

January 19, 2024

ALUS Partnership Advisory Committee (ALUS PAC) c/o Angela Veenstra, Manager, Agriculture Services 9613 100 Street
Morinville, AB T8R 1L9

Re: ALUS PAC Mandate Letter for 2024

On behalf of Council, thank you for your work in supporting the achievement of Sturgeon County's Strategic Plan. Your role in providing a forum for examining timely issues and providing advice to Council related to your mandate supports Sturgeon County's Vision:

Offering a rich tapestry of historical, cultural, and natural experiences, Sturgeon County is a municipality that honours its rural roots and cultivates desirable communities. Uniquely situated to provide world-class agricultural, energy, and business investment opportunities, the County prioritizes responsible stewardship and dreaming big.

Council requests that, in 2024, you focus your efforts on the initiatives identified below, which support the County's Strategic Plan and Corporate Business Plan. Council seeks for Committee members to be champions of these initiatives and play a key role in the communication of these initiatives in the community.

Activity	Requested Completion Date
Review and evaluate project proposals in accordance with ALUS principles.	Q1-Q4 2024
Approve funding for ALUS projects while ensuring program acre targets and ALUS funding partner criteria are met.	Q1-Q4 2024
Promote the ALUS program to Sturgeon County's agricultural community and advocate regarding program benefits.	Q1-Q4 2024
Provide input into Sturgeon County's annual ALUS program acre targets.	Q4 2024
Provide opportunities for increased engagement with youth, which may include attendance of Sturgeon County Youth Advisory Committee representatives at Committee meetings to understand the mandate of the Committee and how youth can be involved in their community, now and into the future.	Q1-Q4 2024
Provide input on Sturgeon County's digital customer service priorities and roadmap.	Q1-Q4 2024

Based on the activities identified above, Council requests that the Committee develop a Workplan for 2024, which is to be filed with Legislative Services no later than March 29, 2024. Council also requests that the Committee report to Committee of the Whole on your progress before the end of the calendar year. You are invited to present to Committee of the Whole before that time if there are any emerging matters you are working on.

If there are matters recommended by the Committee that have a financial implication, please bring these matters to Council's attention no later than August 31, 2024 so that they can be considered as part of the 2025 budget process.

It may be necessary to adjust the above activities to accommodate emerging issues. In such event, a revised mandate letter will be issued with further direction.

Council also encourages the Committee to be aware of federal and provincial initiatives related to alternative land use services. Mandate letters issued to the federal and provincial ministers can be found online and provide some additional context of the priorities at the federal and provincial levels.

Thank you for your commitment to Sturgeon County and for being part of the ALUS Partnership Advisory Committee. Council looks forward to learning of the progress on these important initiatives and receiving your valuable input.

Sincerely,

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Mayor, Sturgeon County

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