

Bonds wishes to move forward after criminal case dropped

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO Legally cleared at last, Barry Bonds is unconcerned with everybody else's thoughts on his career or credentials: He's a Hall of Famer. Hands down.

"I don't even justify that. There's no need," he said Thursday night at AT&T Park. "That's without saying."

The 51-year-old home run king said he feels a huge sense of relief since federal prosecutors dropped what was left of their criminal case against him last month after a nearly decade-long steroids prosecution.

"I can say yes, there's a lot. Because it'd be not true if I said there wasn't some weight lifted off my shoulders," Bonds said in an interview with The Associated Press, his first since the government announcement.

"I've never been much of a talker. That's never been my game. I don't have time to put people down, I don't have time to do all that stuff. I don't care to. If people want to say

negative things, that's their opinion," the former San Francisco Giants star said.

The government's pursuit of Bonds ended July 21 with a one-paragraph motion by the U.S. Department of Justice announcing Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli Jr. would not ask the U.S. Supreme Court to review the appellate decision that overturned Bonds' obstruction of justice conviction.



Barry Bonds

"That's why I say God is good. Every player who's ever played against me knows my ability, and that's something I will never, ever have to explain," Bonds said. "I'm not insulted by anything. I don't hold grudges. I'm not going to hold a grudge. I know what I brought to the game. I'm proud of that. That's all, I'm proud of that."

Bonds, the seven-time NL MVP, broke Hank Aaron's career home record of 755 on Aug. 7, 2007, in the last of the slugger's 22 big league seasons. Bonds hit 762 homers in all.

Men's basketball team prepares for Olympic qualifiers

The Canadian Press

TORONTO Jay Triano called it the most talented group of Canadian basketball players ever assembled under one roof.

Andrew Wiggins and Co., opened camp Friday at the Air Canada Centre in preparation for the FIBA Americas Olympic qualifying tournament that opens Aug. 31 in Mexico City.

With 10 NBA players in Canada jerseys, it's the realization of months of anticipation for this young, talent-laden team.

"Our pool of players is deep," said Triano, Canada's head coach. "So it's exciting, but we've got a long ways to go as far as learning the international game."

The Canadians are gunning for their first Olympic appearance since Steve Nash led the squad in a thrilling run at the 2000 Sydney Games. Nash is now the GM of the team that must finish first in Mexico to book a berth in Rio.

Wiggins, who's coming off NBA rookie of the year honours,

said the Olympics has always been a goal of his.

"I'm doing it for pride, for Canada really. I want to be in the Olympics, something that I haven't got a chance to witness or experience," said the 20-year-old from Vaughan, Ont. "So that's what I'm looking forward to really, just trying to win this, to qualify to make it to the Olympics."

Wiggins, who was sporting a new 'do of tiny braids, believes the Olympics are within reach.

"With all the talent we've got, I believe we're the best team," he said. "We've just got to go in there and fight. We were the last team to get together, so we've got to work hard in practice, get the chemistry built, and go out there and give it our all."

Wiggins, Anthony Bennett, Sim Bhullar, Melvin Ejim (who recently signed with Orlando), Cory Joseph, Andrew Nicholson, Kelly Olynyk, Dwight Powell, Robert Sacre and Nik Stauskas make up Canada's NBA contingent.

Of the 15 players in camp, Triano will have to cut four before the tournament.

The Canadians are facing a gruelling schedule in Mexico, and so their depth and youth will be huge. Each country has one day off during the tournament — Canada's day off falls on Day 1. So if the Canadians do all the way to the final, they'll have to play 10 games in 10 days.

"Our strength is our youth, and our weakness is our youth," Triano said. "We've got to use it to our advantage and we've got to make sure that we turn it into a positive with high energy and the way we approach every single game. But we're infants as far as the international game is concerned and knowing the tricks of the trade."

Still, Canada will arguably be the deepest team in the tournament.

