

Policies for Rescission**Report Purpose**

To provide Council with a report on policies that may be rescinded.

Recommendation

THAT the following policies be rescinded:

1. PUB-002-002 Block Parties
2. GOV-002-008 Disaster Services Plan
3. PUB-002-003 Long-Time Residents: Grants
4. GOV-002-012 Council Reports
5. SER-006-001 Pre-Hospital Emergency Medical Service Charges

Council History

April 28, 2015 – Council approved:

1. Revised policy GOV-002-021 Mandatory Review of Bylaws and Policies
2. Revised policy GOV-002-031 Municipal Policy Handbook Program

Strategic Plan Priority Areas**Economy: N/A**

Governance: Ensuring that policies are updated and relevant is connected to a sound governance process and supports effective decision-making and increases public confidence.

Social: N/A**Culture: N/A****Environment: N/A****Other Impacts**

Policy: GOV-002-021 Mandatory Review of Bylaws and Policies requires that policies are reviewed on a three-year cycle.

Legislative/Legal: The *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) s. 5 sets out that a municipality has the duties that are imposed on it by enactments and those that the municipality imposes on itself as a matter of policy.

Interdepartmental: The policy review initiative involves all County departments.

Summary

Legislative and Legal Services has been working with all Strathcona County departments to conduct a thorough policy review. The goals of the review include updating policies that are no longer current, identifying potential policy gaps, and eliminating or rescinding policies that are no longer required.

Work on this initiative is progressing and, as part of this work, Administration recommends that the following policies be rescinded:

Policy Name	Reason for Rescinding
PUB-002-002 Block Parties	Applications for block party permits are handled pursuant to the County's Traffic Bylaw, 16-2015.
GOV-002-008 Disaster Services Plan	The County's disaster services plan is created by Emergency Services through an internal process. Council, through the County's Emergency Management Bylaw, are members of the Emergency Management Committee, which reviews the Municipal Emergency Plan.

PUB-002-003 Long-Time Residents: Grants	The program that this policy relates to no longer exists. The County does not provide grants to residents simply based on how long they have lived in Strathcona County.
GOV-002-012 Council Reports	The Council Reports process is purely operational and will be addressed through a Directive and accompanying procedures.
SER-006-001 Pre-Hospital Emergency Medical Service Charges	The fees that may be charged for emergency services are now set provincially, rendering this policy obsolete. The policy pre-dates Alberta Health Services resuming control of ambulance services through the province.

Communication Plan

Legislative and Legal Services documents all rescinded policies and works with the various departments to ensure that the Municipal Policy Handbook is updated and that any webpage or external reference to the policy are updated appropriately.

Enclosures

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6. Policies for Rescission presentation