



## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

### Issue

The draft Public Participation Policy is provided for Council's consideration.

### Motion Proposed by Administration

That the Public Participation Policy be adopted as recommended by the Governance and Priorities Committee.

### Report, Analysis and Financial Implications

At the January 8, 2018 Council Meeting, members reviewed the draft Public Participation Policy and referred it to the Governance and Priorities Committee (GPC) for consideration of clarification amendments. The Committee reviewed the amended draft Policy at the January 15, 2018 GPC meeting and have referred the amended draft Policy to Council for adoption.

### Strategic Plan Goals

<input type="checkbox"/>	Manage Community Growth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Provide Strong Governance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide Quality Community Infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy and Safe Community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintain Organizational Excellence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Foster Economic Vitality
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Promote Environmental Stewardship

### Governing Policies/Bylaws/Legislation or Agreements

- Section 216.1 of the *MGA*
- Public Participation Policy Regulation

### Public Engagement/Communication Strategy

The Toolkit and Policy will be posted on the Town of Okotoks website for public viewing in a newly created webpage that will capture all future public participation activities.

### Alternatives for Consideration

n/a

### CAO Comments

This public participation policy is a very important first step to a new relationship with the community. All current processes will need to be reviewed and enhanced to be in alignment with these new expectations. 2018 will be a year of learning and transition as these are implemented.

### Attachment(s)

1. Draft Public Participation Policy with amendments highlighted

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