

Request for Decision – to Council

Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2019

Subject	Retail Gap Analysis Report – Next Steps (Request for Decision)
Confidential	No
Recommendation	Motion by Councillor _____ to endorse the Retail Gap Analysis report and findings.
Background	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the June 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting, Kieron Hunt from Key Planning Solutions presented the findings and report of the Retail Gap Analysis. Although the Report does not have specific action items that need to be implemented, it does provide valuable data that can be used to inform future decisions making and related plans and studies. For example, the data within the report will inform planning decisions for the update the Municipal Development Plan, updates to the Economic Development Strategy and other planning and economic development related decisions. At this point Administration is simply asking for Council's endorsement of the report so that it can be used in future planning and the implementation of Council's Strategic Goals. <p>Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A <p>Desired Outcome(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Endorsement of the Retail Gap Analysis so the data can be used to support future decision making. <p>Response Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council may choose to endorse the Lac La Biche County Retail Gap Analysis. Council could choose not to endorse the Retail Gap Analysis and provide alternate direction to Administration.
Strategic Alignment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The data within report can be used to inform decisions with respect to the Council's Economic and Tourism Strategic Goals and outcomes.

Implication of Recommendation**Organizational:**

- The data with the is promote will need to be considered and analyzed in support of future land use a planning and economic development initiatives

Financial:

- Although there are no direct financial implications from the report, there may be financial implications to future initiatives that the data in this report informs,

Implementation:

- Use the data and findings to support economic development plans and initiatives going forward.

Communication:

- The Retail Gap Analysis Report will be made available to the public via the County's website.

Attachments

1. Retail Gap Analysis Report

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