City of Leduc Policy



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Policy Objective:

To establish the policy for roadside memorials where a fatality has occurred.

Policy:

Any display consisting of flowers, stuffed animals, photos, or any other materials indicating the location of the fatality will be permitted for a period of not greater than 90 days from the date of the incident. Any type of memorial or display located at a location beyond this time frame would be removed in accordance with the process indicated. As well any memorial that due to size or other characteristics creates an obvious distraction could be removed or modified immediately.

Process:

- The Victims Services Unit of the Leduc Municipal Detachment would be engaged to make contact with the family or parties involved to inform them of the policy and to alert them to the various stages of policy implementation prior to the removal of any memorial items.
- This policy recognizes two key ingredients in dealing with these tragic events, the need to provide closure to family and friends of any victim, and the support to first responders who in their duties are exposed to these traumatic events.
- Memorial item removal would be conducted by Public Services staff after the family or representatives of the family were given the opportunity to do so and retain any items from the memorial they wished to keep.