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Public Behavior			
1	Liquor	Residents	<p><i>Current Standard (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No consumption of liquor in an open space area without a permit. Spruce Grove Open Space Bylaw, s. 11.3). <p><i>Additional Standard (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A pilot project where consumption of liquor is permitted in a designated site like Jubilee Park with restrictions (only allowed between 11 am and 9 pm, not allowed in the children’s playground or spray park) should be considered.
2	Camping	Residents	<p><i>Current Standard (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No camping in an open space area without a permit. Spruce Grove Open Space Bylaw, s. 19 <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Camping includes staying overnight in a vehicle, tent trailer, or any other temporary or portable shelter, or under the open sky. (Red Deer Parks and Public Facilities Bylaw) Camping is not allowed on private land for longer than 7 days in a row.
3	Graffiti Prevention and Abatement (NEW)	Residents, business owners, utility box owners	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <p><i>New Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graffiti means words, letters, symbols, marks, figures, drawings, inscriptions, writings or stickers that are applied, etched, sprayed, painted, drawn, stained, scribbled or scratched on a surface without the consent of the property owner, and does not include anything authorized by law. Beaumont CSB Graffiti is not allowed on any building, structure, vegetation or thing.

¹ These minimum standards were recommended by Committee members during the Feb. 21 Committee of the Whole meeting.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An owner cannot have graffiti on any building, structure, fence or vegetation that is visible from any surrounding areas. • If a property is defaced by graffiti, it must be removed within 21 days by the property owner.
4	Charity Collection Sites (NEW)	Residents, charity organizations, for profit organizations	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <p><i>New Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety measures must be taken with donation bins to prevent people from being trapped inside. • An organization must have a permit to operate a donation bin. • The owner of a donation bin is responsible to make sure the bin and surrounding area is kept tidy (e.g., no messy or overflowing bins).
5	Panhandling (NEW)	Residents, business owners, community groups	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <p><i>New Standard (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panhandling is not allowed.
6	Urination/Defecation (NEW)	Residents, business owners	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <p><i>New Standard (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public urination/defecation is not allowed except in a facility designated for such use.

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7	Causing a Disturbance	Residents	<p><i>Current Standard (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nobody can disturb others by fighting, using insulting or obscene language or commit any disorderly or lewd conduct in public areas. <p><i>Additional Standard (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addition of “swearing” in the statement above.
Property Maintenance/Neighbour Relations			
8	Nuisance/Unsightly Properties	Residents, business owners, community groups, commercial property owners, utility box owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Nuisance Unsightly and Untidy Properties Bylaw, s. 1.13-1.14) • Spruce Grove Land Use Bylaw, s.52A <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <p><i>Unsightly Properties</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An unsightly or untidy property means that because of its condition or the accumulation of refuse, debris, materials or other items, it is detrimental to the use or enjoyment of the surrounding area or neighbouring properties. • Property owners should not allow the accumulation of items such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Loose or bagged garbage, ○ Bottles, cans, boxes or packaging materials, ○ Household furniture or other household goods, ○ Automobile parts, ○ Parts of disassembled machinery, equipment or ○ Yard waste, including grass, tree and hedge cuttings, leaves. • Property owners must ensure all buildings, fences and infrastructure (such as parking lots and utility boxes) are safe and do not show signs of serious disregard for general maintenance, upkeep or repair.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Serious disregard for general maintenance, upkeep or repair” includes but is not limited to damage, deterioration, rust, rot, presence of pests, inappropriate infiltration of air, water or moisture into a building due to peeling, unpainted or untreated surfaces, missing shingles or other roofing materials, broken or missing windows or doors, or other hold or opening in the building. • If a building that is normally intended for human habitation is unoccupied, any door or window opening may be covered with a solid piece of wood that follows specific standards (e.g., specific thickness, coated in protective finish). <p><i>Pet Waste</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No property owner or occupant of a property shall have or allow in or on the property, the accumulation of animal feces. <p><i>Appliances</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An unused appliance cannot be placed outdoors on an owner’s property unless it is being temporarily stored there while awaiting a move or disposal. • While temporarily storing an unused appliance outdoors, safety measures must be taken to prevent opening and/or closing. • Unused appliances that are placed outdoors temporarily must be removed within 14 days or less.
9	Landscape Obstructions	Residents, business owners, commercial property owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Traffic Bylaw, ss.1.27, 8.1-8.2 • Spruce Grove Land Use Bylaw, s.50(2) <p><i>Additional Standard (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property owners must ensure that trees, shrubs, hedges and/or other vegetation do not block the use of a back alley.

