

Appointment of Elected Representative and Alternate Elected Representative to Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity.**Report Purpose**

To approve an Elected Representative of Strathcona County and an alternate Elected Representative of Strathcona County to the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity, as per the Articles of Association.

Recommendation

THAT, under the Articles of Association of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity, Mayor Roxanne Carr be appointed as the Elected Representative for Strathcona County and Councillor Brian Botterill be appointed as the alternate Elected Representative for Strathcona County; and if the Elected Representative is unable to attend any meetings of the Shareholders, then the alternate Elected Representative will attend and act in her stead.

Council History

May 9, 2017 – Strathcona County approved the County's participation in the Regional Economic Development Initiative; the County subscribe for a share in the proposed Part 9 Company; a three year commitment for contributions to the Regional Economic Development Initiative, based upon the vote of shareholders, with the contribution for 2017 of up to a maximum of \$70,000, with the source of funds to be the Municipal Projects Reserve.

Strategic Plan Priority Areas

Economy: One of Strathcona County's strategic priorities is to promote Strathcona County locally, nationally, and internationally as a place that is open for business and investment.

Governance: Strathcona County, as a Specialized Municipality, works cooperatively with municipalities within the region to identify and collaborate on issues that impact the success of our community and the region.

Social: n/a

Culture: n/a

Environment: n/a

Other Impacts

Policy: Policy GOV-01-019 *County Representation on External Boards/Committees/Commissions* provides that Council shall appoint annually at least one elected member to each authority.

Legislative/Legal: Section 153 of the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c M-26, requires Councillors participate in meetings of bodies to which they are appointed by Council.

Interdepartmental: Corporate Planning and Intergovernmental Affairs; Legislative and Legal Services

Summary

On May 9, 2017, Strathcona County Council approved participation in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity. This participation confirms Strathcona County as a Shareholder in this Part 9 company.

See Enclosure 1, Articles of Association of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity, **Sections 45, 66 and 71**.

Given the forgoing sections, Council is asked to approve an Elected Representative who will have the authority to vote on behalf of the Shareholder. Additionally, Council is asked to approve an alternate Elected Representative of Strathcona County to put forward for approval by the Shareholders as an alternate method of representation in the event that the appointed Elected Representative is unable to attend any meeting of the Shareholders.

Enclosure

1 Edmonton Metropolitan Region Economic Development Entity – Articles of Association