

TOWN POLICY

POLICY NUMBER:

6201

REFERENCE:

Council 327.11.14 Council 235.07.18 ADOPTED BY:

Town Council 5 November 2014

4 July 2018

PREPARED BY: Legislative Services

DATE: November 5, 2014

TITLE:

New Business Welcoming Policy

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POLICY STATEMENT:

THE PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY IS TO:

- (a) Create a program to welcome new businesses to the Town of Strathmore in order to provide information and incentives to new businesses therefore making Strathmore a desirable community to do business in.
- (b) Establish a program that will aid in the Economic Development of the Town of Strathmore.

1.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 1.1 "Chief Administrative Officer" means the person appointed by Council to carry out the powers, duties and functions of the position of Chief Administrative Officer, or the person appointed to act as his designate.
- 1.2 "Council" means the Council of the Town of Strathmore.
- 1.3 "New Business" means the establishment of a new or existing company within the Town of Strathmore to carry on business.
- 1.4 "Home Based Business" means a business whose primary office is in the owner's home.

- 1.4 "New Business Welcome to Town Program" means the program established under this policy to welcome new businesses to the Town of Strathmore.
- 1.5 **"Town"** means the Town of Strathmore as incorporated under the *Municipal Government Act* R.S.A. 2000, C. M-26 as amended.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 Town of Strathmore Council is responsible to:
 - (a) Approve by resolution this policy and any amendments.
 - (b) Approve resources in the annual budget process for successful implementation of this policy.
 - (c) Take on an active role in the New Business Welcoming Procedure.
- 2.2 The Chief Administrative Officer is responsible to:
 - (a) Approve procedure
 - (b) Administer the policy and procedures; and
 - (c) Advise on the correct application of the policy and procedure.

3.0 PROCEDURES

- 3.1 The Town of Strathmore hereby establishes a New Business Welcome to Town Program.
- 3.2 All new businesses locating within the Town of Strathmore shall have access to the New Business Welcome to Town Program.
- 3.3 All Home Based Businesses locating within the Town of Strathmore shall have access to the New Business Profile Page on the Town of Strathmore Website.
- 3.3 Applications to take part in the program will be provided when a business applies for a Town of Strathmore Business License.
- 3.4 All activities associated with the program must be completed within 3 months after the application has been approved.
- 3.5 Activities and incentives associated with the Program are defined in the New Business Welcome to Town Procedure 6201-01.
- 3.6 The Town of Strathmore will inform the Strathmore & District Chamber of Commerce of any New Business in the Town of Strathmore and encourage their participation in the New Business Welcome to Town Program.

4.0 END OF POLICY