

Bylaw 37-2019 Red Tape Reduction Task Force

Report Purpose

To seek three readings of Bylaw 37-2019, a bylaw that establishes a Red Tape Reduction Task Force

Recommendation

1. THAT bylaw 37-2019, a bylaw to establish a council committee called the Red Tape Reduction Task Force, be given first reading.
2. THAT bylaw 37-2019 be given second reading.
3. THAT bylaw 37-2019 be considered for third reading.
4. THAT bylaw 37-2019 be given third reading.
5. THAT _____, _____, _____, _____,
_____, _____, _____, be appointed as members to the Red
Tape Reduction Task Force for a period of time starting on November 19, 2019 and
concluding thirty days after the Task Force delivers its final report as set out in Bylaw
37-2019.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Goal 5 - Foster collaboration through regional, community and governmental partnerships
Governance Requirement

Report

At the September 24, 2019 meeting, Council directed administration to establish a Task Force with a mandate to review the current departmental operations with a view to improving the permitting process. Council directed administration to focus on increasing efficiencies in order to improve the County's business climate.

Provided that Council is satisfied with the proposed bylaw and membership, then Council may give the bylaw the required readings in order to establish the Task Force as well as approving a motion to appoint the members of the Task Force.

Council and Committee History

September 24, 2019

Council approved the following motion: THAT Administration prepare a report identifying opportunities for red tape reduction with a goal of streamlining departmental operations and increasing efficiencies in order to improve the business climate within Strathcona County with consideration given to:

- streamlining the permitting process;
- reviewing departmental policies that create bottlenecks;
- striking a task force that includes members of the Chamber of Commerce and the Urban Development Institute to identify opportunities for red tape reduction; and

reporting back to council by the end of the second quarter of 2020.

Other Impacts**Policy:** n/a

Legislative/Legal: Section 145(b) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) provides that a council may pass bylaws in relation to the procedure and conduct of council, council committees, and other bodies established by the council, the conduct of councillors and the conduct of members of council committees and other bodies established by council. Section 203(1) of the MGA provides that Council may, by bylaw, delegate certain powers, duties or functions to a council committee.

Interdepartmental: Legislative and Legal Services, Planning and Development Services, and Economic and Development and Tourism

Master Plan/Framework: n/a

Enclosure

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Proposed Bylaw 37-2019, Red Tape Reduction Task Force