

'Things haven't changed enough': Polytechnique anniversary prompts reflection

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MONTREAL
There were promises to end violence against women and solemn reflection Friday as ceremonies were held to honour the 14 victims of the Dec. 6, 1989, anti-feminist attack at Montreal's Ecole polytechnique.
On the 30th anniversary of Canada's worst mass shooting, the House of Commons fell silent as members of Parliament remembered the victims who were targeted because they were women.

Conservative MP Marilyn Gladu fought back tears as she listed the names of the 14 murdered women. Gladu said that as the first female engineer elected to the House of Commons, she feels a special bond to the victims.
"These women were my sisters," she said. "I name them now to respect them for the strong women they are and they were."
In Montreal, several dozen people gathered outside the school under a light morning snowfall as dignitaries and students placed bouquets of white

roses in front of a commemorative plaque bearing the victims' names: Genevieve Bergeron, Helene Colgan, Nathalie Croteau, Barbara Daigneault, Anne-Marie Edward, Maud Haviernick, Barbara Klucznik-Widajewicz, Maryse Laganier, Maryse Leclair, Anne-Marie Lemay, Sonia Pelletier, Michele Richard, Annie St-Arneault and Annie Turcotte.
Members of the public also paid their respects in front of the campus, and among the first was Jean-Pierre Bernard.
Bernard, went to high school

in the Gaspé region with one of the victims, Sonia Pelletier.
"I came for the 25th anniversary, and every year I wear my (memorial) pin. It's very important for me," Bernard said.
Later, families of the victims and survivors gathered inside for the launch of a book written by Montreal journalist Josee Boileau.
The book, "Ce jour-la - Parce qu'elles etaient des femmes" ("That Day - Because They Were Women") is to be translated into English next year. It takes a broader look at the advance-

ment of women in Quebec society.
The families and friends of the 14 women killed at Polytechnique were involved in the book, lending their voices to talk about the lives - determined and full of energy - cut down too soon.
"When people will read this - particularly young women of today - they will recognize themselves. They'll say, 'There's very little difference between who I am and those women,'" said Serge St-Arneault, whose sister Annie was killed in the attack.

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



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DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED NOVEMBER 28 TO DECEMBER 4, 2019 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

1126 BRIDGE STREET SE	(Lot 17, Block 11, Plan 481M) DP15239. Multiple Unit Residential Development (Fourplex) Including Site Area, Site Frontage, Density, Lane Facing Entrance And Left Interior Setback Variances.
45 1 STREET SW	(Lot 6, Block B, Plan 23560) DP15266. Garage.
19 CAMAS COURT SE	(Lot 25, Block 1, Plan 7711358) DP15268. Secondary Suite.
45 HAMPTONS GATE SE	(Lot 48, Block 8, Plan 1812178) DP15270. Single Detached House.
261 9 STREET SW	(Lot 15, Block 18, Plan 2177M) DP15275. Secondary Suite.



COMMERCIAL

103 - 1820 STRACHAN ROAD SE	(Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 9710582) DP15263. One Fascia Sign.
109 - 1840 STRACHAN ROAD SE	(Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 9710582) DP15269. Four Fascia Signs.

HOME OCCUPATION

6 SUNRISE ROAD SW	(Lot 25, Block 19, Plan 0213535) DP15271. Office Use Only. Janitorial Service.
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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).

PROPOSED CITY CENTRE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CCDA) BUDGET

TAKE NOTICE that City Council will consider adoption of the City Centre Development Agency Budget on Monday, December 16, 2019.

A Public Hearing in consideration of the proposed CCDA Budget will be held in Council Chambers at 580 First Street SE in Medicine Hat, Alberta on Monday, December 16, 2019, beginning at approximately 6:30 pm.

A copy of the CCDA budget may be inspected during normal office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) at the City Clerk Department, Third Floor, City Hall, 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Any person in the Business Improvement Area who claims to be affected by the proposed CCDA budget may make representation to City Council at the Public Hearing. Oral submissions are limited to five minutes.

Anyone wishing to have a written submission concerning this proposed bylaw placed before the City Council must submit it to:

City Clerk Department, 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 8E6

by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

All submissions are treated as public documents.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 30th day of November, 2019.

Angela Cruickshank, City Clerk
Phone 403.529.8234
Fax 403.529.8324
E-mail: clerk@medicinehat.ca

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.

ATTENTION: UTILITY CUSTOMERS NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

On Monday, December 2, 2019 City Council gave first reading to the following:

BYLAW #4609 to amend Bylaw #2379, the Water Service Bylaw by amending certain rates, fees and charges; and

BYLAW #4610 to amend Bylaw #1541, regulating the use of Public and Private Sewers and Drains and the Disposal of Sewage and the Discharge of Waters and Waste into the City's Sewer System; and

BYLAW #4611 to amend Bylaw #1805, the Waste Bylaw by amending rates and charges; and

BYLAW #4612 to amend Bylaw #2489, the Gas Utility Bylaw by amending certain rates, fees and charges; and

BYLAW #4613 to amend Bylaw #2244, the Electric Utility Bylaw by adjusting certain non-commodity rates charged for electric energy distribution service to residential, commercial and industrial customers of the City's Electric Utility.

