



City of Revelstoke

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John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer
Columbia Shuswap Regional District
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Email: jmaclean@csrd.bc.ca

Dear Mr. MacLean:

Re: City of Revelstoke – Economic Opportunity Fund Request for Support

The Revelstoke Chamber of Commerce has collaborated with other municipalities in the East Kootenay region to launch a federal immigration pilot program that focuses on retaining skilled immigrant labour in all sectors as a path to permanent residency in Canada. The federal program does not provide funding and communities interested in pursuing this opportunity must provide a multi-year funding commitment to participate.

City of Revelstoke CAO, Evan Parliament, had discussed this opportunity with Director David Brooks-Hill and following that during the Regular Council Meeting held June 25, 2024, Revelstoke City Council passed the following resolution to support the request to the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Economic Opportunity Fund as follows:

THAT a letter of support be provided to the Revelstoke Chamber of Commerce respecting the East Kootenay Immigration Pilot program;

AND THAT a formal request be submitted to the Columbia Shuswap Regional District board for up to \$20,000 in Economic Opportunity Funds be committee annually for five years.

Please find attached an East Kootenay Immigration Pilot Program (RCIP) Information sheet provided by the Revelstoke Chamber of Commerce.

Should you have any questions please contact Evan Parliament, CAO and Interim Director of Community Economic Development, at 250-837-2911.

Sincerely,



Janet Delesalle
Governance Services Coordinator

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cc: Evan Parliament, CAO & Interim Director of Community Economic Development
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