

Town of Edson

Citizen Budget Update

November 27th, 2018



Overview



- This is the first year the Town of Edson has used the Citizen Budget tool.
- The program was launched November 13, 2018.
- As of November 27th, 26 Responses were received.



Protective Services

Areas Addressed:

- Fire Department
- Bylaw
- RCMP Services

Comments Received:

- Peace officers are necessary but currently is overkill
- Spending needs to be cut. It's that simple
- Why are the Town and county not working together and having 1 fire department?
- Why do we have two fire departments so close to each other. Can we work something out to mutually benefit both the Town and the County?
- It's ridiculous that they will get automatically called out with everything, they should wait and get called if needed by the ambulance. Waste of our \$\$



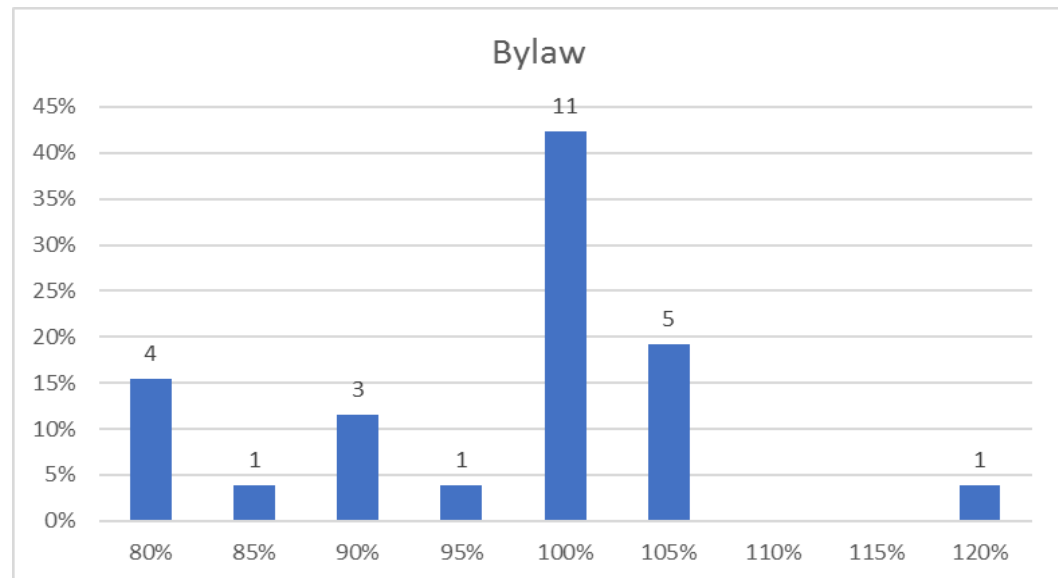
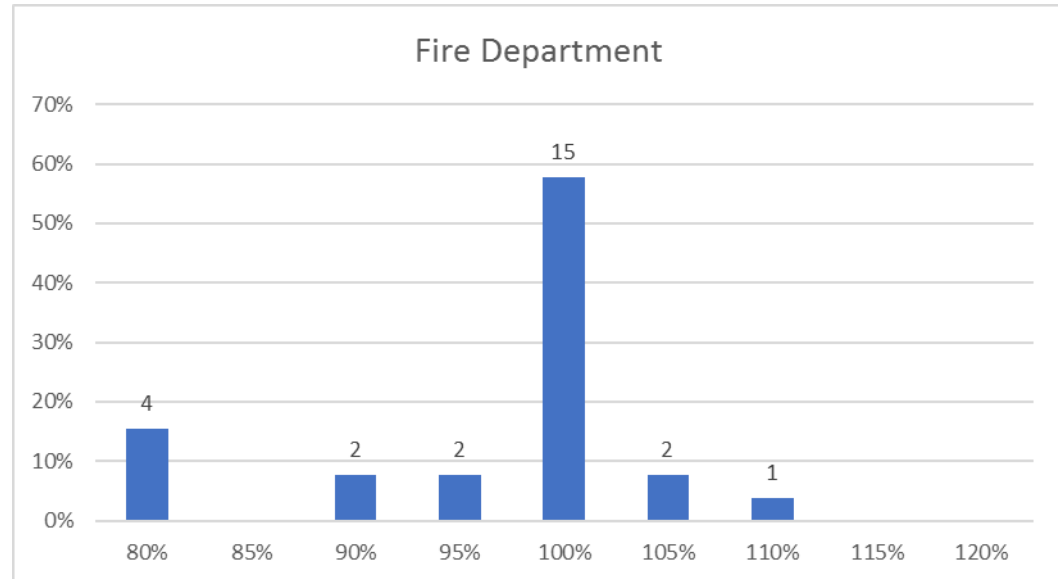
Protective Services

