

Subject: 2022 Council's Excellence Awards**APPROVALS:****Paul Thorkelsson**_____
Director_____
Chief Administrative Officer**Recommended Motion:**

THAT the recommended recipients for the Council's Excellence Awards outlined on Attachment 1 be approved.

Summary:

Council's Excellence Awards will be hosted by the Municipality for the 2022 fiscal year and will recognize and celebrate outstanding contributions and impacts made by residents in the region in the following four (4) categories: Citizen of the Year, Everyday Hero, Indigenous Advocate and Youth.

Background:

A Call for Nominations opened on September 7, 2022 and closed October 21, 2022. Communications strategies including a news release, website, rural newsletters, and social media posts were employed. A total of 33 nominations were received and were broken down into the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year - 19 nominations received
- Youth - 7 nominations received
- Indigenous Advocate - 4 nominations received
- Everyday Hero - 3 nominations received

A selection panel consisting of municipal staff reviewed the nominations packages and evaluated them based on eligibility, respective award criteria, and evaluation rubric. The nominee in each award category with the highest score is recommended to Council to receive recognition.

Council's Excellence Awards, formerly known as the Civic Awards, were launched in 1998 to acknowledge outstanding individuals or groups that make a significant contribution to the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB). Residents were

invited to nominate individuals or groups that go above and beyond to make our region a better place to live.

Strategic Plan Values:

Building Partnerships

Attachments:

1. Council Excellence Awards Recipients