



# Public Hearing Guide

**Matter:** Consideration of Bylaw 2026-007  
Land Use Bylaw Rezone Rural General to Rural Industrial  
**Public Hearing Date:** April 1, 2026 at 1:30 pm

## **Public Hearing Guide**

This Guide will govern the Public Hearing in addition to Vulcan County's Procedural Bylaw.

### **Registration:**

1. Members of the public who wish to make a verbal presentation at the public hearing are encouraged to register in advance. Members of the public who wish to make a virtual presentation must register in advance to receive the meeting link.
- 2. Registration may be done by emailing [ea@vulcancounty.ab.ca](mailto:ea@vulcancounty.ab.ca) or calling 403-485-3102 before 4:00 p.m. on March 31, 2026.**
3. Members of the public who attend in person but are not registered to speak will be given an opportunity to speak after all registered speakers have spoken.

### **In-Person and Virtual Verbal Presentations:**

1. Verbal presentations by the public will be limited to 5 minutes, if representing a group will be limited to 10 minutes. A countdown clock will be used to assist with managing time.
2. Speakers must identify themselves by first and last name and explain how they are affected by the matter being considered at the public hearing before they begin their presentations.
3. Speakers will only have one opportunity to speak.



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4. For virtual verbal presentations, if the connection is lost during the presentation, the County will note the speaker's time and move to the next speaker. If the County or speaker are able to reconnect, the speaker will be given their remaining time to conclude their presentation.

## Written Submissions:

1. Members of the public may provide written submissions in advance of the public hearing for consideration.
2. Written submissions must be legible, include the author's first and last name, group name, or corporate name AND include how the author is affected by the matter being considered at the public hearing.
3. Written submissions that are offensive, discriminatory or otherwise inappropriate or do not meet the criteria outlined in this Guide may be redacted or returned.
4. All written submissions will be made public as part of the Council agenda.
5. Members of the public who submit a written submission may also make a verbal presentation.
6. Written submission must be emailed to Development Services at [devassist@vulcancounty.ab.ca](mailto:devassist@vulcancounty.ab.ca) by March 27, 2026. Late submissions may be received at the discretion of Council.



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## Virtual Attendance:

1. Anyone may attend the public hearing virtually via a **Microsoft TEAMS meeting link**. To obtain the meeting link, send an email requesting the link to [ea@vulcancounty.ab.ca](mailto:ea@vulcancounty.ab.ca) or calling 403-485-3102 by 4:00 p.m. on March 31, 2026. **No late registrations will be accepted.**
2. Anyone attending or participating virtually will require a computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone that can access the Microsoft Teams app. Virtual attendees and participants are responsible for testing their cameras, speakers and microphones prior to the meeting to confirm that they have the means to participate in the public hearing . The County cannot provide technical support and is not responsible for poor or lost connectivity. Virtual participants must keep their devices on mute.
3. Members of the public who attend virtually may not speak unless they have registered in advance.

## Public Hearing Procedures:

1. The Chair will declare the public hearing in session.
2. County Administration will present an overview and summary of the matter being considered.
3. The applicant will be invited to make a presentation.



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4. The Chair will call speakers to make presentations in the following order:
  - Registered in-person speakers;
  - Registered virtual speakers; and
  - In-person members of the public who did not register to speak.
5. At the conclusion of each speaker's presentation, Council may ask the speaker questions to clarify a point but there shall be no debate.
6. Once all speakers are concluded, the Chair shall invite the applicant to make closing comments, if any.
7. Administration will respond to questions from Council, if any.
8. The Chair will close the public hearing.