

Request for Decision

Title	Sturgeon County Submission to the Alberta Energy Diversification Advisory Committee
Proposed Motion	That Council authorize the Mayor to submit the letter as presented to the Alberta Energy Diversification Advisory Committee on behalf of Sturgeon County Council.
Administrative Recommendation	That Council participate in the Alberta Energy Diversification Advisory Committee's online consultation process by submitting a letter outlining Council's position.
Previous Council Direction	<p>February 14, 2017 – Motion 076/17 That Council and Administration pursue the advocacy opportunities identified in the 2017 Sturgeon County Advocacy Plan.</p> <p>February 14, 2017 – Motion 075/17 That Council approve the 2017 Sturgeon County Advocacy Plan, as discussed In-Camera in accordance with Section 197 of the <i>Municipal Government Act</i>.</p>
Report	<p><u>Background Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2016, the Provincial Government established the Energy Diversification Committee (EDAC) to explore and seize opportunities that will position Alberta's energy industry for long-term success, while building on initiatives such as the Petrochemical Diversification Program (PDP). • The Committee has started to meet with stakeholders and has requested public feedback to better understand Albertans' vision for a diversified energy sector, and the role of government in encouraging additional value-added processing in Alberta. • The Committee's mandate includes considering concepts such as partial upgrading, refining, petrochemicals, and chemicals manufacturing. • Members of Council in attendance at the AIHA Stakeholder Event earlier this year, will recall receiving an update on the initiative by Committee Co-Chair Gil McGowan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council has advocated for energy diversification in the past, and this initiative is very much aligned with the types of economic development Council has encouraged. • On December 5, 2016, Pembina Pipeline Corp. and Kuwait’s Petrochemical Industries Company’s combined propane dehydrogenation and polypropylene upgrading facility announced Sturgeon County was a successful applicant of the PDP program (whereby the Province allocated \$500 million in royalty credits). • This project, along with the other project announced for the PDP (Inter Pipeline in Strathcona County), represents upwards of \$6 billion worth of investment in Alberta, including 4,200 jobs during construction, and more than 240 full-time jobs once operations commence. <p><u>External Communication</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. <p><u>Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2017 Sturgeon County Advocacy Plan • 2016 Alberta Energy Petrochemicals Diversification Program
<p>Implication of Administrative Recommendation</p>	<p><u>Strategic Alignment:</u></p> <p>Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership – Advocating for Sturgeon County’s interests to be present within Provincial policies and programs is consistent with providing effective leadership and management.</p> <p>Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities – Economic diversification contributes to community building and long-term sustainability.</p> <p><u>Organizational:</u></p> <p>None.</p> <p><u>Financial:</u></p> <p>None.</p>
<p>Alternatives Considered</p>	<p>Council authorize the Mayor to send the submission on behalf of Council, as amended.</p>
<p>Follow up Action</p>	<p>1. Administration will work with the Mayor to submit the correspondence prior to April 28, 2017 (Intergovernmental Affairs).</p>

**Report Reviewed
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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

Mission: Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership			
<i>We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consistent with neighborhood role (see MDP), master plans, policies</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Considers fiscal stability and sustainability</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Has a positive impact on regional and sub-regional cooperation</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Respect the Natural Environment			
<i>We acknowledge the importance of a healthy environment and will minimize and monitor our impact on ecosystems (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Compliance with Provincial and Federal regulations and/or legislation</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ensure effective environmental risk management</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Identity & Spirit			
<i>We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan, (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Enhances service provision through community partnerships</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Supports Sturgeon County's cultural history</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planned Growth and Prosperity			
<i>We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Does the proposal align with the Integrated Regional Growth Strategy (map/policies) pg. 26 MDP</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Considers cumulative costs and long-term funding implications</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Targets growth around current or planned infrastructure</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities			
<i>We are committed to a safe, secure community, where our residents are respected and provided with access to opportunities. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Positive impact on residents' quality of life</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Supports and promotes volunteer efforts</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Provides programs and services that are accessible to all residents</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operational Excellence			
<i>We have the organizational capability to deliver consistent and defined levels of service to all stakeholders in a professional, efficient, and cost effective manner</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Staff have the knowledge, skills and capability to perform their jobs</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Streamlines operational processes and policies</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Promotes engagement and professional interaction with stakeholders</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Considers a cost-structure which allows Sturgeon County to remain competitive within a regional, national and global context</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>