

# **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# Council Highlights – January 14, 2025

#### Valleyview, Alberta

# Greenview Council Receives Maskwa Medical Centre Update

Maskwa Medical Center (Canada) Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation whose mission is to improve the quality of life and health outcomes for residents in Northwestern Alberta and is committed to accelerating and enhancing processes and access to medical specialists, family physicians and health services for patients in the Peace Region. Greenview Council has endorsed this integral regional project through a letter of support and \$525,000 in grants in 2021 and 2023 for business plan analysis and engineering design. In 2024, Greenview agreed to provide a \$3.5 million dollar interest-free loan to help move this project forward and will release these funds once construction is slated to begin. Representatives from the Maskwa Medical Centre project team provided an update to Council, which noted that progress continues for fundraising and discussions with corporate entities and the province. Council moved to accept the update for information as presented and added a motion directing Administration to provide a letter of support to each member of the Treasury Board to be signed by the MD of Greenview, City of Grande Prairie, and County of Grande Prairie in support of this project.

# Greenview to Pursue Agricultural Service Board Grant to Support Extension and Outreach Programs

In November 2024, the Agricultural Services Board moved to recommend to Council that Greenview pursue the "Resource Management" funding stream in the 2025-2029 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Grant program to support programming focused on beneficial management practice adoption, soil and water conservation, riparian protection, and more. Since 2022, Greenview has delivered these services through the Landcare Coordinator position and related programs. As a result, awareness and adoption of beneficial management practices and Environmental Farm Plans have grown among ratepayers, and grant funding opportunities for Greenview producers have increased. Council directed Administration to pursue this funding stream in support of these programs and services.

#### Grande Cache Swim Club Annual Meet Gets Greenview Support

The Grande Cache Otters Swim Club is hosting their 52nd Annual Swim Meet at the Grande Cache Recreation Center on February 1–2, 2025, and requested a sponsorship of \$4,751.25 to help with costs associated with hosting the meet. Council approved the Otters Swim Club sponsorship in support of their 52nd Annual Mountains Swim Meet February 1st – 2nd, 2025, in Grande Cache, Alberta, with funds to come from the 2025 Community Services Sponsorships & Donations budget.

# Greenview Council Supports Wapiti Nordic Ski Club to Host Alberta Cup Races

Wapiti Nordic Ski Club (WNSC) was founded in 1979 in the Wapiti corridor region of Grande Prairie, piloted by its dedicated volunteers and membership base, which includes two Greenview residents who are race team members. The club is hosting the Alberta Cup Races 5 and 6 on January 25 – 26, 2025, at the Wapiti Nordic Ski Club and requested a sponsorship to help with event expenses. Council approved a sponsorship of \$2,000.00 to the Wapiti Nordic Ski Club for hosting the Alberta Cup Races on January 25 – 26, 2025, with funds to come from the 2025 Community Services Sponsorships and Donations budget.

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# **Upcoming Events and Meetings**

- January 21, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting, DeBolt Public Service Building
- January 28, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers
- January 29, 2025 Agricultural Services Board Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers
- February 11, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Valleyview Council Chambers

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