

interVivos's election forum is back with *A Municipal Affair*

The non-partisan conversation series returns with a municipal edition ahead of Edmonton's upcoming election

October 7, 2025 (amiskwaciwâskahikan | Edmonton, AB) — interVivos's *A Municipal Affair* election forum will offer an atypical and non-partisan approach to debate by encouraging respectful conversation, community connection, and intentional, honest civil discourse ahead of the municipal election.

"This event will provide a unique space for Edmontonians to come together for real conversations on the municipal issues that matter most to them," says interVivos President Zohreh Saher. This is an opportunity for citizens to connect with local experts and our hope is this structure will spark discussion and meaningful dialog."

Emceed by Engagement & Operations Lead at Alberta Mentoring Partnership Sarah Chan, engagement and operations lead at Alberta Mentoring Partnership, group discussions will include topics like **Affordability and Taxes, Safety, Local Economy and Innovation**, and **Accountability**. While candidates and their staff are welcome to attend, no campaigning will be allowed to ensure conversations remain free-spoken and uninhibited.

Leading the conversations are Rachel de Vos, chief policy & advocacy officer at Alberta Municipalities, and Scarlet Bjornson, external relations advisor at Bissell Centre, who will rotate through small groups to lead conversations with openness and kindness.

Tickets are [available for purchase via EventBrite](#). Advocating for accessible, community-first political events, interVivos is keeping ticket prices low and using the collected funds to keep our volunteer-run, nonprofit organization strong. Tickets are available for \$20 until 4:30pm on October 8, 2025. If any tickets remain, they will be \$25 at the door. Interested attendees to whom cost presents a barrier are encouraged to reach out to connect@intervivos.ca to inquire about reduced or complimentary tickets.

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About interVivos:

interVivos is a volunteer-run organization that has been cultivating leadership in Edmonton through dialogue, engagement, and mentorship since 2006.

interVivos acknowledges that we operate within Traditional Treaty No. 6 Territory. We would like to honour all of the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these Lands for centuries. interVivos endeavours to continue in our efforts to develop a deeper understanding of the rich history, language, and culture of Indigenous Peoples and the impact of Reconciliation in our community.

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