Town of Edmonston
Town Council Work Session Minutes
Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

1. .Mayor Gant called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and teleconference attendees were Council Members Michelle Bonilla, Betsy McCauley, John Johnson, Town Administrator Rod Barnes, Town Clerk Averi Gray, and Police Chief Eric Beale. Council Member Sarah Turberville & Town Attorney Jason Deloach were absent.

2. Proposed FY26-27 Budget Overview – Revenues, Debt Service, Capital Outlay, Grants, Public Works

   Town Administrator Barnes presented detailed financial information across departments. Key discussions included capital outlay items such as paying off principal payments, purchasing a new police vehicle, including a 2026 Ford pickup for surveillance and community engagement, and upgrading Taser equipment, along with body cameras that feature multi-language translation capabilities. The town's revenue sources were examined, including property taxes, business license fees, parking tickets, and various other charges, with a total revenue projection of $2,065,835. Public Works expenses were reviewed, covering salaries, vehicle maintenance, street lighting, and other operational costs. The Council discussed reducing the proposed electric vehicle charging station project from $65,000 to $3,000 in response to feedback about budget constraints and pending grant approval. The Town Council also considered establishing a fund to assist residents in emergencies, and a need to rebuild the town's reserves.

3.Closed Session (If required) PLEASE **STATE PURPOSE AND WHO IS ATTENDING.**

6. At 7:48 p.m., Mayor Gant adjourned the work session meeting.

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Mayor, Tracy R. Gant

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Averi Gray, Town Clerk