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# News Release

## Flashing Green Light Bylaw

**Edson, Alberta, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021** – The Town of Edson has joined a growing list of communities that has passed a Flashing Green Light Bylaw. Council gave all three readings to Bylaw 2253, the Flashing Green Light Bylaw at their February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 Council meeting.

The Traffic Safety Act allows for a municipal Council to pass a bylaw allowing for authorized firefighters to display a flashing green light while responding to an emergency. In Edson's case, the green lights would be used for our volunteer firefighters responding to the firehall. There are no changes to the fire apparatus, which utilize the standard red lights.

The purpose of the bylaw is to enhance public safety and awareness by identifying Edson Firefighters who are in the process of responding to the hall. The bylaw does not give any special privileges or powers to those responding volunteers, but gives other motorists and pedestrians notice that there is an emergency taking place and to yield if it is safe to do so.

Please watch for our responders utilizing these new lights and keep our roads safe for all users.

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