

## **Event Centre Committee Continuation**

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council continues the Event Centre Committee by giving three readings to the Event Centre Committee Bylaw 46M2022 (Attachment 1).

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Council established the Event Centre Committee (ECC) on 2022 January 11 through resolution. The term of current ECC members expires at the 2022 Organizational Meeting of Council.
- Section 145 of the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) was amended on 2022 May 31 requiring committees to be established through bylaw.
- This report continues the ECC through bylaw, which essentially contains the terms of reference (Attachment 1).
- What does this mean to Calgarians? Continuation of the Committee through bylaw supports governance best practices and contributes toward realizing a new Event Centre, which has many benefits for Calgarians, including sporting and entertainment event opportunities, economic and business opportunities, redevelopment and revitalization, and civic pride.
- Why does this matter? Continuation of the Committee through bylaw complies with recent legislative changes to the MGA.
- Strategic Alignment to Council's Citizen Priorities: A city of safe and inspiring neighbourhoods and a prosperous city.

### **DISCUSSION**

#### **Background and Previous Council Direction**

As part of Council's direction toward realizing a new Event Centre, Council established the Event Centre Committee on 2022 January 11 and approved Terms of Reference on 2022 March 08 (C2022-0309). The term of the current ECC members expires at the 2022 Organizational Meeting on October 25.

#### **Legislative Change**

The MGA was amended through Bill 21, Red Tape Reduction Statutes Amendment Act, 2022. Bill 21 received royal assent on 2022 May 31, and the amendments to the MGA came into force on that date. *MGA section 145 now provides "that if a council chooses to establish a council committee or other body, the establishment and functions of the committee/body must be set out in bylaw."* Prior to these amendments, a council committee could be established by bylaw or resolution.

#### **Bylaw to Continue the Event Centre Committee**

With the current term of the ECC members expiring at the 2022 Organizational Day, and to meet legislative requirements with MGA s.145, Administration recommends that the Committee be continued through the proposed bylaw in Attachment 1. The proposed bylaw essentially contains the terms of reference of the Committee.

Terms included in the proposed bylaw are intended to provide an optimal governance structure for the project's work. The mandate and composition of the Committee is intended to support

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strategic alignment with The City's long term goals for downtown. Representation from Calgary Economic Development and the Calgary Chamber of Commerce supports alignment with implementation of Calgary in the New Economy: An economic strategy for Calgary. Continuing the ECC through the bylaw demonstrates The City's intentional effort to meet the new requirements of MGA s.145 in a timely manner.

### **STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION (EXTERNAL)**

- Public Engagement was undertaken
- Public Communication or Engagement was not required
- Public/Stakeholders were informed
- Stakeholder dialogue/relations were undertaken

### **IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Social**

None.

#### **Environmental**

None.

#### **Economic**

The continuation of the ECC to provide oversight and recommendations to Council aligns with and supports the realization of the vision and goals embedded in the Downtown Strategy, Greater Downtown Plan, and Calgary's economic strategy.

#### **Service and Financial Implications**

#### **Other:**

No anticipated financial impact related associated with the recommendations in this report.

### **RISK**

The risks associated with this report are low. At this initial stage, risks will be mitigated through clear Terms of Reference for the Committee that identify the role and purpose of the Committee.

### **ATTACHMENT**

1. Bylaw 46M2022 – Event Centre Committee Bylaw

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