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10	Vegetation/Weeds/Trees/Grass	Residents, business owners, commercial property owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Nuisance, Unsightly and Untidy Property Bylaw. • Spruce Grove Tree Protection Bylaw, ss.6.1-6.6 <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property owners must not allow trees, shrubs, hedges or other vegetation to grow onto neighbouring properties. <p><i>Naturalized Yards (as per City of Edmonton website)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A natural yard is an ecologically inspired landscaping approach that creates a more natural looking landscape than a turf-dominated yard. • These yards emphasize native plant species, support local wildlife and avoid chemical use where possible. • A natural yard is not created by not mowing an existing lawn or by allowing ‘nature’ to do what it will with bare soil areas. This will result in a weedy yard, not a natural yard. • Native plants do not just grow on their own; natural yards will not thrive if not carefully planned. • Poor aesthetics have the potential for neighbour complaints. • The City of Spruce Grove requires residents to keep their grass to a maximum height of 15 cm. • These standards apply equally to front, side and backyards.

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11	Boulevards	Residents, business owners, commercial property owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Land Use Bylaw, s.15 • Spruce Grove Traffic Bylaw, ss. 8.2(d)(e), 8.23 • Tree Protection Bylaw, ss.3.1-3.2 <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property owners who wish to place a sidewalk in their boulevard must have a permit. • Property owners who wish to extend the driveway across a boulevard must have a permit. • Grass in the boulevard must be kept to a maximum of 15 cm in length. • Only City owned trees and shrubs are allowed in boulevards. <p><i>Boulevard Gardens</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property owners should be allowed to garden the strip of land between the sidewalk and the road. • To ensure safe and accessible spaces for everyone, a permit would be required for a boulevard garden.

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12	Recreational Vehicles	Residents	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Land Use Bylaw, Definitions, s. 47 • Spruce Grove Traffic Bylaw, s. 4.15 • City of Spruce Grove RV Parking Website <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current City bylaw indicates that recreational vehicles (RV) cannot be parked on side streets, street side, front yards or driveways except between May 1 to October 31 in any year. Committee recommends revising the start date from May 1 to April 15. • A RV can be parked on a roadway immediately beside the owner or operator’s residence and for no more than 72 hours in a row. • After 72 hours, a RV must be moved off the city street for at least 48 hours in a row before it may be parked again on the roadway beside an owner or operator’s residence. • A RV on a private property cannot be occupied as a temporary dwelling. A temporary dwelling is a place where a person lives for limited period of time (no more than 7 days in a row) and is not a permanent residence. • Snowmobiles are excluded from the definition of a RV. Summer restrictions will be put into place. For example, snowmobiles on trailers can be parked in residential area, hitched to a vehicle when parked on roadways from October 15 through to April 1. <p>*Content to be updated pending Committee feedback on definition and maximum number of allowable vehicles.</p>

