

PUBLIC NOTICES

8AM - 4PM SPECIAL SERVICES

Electric Outages	403.529.8260
Gas Emergency	403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency	403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services	403.526.2828



DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED APRIL 26 TO MAY 2, 2018 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

261 RANCLANDS BLVD NE	(Lot 7, Block 15, Plan 0910426) DP14340. Multiple Unit Residential Development (Fourplex) Including Site Frontage And Site Area Variances.
269 RANCLANDS BLVD NE	(Lot 7, Block 15, Plan 0910426) DP14341. Multiple Unit Residential Development (Fourplex) Including Site Frontage And Site Area Variances.
609 SOMERSIDE VIEW SE	(Lot 11, Block 13, Plan 1411496) DP14346. Single Detached House.
124 HULL CRESCENT NE	(Lot 5, Block 6, Plan 7410135) DP14349. Garage.
160 HAMPTONS CRESCENT SE	(Lot 25, Block 8, Plan 1712252) DP14350. Single Detached House.
52 - 2248 SOUTHVIEW DRIVE SE	(Lot 1, Block 8, Plan 7510486) DP14354. Multiple Unit Residential Development (Addition).
3132 17 AVENUE SE	(Lot 27, Block 50, Plan 8910248) DP14359. Single Detached House (Enclosed Deck) Including Rear Setback Variance.
379 RANCLANDS BLVD NE	(Lot 12, Block 19, Plan 0910426) DP14360. Garage (Shed).
106 - 4000 13 AVENUE SE	(Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1711357) DP14362. Single Detached House (Manufactured Home).
1007 QUEEN STREET SE	(Lot 2, Block 3, Plan 481M) DP14364. Garage.
101 12 STREET NW	(Lot 11, Block 6, Plan 703HE) DP14366. Garage.

COMMERCIAL

1077 FOUNDRY STREET SE	(Lot 20, Block 6, Plan 8111410) DP14368. Business And Professional Offices (Canopy).
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HOME OCCUPATION

2112 11 AVENUE NE	(Lot 8, Block 7, Plan 7410918) DP14343. Office Use Only. Eavestrouthing.
63 SOMERSIDE WAY SE	(Lot 6, Block 9, Plan 0912931) DP14347. Office Use Only. General Contractor/Project Manager.
3 SCOTT CRESCENT SE	(Lot 40, Block 7, Plan 9912452) DP14348. Office Use Only. Delivery Service.
309 4 STREET NW	(Lot 37, Block 14, Plan 726M) DP14351. Office Use With Storage on Site. Security.
2107 HATCHER DRIVE NE	(Lot 45, Block 5, Plan 8310543) DP14355. Office Use With Storage on Site. Roofing.
73 CALDER ROAD SE	(Lot 8, Block 3, Plan 8111075) DP14358. Office Use Only. Electrician.

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within twenty-one (21) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Third Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca.

All Development Permits listed are subject to conditions. Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 403.529.8374).

ASSESSMENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION PACKAGES

Medicine Hat – The City of Medicine Hat Tax Assessment department has mailed out Assessment Request for Information (ARFI) packages to property owners of improved non-residential and multi-family property class.

This process of collecting property related data is the first step towards developing the 2019 assessment roll. Collecting data annually ensures the assessment roll reflects current market information.

Completing the ARFI is an important part of the tax assessment process. Assessment values are established to allow for equitable distribution of taxes. Higher response rates will increase the statistical confidence level in the resulting assessment values. It is important for property owners to retain their ability to participate in the assessment appeal process. For property owners to be eligible to appeal their 2019 assessment, they must respond completely to a ARFI by the July 3, 2018 deadline.

As always, property owners are encouraged to contact the Assessment department directly if they have questions regarding their property assessment or if they require any assistance in completing their request for information forms.

For further information, please contact:

Sue Sterkenburg
City Assessor, Finance
City of Medicine Hat
403.529.8114

PROTECT WATER LINES FROM FREEZING

The following actions should be considered to protect your water lines:

- Repair broken windows and ensure windows/vents are closed during the winter.
- Insulate water pipes in unheated areas, including crawl spaces.
- For sinks located against a non-insulated outside wall:
 - Open the vanity door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes.
 - A light bulb placed near the water pipe may generate enough heat to keep the water flowing
 - Heat tape wrapped around the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.
- Residents of mobile homes should check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and water meter.
- Protect unheated indoor water meter with an insulated box and water pipes should be wrapped in insulation using heat tape.
- Outside water taps and underground sprinkler systems should have the water supply shut off inside the house at the isolation valve for the tap.
- Sprinkler lines and taps should be drained/blown out.
- A thin stream of water (as thick as a pencil lead) running continuously from at least one tap will help prevent a frozen water service.
- If you plan to be away from home over the winter period, close the main water isolation valve located next to the water meter in your home. You should leave the heat on in your home and have someone check inside your home daily while you're away.

A frozen water service, or a burst water pipe, is an inconvenience and expense that most people would like to avoid. Please take all possible precautions to prevent this happening in your home or business.

For more information, refer to www.medicinehat.ca/eu or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.

PARKS AND RECREATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

GAS CITY CAMPGROUND

Have a motorbike? We have two motorbike designated camping spots.

