



COUNCIL REPORT

Kneehill County - Rocky View County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Renewal

Electoral Division: Division 5

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Date:	May 28, 2024		
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Department:	Intergovernmental Services and Regional Planning		
Approved by:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Director / Director	and/or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Administrative Officer

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to renew the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) agreement between Kneehill County and Rocky View County. This agreement was first approved by both municipality's Councils for a four-year term in February 2020. The agreement was reviewed by the parties at the May 9, 2024, Kneehill County – Rocky View County Intermunicipal Committee meeting. The Committee members reviewed the agreement, determined no adjustments were needed, and agreed to bring the agreement to each Council for renewal from 2024-2028.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council renews the Kneehill County and Rocky View County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework as presented in Attachment 'A'.

BACKGROUND

ICF agreements are intermunicipal agreements between neighbouring municipalities that govern shared servicing, identify which municipality delivers the service, the method of service delivery and cost sharing for that service. These agreements are mandatory under Section 208.28 of the *Municipal Government Act*, except for municipalities that are both members of a Growth Management Board, such as the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB). ICF agreements are valid for four years, with a mandatory review prior to renewing the agreement.

Kneehill County and Rocky View County approved their first ICF agreement in February 2020, and the original agreement will expire in 2024. Representatives from Kneehill County and Rocky View County met at the May 9, 2024, Intermunicipal Committee meeting to review the ICF and determined that the agreement does not require further amendment at this time. The IMC representatives agreed to bring the agreement to their Councils for renewal for the period of 2024 to 2028.

ANALYSIS

Maintaining ICF agreements with the County's non-CMRB neighbours is mandatory under the *Municipal Government Act*, and approving this agreement will ensure that the County complies with its legislative requirements and continues to strengthen our relationship with Kneehill County. Should the municipalities wish to implement new intermunicipal cost sharing agreements in the future, the agreement can be amended during its term and will be brought to each municipal Council for adoption.

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COMMUNICATIONS / ENGAGEMENT

Kneehill County and Rocky View County reviewed the ICF at the May 9, 2024, Kneehill County - Rocky View County Intermunicipal Committee meeting and agreed to bring it to their respective Councils for renewal with no changes. No further engagement is required for this project.

IMPLICATIONS

Approving this agreement will ensure that Rocky View County remains in compliance with the *Municipal Government Act* and will maintain a collaborative relationship with Kneehill County.

Financial

There are no financial implications associated with approving this agreement.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This agreement is a statutory obligation under the *Municipal Government Act*.

ALTERNATE DIRECTION

Administration has not identified an alternate direction for Council's consideration.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: 2024-2028 Kneehill County – Rocky View County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework