

White City inSight



A monthly newsletter providing residents of White City with need-to-know information regarding Town events, programs, and service reminders.

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Nice to Know

Strategic Plan: What We Heard

The Town of White City is growing, and we want your input as we plan for what comes next. We're developing our next Strategic Plan to guide the Town's decisions from 2026 to 2029.

What's a Strategic Plan?

The Strategic Plan sets the direction for Council's priorities, decisions and investments from 2026 to 2029. This plan will steer our vision and values for the next four years, from infrastructure and services to growth, recreation, and regional partnerships.

It's a roadmap that helps guide how the Town grows, delivers services, and responds to community needs. The strategic plan shapes what gets done — and when — over the next four years.

It's important that this plan reflects the needs, values, and aspirations of our community.

How Did We Engage Residents?

Earlier this year, we asked for input from residents to help shape the focus areas and goals in the new plan — and you delivered! We received feedback from over 560 people through surveys, pop-up events, drop-in sessions, and direct outreach. Approximately 15% of White City's adult population participated in the community survey. Thank you to everyone who shared their voices during our public engagement for the 2026–2029 Strategic Plan!

After carefully reviewing and compiling the information, the Engagement Summary Report is now live. Read on for key takeaways, or dive into the full report on our website:

whitecity.ca/p/2026-2029-strategic-plan.

What Did We Hear?

Development & Growth

While many support growth, some are cautious about:

- High-density housing (e.g., apartments)
- Losing green space and small-town feel
- Infrastructure not keeping pace with development
- Lack of public input early in the planning process



Financial Responsibility

Residents emphasized:

- Concern over water costs and quality
- Support for fiscal responsibility and focus on core services
- Opposition to unnecessary spending or risky capital projects
- Desire for better communication about budgets and long-term plans



