

## **YOUR COUNCIL**

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All Council and Standing Committee meetings can be watched in-person and are also livestreamed. To watch a live meeting, please visit **stalbert.ca/live** 

### **LIBRARY BOARD MEETING**

**December 18 | 7 p.m.** | St. Albert Public Library, St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street

# INTERNAL AUDIT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

**December 13 | 10 a.m.** | Douglas Cardinal Boardroom, 3rd Floor, St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**December 17 | 1:00 p.m.** | via Zoom and in-person: Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street. Online at **stalbert.ca/live** 

Draft agenda – subject to change (visit **stalbert.ca** and search **Council Agendas** prior to the scheduled meeting):

- Public Hearing 2 p.m.
  - Bylaw 24/2024 Riverside Area Structure Plan Amendment
  - o Bylaw 23/2024 Riverside Redistricting
- · Committee Business
  - o PLACEHOLDER: SCOW Business Matters
  - Youth Advisory Committee Recommendation: Civic Agency Intake
  - Community Services Advisory Committee Recommendation: 2025 FCSS Program Funding
  - Community Services Advisory Committee Recommendation: 2025 Outside Agency Grants
  - Arts Development Advisory Committee
     Recommendation: 2025 Project Plan Funding
     Request
- Business Items
  - o 2025 Municipal and Utility Budget
- Bylaws
  - Bylaw 27/2024 Municipal Elections Bylaw
  - o Bylaw 31/2024 Amend the Master Rates Bylaw
  - o Bylaw 32/2024 Utility Bylaws
  - Bylaw 30/2024 Community Standards Bylaw Amendments
- Council Motions
  - o Land Use Bylaw Drive-Through
  - Review Request for Residential Permit Parking Policy C-TS-03
- In Camera
  - o Council/Chief Administrative Officer Dialogue
  - Council Dialogue

## **TAKE NOTE**

# ST. ALBERT TRANSIT SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS

St. Albert Transit will be implementing minor schedule adjustments effective **December 15, 2024**.

Adjustments are being made to weekday service for Route A14. All other routes remain unchanged from the current Fall/Winter schedule.

For more information, please visit ridestat.ca

#### **NOTICE OF JOINT CITY-RCMP EXERCISE**

REMINDER: Today the City of St. Albert and RCMP will conduct a full-scale emergency preparedness exercise simulating an active shooter and mass casualty event. The exercise will primarily take place at the City's Jack Kraft facility, where most of the police presence and any associated loud noises will occur. There will also be some supporting activities and police presence in and around Servus Credit Union Place; however, these will be limited compared to the activity at Jack Kraft.

The exercise will involve a significant number of first responders, police and emergency vehicles, drones, a helicopter, and controlled loud noises as part of the training. Rest assured this activity is all part of the exercise and there is no cause for alarm.

Please note all programs and activities at Servus Place will continue as usual. More info: stalbert.ca/events/calendar/notice-of-joint-city-rcmp-exercise/

## **HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

Most City departments will be closed from **noon** on **December 24, 2024 to January 1, 2025.** Only essential services, including emergency response, will be offered during this period – see **stalbert.ca** for details. All departments and facilities will resume regular hours on **January 2, 2025.** If you are experiencing a water or wastewater emergency, please call **780-458-2020.** 

## TRANSIT SERVICE

St. Albert Transit will be offering a modified holiday schedule from **December 24 to January 1** with no transit service on **December 25 or January 1**. Visit **ridestat.ca** for full schedule details.

## **WASTE COLLECTION**

- There will be no waste collection on December 25
  and January 1. Collection will occur on December
  26 and January 2 for any areas not collected due
  to Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Please
  note, collection on these days may take longer to
  complete due to the increase in cart pickups.
- Between December 26 and December 31, extra garbage tags can be purchased at Servus Place during their holiday hours.
- For more information, visit stalbert.ca/waste

#### **UTILITY AND TAX PAYMENTS**

 Payments can be dropped off at the St. Albert Place mail slot located on the right-hand side of the front doors. Please note that in-person payments will NOT be available during the holiday closure.

