



## **FIRE SERVICES AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

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| <b>TO:</b>      | Council                                |                     |     |
| <b>DATE:</b>    | December 6, 2022                       | <b>DIVISION:</b>    | All |
| <b>FILE:</b>    | N/A                                    | <b>APPLICATION:</b> | N/A |
| <b>SUBJECT:</b> | Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 |                     |     |

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### **POLICY DIRECTION:**

The *Emergency Management Act* was amended to include a new Local Authority Emergency Management Regulation, which was put into force January 1, 2020. This regulation requires municipalities to include specific details about their emergency management program in their municipal emergency management bylaws, including the purpose, duties, and responsibilities of the Emergency Advisory Committee and Emergency Management Agency.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 was developed to replace our current Emergency Management Bylaw C-8074-2020 in order for Rocky View County to be in compliance with the new *Emergency Management Act*, and to update the bylaw to reflect changes that have occurred within the County, including an updated organizational structure, and general content updates. Upon approval of the new bylaw, Emergency Management Bylaw C-8074-2020 will be rescinded.

### **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends approval of Bylaw C-8348-2022 in accordance with Option #1.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The current Emergency Management Bylaw C-8074-2020 has been in place since November 2020. A review of our current bylaw identified a number of changes needed to ensure Rocky View County's compliance with the amended *Emergency Management Act*, and to reflect the changes made within the County's organizational structure. In light of the nature of the changes, it is recommended that the existing bylaw C-8074-2020 be rescinded and replaced with the proposed new bylaw C-8348-2022 (Attachment 'A'). These changes include:

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| Update    | Part 12 – To include changes in departments and agencies that comprise the Regional Emergency Management Agency.   |
| Update    | Part 13 – To include the Incident Command System as the system used when responding to emergencies.  |
| Amendment | Part 6 – Establishment of a Municipal Emergency Management Advisory Committee to include assignment of the Chair of the Emergency Advisory Committee to Rocky View County's Mayor or delegate. |

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### **Administration Resources**

Randy Smith, Fire Services and Emergency Management



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| Amendment | Part 26 – State of Local Emergency to reflect Bill 9 Emergency Management Amendment Act, 2020, which allows for a local authority and the province to both have a state of emergency in the same area simultaneously. |
| General   | Various formatting changes.   |

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no budget implications at this time.

**OPTIONS:**

- Option #1:
- Motion 1: THAT Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 be given first reading.
  - Motion 2: THAT Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 be given second reading.
  - Motion 3: THAT Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 be considered for third reading.
  - Motion 4: THAT Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022 be given third and final reading.
- Option #2: THAT alternative direction be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

Concurrence,

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Executive Director  
Corporate Services Division

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Chief Administrative Officer

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

ATTACHMENT 'A': Proposed Emergency Management Bylaw C-8348-2022  
ATTACHMENT 'B': Current Emergency Management Bylaw C-8074-2020