



## UPDATE FOR COUNCIL

**MEETING:** Regular Council  
**MEETING DATE:** February 22, 2022  
**ORIGINATED BY:** Barbara Johnson, Chief Administrative Officer  
**TITLE/SUBJECT:** Land Use Bylaw Amendment within IDP Referral Area  
**AGENDA NO.:** F.2.

### BACKGROUND:

Council gave 1<sup>st</sup> reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2/2022 to rezone NE32-83-23-W5 from Ag District to Rural Industrial – Gravel Pit District at the February 8, 2022 council meeting. At that meeting, Council was advised that an IDP amendment to the IDP with the County of Northern Lights would also be required.

Subsequent to that meeting, public hearing notices were sent to all adjacent landowners, including those in the County of Northern Lights. It has been recommended that Council not proceed with giving 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings to Bylaw No.2/2022 until after the Intermunicipal Development Plan with the County of Northern Lights has been amended.

To start this process, a joint meeting with full councils will be held on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at the Grimshaw Legion hall, beginning at 5:30 pm with a light supper and meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Our planner will provide a full review of the IDP and then suggest proposed amendments, including the amendment for the possible rezoning of NE32-83-23-W5. Each municipality would then develop bylaws for the amendment to the IDP if Councils agree this should happen. A public hearing would be required, preferably a joint one, prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of each municipality's amending bylaw. If the IDP amendment receives 3<sup>rd</sup> reading by both municipalities, then the MD of Peace can proceed with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of Bylaw No. 2/2022.

### ATTACHMENTS:

Comments from the County of Northern Lights regarding the Land Use Bylaw Amendment within the IDP Referral Area for NE32-83-23-W5. These comments will be taken to the Public Hearing on March 8, 2022.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Administration's recommendation is to hold the LUB amendment Public Hearing on March 8, 2022 and not give 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to Bylaw No. 2/2022 until after discussions and possible amendments to the Intermunicipal Development Plan with the County of Northern Lights.



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Re: **LUB Amendment within IDP referral area – Bylaw 2/2022**  
**Pt. NE 32-83-23-W5**

Thank you for your letter of February 14, 2022, regarding the proposed rezoning of the above noted parcel from AG to Rural Industrial: Gravel Pit District (RI-GP).

The Council for the County of Northern Lights had the proposed amendment reviewed by our Planning and Development providers, and we provide the following comments.

We understand that the MD has a robust process respecting the technical review of gravel pits and the County is confident that any potential impacts will be addressed through applicable development permit and licensing conditions. Provided that the proposed gravel pit development is designed and constructed in accordance with best practices and Provincial regulations, and potential impacts on adjacent residential parcels in the County are mitigated through the development permit process, we have no concerns with the proposed amendment from a land use perspective. From the perspective of planning policy alignment, however, approval of the LUB amendment is premature as it does not comply with the IDP. It was suggested by our service providers that the MD postpone 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings of the LUB until such time as an IDP amendment and public hearings could be held. Subsequent to the meeting, the County did receive a call from one of our residents in opposition to the proposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and we look forward to being able to meet as a group in April.

Yours truly,

  
Theresa Van Oort  
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