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FILE: 6750-20/CV and 400-60/Courtenay

TO: Chair and Directors
Regional District Board

FROM: Russell Dyson
Chief Administrative Officer

Supported by Russell Dyson
Chief Administrative Officer

R. Dyson

RE: Support for City of Courtenay MRDT

Purpose

The City of Courtenay is requesting a letter of support from the Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) for their application to implement the Municipal and Regional District Tax (MRDT) for accommodation rentals within the City of Courtenay.

Recommendation from the Chief Administrative Officer:

THAT a letter be provided to the City of Courtenay advising of the Comox Valley Regional District's support of the City of Courtenay's application to implement Municipal and Regional District Tax for accommodation rentals within the City of Courtenay.

Executive Summary

In 2012 the CVRD board provided its support for the City of Courtenay's application for the then program – Additional Hotel Room Tax.

Due to the impending cancellation of the Comox Valley Economic Development Society contract with the CVRD, the existing MRDT regulation in place for the City of Courtenay will be repealed.

The City is submitting a new application to re-establish the MRDT effective September 1, 2021 and the Ministry of Finance is making an exception to the nine month application timeline to support avoiding a gap in this tax collection.

As part of the application process the applying municipality must provide evidence that the regional district has been consulted, and for the regional district to provide its support or opposition of the tax.

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