

### **MEETING DATE: AUGUST 20, 2019**

## **REQUEST FOR DECISION - TO COUNCIL**

### **SUBJECT**

# GST STATUS OF INTER-MUNICIPAL COST SHARING AGREEMENTS – MOTION REQUIRED

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the County of Vermilion River join in the advocacy effort for the GST status of intermunicipal cost sharing agreements by contacting the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA), the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), our Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) and Member of Parliament (MP) for their support in requesting that the Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) reconsider their ruling.

#### **DETAILS**

**Background:** As the County of Vermilion River has a number of inter-municipal cost sharing agreements, the CRA's decision in the Town of Peace River situation could have a serious and far reaching impact on all Canadian municipalities including our own.

**Discussion:** Administration is proposing that the County of Vermilion River join in the GST status advocacy efforts and send letters to the parties listed above in order to gain support in requesting that the CRA reconsider their ruling.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Letter from the Town of Peace River
- 2. Town of Peace River Briefing Document on GST audit

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**DATE**: August 13, 2019