



To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board
And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO
Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Aug23_2019
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Short Summary:

Director Forseth is Requesting that Staff Investigate Video Conferencing Capabilities in the Boardroom

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

Director Forseth has submitted the following:

"Purpose – to propose that Staff investigate feasibility of installing videoconference capability in the Boardroom and report back to October's Finance/Budget Committee for consideration of inclusion in the 2020 Budget.

Background/Discussion – A couple of years ago – the Board authorized installation of teleconferencing and audio upgrades to the Boardroom which has been a significant improvement to Board operations. I now propose that the Board consider asking Staff to look into the feasibility of installing video conference capabilities in the Boardroom and report back at this Fall's Finance/Budget Committee meeting for consideration of inclusion in the 2020 Budget.

While current teleconferencing capability is far better than times past – video conferencing of remote delegations or Directors attending our meetings, whether Board or Committee remotely, as per our Procedure Bylaw (if one's device allows and many do by way of an installed webcam) will allow for better meeting flow vs just attending remotely by teleconference alone."

Attachments:

None

Financial Implications: Click here to enter text.

Policy Implications:

None

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

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

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CAO Comments:

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Options:

- 1) Receipt and direct staff to investigate and report back to Finance/Budget Committee;
- 2) Receipt only;
- 3) Receipt and other action;
- 4) Deferral.

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CAO, dated August 8, 2019, regarding a request from Director Forseth for staff to investigate the feasibility of installing video conferencing capability in the Boardroom and report back at the October 24, 2019 Finance/Budget Committee meeting for consideration of inclusion in the 2020 Budget, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board*.