



STAFF REPORT

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File

Boundary Economic
Development Service
Review

To: Chair McGregor and Members of
the Boundary Community
Development Committee

From: Mark Andison, Chief Administrative
Officer

Re: Boundary Economic Development
Service Review - Establishment of
Local and Regional Services

Issue Introduction

A staff report from Mark Andison, CAO providing further information relating to the establishment of distinct local and regional economic development services in the Boundary.

History/Background Factors

There have been questions raised in the past as to whether an electoral area may participate in two separate economic development services. The "Option 4" model (attached), which has been suggested as an alternative to the existing model of economic development service delivery in the Boundary, would entail the electoral areas participating in both a local economic development service as well as a broader regional economic development service. Staff has received written confirmation that the structure envisioned under "Option 4" would be acceptable from the perspective of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

At it last service review meeting, the participants in the Boundary Economic Development Service requested staff to draft the necessary service establishment and amendment bylaws, as well as some initial draft budgets for review. Since the last meeting, staff at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing have reviewed the draft service establishment bylaws and have deemed them acceptable.

Implications

Attached to this report are the draft bylaws and initial versions of budgets for the four potential Boundary economic development services for discussion, as well as the conceptual framework that is being considered.

Advancement of Strategic Planning Goals

Continuing to discuss alternative models for the delivery of economic development services in the Boundary advances the Board's strategic objective of continuing to focus on good management and governance.

Background Information Provided

1. Local & Regional Boundary Economic Development Services Framework
2. Draft service establishment and amendment bylaws.
3. Initial budgets for the services for discussion.

Alternatives

N/A

Recommendation(s)

That the participants in the Boundary Economic Development Service review the draft bylaws and budgets relating to a the proposed structure for the delivery of economic development in the Boundary and provide direction.