



## COUNTY OF WETASKIWIN No.10

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### DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMIT(S) FOR THE PROPOSED USE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BY-LAW 2017/48, LAND USE BYLAW OF THE COUNTY OF WETASKIWIN NO. 10.

#### Application No. D20/026

RHB Ranch (Market Garden & Meat Sales) and 4' x 8' Sign: NE-21-46-1-W5. This is a discretionary use as specified by Section 10-1.5 (cc) of Land Use Bylaw 2017/48.

#### Application No. D20/034

"Dirt Road Gardens," Market Garden: NE-18-46-26-W4. This is a discretionary use as specified by Section 10.1.3 (cc) of Land Use Bylaw 2017/48.

Any person wishing to review the above permit(s) may do so at the County Office during normal business hours or request by email to wpermits@county10.ca.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 686 OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, ANY PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE AFFECTED BY THIS DECISION MAY SERVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF APPEAL, ALONG WITH PRESCRIBED FEE OF \$150.00 TO:

ROD HAWKEN, SECRETARY TO THE DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD  
COUNTY OF WETASKIWIN NO. 10 P.O. BOX 6960 WETASKIWIN, ALBERTA T9A 2G5  
WITHIN TWENTY ONE DAYS OF THE FIRST DATE OF THIS NOTICE.

### NON-RESIDENTIAL TAX EXEMPTION

In 2019, the Government of Alberta passed Bill 7 which allows municipalities to create a bylaw to grant full or partial tax exemptions to certain industries. During the 2020 Budget deliberations, County Council discussed the opportunity of providing Non-residential ratepayers with a tax exemption on their 2020 tax notice. County Council recognizes the important role that non-residential properties play within the County. "Council had been discussing tax relief for our business sector for some months before we got hit with the Covid19 crisis" stated Division 7 Councillor Lyle Seely "We knew many of our businesses were struggling and we felt we should try to help where we can."

On April 14, 2020, Council gave third and final reading which brings into effect Bylaw 2020/16.

The following tax incentive is outlined in Bylaw 2020/16 which reads as follows:

1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is hereby authorized to levy the following tax incentives for non-residential property:
  - a. A 5% residential tax exemption on the first \$500,000 of nonresidential assessment for all non-residential properties, excluding linear property and Designated Industrial Property.
  - b. This exemption will be applied on the 2020 tax notice for all nonresidential assessment that met the above criteria.
  - c. This exemption will be for the period of one (1) year based on the previous year's assessment.

This bylaw is applicable to all non-residential properties in the County of Wetaskiwin, excluding linear property and Designated Industrial Property. The tax incentive will be automatically applied to eligible property's tax notice for the 2020 tax year. For further information contact: Rod Hawken, Chief Administrative Officer at 780-387-6166, rhawken@county10.ca or René Boutin, Director of Assessment Services at 780-361-6233, rboutin@county10.ca.

### NOTICE TO COUNTY RESIDENTS

County of Wetaskiwin No. 10 Council and Committee meetings will be held at the County Administration Building, located 1.6 kilometres west of Wetaskiwin on Highway 13 (243019A Highway 13), as follows:

Meeting Type	May	June
Council General	12** & 26*	9 & 23*
Council Public Works	26	23
Council Planning & Development	12	11

All meetings to commence at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

\*Commences upon conclusion of Public Works Meeting

\*\*Commences upon conclusion of Planning & Development Meeting

Pursuant to Section 196(2) of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26, 2000, Council Committee meeting dates will be posted in the foyer of the County Administration Building.

### ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND UTILITIES PENALTIES

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has created unforeseen and significant hardships for a large number of Canadians, and residents of the County of Wetaskiwin are unfortunately not immune to this. Many have temporarily lost their incomes and others have seen their working hours reduced significantly.

In order to help ease the financial burden on residents who may be struggling through these difficult times, County Council resolved at the April 14th Council meeting to forgive penalties on utility accounts and accounts receivable for the period of March 1st to September 1st, 2020. The current penalty rate for outstanding accounts 1.5%

This Resolution means that, during this time, interest will not accrue on any outstanding balances in these accounts. This applies to all utility accounts and accounts receivable. Residents do not need to apply for penalty forgiveness. However, residents will still be responsible for paying the balance of their accounts and are encouraged whenever possible to do so by the due date listed in each invoice. A notice shall be attached to all utility bills and accounts receivable invoices being sent out during this period advising residents of Council's Resolution.

#### Vision Statement

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#### Mission Statement

**Provide local representation to pool resources and provide a consistent level of core services to the community enhancing the quality of life for present and future generations.**