

For the <u>Committee of the Whole Meeting</u> August 1 2019

Date: July 26 2019 From: Mayor Helps

Subject: Regulations for Harbour Airport Request for Input

Background

Transport Canada is proposing an amendment to the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* (CARs) to establish regulatory requirements for the operation and certification of water airports in Canada. This amendment will ensure that water airports operate at an equivalent level of safety to land airports and heliports, which have existing regulatory requirements in the CARs.

This is long-awaited information from the federal government which Council has been on record advocating for since at least 2012. Feedback is requested by the federal government by August 22nd. Given that Council will begin a recess after August 8th it is recommended that at the Committee of the Whole meeting of August 1st Council review and discuss the attached document, select a proposed option (see report) and direct staff to respond accordingly and with any other information Council and staff think it would be important for the federal government to consider.

Recommendation

- 1. That Council discuss and provide input to staff at the Committee of the Whole meeting of August 1st.
- That Council direct staff to prepare and submit a response to the federal government by August 22nd based on Council discussions and motions arising at the August 1st Committee of the Whole meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor Helps