, and upcoming attendance at Balgonie's Canada Day parade. The closed session was deemed unnecessary, but several resolutions were made regarding the WCRM158 Wastewater Expansion Project Phase 2, including approving the project plan at a cost of over \$18 million and a joint tender to address animal control service gaps. The meeting concluded with these resolutions.

July 8, 2024 - Committee of the Whole

The Committee of the Whole meeting on July 8, 2024, in White City was called to order at 7 PM. The agenda included a consent agenda, which was approved without further discussion, and department reports covering business operations, parks, recreation, culture, and public works. Key points included updates on events, fitness programs, and infrastructure plans. Administration proposed updates to the purchasing and hiring policies, which the committee recommended for council adoption with minor amendments. During the roundtable, members discussed activities such as Camp Molly, the Balgonie Canada Day Parade, and Wastewater Management Authority issues. The meeting concluded with a closed session discussing municipal operations, ending at 10 PM.





Read past summaries and full summaries of Council and Committee meetings by visiting our website whitecity.ca or scan this QR Code Plus check out our the information above for dates and times of meetings and attend in-person

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Want more information?



Public Works

Walk this Way! The Town received the SGI Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant in the amount of \$26,880.00 to complete the concrete sidewalk and installation of a high visibility pedestrian crosswalk with permanent markings near Emerald Ridge Elementary School.

Please use caution in the area over the next six weeks. Work is anticipated to begin July 18, 2024 and be completed by August 30, 2024. Work dates will fluctuate based on weather and contractor availability and anticipated work includes extension of culverts and concrete work. There will be no road closures or impact to property access during this time but we do ask that drivers and pedestrians remain cautious of heavy equipment.





Fire Department Camp Molly - A Huge Success!

White City Fire Department held the first Camp Molly in Western Canada from June 6-9, 2024. Camp Molly is a pioneering firefighting camp aimed at young women ages 15-18 and provides a hands-on introduction to firefighting, empowering participants with skills toward being a fire fighter. Now that our members have had some time to recover from hosting the camp, we would like to thank all of our sponsors, participants, trainers and the community for welcoming this new and trailblazing experience to White City.

Best of luck to Kamsack who will be hosting Camp Molly Saskatchewan in 2025 - we hope WCFD has been able to light a fire to continue providing this experience to young women across the province!

Community Safety



Community Standards The Town of White City enforces standards to ensure properties

contribute to a clean, safe, and attractive community environment. The Community Standards Bylaw mandates that all properties, including buildings, structures, and yards, must adhere to minimum maintenance standards. Residents are prohibited from allowing their properties to fall into disrepair or accumulate materials that may attract pests or pose safety hazards.

The bylaw also addresses nuisances such as graffiti and excessive outdoor lighting. It prohibits the accumulation of debris, requires proper maintenance of buildings, and requires property owners maintain their yards and trees. Noise and odour emissions are regulated to prevent disturbances to neighbors. Compliance with these regulations ensures that White City remains a welcoming place for all residents.

Read the full bylaw online at www.whitecity.ca





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EMJOY TIME TOGETHER ON THE BEST PATIO IN SASKATCHEWAN

Supper in the Orchard

Local chefs paired with local food, in-house wine and stunning views make for a perfect evening out. Book your seats in advance for Supper in the Orchard, Friday - Sunday, all summer long and select Thursdays in the fall.

Patio Season

Experience the perfect afternoon on our patio, basking in the prairie sunshine. Indulge in a selection of our in-house wines cherry spritzers or a refreshing sangria, complemented by a our new daytime menu to please every palate. Enjoy stunning views and create lasting memories together.

Picnic in the Orchard

We invite you all summer long to experience Picnic In the Orchard, where you can enjoy a cheese platter with wine while taking in the stunning valley views. Choose from five unique picnic sites or our new Gazebo. Your picnic backpack will come complete with all essentials, including bread, cheese, buffalo jerky, jam, a bottle of our fine wine, glasses, a blanket, utensils, and napkins.

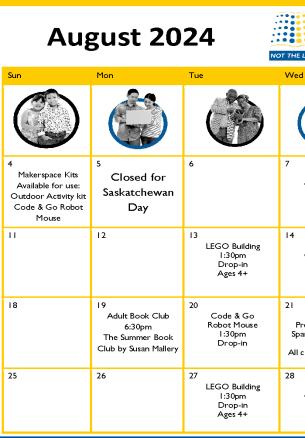
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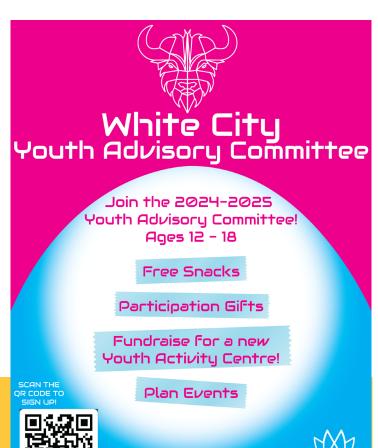
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Monthly Meetings Mondays @ 4PM

September to June

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