

# Market Watch

<b>S&amp;P/TSX</b> 26,429.13 +86.84	<b>S&amp;P 500</b> 6,000.36 +61.06	<b>DOW</b> 42,762.87 +443.13	<b>NASDAQ</b> 19,529.95 +231.50	<b>DOLLAR</b> 73.21¢US -.16¢	<b>OIL per barrel</b> US\$64.58 +\$1.21	<b>Nat. Gas/mmBTU</b> US\$3.79 +\$.10	<b>GOLD</b> US\$3,346.6 -\$28.50
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## Canada’s jobs market ‘treading water’ as unemployment rate rises to 7% in May

The Canadian Press

Some economists say Canada's labour market is weakening but not collapsing as Statistics Canada reports job growth has stalled since the start of the year.

Canada's jobless rate rose a tenth of a point to seven per cent in May amid a gain of 8,800 jobs in the month, StatCan said Friday.

That's up from 6.6 per cent at the start of the year and marks the highest unemployment rate since 2016 outside the pandemic years, the agency said.

"Overall, there has been virtually no employment growth since January," StatCan said in the release. That comes after gains of 211,000 net jobs from October through January.

RBC senior economist Claire Fan said the Canadian labour market was in "recovery mode" late last year as interest rate cuts started to generate momentum in the economy.

But that was before the "headwinds" of Canada's trade conflict with the United States whipped up, she said.

Job gains last month were concentrated in full-time work

and were led by a rebound in the wholesale and retail trade sectors, which faced losses in April and March.

Offsetting the growth was a contraction in public administration, mostly undoing a one-time boost in hiring tied to the federal election in April.

BMO chief economist Doug Porter said in a note to clients Friday that this jobs report gets a

"passing grade" because of the full-time and private sector gains.

But he said the latest labour force survey shows the U.S. trade dispute is putting "intense strain" on some parts of the economy.

The manufacturing sector, which was hard-hit in April, shed some 12,200 jobs in May. The transportation and warehousing industry also saw losses.

# PUBLIC NOTICES



DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED  
MAY 29 TO JUNE 4, 2025

RESIDENTIAL

19 COULEE RIDGE DRIVE SW - Single Detached House.

2376 RONAN PLACE SE - Detached Garage.

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/INSTITUTIONAL

1010 BRIER PARK DRIVE NW - Change Of Use (Self-Storage Facilities / Industrial Support Services / Similar Use).

3214 DUNMORE ROAD SE - Installation Of Portable Sign.

1830 STRACHAN ROAD SE - Installation Of Portable Sign.

HOME BUSINESS

22 TERRACE VIEW NE - Home Business Minor. Online Sales.

83 CAMP DRIVE SW - Home Business Minor. Window Cleaning/ Pressure Washing/Landscaping.

60 CASTELANI CRESCENT SE - Home Business Major. Landscaping.

What's Happening  
IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD



Scan code  
to view development  
notices online  
(updated weekly)

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

2025 PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

The 2025 Property Tax Notices were mailed on May 21, 2025 with a due date of June 30, 2025.

There is lag time in receiving title transfers from the Province of Alberta Land Titles Office. Recent ownership and mailing address changes may not be reflected on your notice. If you have not received your Tax Notice by mid-June, please contact Customer Care to receive a copy so that you can avoid the 8.5% late penalty charged on unpaid balances on July 1st.

**eTax - Property Assessment and Tax Information**

Owners can access their property tax information online at [www.medicinehat.ca/eTax](http://www.medicinehat.ca/eTax). Once registered, add properties using the tax roll account number and access code for each property. Access codes are displayed on the 2025 property tax notices. Owners may also choose to select paperless notifications for future tax and assessment communications.

**Tax Due Date – June 30, 2025**

Taxes are due on or before June 30th. Payments will be considered paid on June 30th if received by City Hall, processed by a financial institution or postmarked by Canada Post by 4:30 pm on June 30th, paid by credit card through the City of Medicine Hat’s Tax Online Payments portal by June 30th.

If a Canada Post postmark is absent or illegible, the date received by the City of Medicine Hat will be considered the payment date. Commercial postage meter imprints will not be honoured.

A penalty of 8.5% will be added to any unpaid balance on July 1, 2025.

**Monthly Payment Plan**

You can pay your taxes in monthly instalments by signing up for the Tax Instalment Payment Plan (TIPP) before June 30, 2025.

Please visit [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca) to sign up or call 403-529-8111.

**How to Pay**

The easiest way to pay is by automatic withdrawal through the TIPP payment plan. You can also pay by:

**Online Banking:** Payments can be made through telephone/ internet banking. Please ensure your tax current roll account number is registered for telephone/internet banking.

**In Person:** Payment may be made at Cashiers, Main Floor City Hall, between 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. Cash, cheque or Interac accepted.

**Debit Card:** Please contact your bank to ensure your daily transaction limit will accommodate your tax balance payment.

**Credit Card:** Credit card payments can be made through [www.medicinehat.ca/taxpayments](http://www.medicinehat.ca/taxpayments) with an administration fee of 2.4%.

**After Hours Drop Box:** Payments made by cheque can be deposited in the drop box at the west entrance to City Hall. Please do not leave cash in the drop box.

**Post-dated Cheques:** Post-dated cheques will be accepted by the City of Medicine Hat. Cheques must be dated for June 30th or earlier.

