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Program Manager – Investment Attraction

Job Summary

Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo Economic Development & Tourism (FMWBEDT) is looking for an experienced and highly motivated Program Manager – Investment Attraction to join our team. Reporting to the Director, Business & Investment Attraction, this opportunity coordinates economic development initiatives to achieve FMWBEDT's strategic goals. The Business & Investment Attraction business unit of FMWBEDT is responsible for pursuing targeted investment for the region. The successful candidate will be a key contributor to driving the attraction of new business, investment and trade to the region.

Duties may include but are not limited to the following:

- Focused on activities related to the attraction of new business, investment and trade within the region.
- Leverages economic development initiatives to support investment attraction in the region.
- Develop business relationships with regional economic development partners, stakeholders and Right's Holders.
- Facilitate investment opportunities of new and existing investors in various sectors throughout the stages of investment.
- Project manage studies, reports or other economic development projects that support business and investment attraction in the region.
- Research and apply for grant and other funding opportunities to support FMWBEDT's priorities.
- Compile and analyze feedback, conduct research and analysis to support and make recommendations to the programs delivered through the Business & Investment Attraction business unit.
- Coordinate and plan special projects, events and familiarization tours to support investment attraction.
- Assist in the development and execution of marketing and communications related to business and investment attraction.
- Ensure compliance with the Municipal Government Act, Council policies and desired direction and the Corporate Strategic Plan, as well as any legislative requirements.
- Compile and update data relevant to investment attraction.
- Develop and maintain the community facts for distribution to investors and for research purposes.
- Determine opportunities for business and investment attraction and identify strategies and plans to aid in the furthering these opportunities.
- Work collaboratively with all FMWBEDT's business units to deliver the organization's strategic plan.
- Work with FMWBEDT's Brand & Marketing team to develop and distribute marketing and promotional material directly related to attracting investment to the region.
- Assist in the development and execution of marketing and communications related to business and investment attraction.

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- Build relationships with existing and new developers, land owners, investors and businesses to
 encourage/gain more development and growth in the region in accordance to policy direction
 and strategic goals.
- Develop and implement programs to support business retention and expansion in collaboration with businesses and business support organizations.
- Work closely with businesses and business support organizations including but not limited to Chamber of Commerce, and the Government of Alberta.
- Cultivate collaborative relationships with industry stakeholders working in partnership to deliver the region's Strategic goals related to economic development and tourism.
- Foster positive and professional engagement with all stakeholders and Rights holders where necessary.
- Collaborate with FMWBEDT's Brand & Marketing team to ensure organizational consistency in communicating to the public.
- Attend and present at Council, Committee, or external agency meetings as required. Ensure reports and recommendations are well researched, accurate, and comprehensive.
- Travel outside the region, when necessary, to attend conferences, trade shows, trade missions and other business meetings.
- Provide honest and respectful feedback to RMWB Council and other stakeholders as required.
- Ensure compliance with the Municipal Government Act, Council policies and desired direction and the Corporate Strategic Plan, as well as any FMWBEDT legislative requirements

Education/Experience

- Related technical diploma or degree.
- 5 years' experience in an Economic Development role
- Training through Economic Developers of Alberta or (similar) is an asset.
- Planning background would be an asset.
- Communications, public relations, or tourism would be an asset.

Knowledge/Skills

- Industrial knowledge of industry and SCM procedures.
- Research and Analytical Skills
- Business development
- Strong networking skills

SAFETY:

As an employee of the Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo Economic Development & Tourism (FMWBEDT), the incumbent is responsible and accountable for knowing and working in accordance with the Health and Safety Directive. As per section 2 of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the incumbent shall ensure while in the employ of the FMWBEDT the health and safety of employees, contractors and the public.

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This position is not employed in a supervisory capacity. As such the employee is not required to obtain additional safety training in accordance with procedures and directives.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

Working in an office environment with frequent interruptions, a high degree of discretion must be used due to the confidentiality of work. Duties may require the use of a personal or company vehicle for business travel purposes.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- A valid Alberta Operator's License is required as incumbent will be required to operate a
 personal, FMWBEDT leased, or rental vehicle for business use on a regular basis.
- License Required: Class Five (5)

TO APPLY:

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