



Date: 15/05/2018

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board
And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer
Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_May25_2018
File: 3710-01

Short Summary:

Use and Sale of Fireworks in the CRD

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

At its last meeting, the Board endorsed the following resolution:

That an application be submitted for an Order in Council to have the Fireworks Act of BC apply to the Cariboo Regional District.

Since that time, staff have been in contact with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, who have advised that in order for the Minister to consider this request, the CRD will need to provide the following information:

- 1) Background and rationale in regard to what problem(s) the granting of this authority is intended to address.
- 2) A plan for the implementation and enforcement of the authority, if granted.
- 3) Any foreseen obstacles such as the sale/use of fireworks on First Nations lands; logistics of enforcement outside of office hours over a large geographic area, etc.
- 4) Information regarding any of the CRD's member municipalities that may have enacted fireworks regulation/prohibition bylaws and what, if any, effect this might have in relation to those bylaws.
- 5) Information regarding any businesses that are currently selling fireworks in the area.
- 6) Information in regard to the CRD's capacity for enforcement within our existing bylaw enforcement resources.

Attachments:

n/a

Financial Implications:

None at this time.

Policy Implications:

n/a

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- Building on our Relationships
- Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- Focusing on Being Well Governed

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Options:

- 1) Receipt and discussion of topic to provide clarity for processing the request;
- 2) Deferral;
- 3) Receipt and other action.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, dated May 15, 2018, regarding the Board's request for the Province to grant additional authority under section 296 of the *Local Government Act*, so that the CRD may regulate/prohibit the sale and use of fireworks, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board.*