

# OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

BYLAW NO. 22-14 TOWN OF STRATHMORE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO ESTABLISH THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD AND TO SET FORTH THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THEREOF.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Libraries Act, R.S.A. 2000, Ch. L-11,

- Council may pass bylaws providing for the establishment of a municipal library board;
- the municipal library board is a corporation that shall be known, in the Town
  of Strathmore, as "The Strathmore Library Board"; and
- members of the municipal library board are appointed by Council;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Libraries Act and Regulations govern the provision of library services within a municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

#### 1. SHORT TITLE

1.1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Municipal Library Board Bylaw".

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1. In this Bylaw, words have the meanings set out in the Act, except that:
  - a) "Board" means the Strathmore Library Board;
  - b) "Chief Administrative Officer" or "CAO" means the individual appointed by Council to the position of Chief Administrative Officer under section 205 of the Municipal Government Act and pursuant to the Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw;
  - c) "Council" means the municipal council of the Town of Strathmore;
  - d) "Councillor" means an individual elected to the position of Mayor or Councillor for the Town.
  - e) "Member" means an individual appointed as a member of the board;



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- f) "Pecuniary Interest" is as described in Division 6 of Part 5 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, Ch. M-26, as if the provisions therein applied to Members rather than Councillors.
- g) "Town" means the municipal corporation of the Town of Strathmore.

#### 3. BOARD MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1. The Board shall consist of no fewer than 5 and no more than 10 members appointed by Council and shall be composed of:
  - a) Up to 2 members who may be Councillors;
  - b) All remaining members shall be residents of the Town of Strathmore
- 3.1. No employee of the Library or the Town shall be eligible for appointment to the Board.
- 3.2. The Board shall elect a chairperson and any other officers it considers necessary from among its members.

#### 4. TERM OF OFFICE

- 4.1. The term of office for:
  - a) Councillors shall be for one (1) year starting from the time they are appointed at the annual organizational meeting;
  - b) Town of Strathmore resident members shall be for up to three (3) calendar years at the discretion of Council.
- 4.2. Members may not be appointed for more than two (2) additional consecutive terms of office unless at least two-thirds (2/3) of Council passes a resolution stating that the member may be reappointed for more than three (3) consecutive terms.
- 4.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Member's term of office shall continue until a Member is appointed in that Member's place. However, a Member immediately ceases to be a Member if, prior to the expiry of his or her term of office:
  - a) Council in its reasonable discretion revokes the Member's appointment;
  - b) The member resigns from the Board (effective upon receipt of notice of such resignation);
  - c) The member fails to attend three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the board unless authorized by a resolution of the board;



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- d) The member ceases to be eligible pursuant to Section 3.1;
- e) The Member has a Pecuniary Interest in a particular matter before the Board, has not declared the same, and has not recused him or herself from voting on the matter; or
- f) In the case of a member referenced in 3.1 (a) ceases to be an elected Councillor.
- 4.4. When a Member ceases to be a Member in accordance with Section 4.3, Council shall, as soon as possible, appoint a successor to fill the vacancy before the remainder of the Member's term of office.

#### 5. Meetings

- 5.1. The Board shall meet at least every four (4) months and at any other time it considers necessary.
- 5.2. A quorum at any board meeting shall be a majority of all appointed members that comprise the Board.

#### 6. Powers and Duties

- 6.1. The Board will perform all duties and exercise all powers imposed upon it by the *Libraries Act* and related regulations, and any other applicable legislation or order.
- 6.2. The Board shall submit a proposed budget to the Town on an annual basis, and where applicable, shall align its budgeting processes and policies with that of the Town.
- 6.3. The Board shall annually provide the Town with a financial report in a form satisfactory to Council.
- 6.4. The Board on passing a Bylaw shall forthwith forward a copy of the bylaw to the Town.

### 7. Agreements/Understandings

7.1. In the event that the Board and the Town wish to enter into mutual agreements or memoranda of understanding, the CAO may negotiate and execute said agreements and/or memoranda on the Town's behalf, with the requirement that any resulting budget impacts must be approved by Council prior to implementation of the agreement.

#### 8. Severability

8.1. If any provision of this Bylaw is found to be illegal or beyond the power of Council to enact, or otherwise invalid, such section shall be deemed to be



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severable from all other sections of this bylaw.

### 9. Repeal and Effective Date

- 9.1. Bylaw 00-12 is hereby repealed.
- 9.2. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon receiving third and final reading and being signed.

**READ A FIRST TIME** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2022.

**READ A SECOND TIME** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2022.

**READ A THIRD AND FINAL** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2022.

**MAYOR** 

DIRECTOR OF STRAGEIC, ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES