

January 26, 2024

Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen
101 Martin Street
Penticton, BC V2A 5J9
VIA EMAIL

Attention: Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen Chair and Board

Dear Chair and Board:

Re: Referral of Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1706, 2023 for Acceptance by Affected Local Governments

Please find attached a copy of draft *Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1706, 2023* and Schedule A: "Fraser Valley Future 2050 Regional Growth Strategy."

The Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) Board has given second reading to *Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1706, 2023* and resolved to refer the regional growth strategy to affected local governments (member municipalities and adjacent regional districts) for acceptance.

In accordance with Section 436 of the LGA, an affected local government must, within 60 days of receipt of this notice and by way of a council or board resolution submitted to the FVRD board, formally accept the regional growth strategy. If an affected local government fails to act within the period for acceptance, it is deemed to have accepted the regional growth strategy.

If an affected local government does not accept the regional growth strategy, it must indicate within the 60 day referral period: (a) each provision to which it objects, (b) the reasons for its objection, and (c) whether it is willing that a provision to which it objects be included in the regional growth strategy on the basis that the provision will not apply to its jurisdiction.

The FVRD has worked closely with member municipalities, adjacent regional districts, local First Nations, members of the public, and other agencies and organizations on the review and update of the regional growth strategy. For more information about RGS engagement and collaboration, please visit the FVRD's website at fvrd.ca/rgs.

Additional documents have been included in this package for information purposes.

The Fraser Valley Regional District would like to thank you and your staff for their time, contributions, and commitment to the regional growth strategy update. We look forward to your continued support as we move towards the adoption and implementation of "Fraser Valley Future 2050."

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Alison Stewart, Manager of Strategic Planning, astewart@fvrld.ca, 604-702-5054.

Council resolutions can be sent to Jaime Van Nes, Director of Legislative Services, Fraser Valley Regional District by email at jvannes@fvrld.ca.

Yours truly,

Jason Lum
Chair of the FVRD Board

Cc: Jim Zaffino, Chief Administrative Officer, Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen
Christopher Garrish, Senior Manager of Planning, Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen
Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer, Fraser Valley Regional District
Stacey Barker, Director of Regional Services, Fraser Valley Regional District
Jaime Van Nes, Director of Legislative Services, Fraser Valley Regional District

Attachments:

1. [Draft Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1706, 2023](#)
2. [Report dated January 25, 2024 titled "Fraser Valley Regional District Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1706, 2023 Correction"](#)
3. [Report dated December 7, 2023 titled "Second Reading of Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw 1706, 2023"](#)
4. [Staff presentation to affected local governments on the updated regional growth strategy draft](#)