"That's our advantage," Triano said. "When you think about a team like Venezuela, if we play them on, let's say Game 8 out of nine days or 10 days, we hope that (Greivis) Vasquez has had to play 38 minutes a game, whereas our guys have played 20 minutes a game and we're fresh and ready to go," he said.

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MSI Operating Grants for Non-Profit Organizations

Grants of up to \$25,000 are available to registered non-profit organizations to cover qualifying operating expenses.

Application packages are available:

- On the City's website at medicinehat.ca/grants
- At Strathcona Centre, Reception Desk
1150 5 Street SE

Application Information Session
Friday, August 21, 2015
 12 pm - 1 pm in Council Chambers, City Hall

Deadline for Applications is 4:00 pm
Tuesday, September 1, 2015



PUBLIC NOTICE ROAD CLOSURE
CONSOLIDATE UNUSED ROADS AT THE CORNER OF KIPLING STREET AND HUTCHINSON AVENUE SE

The municipal council of the City of the Medicine Hat gave First Reading to Road Closure Bylaw 4310 on Tuesday, August 4, 2015. The Land and Properties Department is seeking City Council approval to consolidate the unused roads within the boundaries of the Municipal Works yard at the corner of Kipling Street and Hutchinson Avenue SE.

The roads must be closed in order to construct a new Municipal Works Administration building in the area. This closure and consolidation of the Road Lands will not adversely affect the integrity of the public road system.

A copy of proposed Bylaw #4310 and related documents may be inspected between 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 claiming to be affected by the proposed bylaw will be given an opportunity to be heard by the Council prior to consideration of second and third readings of this bylaw, which will occur at 6:30 pm in City Hall Council Chambers during the Council meeting on September 8, 2015.

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 S.E. Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 8E6 by 12:00 o'clock noon, Wednesday, September 2, 2015

All submissions are treated as public documents.

THIS NOTICE is provided pursuant to Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 8 day of August, 2015.

Angela Cruickshank, City Clerk
 Phone: 403-529-8234
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 E-mail: angcr@medicinehat.ca



DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED
AUGUST 6 TO AUGUST 13, 2014
PLANNING, BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL	
635 Vista Drive SE	(Lot 13, Block 5, Plan 1111036) Permit No. DP12762. With Conditions. Detached Residence.
361 13 Street SW	(Lot 25, Block 43, Plan 112743) Permit No. DP12785. With Conditions. Detached Residence Including Front And Rear Setback Variances.
375 Sterling Crescent SE	(Lot 43, Block 12, Plan 1111043) Permit No. DP12790. With Conditions. Detached Residence.
29-612 20 Street NE	(Lot 19, Block 1, Plan 7410918) Permit No. DP12806. With Conditions. Residential Addition.
63 Penland Way NE	(Lot 26, Block 8, Plan 9912107) Permit No. DP12807. With Conditions. In-Ground Swimming Pool.
7 Terrace Place NE	(Lot 34, Block 2, Plan 0312280) Permit No. DP12814. With Conditions. Deck Enclosure.
2163 Hawke Crescent NE	(Lot 18, Block 2, Plan 7410918) Permit No. DP12815. With Conditions. Free-Standing Patio Cover.
COMMERCIAL	
623 3 Street SE	(Lot 6, Block 23, Plan 1491) Permit No. DP12784. With Conditions. Addition of Residential Suite And Renovation of Residential Suite.
20 3 Street SE	(Lot 22, Block 52, Plan 61685) Permit No. DP12797. With Conditions. One Free-Standing LED Sign.
HOME OCCUPATION	
96 Terrace Drive NE	(Lot 13, Block 3, Plan 0412255) Permit No. DP12765. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Distribution/Sales.
479 Ross Glen Drive SE	(Lot 38, Block 10, Plan 7711248) Permit No. DP12774. Office Use Only. With Conditions. General Contractor.
2134 Hawke Crescent NE	(Lot 25, Block 2, Plan 7410918) Permit No. DP12780. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Roofing/Siding Contractor.
2424 Hatcher Drive NE	(Lot 24, Block 19, Plan 9913114) Permit No. DP12781. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic.
298 Somerset Road SE	(Lot 12, Block 6, Plan 0715106) Permit No. DP12782. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Home Repair.
214 12 Street SE	(Lot 37,38, Block 24, Plan 1132M) Permit No. DP12786. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor - Address Change.
217 8 Street SE	(Lot 5,6, Block 12, Plan 1132M) Permit No. DP12787. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor - Address Change.
66 Cooper Road SE	(Lot 61, Block 6, Plan 7510170) Permit No. DP12788. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Massage - Address Change.
2449 Hatcher Drive NE	(Lot 17, Block 18, Plan 9913114) Permit No. DP12789. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Distribution/Sales.
27 Currie Court SE	(Lot 23, Block 8, Plan 7510668) Permit No. DP12792. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Pet Grooming - Address Change.
186 Terrace View NE	(Lot 65, Block 8, Plan 0513294) Permit No. DP12794. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Consultant.
549 20 Street NE	(Lot 4, Block 1, Plan 7510086) Permit No. DP12795. Customers to Attend Site. With Conditions. Beauty Salon.
30 Parish Way NE	(Lot 11, Block 4, Plan 9511347) Permit No. DP12798. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Appraiser - Address Change.

