

## Request for Decision

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### REQUEST

To amend the membership and terms of the Columbia Valley Community Economic Development Advisory Commission.

### OPTIONS

1. THAT Bylaw No. 3399 cited as “Regional District of East Kootenay – Columbia Valley Community Economic Development Advisory Commission Bylaw No. 2757, 2017 - Amendment Bylaw No.3, 2025” be introduced.
2. THAT Bylaw No. 3399 cited as “as “Regional District of East Kootenay – Columbia Valley Community Economic Development Advisory Commission Bylaw No. 2757, 2017 - Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2025” not proceed.

### RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

### BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On February 24, 2025, the Columbia Valley Community Economic Development Advisory Commission passed a motion to amend the Advisory Commission Bylaw. The first bylaw amendment will allow greater engagement from the appointed members on the Commission by allowing an alternate person to represent the member in their absence. The alternate may take the place of, vote and generally act in all matters for an absent member. The alternate will have the same term as the appointed member. Only members from the below organizations can designate an alternate:

- Shuswap Band;
- Akisqnuq First Nation; and
- Columbia Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Community members referenced in Section 4.1(c) of Bylaw No. 2757 cannot have an alternate.

The second amendment is limiting the terms of appointed members to a maximum of eight years to ensure a healthy turnover and provide room for new perspectives on the Commission.

## SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS

### Consolidated Bylaw No. 2757 - Columbia Valley Community Economic Development Advisory Commission Bylaw (excerpt)

#### Section 4: Membership

4.1 The Commission shall consist of not more than fifteen (15) members, as follows:

(a) five (5) Commission members shall be the Columbia Valley Directors;

(b) one (1) member representing each of the following:

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(i) Shuswap Band;

(ii) Akisqnuq First Nation; and

(iii) Columbia Valley Chamber of Commerce;

(c) up to seven (7) community members representing a range of economic sectors and geographic locations in the Columbia Valley Subregion.

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4.2 The members of the Commission described in Sections 4.1(b) and (c) shall be appointed by Board resolution.

Attachment