

1 June 2012



City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor and Council

Fr: Joanne L. McMillin, City Clerk

Re: Ring of Fire – Support for First Nations Determination of Development

Recommendation:

That as requested by the Council of the City of Thunder Bay with respect to the development of the mineral deposits known as the Ring of Fire, and recognizing the primacy of First Nations communities to take steps to have their communities directly benefit from the development of the Ring of Fire, the Council of the City of Kenora hereby supports the fundamental intent of the resolutions arising from the joint meeting of the Lake Nipigon First Nations, the Matawa North-South Alliance as well as the municipalities of Thunder Bay, Greenstone and Nipigon at a meeting held April 14, 2012; and further

That a copy of Kenora's resolution of support be forwarded to NOMA, Greg Rickford, MP, Kenora, Sarah Campbell, MPP, Kenora-Rainy River, the Minister of Northern Development and Mines, the Provincial Ring of Fire Coordinator, the Federal Minister of Natural Resources and the City of Thunder Bay.

Background:

The Council of the City of Thunder Bay is requesting those Councils within the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) to support its April 30, 2012 resolution with respect to support for the Ring of Fire First Nations Determination of Development.

Budget:

N/A

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

N/A