

Grey County Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee

Purpose:

To support the County of Grey's Goal 1 in its Corporate Strategic Plan to "Grow the Grey County Economy" and specifically to assist in implementation of "Made in Grey" Economic Development Strategy and to provide a planning advisory role regarding planning policies and special studies.

Scope of Responsibility:

- To progressively move towards Grey County's Economic Development Vision: "Grey County is Open for Business."
- To represent both County Council and the broader interests of private and public sectors involved in supporting the economic development process, namely People x Process = Economic Development Success;
- To review and monitor progress in implementation of the Economic Development Action Plan in order to fulfill the Economic Development Strategy;
- To ensure alignment of the Economic Development Strategy and Grey County's Corporate Strategic Plan;
- To provide a planning advisory role by providing feedback and recommendations on the Grey County Official Plan and any County-initiated amendments to the Official Plan (e.g. Official Plan Update);
- To provide a strategic perspective to the planning department on Provincial, local or procedural matters affecting Grey County residents, visitors, and businesses,
- To receive updates on and review any long term planning related studies such as Growth Management Study, Aggregate Resource Master Plan, Natural Heritage Systems Study, Development Charges, etc. Any other planning matters referred by Grey County to the Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee.

Voting Membership:

- Warden
- Two members of County Council
- Seven members to represent the broader economic interests/sectors and geography of Grey County, with one member to represent the agriculture industry, one member to represent Grey Bruce Health Services, one member to

represent Georgian College (and alternate as determined by Georgian College), one member to represent Healthy Communities (Grey Bruce Health Unit) and three members from Business and Industry sectors. The term of appointment shall be concurrent with the term of council.

Chair and Vice Chair:

The Chair and Vice Chair shall be elected annually from the voting members.

Meetings:

Meetings occur at the call of the Chair or as determined by the Committee (approximately six meetings per year.)

Quorum:

A quorum shall consist of more than 50% of the membership of the Committee.

Statutory Authority:

The Committee is guided by the County's Procedural By-law as well as Provincial Acts and regulations such as the Municipal Act.

Reporting Relationship:

The Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee reports directly to Committee of the Whole with recommendations being finalized by County Council.

Resources:

- CAO
- Director of Planning and Development
- Clerk
- Director of Information Technology
- Director of Social Services
- Director of Housing
- Manager of Economic Development
- Manager of Tourism
- Economic Development Officers
- Deputy Clerk/Legislative Coordinator

Purchasing Staff and Finance Staff, when required.

External agencies will be approached when required.

Committee Coordination

The Clerk's, Economic Development Department and Planning Department will provide staff support and coordination.

Terms of Reference

Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee

Financial Support

Committee expenses and implementation of The Economic Development Strategy are contained within the annual Economic Development Department budget.

Individual Departments will absorb any of their staff costs relating to the committee or Economic Development Strategy.