The proposed Bylaws will come into force on January 1, 2020.

A Non-Statutory Public Hearing in general accordance with the Municipal Government Act and the City's Procedure Bylaw, and consideration of the Second/Third Readings of the proposed Bylaws will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers at the address below on Monday, December 16, 2019 beginning at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Copies of the above Bylaws and related documents may be inspected during normal office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) at the City Clerk Department or accessed via the 'Proposed Bylaws' section on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca.

Any person who claims to be affected by any of the proposed bylaws may make representation to City Council at the Non-Statutory Public Hearings. Oral submissions are limited to five minutes.

Anyone wishing to have a written submission concerning either of these proposed bylaws placed before the City Council must submit it to the City Clerk Department by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 7th day of December, 2019.

Angela Cruickshank, City Clerk
Phone: 403.529.8234
Fax: 403.529.8324
E-mail: clerk@medicinehat.ca

2019 CITY CENTRE DEVELOPMENT AREA ASSESSMENT ROLL

Notice is hereby given that the City Centre Development Area Supplementary Assessment Roll for the City of Medicine Hat for the year 2019, has been prepared and the Assessment and Tax notices will be mailed on **December 13, 2019**. The Assessment Roll will be open on the mail date for inspection in the Assessment Department, City Hall, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on every day of the week except Saturday, Sunday, and public holidays. Any tax payer who desires to object to the assessment must complete and submit the Assessment Review Board Complaint form on or before **February 20, 2020**. An agent may file a complaint on your behalf if you, the assessed person, complete the Assessment Complaint Agent Authorization form.

Submit completed forms to the Clerk of the Assessment Review Board at the following address:

CITY OF MEDICINE HAT
ATTENTION: CLERK OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD, CITY HALL
580 FIRST STREET SE
MEDICINE HAT, AB T1A 8E6

Your complaint must include the following:

- indicate what information shown on an assessment notice or tax notice is incorrect,
- explain in what respect that information is incorrect,
- indicate what the correct information is,
- identify the requested assessed value, if the complaint relates to an assessment, and
- include the appropriate complaint registration fee.

Please ensure your complaint form includes all reasons for appealing. The Assessment Review Board cannot consider matters not included on your form.

Forms are available at the Assessment Department, Main Floor, City Hall or at www.medicinehat.ca.

Dated the 7th day of December 2019.

Sue Sterkenburg, AMAA
City Assessor

*Note: Prior to filing a complaint, business owners are encouraged to contact the Assessment Department, Main Floor, City Hall, or telephone 403.529.8114, to resolve any concerns and possibly avoid a formal complaint to the Assessment Review Board.

GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR DECEMBER

Medicine Hat - The City of Medicine Hat has set its December energy commodity rates.

Natural Gas

The December natural gas commodity rate of \$3.0460 per gigajoule (GJ), up from the previous month of \$2.4460 per GJ, for all customers is based on the average of the monthly gas charges set by Alberta gas distribution (pipes) owners.

December 2019 (per GJ)	Rate per GJ
Direct Energy Regulated Services (North and South)	\$3.0890
AltaGas Utilities Inc.	\$3.0030
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$3.0460

The City of Medicine Hat calculates the Monthly Reference Price based on the average of the rates approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Electricity

The December electricity rate of \$0.07747 per kilowatt hour, up from the previous month of \$0.06800 per kilowatt hour, 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.

December 2019 (per kilowatt hour)	Rate per kWh
Direct Energy Regulated Services	\$0.07657
ENMAX Energy Corporation	\$0.07320
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (Edmonton)	\$0.08069
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (outside Edmonton)	\$0.07942
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$0.07747

The City of Medicine Hat calculates 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.

On October 28th, 2019 the Government of Alberta introduced Bill 21 which, if passed, will end the Regulated Rate Option cap effective November 30, 2019. As of December 2, 2019 the bill has not received royal assent. The government anticipates that Bill 21 will receive royal assent and has clarified that Regulated Rate Option providers, including the City of Medicine Hat, will not receive deferral account compensation after November 30, 2019. As such the Regulated Rate Option cap of \$0.06800 will not be in effect for the December 2019 electricity rate and the monthly reference price will apply for ratepayers.

The December 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 November was \$0.07615 per kilowatt hour.

The City of Medicine Hat also offers a fixed electric commodity price for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial customers. The fixed rate for 2019 is \$0.06800 per kilowatt hour.

The Gas Utility offers a fixed natural gas commodity price for all rate class customers. The fixed rate for 2019 is \$5.80 per 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 December is \$0.0050 per kilowatt hour.

For further information, please contact:

Brad Maynes, Commissioner Energy & Utilities Division
City of Medicine Hat • 403.502.8756