

Grande Prairie Regional Competitiveness Committee/Invest NW Committee

Established by Bylaws XXX, XXX, XXX for respective participant municipalities

PURPOSE:

The Purpose is to identify and pursue issues of economic competitiveness of the Grande Prairie Region while addressing these with one voice.

The Committee will:

- identify barriers that are impeding regional economic competitiveness;
- identify activities and establish work plans to remove or minimize these barriers;
- identify and recommend annual regional priorities at the provincial level to respective councils;
- explore and make recommendations regarding establishing a separate Invest NW entity with vision of advancing regional priorities and combating regional economic competitiveness barriers with one voice today and into the future.

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE / MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

Voting Members:

Two elected members from each participating municipality, including the Chief Elected Officials:

- Municipal District of Greenview
- City of Grande Prairie
- County of Grande Prairie No. 1

For continuity purpose, there will be no alternate members.

Chair will be determined by the Committee, rotating on a yearly basis amongst municipalities.

Non-voting Members:

Chief Administrative Officers (CAO) or designates from each participating municipality.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOURCES:

To support the objectives, the Committee will prepare proposals for their respective Council's consideration to allocate dedicated resources.

The hosting municipality will provide administrative support for the meetings.

Economic Development teams from each participating municipality will serve as resources and may supplement the Committee's activities, under the direction of their respective CAOs.

QUORUM AND ATTENDANCE:

One elected member from each municipality, and all CAOs or designates will form quorum.

While meeting in-person is the preferred method, virtual attendance is permitted.

TERM:

The Committee's term shall continue until mutually abolished or transitioned to a separate entity.

AUTHORITY:

The Committee functions in an advisory capacity, with members required to seek approval from their respective Councils. The Committee has decision-making authority within the scope of pre-approved activities and budgets.

FINANCIAL RESOURCING:

Each participating municipality is responsible for all honorariums and costs associated with their members' participation in Committee-related events, conferences, meetings, etc.

All other Committee activities shall be equally shared between the participating municipalities, subject to prior approval from their respective municipalities.

OTHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Bylaws XXX, XXX, XXX established.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

At a minimum, the committee shall meet quarterly, or as required to fulfill its purpose.