

Minutes of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board Held at Rocky View County Council Chambers on Friday June 23, 2023

Delegates in Attendance

Mayor Peter Brown – City of Airdrie
Mayor Jyoti Gondek – City of Calgary
Deputy Mayor Mel Foat – City of Chestermere
Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane
Reeve Delilah Miller – Foothills County
Mayor Craig Snodgrass – Town of High River
Councillor Brent Robinson – Town of Okotoks
Councillor Kevin Hanson – Rocky View County (Vice Chair)
Shawn Ewasiuk - Municipal Affairs (Virtual)

CMRB Administration:

Greg Clark, Chair Jordon Copping, Chief Officer Liisa Tipman, Director of Regional Planning Jaime Graves, Director of Regional Projects Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager JP Leclair, GIS & Data Lead

1. Call to Order & Opening Comments

Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 9:35 and provided opening comments about the recent provincial election. He confirmed that a congratulatory letter had been sent to Minister McIver at Municipal Affairs.

2. Land Acknowledgment

Mayor Gondek provided a land acknowledgment.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Gondek **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Foat, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Board approve the agenda of the June 23, 2023 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Rocky View County Community Update

Reeve Crystal Kissel presented to the Board on what's happening in Rocky View County, which included a virtual tour of population centres, employment and industry highlights and geography of the County.

5. Consent Agenda

Included in the Consent Agenda were Minutes of the April 28, 2023 Board meeting and the Board Strategic Initiatives Update.

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Jordon Copping noted an error on page 7 of the agenda package in the Board Strategic Initiatives. CMRB Administration is waiting for contribution feedback from a member municipality on the Additions to Reserve (ATR) Framework, not from First Nations. The agenda package will be amended and reposted to the CMRB website.

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Moved by Mayor Brown **Seconded by** Councillor Hanson, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Board approve Consent Agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Scoping RTTMP - Draft Objectives

Jaime Graves introduced the agenda item. David Cooper of Leading Mobility presented to the Board the draft RTTMP Objectives. Board members discussed the Key Questions posed on page 14 of the agenda package. The Board discussion resulted in general agreement that:

- The Board accepts the subject matter expert additions proposed in Column 1 of Table 1 of the agenda; and
- ii. The Board does not wish to reduce the number of objectives.

Moved by Mayor Snodgrass Seconded by Mayor Gondek, accepted by Chair.

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Motion: That the Board approve the draft objectives of the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan, as revised, and direct CMRB Administration to work with subject matter experts and TAG to develop a corresponding scope of work for the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan.

Motion carried.

7. Regional Economic Development Framework

Members of the MNP Team presented to the Board and answered questions. The Board discussed the 3 objectives set out in the framework. Questions were answered around the meaning of regional significance, the role of the region as a transportation hub, CMRB staff capacity, leveraging Calgary Economic Development, and building a library of initiatives over time.

Moved by Mayor Genung, **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

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Motion: That the Board approve the Purpose Statement and Objectives contained in the CMRB's Collaborative Regional Economic Development Framework and Vision Report, as amended, and request:

- 1) that Mayor Gondek formally request Calgary city council to add regional economic development to the mandate of Calgary Economic Development and report back to the Board by July 21, 2023; and
- that CMRB Administration report back on next steps no later than October 13, 2023.

Motion carried.



8. Stories of the Land Project

Anne Harding of Forum Community Relations reviewed the project charter for a Stories of the Land pilot project and answered questions about volunteering options, possible cultural risks and intellectual property.

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Moved by Mayor Brown, **Seconded by** Councillor Robinson, accepted by Chair. **Motion:** That the Board approve the project charter for the Stories of the Land Project.

Motion carried.

Closed session

The Board moved into a closed session at 11:35 AM and returned to public session at 12:03 PM.

9. Funding Advocacy Plan

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Moved by Mayor Brown, **Seconded by** Councillor Hanson, accepted by Chair. **Motion:** That the Board approve the direction to administration as discussed in the closed session.

Motion carried.

10. Proposed Member Funding

Based on discussions in the closed session a member recommended that this item be tabled to a future meeting.

Moved by Councillor Hanson, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Foat, accepted by Chair.

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Motion: That the Proposed Member Funding item be tabled to a future meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

11. Roundtable

• Commonwealth Games Presentation to Board: Chair Clark advised he had been approached by the team organizing to bring the Commonwealth Games to our region and they have asked to present to this Board. Mayor Genung added it would be more of an update and information sharing opportunity, and perhaps an economic development play for the entire province. At most, a letter of support may be requested. The bid will be for the Edmonton and Calgary regions, as well as Enoch and Tsuut'ina First Nations. No objections to a presentation were noted. An invitation to present will be extended for 20 minutes at the July Board meeting.



- Update on Office Lease: Jordon Copping advised the Board that a new office space has been secured. Cost savings will be approximately 15% and the new office has better amenities more suited to the organization, including a more functional board space for meetings.
- EMRB 15-Year Anniversary Invitation: Chair Clark noted that Board members should have received an invitation from EMRB for the September 7 event. He encouraged Board members to attend and noted that he would be going.
- Mayor Brown updated the Board on an upcoming unveiling ceremony of the Gapyeong War Monument on July 8th. Airdrie is the sixth municipality to receive such a monument, and 32 delegates are coming from Korea for the unveiling. Mayor Gondek will be white hatting the delegates at the event. An invitation to attend will be coming via email. This event is a a significant symbol of remembrance and tribute.
- Deputy Mayor Foat requested that information sent to him be in a larger caption.
- Councillor Hanson updated the Board on a grant that Rocky View County was able to get through Travel Alberta for a boutique hotel business in Bragg Creek.
- Councillor Robinson noted that the Alberta Summer Games are being hosted in Okotoks from July 20-23. He mentioned the regional undertaking of volunteers that is required and thanked all of the people who contributed.

12. Next Meeting

Friday July 21, 2023 @ 9:30 AM.

13. Adjournment at 12:13 PM.

Greg Clark, Chair