

City Council Committee Report

Date: 10 June 2011

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Lake of the Woods Development Commission

Re: Revised Memorandum of Understanding – City of Kenora and the Lake of the Woods Development Commission

Recommendation:

That the City of Kenora adopt the revised MOU with the Lake of the Woods Development Commission to update the Commission's responsibilities to include the delivery of special events throughout the City, including programming the Harbourfront Tent and managing City-owned special events equipment; and

That the appropriate by-law be passed for this purpose.

Background:

In August 2006, the City of Kenora adopted the City of Kenora Economic Development Plan, which outlined the City's transition from a pulp and paper mill town to a destination and lifestyle community. One item in the Plan was the creation of an Economic Development Commission to implement the Plan.

In April 2007, the Lake of the Woods Development Commission was incorporated and became operational. In August 2007, the City of Kenora and the Lake of the Woods Development Commission signed a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Provision and Delivery of Development Services.

The MOU was revised in 2010 to reflect a new operating model and reporting relationship between the City and the Commission.

The City of Kenora transferred responsibility for the delivery of special events to the Commission as of Jan 1, 2011, which led to the development of this revised MOU.

Budget: N/A

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements: None