## **Council's Annual Strategic Planning Sessions**

Each year, Strathcona County Council and administration come together to spend time discussing priorities to ensure administration clearly understands what Council wants to achieve for citizens. It's common for organizations to hold strategic planning sessions in other communities to ensure the participants are not distracted by their regular day-to-day work.

Focus is really important in these types of strategic discussions. These sessions are hard work, important work, and worth every dollar. These sessions give administration the opportunity to share what they've heard from citizens. The clearer the priorities are understood, the more efficient and effective the relationship is between Council, the community and administration.

The following are the annual cost of these working sessions, backdated to 2007:

- 2007 (Lily Lake) \$15,313.22
- 2010 (Jasper Park Lodge) \$23,308.47
- 2012 Phase One (Northern Bear) \$8,799.79
- 2012 Phase Two (Jasper Park Lodge) \$25,656.67
- 2012 Total = \$34,456.46
- 2014 (Red Deer/Sherwood Park) \$26,750
- 2015 (Calgary) \$18,104

## Further information

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