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YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Mission Statement:

To promote the sense of community through enhancing and preserving the quality of living and the historic character of our unique neighbourhood.

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Dates/Upcoming Events

Board of Directors

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Alexandra Dopudj
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& Heather McKinnon

Annual General Meeting

October 14, 2025

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the **PCA Annual General Meeting**. The meeting will come to order at 7:00 pm sharp.

The agenda for the AGM will be posted on the website at www.Parkvale.ab.ca and on our Facebook page. Everyone is welcome; you must have a paid membership to vote at the AGM.

Memberships can be purchased that evening and are due for renewal at the AGM. Please bring cash or cheque, or e-transfer to ParkvaleRD@gmail.com

Join neighbours and Board members for a **BBQ** prior to the meeting:
5:30 pm - 6:45 pm
Bring a dish if you like. 😊

As always the June Summer Picnic was a big hit with Parkvale residents young, and young-at-heart!



Your newsletter is published 4-5 times a year. Your input is welcome.

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FINAL STEPS FOR BACKYARD SUITE REGULATION CHANGES

While Council made some very positive modifications to the regulations at First Reading, the danger now is **complacency** since it could be seen as indifference. Your support will help ensure these new regulations are passed at the Public Hearing and Second/Third Readings.

The table below compares the current to the proposed regulations:

Category	Current Regulation	Proposed Regulation
Building Height	10m	5.5m (18ft) for suites built at grade and 7.4m (24ft) for suites built over a garage
Floor Area	75% of primary dwelling footprint	75% of primary dwelling footprint or 75m ² , (807ft ²) whichever is lower
Variance Powers	Unlimited	Any regulation relating to backyard suites may be relaxed by the Development Authority to a maximum of 15% in neighbourhoods with Overlays and Character Statements
Character	No regulations	Backyard Suites shall be subject to neighbourhood overlays and character statements

The PCA appreciates the proposed changes. However, we have two concerns:

1. Suites should not be taller than the primary dwelling and be limited to the proposed height maximums. Not being taller than the primary dwelling ensures these developments are secondary structures and is a common regulation for backyard suites in surrounding communities.
2. Variance powers should be reduced to 10%. 10% appears to be a standard limit on variance powers in other communities and is what is used elsewhere in the Red Deer Zoning Bylaws.

What can you do? **Attend the Public Hearing**

Monday, September 15th at 5:00 pm at City Hall

You can also sign up to speak to Council at the Hearing.

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2025 Red Deer Municipal Election **CANDIDATE FORUM**

On Development & Community Engagement

TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 30
FESTIVAL HALL
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
4214 58st, Red Deer

Theme:

Development and Community
Engagement

Moderator:

Monica Morrison
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Each candidate will be given the opportunity to answer one of six pre-determined questions. Afterwards, there will be an open mic session for follow-up questions followed by time to speak informally with the candidates. Doors close at 9:30 pm.

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Several committees could use more hands:

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