Bee City Canada Resolution

WHEREAS the goal of Bee City Canada designation is to promote healthy, sustainable habitats and communities for pollinators;

THAT bees and other pollinators around the globe have experienced dramatic declines due to land fragmentation, habitat loss, use of pesticides, industrialized agriculture, climate change and the spread of pests and diseases, with serious implications for the future health of flora and fauna; and

THAT cities/townships/First Nation communities and their residents have the opportunity to support bees and other pollinators on both public and private land; and

THAT supporting pollinators fosters environmental awareness and sustainability, and increases interactions and engagement among community stewards; and

THAT by becoming a Bee City, the Town of Okotoks can highlight initiatives already in place and further engage local communities in an environment of creativity and innovation which will promote a healthier life for our community;

THAT staff be authorized to submit the Bee City Canada Application to designate the Town of Okotoks as a Bee City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Town of Okotoks accepts the designation and commits to the standards of the Bee City Canada Program.

Read, approved and adopted this

22nd day of March, 2021.

at the

Town of Okotoks

Signature of Mayor

MAYOR BILL ROBERTSON

Print Mayor's name