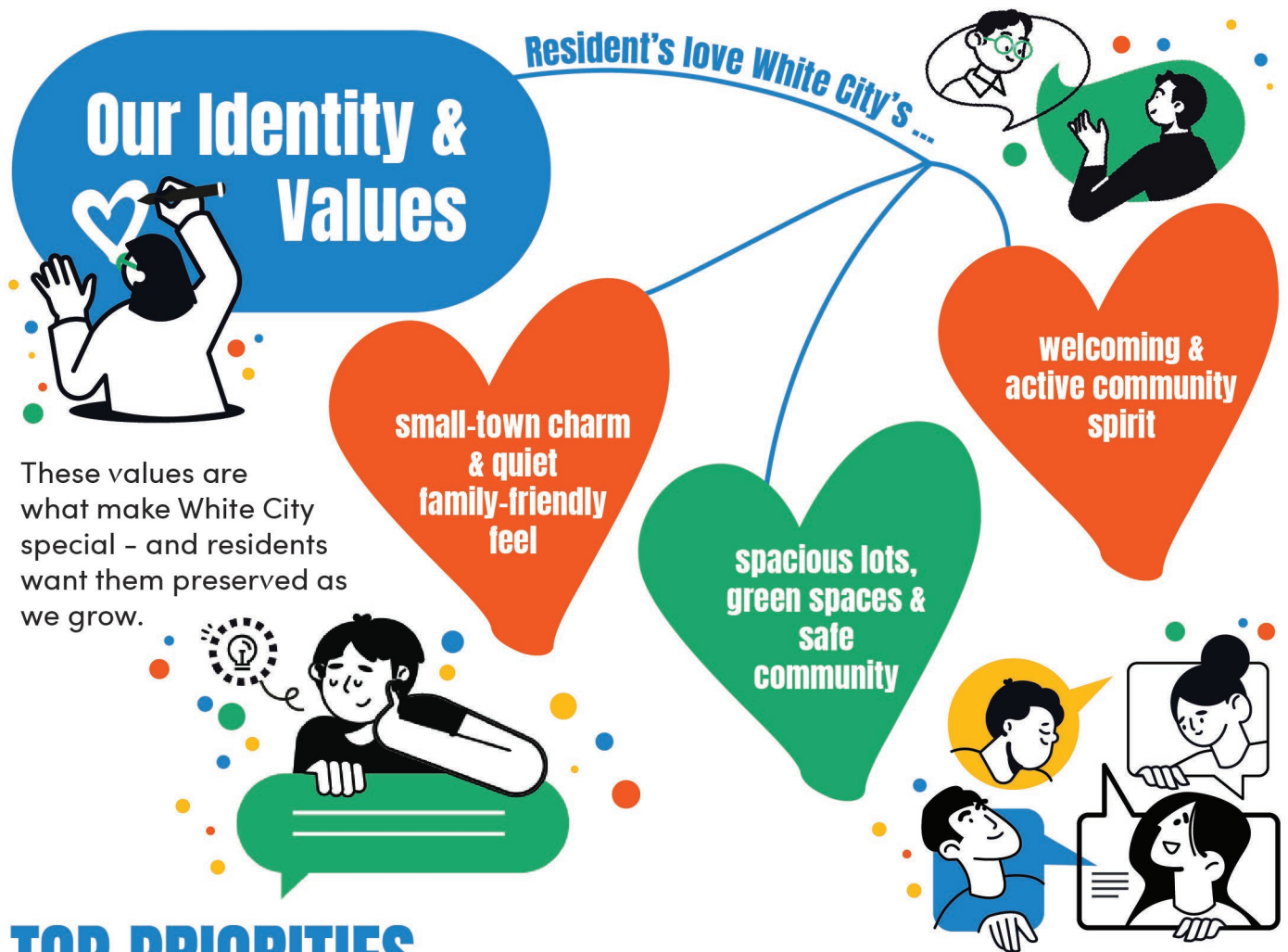
Ideas for Improvement

Residents shared ideas to enhance quality of life:

- A local high school and new recreation facility
- More sidewalks and pathways
- Age-friendly amenities and youth programming
- Local businesses like a coffee shop, medical clinic, or family restaurant

Welcome to Nice to Know—a section of our newsletter where we'll share a little something extra each month. Sometimes it might be a quick tip or fun fact. Other times, we'll have more to share—like updates on major capital projects happening around town. Whether it's a quick tidbit or a deep dive, this is your spot for useful info that helps you stay in the know about what's happening in White City.

Nice to Know



TOP PRIORITIES

The five most important areas for investment over the next four years:

Growth Management

Ensure new development aligns with community character.

Indoor Recreation

A year-round facility for sports, events and connection.

Local High School

Identified as the #1 missing service for families; keep advocating for a high school in the community.

Core Infrastructure

Invest in everyday essentials that keep our town running smoothly.

Communication & Transparency

Keep residents in the loop about plans, budget and big decisions.

What Now?

Your feedback is already being put to good use as Council drafts the Strategic Plan. There will be another opportunity to give feedback on the draft Strategic Plan in November.

Stay tuned: this is your chance to influence the future direction of White City!

Town Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Town Office Closed for Labour Day 	2 6:30 pm Public Meeting 7:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting 7:30 pm Fitness Bootcamp	3 	4	5	6
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28	29 7:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting	30 Town Office Closed for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation 7:30 pm Fitness Bootcamp	<div> <div> Reminder: Pay your property taxes by September 30 to receive 11% off the municipal portion! </div> </div>			

Mosaic Pumpkin Workshop

Create a sparkly 8" mosaic pumpkin that can be used as a trivet or a stand-up fall decoration. Ages 18+. \$70 per person.

Learn more and register by October 5:

whitecity.ca/p/mosaic-pumpkin-workshop.

Thursday, October 9, 2025

6:00 – 9:00 pm

Toddler and Me

Connect and unwind with other parents and caregivers while your children enjoy self-directed play. Infants are welcome to attend. Please note, adult supervision is required. Sessions take place at the White City Community Centre (12 Ramm Ave E).

