

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY

The Council of the Village of Irma, along with the Modernized Municipal Government Act, deems it appropriate to create a policy for the purposes of outlining how the Village of Irma will engage public participation for residents. This policy will follow the outline given in the MGA, if any exists.

Persons Affected

- Staff
- Council
- Residents

Policy Statement

The Village of Irma will adhere and conform to all provincial statutes and regulations. If there is a regulation from the Federal or Provincial Government that requires anything different than this policy the provincial or federal regulation will be followed. If any of the terms and conditions contained in this policy are at any time held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable in the manner outlined, then such terms and conditions will be severed from the remaining terms and conditions, and such severance shall not affect the enforceability of the remaining terms and conditions in accordance with the intent of this document.

Responsibilities

The responsibilities of this policy and the parties required to uphold them are:

Council and Administration will ensure that the public is engaged and participating to the best of their ability using the items outlined in this policy.

Procedures

The Village of Irma will do their best to use the following tools to engage participation from the public on Village matters, when able to. These matters could be budget, bylaws, policies, or any other item. As staff are away, and time constraints may come into play the Village may not be able to do all or part of these engagement items.

Here are the tools:

- Website
- Social Media
- Traditional Media
- Phone Calls
- Posters
- Any other means that council or administration uses

Applicability

This Policy will apply to all current administration staff and council for the Village of Irma.

Yearly Town Hall Meeting

Council will, at least once a year, host a "Town Hall" meeting that will allow for residents to come and talk with council members about their concerns. This meeting date and time will be advertised using the methods in the "Procedures" area. Staff may or may not be made available for this event.

Council Meeting Minutes

The Village of Irma council meeting minutes will be advertised on the website once approved.