

July 18, 2012

To: Members,  
Executive Committee

Re: Amendments to Bylaw No. 2009-20 – *The Regina Regional Opportunities Commission Bylaw*

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**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That City Council approve the Regina Regional Opportunities Commission's request to amend Bylaw No. 2009-20 as follows:
  - a. The word "annually" be removed from Section 10.
  - b. Change the term of office in Section 13 from three years to "up to three years".
2. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the required bylaw amendment.

**CONCLUSION**

The Regina Regional Opportunities Commission ("RROC") is requesting that City Council amend Bylaw No. 2009-20 to provide more flexibility to the terms of office that its directors may be appointed for. Rather than mandatory three year terms, RROC wishes to change the terms of office to be up to three years. This is consistent with the terms of office of committee members within Council's committee structure. Having the flexibility to appoint members to a one, two or three year term will allow RROC to ensure that terms are staggered appropriately and that turnover of 50% of the Board of Directors in one year does not happen. It will also allow RROC to accommodate the individual needs of potential director candidates.

**BACKGROUND**

As a result of conducting a review of its governing bylaw (as required pursuant to sections 48 and 49), RROC has submitted a request to the Office of the City Clerk to have changes made to Bylaw No. 2009-20, The Regina Regional Opportunities Commission Bylaw in order to ensure continuity and flexibility in how the Board of Directors operates. Attached as appendix A is their request.

The purpose of this report is to facilitate a bylaw amendment.

**DISCUSSION**

RROC is governed by a Board of Directors composed of 10 electors of the City plus the Mayor. Directors are appointed by resolution of City Council based on nominations presented by RROC's Nominating and Governance Committee.

All directors, with the exception of the Mayor, are currently appointed to a three year term. RROC is requesting that City Council amend Bylaw No. 2009-20 to allow for the terms of office of individual directors to vary, up to a maximum of three years. This is consistent with the terms of office of committee members within Council's committee structure. Having the flexibility to appoint members to a one, two or three year term will allow RROC to ensure that terms are staggered appropriately and that turnover of 50% of the Board of Directors in one year does not happen. It will also allow RROC to accommodate the individual needs of potential director candidates.

## RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS

### **Financial Implications**

None with respect to this report.

### **Environmental Implications**

None with respect to this report.

### **Strategic Implications**

RROC plays an important role in creating and implementing economic development strategies and in marketing and promoting the Regina region for business and tourism. Serving on the board provides citizens with the opportunity to become involved in their community and its future. The time, effort and expertise members dedicate is invaluable and contributes significantly to Council's vision of an inclusive community.

### **Other Implications**

None with respect to this report.

### **Accessibility Implications**

None with respect to this report.

## COMMUNICATION PLAN

RROC has been provided with a copy of this report.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

This report requires the approval of City Council.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Joni Swidnicki,  
City Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jim Nicol".

Jim Nicol, Executive Director  
Governance and Strategy