

DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: Travel / Mayor Breen – CERA Week

Date Prepared: January 16, 2020

Report To: Regular Meeting of Council

Councillor and Role: Councillor Dave Lane / Finance and Administration

Ward: N/A

Decision/Direction Required:

Seeking approval from Council for Mayor Breen to travel to Houston, Texas from March 9 to 13, 2020 to attend the CERA Week Conference.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

CERA Week convenes a community from across the energy and technology industries. Participants connect with peers and address high-level issues affecting the energy future. The attendees include executives from various energy companies, including several from this province as well as senior policy officials from many countries including Canada. Additionally, those attending will include technology, mobility, industrial and utilities CEOs, innovators, financial and investments community, start-up business and thought leaders.

Mayor Breen has been invited to participate in a panel discussion as part of the work energy city partnership negotiated relationship with CERA Week. It provides a great opportunity to relay the message about the business, energy sector to a significant audience. As part of this negotiated relationship with, the City will have free passes to participate/attend.

Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications:
 - Money is available under the budget for Mayor and Council travel.
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders:
 - Mayor and Council
 - Residents
 - CERA Week attendees
3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans: N/A
4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A

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5. Privacy Implications: N/A
6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
8. Procurement Implications: N/A
9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
10. Other Implications: N/A

Recommendation:

That Council approve Mayor Breen's travel to Houston, Texas from March 9 to 13, 2020 to attend the CERA Week Conference.