Wednesdays

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Forever... in motion

Forever... in motion is back at the White City Community Centre. Drop in and join instructors Gaye Kreklewich and Marj Siman.

No registration is required! All equipment provided.

Tuesdays and Thursdays

10:00 – 11:00 am

White City / Emerald Park District Lions Club

Monthly Club Meetings take place the fourth Wednesday of each month at the White City Community Centre. For more info, reach out to Brian Fergusson at 306-536-9419 or lionbrianfergusson@gmail.com.

Senior Social Club

Senior Social Club is a fun and dynamic way for seniors in the community to connect with their peers weekly at the White City Community Centre (12 Ramm Ave. E).

New this fall, the club is hosting special line dancing sessions with instructor Shelley Rogers!

These sessions are free to attend and are open to all seniors 55+ – dancing not required.

Wednesdays

September 10 to October 29

1:00 – 2:00 pm: line dancing

1:00 – 4:00 pm: refreshments and card games

Fitness Boot Camp

Shake up your routine with a fun, full-body workout designed for all fitness levels. Expect a mix of cardio, strength, mobility, and stretching in a high-energy interval format.

Cost: \$150 for 12 weeks

Drop-in registration fee: \$15/class

Reserve your spot online:

whitecity.ca/p/fitness-boot-camp

Tuesdays until September 9
New session begins September 23
7:30 pm – 8:15 pm

Learn More About Our Programs

Find more details at

whitecity.ca/p/recreation-programs

Questions? Contact our Program and Event Coordinator, Meaghann White, at 306-781-2355 ext 237 or mwhite@whitecity.ca.



The advertisement features a dark background with various hand-drawn icons in white and yellow, including a volleyball, an open book, a paper airplane, a basketball, musical notes, a lightbulb, a spiral, stars, and a smiley face. The Luther College High School logo is prominently displayed in the center. Below the logo are three photographs: a basketball game, the school building, and a stage production. The text 'JOIN THE FUTURE LUTHER STUDENT PROGRAM!' is written in large, bold letters. Below this, a paragraph describes the program's benefits for students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. A list of program perks is provided, followed by a QR code and a link to the program's website.

LUTHER COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

JOIN THE FUTURE LUTHER STUDENT PROGRAM!

Students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 can join for **FREE** and experience the Luther College High School community!

PROGRAM PERKS:

- ✓ A membership card
- ✓ Free admission to the Luther Invitational Volleyball Tournament (LIVT)
- ✓ Discounted tickets to our annual fall musical
- ✓ Thursday free admission to the Luther Invitational Tournament (LIT)
- ✓ Invitations to other special school events in arts and athletics

Learn more and register at luthercollege.edu/fls



Public Works

Upcoming Projects & Reminders

Our crew is busy preparing for fall and saying goodbye to our Summer Student Team.

Here are a few important updates and reminders from the department:

- Road Construction: Public Works will continue to work on crack sealing and line painting. You can find the latest information on road closures and repairs at whitecity.ca/p/road-closures-construction.
- Bin Placement: When putting your garbage, recycling and compost bins out for collection, please keep them on your property, not on the road. Set bins about six inches back from the asphalt. Loraas trucks can reach up to nine feet away, so they'll have no trouble picking them up.
- Elm Tree Pruning: Pruning Elm trees between September 1 and March 31 is permitted. If you hire someone to prune your elms, make sure they have the proper qualifications and have completed the required training programs; improper pruning can spread diseases or damage trees. Remember to properly dispose of elm wood; in Saskatchewan, it's illegal to transport, store or buy elm firewood. To learn more about Dutch Elm Disease, visit saskatchewan.ca/dutch-elm-disease.

