

TOWN OF BONNYVILLE

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Date: March 18, 2025

Submitted By: Administration

Meeting Date: March 25, 2025

SUBJECT: Alberta Bilingual Municipal Association – Proposed Membership Fees

BACKGROUND: Attached is a letter from Elisa Brosseau, Chair of the Alberta Bilingual Municipal Association (ABMA) informing the Town that at their February 15th, 2025, meeting, ABMA made a decision to present a proposal for the introduction of membership fees to their current members as well as new members wishing to join their organization. The proposed fee schedule is as follows:

- Villages - \$500.00
- Towns under 2,000 population - \$500.00
- Towns over 2,000 population - \$700.00
- Cities - \$1,100.00
- Municipal Districts/Counties - \$1,100.00

OTHER COMMENTS: Based on the above schedule, the membership fee for the Town would be \$700.00. ABMA will use the membership fee revenue to expand their initiatives, provide more resources to members and advocate for the needs of bilingual communities across Alberta.

REPORT/DOCUMENT: ☒Attached ☐Available ☐NIL

1. Letter – ABMA

DESIRED OUTCOMES: That Council consider the proposed fees from the ABMA.

OPTIONS:

1. That Council inform ABMA that they agree to the proposed fee schedule.
2. That Council inform ABMA that they disagree to the proposed fee schedule.

RELEVANCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN:



Communications
Strategy



Economic
Growth



Recreation &
Wellness



Service
Excellence



Value Added
Services

RECOMMENDATION: THAT Council inform the ABMA that they are in agreement with the proposed fee schedule as presented.

FINANCIAL: Membership fees for ABMA would be funded from Council Association Fees which would be included in the 2025 Final Operating Budget.



Renee Stoyles
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