Fire Dept:

31% lowered funding
58% stayed status quo
11% increased funding

Bylaw:

35% lowered funding
42% stayed status quo
23% increased funding

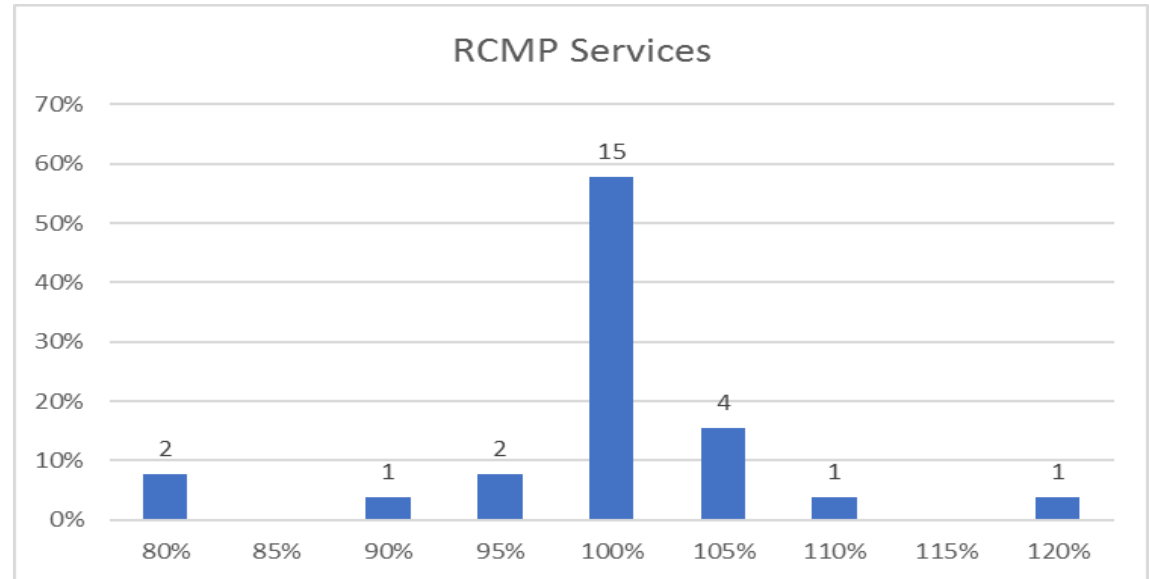




Protective Services

RCMP Services:

19% lowered funding
58% stayed status quo
23% increased funding





Community Services

Areas Addressed:

- FCSS
- Parks
- Community Development
- Repsol Place

Comments Received:

- Please build the multi-plex and a new theatre. I'm tired of living in a town with facilities that don't meet our needs and the negative seniors who are against all the things that would help Edson. Probably because they can afford to spend half of the year in the states.

- With the development of a new multiplex, Repsol Place needs to run on a minimum budget.

- Build the multiplex and a theatre!

- The trail maintenance is great, keep that up. Community events are fantastic and keep everyone connected. Don't waste anymore money at Repsol when the multiplex is coming



Community Services

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Comments Received (cont):

- Multi use facility should not be a consideration for our community until the economy improves \$10,000,000 is ridiculous waste of taxpayers money.