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 fourteen (14) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 529-8374).

FIRE HYDRANT & WATER MAIN FLUSHING

Environmental Utilities performs regular maintenance to maintain water quality and system infrastructure by annually testing and flushing fire hydrants and water mains.

During flushing there may be some discoloring of water which is not harmful and will disappear when flushing is complete. Fluctuating pressure may also be noticed. Should discoloration persist beyond three hours, turn on your cold water tap and let the water run for 15-20 minutes. Please note that the flushing in your home will not correct private plumbing/corrosion problems.

Visit www.medicinehat.ca or contact Environmental Utilities at 403-529-8176 for additional information.

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Lions aim to snap Ticats home streak

The Canadian Press

HAMILTON A week after overcoming the CFL's top-ranked defence, Travis Lulay and the B.C. Lions face another tough assignment.

Lulay leads the Lions' offence into Hamilton on Saturday night to face a Tiger-Cats squad looking to remain unbeaten at Tim Hortons Field. The daunting matchup comes after Lulay's 31-yard touchdown pass to Andrew Harris rallied B.C. to a 26-23 win over Edmonton on Aug. 6.

"Tough task," Lulay said of facing the Ticats. "They've been really impressive at home."

"I think they've really embraced the new field and all that."

Hamilton (4-2) is 9-0 at Tim Hortons Field, having allowed just 126 points there — an average of 14 per game. The Ticats have outscored opponents 242-126, including 77-13 in the fourth quarter.

Hamilton's defence was especially tenacious in last weekend's 38-8 home win over Winnipeg. It had seven sacks and defensive back Emanuel Davis celebrated his 26th birthday by returning two interceptions for touchdowns.

"The way we responded to Edmonton, they're probably the best defence in the league," said Harris.

"Hamilton, if they're not the best, are a close second."

"The doughnut box, there's something to be said about that, the fact they're undefeated. We want to go in there and be the team to give them their first loss in that building."

Hamilton took control immediately against Winnipeg, storming out to 21-0 lead midway through the opening quarter en route to a commanding 31-0 half-time advantage.

"Winnipeg didn't give themselves a great chance to win that football game," Lulay said. "They turned the ball over early, they had a couple big gaffes on special teams back to back and you blinked and it was 21-0."

"When you're playing a team that's playing that confident you can't do that. You have to withstand that initial surge. You know they're going to push out of the gate hot. You have to find a way to be good early, then settle into the game and just go play football."