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NEWELL ENERGY FROM WASTE FEASIBILITY STUDY COMPLETE

Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP) partnered with the City of Brooks and County of Newell to explore the potential of introducing an Energy from Waste (EfW) processing facility to service the Newell Region.

“The construction of an EfW processing facility would attract external investment, along with associated industries, and create jobs in the region,” said Jessica Surgenor, City of Brooks Economic Development Officer.

An engineering firm was hired to complete a feasibility study in two phases to determine the viability of such a facility. The first phase of the project examined the current waste streams available in the region, as well as any related processing requirements for the identified waste items. Based on the database of waste types and volumes produced in Phase One, the second phase examined a number of current processing technologies capable of and best suited for managing the quantity and composition of waste.

“We are excited at the possibility and opportunity to bring new investment and economic diversity to the region,” said Dan Klein, chair of the Joint Shared Services Committee. The Committee is made up of chief elected officials from the County, City, Town of Bassano and Villages of Duchess and Rosemary and funds economic development initiatives for the Brooks Region. “We are open to exploring all projects and developments that will help attract new investment and promote our region as an attractive place to do business.”

“PEP has been actively engaged with working with the Brooks Region’s economic development team and are ready to look at next steps for the project,” said Jay Slempp, chair of Palliser Economic Partnership. “I am confident, given the current stage of the project, the economics of this feasibility study will positively impact the region, as well as ignite future investment.”

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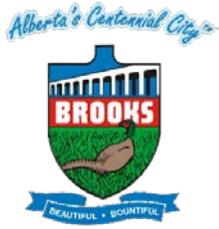
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