



Request for Decision

Title	Reschedule Start Time of Regular Council Meeting on September 13, 2016
Proposed Motion	That Council reschedule the start time of the September 13, 2016, regular Council Meeting to 8:00 a.m.
Administrative Recommendation	Administration recommends the rescheduling to allow Mayor Flynn and Councillor Shaw to attend the Alberta's Industrial Heartland Association NDP Caucus Tour during the afternoon of September 13, 2016.
Previous Council Direction	October 27, 2015 - Motion 316/15: That Sturgeon County Council establish a schedule for Regular Meetings to commence at 9:00 a.m. at the Sturgeon County Centre in the Town of Morinville, generally on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.
Report	<p><u>Background Information</u></p> <p>The normally scheduled 9:00 a.m. start time of the September 13, 2016, regular Council Meeting significantly limits certain members of Council (Mayor Flynn and Councillor Shaw) from attending the Alberta's Industrial Heartland NDP Caucus Tour occurring between 12:30 and 4:00 PM.</p> <p>Adjusting the start time of the Council meeting to 8:00 a.m. will allow Council business to be concluded by noon and allow the respective members of Council to attend this opportunity to meet with and advocate to representatives of the NDP Government Caucus and tour the Northwest Refinery.</p> <p><u>External Communication</u></p> <p>The change in the meeting time will be communicated to the public through the Morinville <i>Free Press</i>, <i>Redwater Review</i>, County website and social media.</p> <p><u>Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:</u></p> <p>Section 193(3) of the <i>Municipal Government Act</i>, RSA 2000, c.M-26 states that if Council changes the date, time or place of a regularly scheduled meeting the municipality must give at least 24 hours' notice of the change.</p>
Implication of Administrative	<p><u>Strategic Alignment:</u></p> <p>Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership</p>

Recommendation	<p>Providing opportunities and removing barriers for Council to attend these types of events contribute to an overall engaged and informed municipality.</p> <p><u>Organizational:</u></p> <p>Council attending events that promote the sharing of information on what’s happening in the region assists in our advocacy with the Provincial Government.</p> <p><u>Financial:</u></p> <p>N/A</p>
Alternatives Considered	<p>Council could decide not to change the meeting time.</p>
Implications of Alternatives	<p><u>Strategic Alignment:</u></p> <p>Either limits the opportunity to Advocate (if representatives do not attend) or sees two members of Council unable to participate in important Council business (if the Council meeting continues as normal).</p> <p><u>Organizational:</u></p> <p>N/A</p> <p><u>Financial:</u></p> <p>N/A</p>
Follow up Action	<p>If approved, the change in meeting time will be advertised appropriately allowing for the public to be informed (Legislative Services – Aug 24).</p>
Attachment(s)	<p>N/A</p>
Report Reviewed by:	<p></p> <p>Christine Beveridge, Senior Legislative Officer, Legislative Services</p> <p></p> <p>Peter Tarnawsky, County Commissioner – CAO</p>

Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

Mission: Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership			
<i>We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Consistent with neighborhood role (see MDP), master plans,, policies</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Considers fiscal stability and sustainability</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Has a positive impact on regional and sub-regional cooperation</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Respect the Natural Environment			
<i>We acknowledge the importance of a healthy environment and will minimize and monitor our impact on ecosystems (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Compliance with Provincial and Federal regulations and/or legislation</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ensure effective environmental risk management</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Identity & Spirit			
<i>We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan, (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Enhances service provision through community partnerships</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Supports Sturgeon County's cultural history</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planned Growth and Prosperity			
<i>We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Does the proposal align with the Integrated Regional Growth Strategy (map/policies) pg. 26 MDP</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Considers cumulative costs and long-term funding implications</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Targets growth around current or planned infrastructure</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities			
<i>We are committed to a safe, secure community, where our residents are respected and provided with access to opportunities. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Positive impact on residents' quality of life</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Supports and promotes volunteer efforts</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Provides programs and services that are accessible to all residents</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operational Excellence			
<i>We have the organizational capability to deliver consistent and defined levels of service to all stakeholders in a professional, efficient, and cost effective manner</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Staff have the knowledge, skills and capability to perform their jobs</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Streamlines operational processes and policies</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Promotes engagement and professional interaction with stakeholders</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Considers a cost-structure which allows Sturgeon County to remain competitive within a regional, national and global context</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>