

NEW

HQ

Construction kicks off!



PROJECT HISTORY: Background information and details on past progress, as well as previous issues of this publication can be found on the Marigold website at:
www.marigold.ab.ca/projects-events/new-headquarters-building/the-project



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It's official: Construction



Groundbreaking Ceremony

The Marigold and WID new Headquarters groundbreaking ceremony was held at the facility construction site on September 11. For event coverage see Page 5-6.



Contract signed

On August 24, the contract with Lear Construction Management Ltd. was executed.



PLSB Infrastructure Grant

The expenditure deadline for the \$3.020 million PLSB Infrastructure Grant is December 31, 2020. PLSB will receive a report in 2021 that includes a summary of how the grant was used, a description of outcomes and a project financial statement. Marigold has already provided Dr. Diana Davidson, Director of PLSB a list of our expenditures to date.

Groundbreaking ceremony officially kicks off construction

Marigold and Western Irrigation District (WID) celebrated the official start of construction on September 11. Eighty-two people attended, including Marigold and WID board members and staff, elected officials, BRZ architects, lawyers, insurance reps and representatives from Lear Construction Management Ltd. WID Board Chair, Dan Shute, hosted the event.

Equipped with masks and practicing safe social distancing, the audience listened to speeches from Marigold Board Chair Lynda Lyster, MP Martin Shields, Airdrie-East MLA Angela Pitt, Strathmore Deputy Mayor Denise Peterson, Siksika Councillor Reuben Buck Breaker and Wheatland County Reeve Amber Link.

Marigold and WID staff collaborated to prepare announcements, and marketing material, and to organize a safe outdoor event during the pandemic.

The project is expected to be completed in 2021.

“We are immensely excited to start construction of a new space for our employees. This facility allows us to grow our space to better serve our member municipalities, and to realize operational efficiencies.”

- Michelle Toombs

CEO Marigold
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has begun on our site!



Furniture approved

Marigold Board authorized funds for the purchase of new furniture and equipment at the August Board meeting. Marigold staff have participated in several meetings on interior furnishings with Heritage Business Interiors (HBI) and the interior designer from BRZ. The Board approved proceeding with HBI to purchase, inspect and store Marigold's furniture until our move next year.



Documenting progress

Following the direction of the Joint Facility Committee, Marigold's Marketing & Communication Specialist, Miriam Thompson, has begun work on the Marigold and WID Headquarters website. She's also been documenting construction at the site with weekly photos.



Projections

The building budget remains within the \$8 Million cap set by the Marigold Board based on the 2017 Feasibility Study. Executive Committee reviews and approves expenditures at every meeting, and the project is well planned and managed. Marigold is well positioned to manage overall project costs.



Lear Construction Management Ltd.

On August 24, the contract with Lear Construction Management Ltd. was executed. Lear began work on the site on August 31, shortly after Marigold and WID's owner-controlled construction insurance was issued on August 28.

Marigold and WID project staff participate in bi-weekly site meetings that are scheduled

through the construction.

Lear is working quickly to get steel installed, the building foundation poured and everything enclosed before winter. Marigold staff are coordinating with Lear, Bell/Axia and the architects and electrical engineers to ensure SuperNet installation happens in a timely manner. Municipal site servicing is underway.

Automatic Sortation System

Marigold staff investigated options for an automatic sortation system for installation and implementation in the new facility. The system will automate the sorting of 4.4 million interlibrary loan items to get them in the hands of library patrons across Marigold even faster. The machine uses a check-in function and conveyor belts to sort library materials into destination bins. The system will improve ergonomics, manage volume and staffing levels and improve efficiency for our constantly growing interlibrary loan delivery service. In October, the Marigold Executive approved proceeding with the purchase of the Lyngsoe System this year.

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Cause for celebration as
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From l-r: WID Board Chair Dan Shute, Marigold Board Chair Lynda Lyster, Strathmore Town Councillor Denise Peterson, Siksika Councillor Reuben “Buck” Breaker, MP Martin Shields, Wheatland County Reeve Amber Link and Airdrie-East MLA Angela Pitt.



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