



# Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

## Request for Decision (RFD)

<b>Meeting:</b>	Regular Meeting of Council
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	May 28, 2024
<b>Originated By:</b>	Stephanie Severin, Manager of Legislative and Information Services
<b>Title:</b>	Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy – Amendment

### **PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND**

Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy came up for a scheduled review in 2023 following which Administration has prepared an amending draft for consideration.

### **DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS**

Having a public participation policy is required under section 216.1 of the *Municipal Government Act* and must comply with the Act as well as the *Public Participation Policy Regulation*.

Proposed amendments to Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy are to bring the policy into compliance with the Regulations and standard municipal formatting and enhance clarity on the M.D.'s approach and processes for public engagement.

The Committee of the Whole reviewed this amending policy on February 20, 2024 and again on April 16, 2024 with some additional amendments as requested, and on April 16, 2024 passed a motion recommending that Council adopt the amending policy as presented.

Attached for Council's review:

- Appendix A: Amending draft for Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy

### **REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Emergent Issues for Tactical Plan: Review and update Policies and Procedures.

### **REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION**

Alberta Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26; section 216.1  
Alberta Public Participation Policy Regulation A.R. 193/2017

## **COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING**

N/A

## **COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY**

Amended Policy will be posted on the M.D. Website

## **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION**

THAT Council adopts amended Policy No. C-2A.024 Public Engagement Policy (formerly known as Citizen Engagement Policy), as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.

## **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

1. THAT Council adopts amended Policy No. C-2A.024 Public Engagement Policy (formerly known as Citizen Engagement Policy), as recommended by the Committee of the Whole.
2. THAT Council adopts amended Policy No. C-2A.024 Public Engagement Policy (formerly known as Citizen Engagement Policy), with additional amendments as follows: \_\_\_\_\_
3. THAT Council refers amending Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy back to Administration to make the following revisions: \_\_\_\_\_, and bring it back to a future meeting of Council for further deliberation.

## Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Policy No. 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy - Amendment May 14-24.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A-Policy 2A.024 Citizen Engagement Policy.docx
Final Approval Date:	May 16, 2024

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

Stephanie Severin