

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87 Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council

Meeting Date: May 9, 2023

Originated By: Lisa Folliott, Manager of Planning and Development

Title: Consent for Acquisition of Land Outside of Municipal Boundaries Update

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

Administration is seeking consent from Council for the City of Cold Lake to utilize land in the M.D. of Bonnyville pursuant to Section 72 of the *Municipal Government Act*, for a Wetland Restoration Project.

At the April 11, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council, Administration was tasked to bring this request back to Council along with a representative from the City of Cold Lake to be available to answer questions.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

A letter from the City of Cold, dated October 18, 2022, describes the City's request to utilize NW 21-62-4-W4M within the M.D. Their intent is to place a restrictive covenant for the use of the lands and to register a caveat on title to construct a wetland, pending approval from Alberta Environment and Parks.

As per Section 72(1)(a) of the Municipal Government Act, a municipality may acquire an estate of interest in land outside its boundaries only if the Council of the municipal authority in whose boundaries the land is located consents in writing.

Administration has obtained written authorization from the registered landowner of NW 21-62-4-W4M for the described utilization of the land.

Attached for Council's review:

- Appendix A: Location Map
- Appendix B: City of Cold Lake Letter

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Section 72(1)(a) of the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M-26, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, as amended.

Water Act, Chapter W-3, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, as amended.

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

N/A

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Correspondence will be sent to the City of Cold Lake advising them of Council's decision.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council approves consent to the City of Cold Lake to utilize NW 21-62-4-W4M for the construction of a wetland in the Municipal District of Bonnyville.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

- 1. THAT Council approves consent to the City of Cold Lake to utilize NW 21-62-4-W4M for the construction of a wetland in the M.D. of Bonnyville.
- 2. THAT Council denies its consent to the City of Cold Lake to utilize NW 21-62-4-W4M for the construction of a wetland in the M.D. of Bonnyville.
- 3. THAT Council directs Administration to bring back additional information regarding the City of Cold Lake's request to utilize NW 21-62-4-W4M for the construction of a wetland in the M.D. of Bonnyville to a future meeting of Council, as discussed.

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	- Appendix A - Location Map.pdf - Appendix B - City of Cold Lake Letter.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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