

September 12, 2024

Re: Natural Resources Canada Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Program Application

Dear Review Committee,

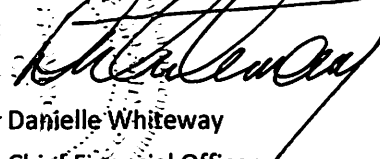
On behalf of Grande Prairie, I would like to confirm participation in and support for ATCO's Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Program (ZEVIP) application, coordinated in partnership with Community Energy Association (CEA). CEA is supporting municipalities across our region (Rocky Mountain House to Grande Prairie and the highway corridors that connect us to collaborate on a solution to low-carbon transportation that will strengthen our local economies, attract investment to the area, and support new, long-term tourism asset development along priority corridors – a project called EVenture. ATCO is the lead owner/operator of the infrastructure and will oversee and manage operations and maintenance of the equipment.

EVenture is a community-driven, collaborative initiative with the objective of building a Level 3 (DC Fast Charger) EV charging network across the rural region of northwest Alberta. This has been a multi-year endeavor, supported by an Advisory Committee consisting of representatives from nine different local governments across the region (The Municipal District of Greenview, City of Grande Prairie, Town of Whitecourt, Town of Edson, Town of Hinton, Town of Rocky Mountain House, Town of Drayton Valley and City of Edmonton). The project will create a Level 3 EV charging station network and provide connectivity across the region enabling travel across our region to drivable markets such as B.C. and major urban centres including Edmonton and Calgary. The rural, cold-climate context of our region demands a coordinated and regional approach to ensure a reliable and safe EV network.

We confirm that the City-owned site at 11330 106th St has been identified in partnership with ATCO, and has been assessed for its technical capacity, proximity to amenities and contribution to overall network connectivity.

Further, we confirm that we have reviewed the attached License of Occupation provided by ATCO, and upon successful funding, will, with City Council approval, proceed with the execution of an agreement which is similar to the attached, and providing access to the site 24/7, 365 days a year for a period of 10 years for the purposes of provision of EV charging.

Sincerely,



Danielle Whiteway
Chief Financial Officer
City of Grande Prairie