

Weed of the Week

*Help the City of St. Albert control
invasive plants/weeds in our community!*

*An invasive plant is a non-native plant
that spreads easily, aggressively and may
displace or alter natural plant communities.*

*As per the Alberta Weed Control Act,
municipalities are required to control the spread
of noxious weeds.*



LEAFY SPURGE:

Locations:	Often found along roadsides, in fields or disturbed areas (i.e. walking trails, construction sites, off-leash parks).
Identification:	Stems are arranged in clumps and grow up to 1 metre tall. Flowers are small and yellowish-green.
City Control:	Leafy spurge is extremely resilient and a combination of methods is necessary to achieve significant control. The City plans to control patches through herbicide application and rotatilling.
What can you do?	For small outbreaks, hand pulling the weeds is effective. Be sure to wear gloves and wash your hands after handling. Ensure plants are disposed of in a sealed garbage bag to prevent further spread. DO NOT COMPOST.

For more information on Leafy Spurge, please visit the Alberta Invasive Plants Council at www.invasiveplants.ab.ca