Appendix B



City of North Bay
Communications Review
Executive Summary

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Project Objectives

- ✓ Review the City's current communications efforts
- ✓ Elevate communications to tell the municipal story
- ✓ Help ensure communications keep pace with the changing landscape
- ✓ Increase internal processes and efficiencies
- ✓ Provide recommendations to foster a more informed and engaged community

Work Plan

Review communications policies, processes and approaches



Review industry best practice research and trends



Conduct internal consultations



Lead SMT communications workshop



Review recent Redbrick municipal data



Analyze findings against Redbrick's Municipal Communications Maturity Model



Develop recommendations report

What We Heard

- Overall communications function has improved
- Demands continue to increase
- Opportunities for more proactive planning
- Desire for stronger internal and public engagement
- Want to tell a stronger municipal story
- Clearer understanding needed of the value and impact of communications



5 Recommended Priority Areas



1. Vision and Priority Setting



2. Mindset and Structure



3. Positive Storytelling and Community Building



4. Measurement and Evaluation



5. Public Engagement

Top 10 Opportunities

- 1. Increase capacity as budgets allow
- 2. Instill proactive communications planning and collaboration
- 3. Develop a corporate communications plan
- Strengthen issues management processes and the City's ability to communicate quickly
- 5. Improve processes to share positive stories
- 6. Implement regular and consistent reporting
- 7. Provide regular updates and messaging to support **Council communications**
- 8. Strengthen the City's brand and professionalism
- 9. Strengthen the City's social media presence
- 10. Develop a corporate public engagement framework

Measuring Success - Priority KPIs

Based on the recommendations and action plan in the Review Report:

Measure #1: (internal) More proactive planning and collaboration

Measure #2: (internal) Greater organizational competency

Measure #3: (external) Higher engagement and positive reaction



Thank you

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