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Councillor Crowson

OFFICIAL BUSINESS MOTION

Economic Development Research and Support

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WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* (section 3 a.2) notes fostering the economic development of the municipality is one of the purposes of the municipality; and

WHEREAS Council does not have an up-to-date Economic Development Strategy, which is essential to provide clear direction to Administration and our service providers; and

WHEREAS as part of the Development Based Initiatives project, Administration is developing an updated Economic Development Strategy for the City of Lethbridge which will include considerations identified in the closed workshop conducted with Economic & Finance Standing Policy Committee members on June 12, 2025.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration prepare a presentation for the July 10, 2025 Economic & Finance Standing Policy Committee that includes identification of the need for any temporary resources to complete and implement the strategy as well as other potential development-based incentives as directed from the closed-session workshop; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to invite the City's fee-for-service-funded partners, Economic Development Lethbridge and Tourism Lethbridge, to attend the July 10th meeting.