- Utility and Tax payments may be made at participating financial institutions or through telephone or internet banking (for taxes your roll number is your account number; for utilities your account number is noted on your utility bill).
- By Mail For Taxes on or before **December** 31, 2024. Payments made via cheque should be made out to "The City of St. Albert" and postmarked (stamped or printed on the envelope by Canada Post) on or before **December 31**, to avoid late penalties.
- Visit stalbert.ca for info or to view all payment options.

Other City phone numbers will not be monitored during this closure (**December 25 to January 1**) and will be answered again starting **January 2**. Please note that throughout the closure many services can be completed using our online services by visiting **stalbert.ca** and searching **Online Services**.

Please note: The first issue of Citylights in 2025 will be on **January 16.** 

### **CITY SERVICES DURING POSTAL STRIKE**

With the disruption in mail service, the City has several ways that residents and businesses can pay their City utility bills, access transit and renew their licences.

### **Paying Utility Bills**

Pre-authorized withdrawal – Customers can enroll in pre-authorized withdrawal to ensure their utility payments are made on time without needing to view a copy of their bill. Call **780-459-1520**, option 2 or email utilities\_services@stalbert.ca

- Online and Telephone Banking Payments can be made through most financial institutions
- In-person Payments for all services can be made in-person at Customer Service, main floor, St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street. Monday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Quick Drop Box (right side of main door) –
   Payments can be made by cheque or money order (no cash) at St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street (after business hours, weekends and holidays).

Customers can find out their utility balance by emailing **utilities\_services@stalbert.ca** or by calling Utilities Services at **780-459-1520**, option 2.



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### ST. ALBERT TRANSIT (STAT) BUS PASSES

- With the disruption in mail service, the City is providing Subsidy transit riders using Local Passes with two options for December.
- Local pass users can keep using their November Local pass in December. Transit Drivers will allow the use of November Local Passes as valid fare in December.
- If an individual, for whatever reason, is uncomfortable using the November Local pass, they are welcome to come to Community Services Front Counter in St. Albert Place to pick up a December Local pass in person.
- Please note this only applies to residents who have been approved for the transit subsidy.
- Please also note that this does not apply to commuter passes. The normal process will continue to be in place, which is for transit riders to purchase the commuter pass in person.

#### **DOG LICENCE RENEWALS**

The 2025 Dog Licence Renewals will be generated the last week of **November**. If you have signed up for e-billing, you will receive your invoice immediately.

Delivery of paper invoices will be dependent on Canada Post. Licence holders are still responsible for payment of their dog licence for the 2025 year during the Canada Post strike. Payment is due by **January 31, 2025** and can be completed as follows:

- Online at stalbert.ca through "Online Services"
   Use your five-digit account number to complete the payment. Accepted payment methods include Visa, Mastercard, and American Express credit cards (Visa Debit is not accepted).
- Online and Telephone Banking Payments can be made through most financial institutions. Use the payee name "City of St. Albert Dog Licence" (the phrasing may vary by bank).
- In-person Payments for all services can be made in-person at Customer Service, main floor, St. Albert Place, 5 St. Anne Street. Monday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at the RCMP Detachment Front Counter Services, Monday to Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The City cannot guarantee a delivery date for the Dog Licence Renewal Invoice. If you require account information phone Municipal Enforcement by phone at **780-418-6644** or email **doglicensing@stalbert.ca**.

#### **BUSINESS LICENSING RENEWAL NOTICES**

Due to the ongoing Canada Post strike, Business Licensing Renewal invoices or certificates cannot be mailed.

- EBilling Accounts: If your account is on eBilling, you will receive your invoice via email the first week of December.
- Non-eBilling Accounts: Contact licensing@ stalbert.ca or call 780-459-1618 after December 2, 2024, to renew your licence.
- In-Person Pickup: Invoices can be collected at 29 Sir Winston Churchill Avenue or emailed upon request (for non-MyCity users) after December 2, 2024.

All St. Albert business licences expire on **December 31** and must be renewed for the following year if the business will continue operations.

For complete information on the various options of paying your business licence, please visit **stalbert.ca**/dev/business/stalbert/licensing/licence-renewals

The City is currently reviewing other City services should the mail disruption continue. More information will be available as its confirmed.