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13	Construction Waste/Building Materials	Residents, building developers, business owners, commercial property owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Construction Site Cleanliness Bylaw <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property owners must ensure construction materials are stored neatly and garbage must be placed in waste bins. • Property owners must ensure there is not an excessive accumulation of materials, including but not limited to loose building or construction materials, any accumulation of construction-related garbage or refuse, or any untidy work or storage areas on land. • Property owners should ensure that construction does not prevent safe access to and use of sidewalks and driveways.
14	Garbage/Waste	Residents, business owners, commercial property owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Municipal Utility Services Bylaw, s. 7.4(a)(i-x) <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garbage and organic waste can be set out for collection a maximum of 24 hours before Collection Day and removed at the end of Collection Day. • Garbage bins must not be stored on public property.
Noise Control			
15	Prohibited Noise and Decibel Limits	Residents, business owners	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spruce Grove Noise Control Bylaw <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nobody is allowed to make noises that disturb other people. • In determining what sound is likely to disturb others, consideration may be given to, but is not limited to, the following criteria:

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ type, volume, and duration of the sound; ○ time of day and day of week; and ○ nature and use of the surrounding area. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A Person shall not cause or permit any construction activity on Property they Own or Occupy before 7 a.m. or after 9 p.m. on a Weekday or before 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m. on a Weekend or Holiday. ● A Person shall not collect, cause, or permit the collection of garbage with a Motor Vehicle on or adjacent to any residential property before 7 a.m. or after 9 p.m. on a Weekday or before 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m. on a Weekend or Holiday. <p><i>Decibel Limits</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Limits on how loud noises can be (decibel limits) are needed such as: <p><i>Daytime Decibel Limits – Residential</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nobody shall create sound exceeding 65 decibels as measured from the property line of a residential property between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. Exceptions include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 70 decibels lasting a total period of time not exceeding two hours in any one day. ○ 75 decibels lasting a total period of time not exceeding one hour in any one day. ○ 80 decibels lasting a total period of time not exceeding 30 minutes in any one day. ○ 85 decibels lasting a total period of time not exceeding 15 minutes in any one day. <p><i>Overnight Decibel Limits – Residential</i></p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nobody shall create sound exceeding 50 decibels as measured from the property line of a residential property before 7 a.m. or after 10 p.m. <p><i>Daytime Decibel Limits – Non-Residential</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nobody shall create sound exceeding 75 decibels as measured from the property line of a non-residential property between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. Exceptions include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 80 decibels for a total period of time not exceeding two hours in any one day. 85 decibels for a total period of time not exceeding one hour in any one day. <p><i>Overnight Decibel Limits – Non-Residential</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nobody shall create sound exceeding 60 decibels as measured from the property line of a non-residential property before 7 a.m. or after 10 p.m.
Smoking and Cannabis			
16	Smoking and Cannabis Restrictions in Public Spaces and Cannabis Odour	Residents	<p><i>Current Standards (existing City legislation)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consumption of cannabis is prohibited in all forms. If a person has a medical document, they are exempt, but are subject to the Smoking Bylaw. Spruce Grove Consumption of Cannabis in a Public Place Bylaw Spruce Grove Smoking Bylaw <p><i>Additional Standards (as recommended by Committee)</i></p> <p><i>Cannabis Odour</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nobody should engage in an activity that creates an odour, emission, smoke, vapour or dust or airborne matter that is reasonably likely to disturb another person.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nobody shall cause or allow property they own or occupy to be used so that any odour, emission, smoke, vapour, dust or airborne matter is reasonably likely to disturb another person. • In determining whether something is reasonably likely to disturb, the following may be considered but is not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Time, frequency, duration, ○ Time of day and day of the week, ○ Weather and ambient conditions, ○ Distance to neighbouring properties, ○ The nature and use of surrounding area and ○ The effects of the matter in question.
Urban Farming			
17	Hen keeping (NEW)	Residents	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People should be allowed to have a hen coop on the property they reside on as long as specific requirements are followed (e.g., completion of an accredited urban hen keeping course, approved site plan that includes a minimum two-week notification period for neighbours to provide feedback to the City etc.). A license would be required.
18	Beekeeping (NEW)	Residents	<p><i>There is no existing City legislation on this topic.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People should be allowed to have a bee colony on the property they reside on as long as specific requirements are followed (e.g., completion of an accredited urban beekeeping course, approved site plan that includes a minimum two-week notification period for neighbours to provide feedback to the City). A license would be required.

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