CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

Election Campaign Provisions Policy GOV-012-C

Motion:

That Council adopt Election Campaign Guidelines Policy GOV-012-C.

Purpose:

To present Council with information and a request to approve Election Campaign Provisions Policy GOV-012-C, which provides clarity on the provisions for Council members, Administration, and the public related to election campaigning.

Background:

This Policy has been developed to assist members of Council, potential election candidates, Administration, and the general public on the expectations, restrictions, and abilities available for election campaigning.

Council does not have an existing document similar in nature, and the Policy will assist with clarity and transparency related to election campaigning. The intent of the Policy is to address a gap which currently exists in the organization.

Additionally, the Policy helps to ensure that a level playing field exists between incumbents and new candidates, for the duration of election campaigns.

Highlights of the Policy are noted below:

- 1. A detailed Definitions section has been included, to assist with clarity of the Policy.
- 2. Plain language has been used throughout the document.
- 3. Clearly defines the expectations for current members of Council, candidates, and Administration related to involvement in an election campaign.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt Elections Campaign Guideline Policy GOV-012-C.

Attachments:

Elections Campaign Guidelines Policy GOV-012-C

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