



Masters served up many topics at Chamber breakfast event

Regina Mayor Sandra Masters helped the Chamber complete its 2022 Breakfast Series on Fri., Dec. 9 with an address which included wide array of topics.

Speaking before a large crowd at the Delta Regina, Mayor Masters touched upon how economics are tied directly to the many facets of the City of Regina, such as the state of the city infrastructure, the progress of the Catalyst Committee and the evolution of the 2023 and 2024 budgets.

Mayor Masters spoke for 15 minutes before sitting down for a Q&A session. Here are a few points of interest from the address:



Mayor Masters talked about working with Niki Anderson, who took over as City Manager on Nov. 1.

"I'm really pleased with her viewpoints so far on how things should work. In terms of city operations and serving the public, she's pretty in-tune with the idea that if we don't grow our commercial tax base, then the residents will continue to bear the brunt of increased costs."

During the Q&A session, Mayor Masters was asked about the City's role in addressing homelessness.

"Okay, so Sandra is going to speak as Sandra right now, my personal perspective and not on behalf of council. We'll see that play out next week. We are not social services. We are not health. We are not mental health. We are not corrections. It's not us.

"I think we have a coordinating role. I think we figure how to convene and bring folks together and come up with ideas."

The Catalyst Committee survey results were recently released and Mayor Masters was asked how the City planned to prioritize those projects.

"Not one of these facilities gets built without both levels of government participation in some way. The private sector will potentially get involved. It will actually be determined by where the feds and the province want to play and they get to determine that."

Mayor Masters further explained that the City is focused on strengthening and building

relationships with the Federal and Provincial governments.

"One of the things that we are looking at is improving our relationships with Federal and Provincial governments . . . The next infrastructure candidate program is going to be negotiated through the Province and the feds. We've been invited to the table, along with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, as well as the Federal government's infrastructure ministry. We've been invited to weigh in and that gives us flexibility to talk about things we need in our community."

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