- Edson has done an amazing job in supporting our Community through Community Services. It is challenging to keep track of all the opportunities to attend local initiatives by this department. And the Parks (trails and sidewalks) beautiful and well-kept!

- Would be nice to have better play equipment out at Vision Park for the kids. Or even a fenced-in playground area, as it's close to the highway. Looked much better overall this year though!



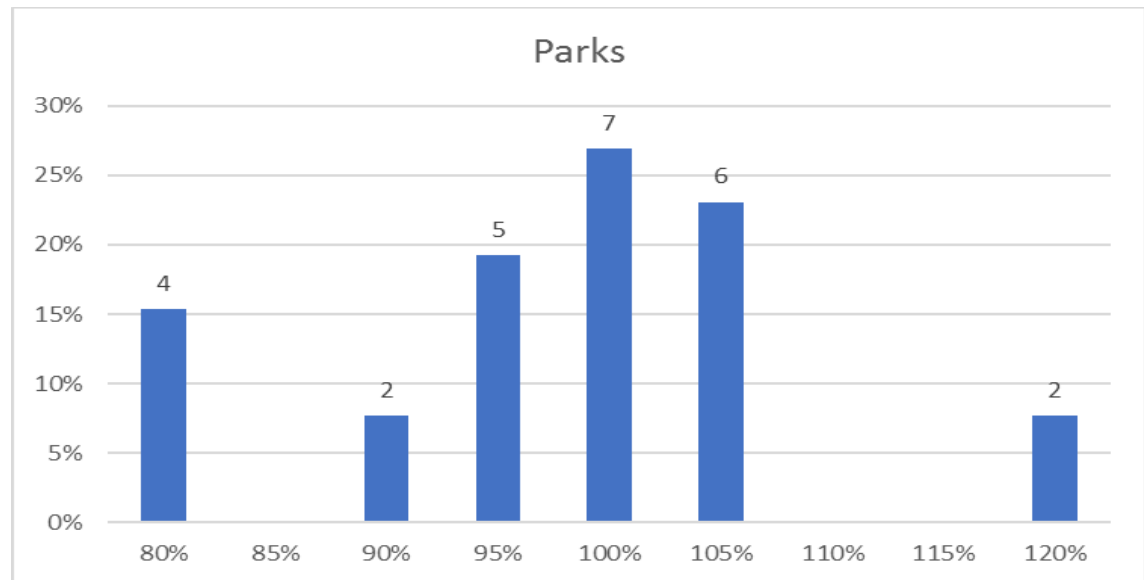
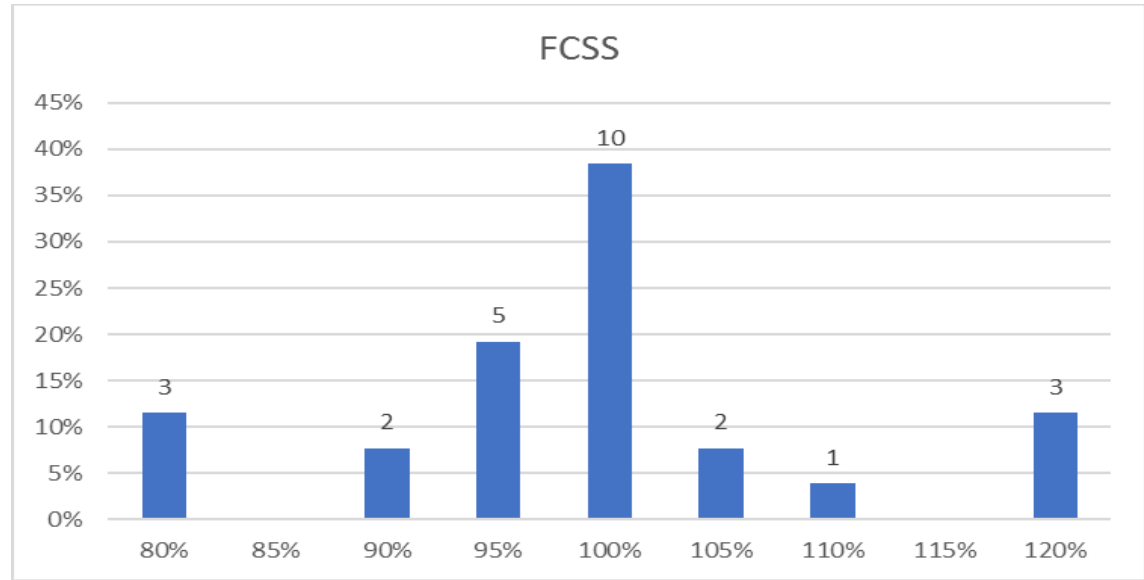
Community Services

FCSS:

38% lowered funding
38% stayed status quo
24% increased funding

Parks:

42% lowered funding
27% stayed status quo
31% increased funding





Community Services

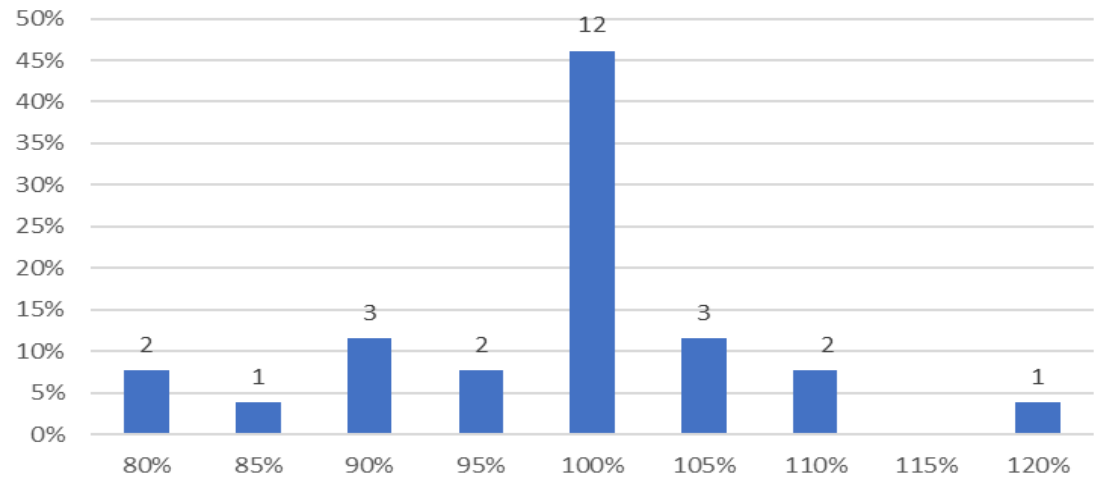
Community Development:

31% lowered funding
46% stayed status quo
23% increased funding

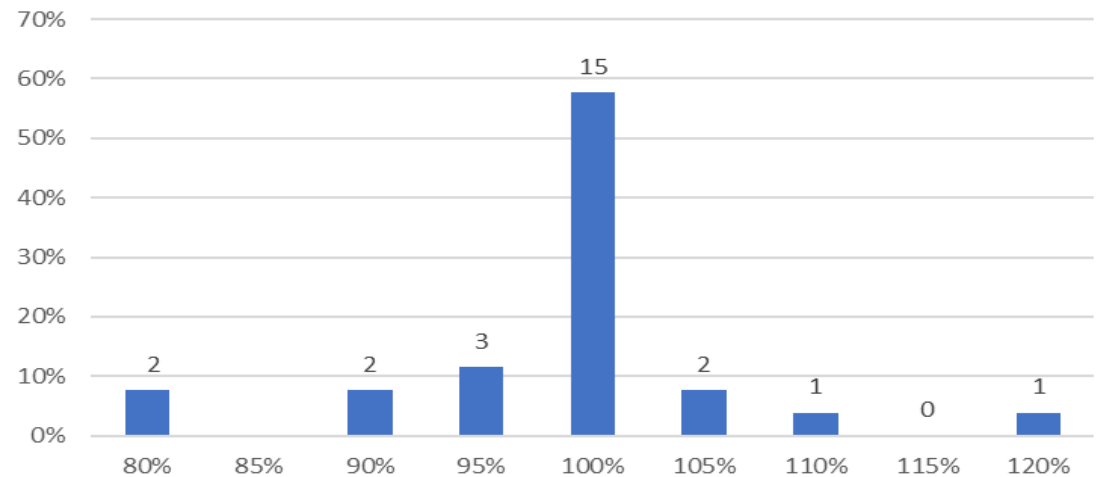
Repsol Place:

27% lowered funding
58% stayed status quo
15% increased funding

Community Development



Repsol Place





Infrastructure Services

Areas Addressed:

- Roads/Snow Removal
- Waste Collection
- Recycling
- Landfill

Comments Received:

- We are already pay additional charges for waste collection and water/sewer.
- I'd pay more for curbside recycling pickup.
- Seems like the recycling depot has a huge budget already. Are free seniors lunches every month really necessary?
 - GFL waste removal seems to be costing taxpayers much more than was originally presented.... bad choice by council?
 - Only dropped recycling because the Town seems to give them more and more money every year. Would bring it back up for a curbside program.



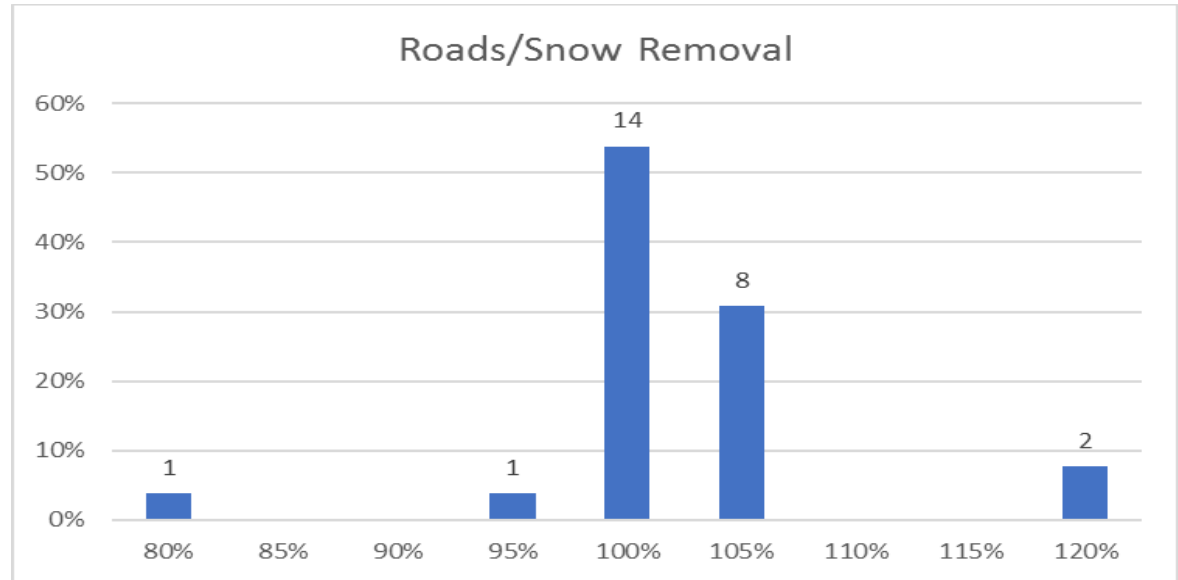
Infrastructure Services

Roads/Snow Removal:

7% lowered funding
54% stayed status quo
39% increased funding

Waste Collection:

23% lowered funding
65% stayed status quo
12% increased funding





Infrastructure Services

Recycling:

69% lowered funding
23% stayed status quo
8% increased funding

Landfill:

46% lowered funding
50% stayed status quo
4% increased funding

