

Date: October 16, 2024

To: **Mayor and Council.**

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Subject: Dissolution of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness

Attachment(s): Terms of Reference – Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness

Recommendation(s):

That Council DISSOLVES the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness as the committee has achieved the objectives outlined in its mandate as defined in the committee's Terms of Reference.

Purpose:

This report is to seek Council's support to dissolve the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness following the committee's final report to Council.

Discussion:

At its May 6, 2024 Regular Meeting, Council established the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness to provide Council with recommendations for increased bear-proofing and bear attractant reduction effort through the community for the purpose of public and bear safety. The committee was established for a four-month term.

The final report from the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness is included on the November 4, 2024 regular council meeting agenda and provides Council with a series of recommendations that meet the committee's mandate. To ensure the work continues to achieve the Provincial Bear Smart Status, the committee recommends that Administration be directed to establish a technical advisory committee that would be administrative in nature and not a council committee.

Summary and conclusion:

The Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness has satisfied its mandate and expired its 4-month term and Administration recommends its dissolution.

Respectfully submitted:

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