Reserve Online today <http://www.medicinehat.ca/campground>

EVENTS: PARKS & TRAILS

Please be aware of the following events taking place in City Parks
 May 6th – **MS Walk** – Kin Coulee Park and Trails
 May 12 – **Walk to Cure Diabetes** - Echo Dale Regional Park Trails
 May 26th – **Conquer the Coulee** – Kin Coulee Park will be closed to vehicular traffic
 May 27th – **Kidney Foundation Walk for Life** – Trail by the YMCA Downtown (please note the Kidney walk date as it was published as May 5th last week in error)

PUBLIC OUTDOOR WASHROOMS

Here is a list of Outdoor Washrooms available from May until September 2018;
 Strathcona Island Park
 Kin Coulee Toboggan Hill
 Kin Coulee East
 Saarnis Rotary Park
 Ross Glen Towne Centre
 Kiwanis Central Park
 Police Point Nature Centre
 Lions Park Ball Diamond

CONNECT WITH NATURE

MAPS OF TRAILS

Have you picked up your copy of the Heritage Trail Network Map? The map is designed to show you all the pathways within the City of Medicine Hat. Don't like paper, try www.trailforks.com for an online version. You can also access the City's trails and parks through the City of Medicine Hat's iMap on the right side tab www.medicinehat.ca

BYLAW AWARENESS

RESPONSIBLE ANIMAL OWNERSHIP #3935 – (32)

"If an Animal defecates on any public or private property, other than the Owner's Property, the Owner shall remove the feces immediately" and the Owner of dog shall carry a suitable means of removing dog feces at all times while dog is with Owner.
 Bylaw Complaint Line 403-529-8481

PARKS MAINTENANCE

IRRIGATION

Sports fields and parks preparations are occurring as we prepare to start the irrigation systems.
 Please be cautious of areas with irrigation valve box lids removed, these areas are marked off with barricades and tape as crews are attempting to allow warm air to help thaw the ice buildup around valves and irrigation components.
 The Parks and Recreation greenhouse is coming to life with over 30,000 plants ready to be planted in our City flower beds shortly after May long weekend.

WATER MAIN FLUSHING & FIRE HYDRANT INSPECTIONS

Environmental Utilities performs regular, routine maintenance to uphold the water quality and system infrastructure by annually flushing water mains and inspecting fire hydrants.

During these operations, there may be some discoloration in the water which is not harmful to consume and will disappear when flushing is complete. Please note that discoloured water should not be used for laundry and that fluctuating water pressure may also be noticed.

Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, turn on your cold water tap or an outside sprinkler and let the water run for several minutes until the water runs clear.

For additional information or to confirm whether crews are working in your zone, refer to the Water Flushing Programs page on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca/eu or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.

GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR MAY

Medicine Hat – The City of Medicine Hat has set its May energy commodity rates.

Natural Gas

The May natural gas commodity rate of \$0.796 per gigajoule (GJ), down from \$2.082 per gigajoule (GJ) in April, for all customers is based on the average of the monthly gas charges set by Alberta gas distribution (pipes) owners.

(per gigajoule)	May 2018
Direct Energy Regulated Services (North and South)	\$0.989
AltaGas Utilities Inc.	\$0.603
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$0.796

Effective January 1, 2018 the City of Medicine Hat will calculate the Monthly Reference Price based on the average of the rates approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Electricity

The May electricity rate of \$0.05489 per kilowatt hour, down from \$0.0680 per kilowatt hour in April, for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting, is based on the average of the rates for owners whose regulated rate tariffs are approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act* for that calendar month as posted by the Alberta Utilities Commission on its internet page under *Regulated Rate Option Regulation*.

May 2018 (per kilowatt hour)	Rate per kWh
Direct Energy Regulated Services	\$0.05700
ENMAX Energy Corporation	\$0.05566
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (Edmonton)	\$0.05379
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (outside Edmonton)	\$0.05312
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$0.05489

Effective January 1, 2018 the City of Medicine Hat will calculate the Monthly Reference Price based on the average of the rates using the four Regulated Rate Option providers approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission under section 103(2) of the *Electric Utilities Act*. This calculation aligns with the Regulated Rate Cap Regulation.

The May default electricity rate for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting customers is based on the monthly average Alberta Power Pool price as established and published by the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) plus \$0.02 per kilowatt hour. The rate for April was \$0.0606 per kilowatt hour.

The Electric Utility also offers a fixed electric commodity price for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial customers. The fixed rate for 2018 is \$0.0680 per kilowatt hour.

The Gas Utility offers a fixed natural gas commodity price for all rate class customers. The fixed rate for 2018 is \$5.80 per gigajoule (GJ).

Going Green Charge

Customers also have a "Going Green" surcharge on their bill. This surcharge is for renewable energy purchased for residential, farm, small and medium commercial customers.

The Going Green surcharge is calculated monthly to recover costs incurred to purchase renewable energy.

The Going Green surcharge for May is \$0.0050 per kilowatt hour.

For further information, please contact:

Cal Lenz
 Utilities Division Commissioner
 City of Medicine Hat
 403.502.8756

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING PROGRAM

Watch for your blue cart to be delivered throughout the month of May and into June as the Residential Recycling Program rolls out to your neighbourhood. The Collection Guide handout delivered with your blue recycling cart provides instructions on how to sort and set out your carts.

Once you receive your recycling cart, you may begin to use it immediately. Blue carts will be delivered to the front of your house and will be collected from the same set out location as your grey cart and yard waste cart.

Recycling collection will remain on the same day as your current waste collection day following the same waste zone map and calendar. Please ensure all carts are set out before 7 a.m. with 3 feet clearance between all carts on your designated collection day. Refer to www.medicinehat.ca/collectionschedule to determine your current collection day.

Contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 or visit www.medicinehat.ca/recycle for more information.

ELECTRICAL UPGRADES

Electric Distribution Department would like to advise residents and business owners that City of Medicine Hat crews will be upgrading electrical systems in the downtown core from April to October 2018. Alleyways from 1st Street to 5th Street and South Railway to 4th Avenue SE will be affected. For more information visit www.medicinehat.ca/upgrades