**Mail to:** City of Medicine Hat, 580 1 St SE, Medicine Hat AB, T1A 8E6.

**For further information regarding property taxes:**  
Visit the Website at: [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca)

Email: [tax@medicinehat.ca](mailto:tax@medicinehat.ca)  
Telephone: 403-529-8111

**GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR JUNE**

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

**Natural Gas – all customers**

The June natural gas default rate is \$1.927 per gigajoule (GJ), down from the previous month of \$2.322 per GJ.

The rate is based on the weighted average cost of the City's natural gas purchases for the month of consumption, plus \$0.07/ GJ to recover transactional costs and a small rate of return, in accordance with the Gas Utility Bylaw 2489.

**Electricity – Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting**

The calculated electricity rate for April, May and June 2025 is \$0.04507/kWh which, under the Electric Utility Bylaw 2244, defaults to the minimum \$0.07000/kWh for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting customers.

The rate is based on a 12-month, volume weighted forecast as per the ICE-NGX wholesale electricity energy market, not to exceed a maximum of 11 cents per kilowatt hour (kWh) or go below a minimum rate of seven cents per kWh, and is recalculated on the first business day of January, April, July, and October.

**Electricity - Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting Customers**

The current default electricity rate for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting customers is \$0.12025 per kilowatt hour.

The rate 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 Rate of Last Resort (ROLR) Regulation.

Under the new ROLR Regulation, this fixed rate is expected to remain in place until December 31, 2026.

Rate of Last Resort	Rate per kWh
Direct Energy Regulated Services	\$0.12020
ENMAX Energy Corporation	\$0.12060
EPCOR Energy Alberta G&P (Edmonton)	\$0.12010
EPCOR Energy Alberta GP (outside Edmonton)	\$0.12010
<b>City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)</b>	<b>\$0.12025</b>

**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 June is \$0.0040 per kilowatt hour.

For more details about energy rates, visit [medicinehat.ca/energyplans](http://medicinehat.ca/energyplans).

**THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT BYLAW 4846 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS BYLAW 4852 – TO AMEND THE TRI-AREA INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP)**

TAKE NOTICE that the Medicine Hat City Council gave first reading on Monday, May 5, 2025, to the following City of Medicine Hat Bylaw:

**Bylaw 4852.** A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF MEDICINE HAT to amend Bylaw 4846 Tri-Area Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) to adjust the eastern boundary of the IDP area north of the Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) rail line within Cypress County. The amendment would result in smaller Section 2.14 Sand and Gravel Resource and Section 2.12 Rural Development Areas, namely the Rural Development Area (East). No additional changes are being proposed to any policies in the IDP. The proposed boundary is being moved further to the west and will no longer include Highway 41.

A public hearing in general accordance with the Municipal Government Act and the City's *Procedure Bylaw*, and consideration of second/third readings of proposed Bylaw 4852 will be held on **Monday, June 16**, at approximately **6:30 p.m.** in City Hall Council Chambers (580 First Street SE).

**Public Hearing Submissions:**

Any person who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw may make an oral presentation limited to five minutes to City Council at the public hearing.

Written/electronic submissions – all written submissions received prior to the public hearing will be provided to City Council. Submissions received by 12:00 noon, on Monday, June 9, will be published in the Regular City Council Meeting agenda.

All written/electronic submissions become public documents and must be submitted to the City Clerk Department at 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 8E6 or via e-mail: [clerk@medicinehat.ca](mailto:clerk@medicinehat.ca)

**To view Proposed Bylaw:**

For further information or to view related documents, please contact Planning & Development Services at 403-529-8374. Additional information may also be accessed via the ‘Proposed Bylaws’ section on the city website at [www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca). Complete information regarding this project can be found online: <https://shapeyourcity.medicinehat.ca/intermunicipal-development-plan-2>

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, May 31, 2025, updated on June 7, 2025.

Municipal Contact Person:  
Ted Nestor, Senior Planner  
403-529-8374

**NOW RECRUITING CITY ADVISORY BODIES**

Are you a passionate community member who wants to make a difference? If so, consider applying for a position on the one of our boards:

- Community Vibrancy Advisory Board.
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

Learn more about each of the available positions and apply at:

<https://www.medicinehat.ca/en/government-and-city-hall/committees-commissions-and-boards.aspx>

For more information, please contact [clerk@medicinehat.ca](mailto:clerk@medicinehat.ca).

Open until filled.



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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF MEDICINE HAT(THE “CITY”)  
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

PURSUANT to sections 75.1, 75.5 and 606 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended (the “MGA”) and section 3 of the Municipally Controlled Corporations Regulation, A.R. 112/2018 (the “Regulation”), the Council of the City hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers (580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta).

The purpose of the public hearing will be for Council to hear and consider submissions from the public regarding the potential incorporation of a municipally controlled corporation (“MCC”), with the City as the sole shareholder, that would operate the City's electric generation, electric distribution and gas distribution business units (and the supporting energy marketing and business analysis function).

In accordance with section 3 of the Regulation, the City met the public disclosure requirements by publishing the business plan

and presentation materials (“Disclosure Documents”) for the proposed MCC via the agenda for the May 20, 2025 Regular City Council meeting, on the City's website ([www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca)) on May 16, 2025.

Any person who wishes to view the Disclosure Documents may do so by attending at the City Clerk’s office at City Hall,( 580 First Street SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday or by accessing the City's website ([www.medicinehat.ca](http://www.medicinehat.ca)) using the following link: Energy Business Strategic Review - Municipally Controlled Corporation (MCC) and Rate Review Committee (RRC) Disclosure.

The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the City's Procedure Bylaw No. 4725, as amended, and section 216.4 of the MGA.

Dated at the City of Medicine Hat, in the Province of Alberta, this 7th day of June 2025.

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