

GOV-001-026 Elected Officials Expense Policy (Revised)**Report Purpose**

To seek approval on amendments to the Elected Officials Expense Policy.

Recommendation

THAT the revised Policy GOV-001-026 – Elected Officials Expense, as set out in Enclosure 2 of the June 20, 2017 Legislative and Legal Services report, be approved.

Council History

April 25, 2017 – Council approved: THAT Administration prepare an amendment to GOV-001-026 Elected Officials Expense Policy that ensures that whenever more than one elected official commits funds to a joint expense, the commitment is recorded in writing; and that the proposed amendment to GOV-001-026 Elected Officials Expense Policy be brought back to Council for consideration by the end of Q2 2017.

Strategic Plan Priority Areas

Economy: N/A

Governance: Elected Officials Expense Policy is an important governance policy and the proposed amendment intends to add clarity for the sharing of expenses amongst elected officials.

Social: N/A

Culture: N/A

Environment: N/A

Other Impacts

Policy: amends existing policy GOV-001-026

Legislative/Legal: N/A

Interdepartmental: Legislative and Legal Services worked with the Office of the Elected Official and Financial Services.

Summary

As directed by Council, Administration has prepared a proposed amendment to the Elected Officials Expense Policy in order to provide greater clarity on Councillor joint expenses. Further, Administration has also updated the date in section 7 of this policy so that it is consistent with the GOV-001-031 Election Campaign Policy. The amended policy is set out in enclosure 1 (see highlighted section).

Communication Plan

If approved, the updated policy will be added to the Municipal Policy Handbook which is available on the County's public website.

Enclosure

- 1 GOV-001-026 Elected Officials Expense Policy (**Revised with highlights**)
- 2 GOV-001-026 Elected Officials Expense Policy (**Revised**)