

**GOVERNANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE****Amendment to the Energy Exploration Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference****Report Purpose**

To give three readings to Bylaw 19-2018, a bylaw that proposes to amend Bylaw 46-2015 Boards and Committees Bylaw by removing the requirement that members of the Energy Exploration Advisory Committee be current or former rural residents.

**Recommendation**

1. THAT Bylaw 19-2018, a bylaw that proposes to amend Bylaw 46-2015 Boards and Committees Bylaw, be given first reading.
2. That Bylaw 19-2018 be given second reading.
3. That Bylaw 19-2018 be considered for third reading.
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**Rationale**

Based on its annual review of the Council Committees' Terms of Reference (report was provided to Priorities Committee on April 17, 2018), the Governance Advisory Committee determined that a slight amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Energy Exploration Advisory Committee would be beneficial. The amendment would see the elimination of the requirement that public members be current or former rural residents. The rationale for this change is that the current requirement prevents qualified residents with expertise in the committee subject matter from being recommended for appointment. While the insights of rural residents are indeed of value to the committee, the Governance Advisory Committee believes that having some flexibility will help ensure that qualified candidates are not overlooked.

**Enclosure**

- 1 Bylaw 19-2018, a bylaw to amend bylaw 46-2015 Boards and Committees Bylaw