Returning this Month: Branch Chipping

The Town's branch chipping service is back from September 22 until October 3. Help keep things running smoothly by following these guidelines:

- Pile branches neatly at the curb, with the cut ends facing the road. Unorganized or tangled piles may be refused for pickup as they create safety concerns for staff.
- Branch chipping is intended for branch and tree trimming, not tree removal.
- Town staff are limited to 30 minutes per property and cannot collect tree roots, stumps, or branches exceeding 5" in diameter.
- Have branches out no later than October 1, 2025.

Landscaping Inspections

If you're planning to complete your landscaping project this year, don't miss the deadline! The last day to request a landscaping inspection is September 30, 2025. All inspection requests received after September 30 will be carried over to the next inspection season, which begins May 30, 2026.

You can still submit and process a landscaping permit application at any time, but inspections only take place between May 30 and September 30.

To avoid delays and ensure your project stays on track, submit your inspection request before the deadline by emailing townoffice@whitecity.ca.

Are you prepared to support a young person
12-24 in a mental health emergency?

Mental Health First Aid Supporting Youth Course

- ✓ October 25 and 26, 2025
- ✓ 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM both days
- ✓ Receive certificate after course completion

White City Community Centre - 12 Ramm Avenue

- Cost: \$175 per person
- To Register: e-mail payment to skidbyburns@gmail.com
- You will be officially registered once payment is received.
- Receipts provided

Facilitator:

Susan Kidby - Burns, RPN
skidbyburns@gmail.com
Cell: 306-581-0607

This course is for anyone ages 16 plus including parents, coaches, teachers, youth workers, or anyone involved with youth (between age 12-24).



Community Safety

July 2025 Statistics

- 10 Traffic Bylaw incidents
 - 9 parking reminders
 - 1 helmet reminder for e-bikes
- 26 traffic stops conducted
 - 13 tickets issued
 - 12 warnings issued for speeding
 - 1 warning for using a cell phone while driving
 - 1 warning for driving without due care and attention
 - 1 warning for driving without lights at night
- 8 Community Standards incidents
 - 5 general Community Standards cases
 - 3 noise-related cases
- 5 animal control incidents
 - 2 reports of cat at large
 - 1 report of excessive barking
 - 2 cases of dog off-leash/at large
- 1 Golf Cart Bylaw case for underage driver and viewing an electronic device while driving

The inSight newsletter is created around the 15th of each month. Publishing CSO statistics from July in September aligns with the newsletter production schedule, allowing time for thorough data analysis and timely inclusion in the current edition. August 2025 statistics will be available in the October 2025 edition.

Reminders for White City **Pet Owners**

To help keep our community enjoyable for all residents, we ask pet owners to follow a few important guidelines:

1. Dogs must always be leashed when outside your home unless they are in a securely fenced yard. Even well-behaved or friendly dogs can be unpredictable, and not everyone is comfortable around animals. A leash keeps your dog safe and shows consideration for your neighbours.
2. Please be mindful of barking. If your dog is barking excessively, especially for long periods or late at night, bring them indoors. Constant barking can be very disruptive, and we all share the responsibility of maintaining a peaceful environment.
3. Cats are not permitted to roam freely in the neighbourhood. Please ensure your cats remain indoors or are supervised in a safe, enclosed outdoor space.
4. Dogs and cats living in White City are required to have an animal licence. Licences can be obtained at the Town Office. Registering your pet ensures compliance with the Town's bylaws and helps with identification if your animal ever goes missing.



Back-to-School **Safety Tips**

September 2 marks the first day of school and that means our streets are once again full of students walking, biking and getting dropped off. It's important for all of us to set a positive example of safe driving and safe walking! Everyone plays a part:

Drivers: Stay Sharp & Drive Smart

- Slow down and obey all speed limits, especially in school zones.
- Stay alert near crosswalks and intersections, particularly before and after school when traffic is busiest.
- Ditch distractions in your car! Keep your eyes on the road and hands on the wheel, and be ready for sudden stops.
- Build a little extra time into your schedule to prevent rushing and to safely navigate traffic.





