

TOWN OF BONNYVILLE

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Date: March 18, 2025

Submitted By: Administration

Meeting Date: March 25, 2025

SUBJECT: Mid-Size Towns Mayors Caucus Membership

BACKGROUND: During the AB Munis Spring Leaders Caucus, Councillor Sharun and the Interim CAO attended a meeting of the Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors Caucus, which the Town of Bonnyville is not currently a member. During the meeting the committee reviewed the benefits of becoming a member and reviewed the committee's terms of reference.

OTHER COMMENTS: The Mid-Size Towns Mayors Caucus is a group of 15 mid-sized urban communities that formed 2024. The purpose of this committee is to strengthen the significance and position of mid-sized towns as a relevant and important voice within the province-wide framework, collaborating, strategizing and advocating to address matters that directly impact mid-sized towns.

This committee identifies mid-sized towns as those with a population between 1,000 and 14,999. An annual membership costs \$250.00 year. Meetings are held in-person on a bi-monthly basis but joining virtually is an option. Each member municipality shall have one vote and shall be represented by their respective Mayors. Member municipalities will be responsible for any per diems and expenses for attending meetings.

REPORT/DOCUMENT: ☒Attached ☐Available ☐NIL

1. Brochure – Mid-Size Mayors Caucus
2. Terms of Reference – Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus

DESIRED OUTCOMES: That Council approve the Town of Bonnyville to become a member of the Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve a membership in Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus starting in 2025.
2. Approve a membership in Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus starting in 2026.
3. Do not approve a membership in Alberta Mid-Sized Mayors' Caucus.

RELEVANCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN:



Communications
Strategy



Economic
Growth



Recreation &
Wellness



Service
Excellence



Value Added
Services

RECOMMENDATION: THAT Council approve the Town of Bonnyville to become a member of the Alberta Mid-Sized Towns Mayors' Caucus with funding to come from Council Association Fees.

FINANCIAL: The \$250.00 annual membership fee will come from within the existing 2025 Budget.



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