MEMORANDUM GRAND FORKS

DATE: May 24th, 2017

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Corporate Administration

SUBJECT: Boundary Country Regional Chamber of

Commerce Funding Held in Abeyance

After a discussion at the Committee of the Whole on May 15th, 2017, the matter of Council's consideration to hold in abeyance, the Fee for Service funding wherein the matter was referred to the Regular Meeting of May 15th, 2017.

At that meeting, Council determined to hold a Special Meeting at 2:00 pm on May 29th, 2017, in order for the Boundary Regional Chamber of Commerce to have the ability to present their case for the continuation of funding and further to explain the circumstances from which their bylaws and constitution weren't considered followed in their election of their Board of Directors at the 2017 AGM. The resolution adopted by Council at the May 15th, 2017 Regular Meeting was adopted as follows:

RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff that the 2017 funding for the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce be held in abeyance until an amicable resolution can be reached with the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce beginning with a Special Meeting on May 29, 2017.

Attached for Council's reference is a copy of the BCRCC's Bylaws and Constitution, and further, a copy of the 2016 Fee for Service Agreement. Council is to note that a 2017 Fee for Service Agreement has not been expedited and signed, and the current date for expedition of funding is June 30th of the current year.

For future agreements, Council may wish to direct staff to add additional language into their agreement that could read:

The Society:

a) shall comply and operate within the rules and regulations as defined in their governing legislation of the Board of Trades Act - Part 2, and further to comply and operate within the confines of the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce's bylaws as approved by the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, as the BCRCC's regulatory body.

Respectfully submitted,

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