

# **POLICY**

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TITLE: Independent Legal Advice for Council REVISION DATE:

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**DEPARTMENT:** Legislative Services

#### POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Grande Prairie is committed to providing the highest standards for procedural fairness in its processes, pursuant to the Council Code of Conduct for Elected Officials, Bylaw C-1384 ("Bylaw").

#### REASON FOR POLICY

In the event that a situation arises that may result in a question regarding the potential for a Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest with an Elected Official while performing the duties assigned as an Elected Official, Council wishes to establish the process for the provision of seeking independent legal advice.

## RELATED INFORMATION

The spirit and intent of this Policy it shall be recognized and observed by all Elected Officials. The request for seeking independent legal advice shall be limited to questions regarding the potential for a Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest arising from duties performed as an Elected Official.

## **DEFINITIONS**

All defined terms set out in the Bylaw, shall apply equally to this Policy.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

City Council will review and approve any revisions to this Policy.

City Manager will review and approve any procedures related to this Policy.

City Administration will carry out the policy based on established procedures.