November 20, 2026

RE: City of Beaumont 2027-2031 Budget – Water infrastructure related upgrades

Dear Mayor Vanderkwaak and Council:

BILD Edmonton Metro represents more than 500 companies in the building and development industry. Our members are committed to helping more people and businesses choose to live, invest, and thrive in the region. We appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with you and Administration so that we can resolve concerns of common interest and generate growth that makes sense for Beaumont.

We urge Council to fund all capital upgrades identified in the proposed Budget pertaining to the Water System Renewal Program, in particular the St. Vital Reservoir Resealing and St. Vital Pump Refurbishment. We also urge Council to fund the St. Vital P&R – Reservoir Storage Expansion under the Innovation Park Off-Site Serving Program.

It is important to note that we remain concerned about water constraints within the City of Beaumont for new development, given more recent engagement with BILD Edmonton Metro on off-site levies and the Utility Master Plan. We request Council's additional consideration of mechanisms to decrease the timeline for full water pump and reservoir related upgrades to address water capacity issues. Moreover, we appreciate the opportunity to meet with Administration mid-December to clarify matters including impacts to development projects as the water pump and reservoir items are addressed. We look forward to continuing to work with you to support smart growth in Beaumont that provides housing options and great neighbourhoods.

Sincerely,

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