



SUGAR CITY NEWS

News from the Town of Raymond



VP Fortis Visits Raymond

On July 14, 2023, members of Council and Administration met with Todd Dettling, VP of Customer and Stakeholder Engagement, and others with FortisAlberta to discuss a number of matters, including the ongoing power surges that Raymond had been experiencing for a number of months earlier this year and that it was causing significant damage to some of our local business equipment as well as to our municipal infrastructure. Council also discussed the need for the capacity of our local substation to be expanded so it did not negatively affect our future growth.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS OPERATIONAL

On August 4, 2023, the Town commissioned 3 new electric vehicle charging stations. There are now 2, Level 2 Fast Charging Stations and 2, Level 2 stations. These stations were 100% funded by grants from the provincial government's Municipal Climate Change Action Centre and the Federal government.

As electric vehicles become more common, we want to make sure that visitors are able to plan their trips with confidence to our community and know that they will be able to charge their vehicles. Any time we can attract a traveler to stop and spend time in our community significantly increases the amount of money that they spend at our local businesses.



End of an Era...

On September 26, 2023 the historic Raymond Stampede Grandstand was taken down to accommodate the extension of 50S from 250E to East Park Street as part of the \$37.6 million high school construction. While it is sad to see a part of history disappear, we are excited to see the rodeo relocate to their new home, thanks to the generosity of the RK Heggie family. Civil earthwork is underway at the new site and a new bleacher system, like what's at VSP will be installed in time for the 2024 Rodeo!