Pedestrians: Walk Safe & Stay Seen

- Use crosswalks and sidewalks whenever possible and always double check traffic in both directions before stepping out.
- Make eye contact with drivers and don't assume they see you or that you have the right of way.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing to stay visible, especially during early mornings, evenings, or cloudy fall weather.
- Don't walk distracted. Turn down music, take off headphones, and put away your phone so you can hear and see traffic clearly.
- Teach safety early! Go over traffic rules and safe walking habits with your kids — especially if they walk or bike to school.

September 2025



White City Public Library Program & Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Closed for Labour Day	2 Library Board Meeting 8:00pm	3	4 Lego Club 3:45pm Drop-in	5 Preschool Storytime 10:00AM	6 Family Karaoke 10am-2pm Drop-in
7	8 Windows 10 is Retiring: Now What? Presentation 6:00pm International Literacy Day	9 Board Strategic Planning 6:00pm	10	11 Lego Club 3:45pm Drop-in	12 Preschool Storytime 10:00AM	13 Teen/Adult Metal Stamping 10am-2pm Drop-in
14	15 Adult Book Club 6:30pm Anna O by Matthew Blake	16	17	18 Adult Book Club 11:00AM I Never Met a Rattle Snake I Didn't Like by David Carpenter	19 Preschool Storytime 10:00AM	20 Family Karaoke 10am-2pm Drop-in
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NEWSLETTER SURVEY

Tell us how we can best serve residents!



The Town of White City is reviewing the effectiveness of this newsletter. Monthly editions of White City inSight are currently mailed to residents and available online.

We want to better understand how residents engage with the newsletter, what content is most useful, and how we can improve or adapt it to meet residents' needs. Your feedback will help the Town evaluate whether the newsletter continues to provide value and whether any changes should be made to its format, content, or frequency.

Please take our brief online survey to shape future decisions about how we communicate with the community.

Visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/insight-newsletter or scan the QR code to get started!





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LUTHER INFO NIGHT



OCTOBER 14 | 7:00 p.m.

Luther College at the U of R
3829 Lee Gren Avenue

Thinking about a University of Regina degree in **Arts; Science; Media, Art & Performance;** or a **pre-professional pathway** to Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, or Optometry?

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- ✓ Take optional tours of Luther College and The Student Village residence

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Luther has helped me in my academic and personal goals, and it has been an incredible experience. Class sizes were small enough that you really got to know the professors one-on-one and create great connections for the future. Without Luther, I would not be the person I am today.”

–KATIE, STUDENT

luthercollege.edu/university/infonight



St. Joseph Roman Catholic Parish

302 King Street, Balgonie

Sacrament Preparation for children in Grade 2 or older:

- First Reconciliation
- First Communion
- Confirmation

Classes on selected Sundays at 9:15 a.m.
prior to the 10:30 a.m. mass.

Beginning Fall of 2025.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) – dates and times TBD.

For more information or to register:

st.j.catechism.balgonie@gmail.com

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Fermented Foods & Show and Share

Rebecca Aspinall & Michelle Bruce

Join Rebecca Aspinall, formerly a high school science teacher, and her mother Michelle Bruce, retired and loving it, who are both avid gardeners and enjoy preparing healthy and tasty food for their family and friends.



Their journey into fermented food was prompted by some health issues and a curiosity about enhancing the natural flavours of fruits and vegetables. Join us as we learn about the science behind fermentation, the health benefits of fermented foods, and the simplicity of fermenting foods in your own kitchen.

As well, a "show/share table" of items from our own member's harvest, an idea, photo, a bouquet, anything they love! Or, an item that is seeking a new home.

Wed. Sept 10th, 2025, at 7:00 pm

Ramada Emerald Park

Everyone Welcome

Visitors drop-in fee \$5.00

Info: <https://whitecitygardenclub.ca/events/>

