

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: September 26, 2023
Originated By: Lisa Folliott, Manager of Planning and Development
Title: Policy No. 3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy – Amendment

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

Administration is presenting Policy No. 3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy to be amended.

Due to the resistance encountered from landowners unwilling to sign agreements with the Municipal District of Bonnyville at the current prescribed rate for construction projects, a review of the Land Acquisition was completed.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

During this review, it was determined that increasing the compensation amounts may make it more palatable for landowners to sign land acquisition agreements with the municipality.

The proposed amendments to current Policy No. 3A.015 will increase the compensation payable to the landowner from \$2,000.00 per acre to \$2,500.00 per acre. As well, amendments propose to increase the minimum compensation from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00.

Proposed amendments to 2A.009 Municipal Lands Policy were presented to Committee of the Whole on September 19, 2023. The Committee of the Whole recommended to Council adopting the amended policy.

Attached for Council's review:

- Appendix A: Draft of Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 3: Promote Community Development

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

n/a

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Impacts on the operating budget would be minimal with an estimate of less than \$5,000.00 per year increase.

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

If adopted, Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy will be available to the public by request and located on the M.D.'s website.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council adopts amending Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy, as presented.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council adopts amending Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy, as presented.
2. THAT Council adopts amending Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy, with further amendments to _____.
3. THAT Council directs Administration to bring back additional information regarding amending Policy No. C-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy to a future meeting of Council, as discussed.

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Policy No. 3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy Amendment.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A-3A.015 Land Acquisition Policy-FINAL.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Sep 21, 2023

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Stephanie Severin