

## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

# Bylaw No. 3004

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A Bylaw to establish the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee as the Forum to consider items related to regional sustainability and provide recommendations on projects and initiatives to the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Board under the Community Sustainable Living Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2135, 2010.

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WHEREAS a regional district has, by Community Sustainable Living Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2135, 2010, established the Community Sustainable Living Service under the provisions of the Local Government Act;

Whereas the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee is a Standing Committee of the RDCK Board established in accordance with the *Local Government Act*;

AND WHEREAS the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee streamlines the overall governance functions for regional sustainability initiatives and strengthens the role of the Board as the final decision-making body for sustainability matters. The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee provides recommendations to the RDCK Board of Directors (the Board) on regional initiatives such as energy resilience, food and agriculture, drinking water and watershed protection, and climate and environmental stewardship.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay, in open meeting assembled, HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

### COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT

- 1 The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee is hereby established.

### DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

- 2 The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee is an advisory body to the Board with no specific powers delegated to it by the Board.

### APPLICATION

- 3 The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee will discuss, initiate and review regionally relevant sustainability projects such as energy resilience, food and agriculture, drinking water and watershed protection, climate and environmental stewardship, and make recommendations to the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Board of Directors as it relates to the CSLA Service 105.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

- 4 (1) The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee is comprised of all RDCK Directors who represent an electoral area or municipality who are members of the Community Sustainable Living Service.
- (2) A Chair for the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee will be elected annually in accordance with the RDCK Procedures Bylaw.
- (3) RDCK Directors who are not members of the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee may attend any open meetings of the Committee as non-voting members and be invited to participate in any discussion at the discretion of the Chair.

## **REMUNERATION**

- 5 The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee are paid meeting stipends and expenses in accordance with the current RDCK Chair, Directors, and Alternate Directors Remuneration Bylaw.

## **DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE**

- 6 The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee is assigned to the following duties by the Board:
  - (a) Discuss, initiate and review projects that are socially, culturally, economically, and environmentally sustainable as identified in the Service such as:
    - (i) energy resilience;
    - (ii) food and agriculture;
    - (iii) drinking water and watershed protection;
    - (iv) climate and environmental stewardship; and
    - (v) other region-wide initiatives of sustainable community importance in the RDCK;
  - (b) Investigate and make recommendations regarding funding for projects and initiatives that support regional sustainability;
  - (c) Make recommendations on sustainability projects, opportunities, service provision, and other related matters of the Service to the RDCK Board;
  - (d) Receive and consider feedback from the community and stakeholder groups regarding sustainability initiatives;
  - (e) Review and make recommendations on annual budget for Community Sustainable Living Service; and
  - (f) Any other matters assigned by resolution of the Board.

## **MEETINGS**

- 7 (1) The Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee will be scheduled to meet six (6) times annually.
- (2) Meeting procedures shall be in accordance with the RDCK Procedures Bylaw.

- (3) Administrative and coordinating functions for the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee are provided by the Development and Community Sustainability Services Department.
- (4) The annual cost of operating the Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee shall be recovered through the services that fall within the scope of the Committee.

**SEVERABILITY**

8 If any section, clause, sub-clause or phrase of this bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of the court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this bylaw.

**CITATION**

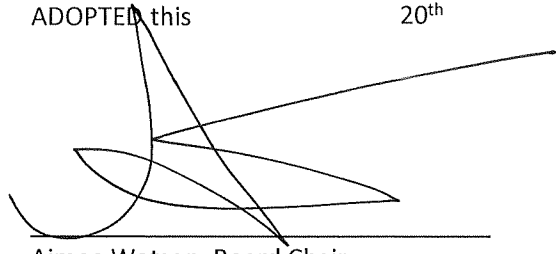
9 This Bylaw may be cited as **Community Sustainable Living Committee Establishment Bylaw No. 3004, 2025.**

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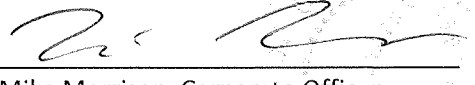
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ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025



Aimee Watson, Board Chair



Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer

