



PROCLAMATION

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

WHEREAS the City of Fort Saskatchewan is committed to the safety and security of everyone who lives, works, and visits our community; and

WHEREAS fire remains a serious public safety concern, and the growing use of lithium-ion batteries in everyday devices introduces new fire risks; and

WHEREAS lithium-ion batteries power many common devices, including smartphones, laptops, power tools, e-bikes, e-scooters, and toys, and can overheat, catch fire, or explode when damaged, misused, or improperly charged; and

WHEREAS safe charging practices, including using manufacturer-approved chargers, charging on a hard, flat surface, unplugging devices when fully charged, and charging larger devices outside and away from exits, can help reduce the risk of fires; and

WHEREAS Fort Saskatchewan first responders are dedicated to preventing fires through public education, safety initiatives, and community outreach; and

WHEREAS the 2026 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, **“Charge into Fire Safety™: Safe Charging Is a Superpower,”** encourages everyone to make safe charging choices every time they plug in;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Makin, Mayor of the City of Fort Saskatchewan, do hereby proclaim **October 4–10, 2026, as Fire Prevention Week** in Fort Saskatchewan, and encourage all residents to learn about and practise safe charging habits.

Mayor Lisa Makin

October 3, 2026