



Miscellaneous Municipal Item
REPORT TO COUNCIL
Municipal Reserve License – Bid Result
May 14, 2025

Letter of Request information		File: PL1929-14SW
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Municipal Reserve located within SW 14-19-29 W4M; Plan 1910534, Blk 3, Lot 1MR containing 15 acres more or less.		
LANDOWNER: Foothills County		
PROPOSAL: Municipal Reserve License – Bid Results		
DIVISION NO: 1	COUNCILLOR: Rob Siewert	
FILE MANAGER: Municipal Lands Administrator, Donna Fowler		

LOCATION

The Municipal Reserve parcel is located approximately 0.7 km northwest of the Town of High River, along HWY 543 E and 48 St E.

BACKGROUND

History:

In 2010, Foothills County sent a letter to Barry King giving him permission to remove hay from the MR parcel for that current haying season (1 year). He was informed that at the expiry of that one year term, he would need to complete the necessary application and procedural steps to obtain a license with the County.

A formal licence agreement between Barry King and Foothills County was never established but according to the applicant, they have been haying and maintaining the MR parcel for several years.

February 25, 2025:

Barry King submitted a letter, to request Councils consideration to renew the license for an additional 5 years.

April 2, 2025:

After reviewing the applicants request, Council directed administration to proceed with advertising to accept bids to license the 15 acre Municipal Reserve parcel.

The Notice of Intent was mailed to adjacent landowners, published in two editions of the Western Wheel (April 16 & 23, 2025) and was advertised on our website.

Two submissions were received, and are attached as Appendix B for your reference:

1) Barry King

- \$1,500/Year (\$100 per acre)
- Homestead is approx. one mile south of the MR Parcel within SW 11-19-29W4.
- Cultivation and Stewardship.
- Parcel is fertilized every other year.

2) Mike Macklin

- \$750.00/Year (\$50 per acre)
- Homestead is approx. one mile south of the MR Parcel within SE 10-19-29W4.
- Cultivation and Stewardship
- Fertilize the parcel every spring.

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Council may wish to consider the following options:

Option A:

To direct administration to proceed with entering into a Licensing Agreement with Barry King for the 15 acre subject parcel, being legally described as Plan 1910534, Blk 3, Lot 1MR within SW 14-19-29 W4M, for cultivation and stewardship with the following terms:

Proposed Term: _____ years

Yearly Licensing Fee: \$1,500

Purpose: Cultivation and Stewardship

Proposed Management Plan: Weed Management

Access will not be denied.

Option B:

To direct administration to proceed with entering into a Licensing Agreement with Mike Macklin for the 15 acre subject parcel, being legally described as Plan 1910534, Blk 3, Lot 1MR within SW 14-19-29 W4M, for cultivation and stewardship with the following terms:

Proposed Term: _____ years

Yearly Licensing Fee: \$750.00

Purpose: Cultivation and Stewardship.

Proposed Management Plan: Weed Management

Access will not be denied.

Option C: Postpone to allow administration to gather further information.

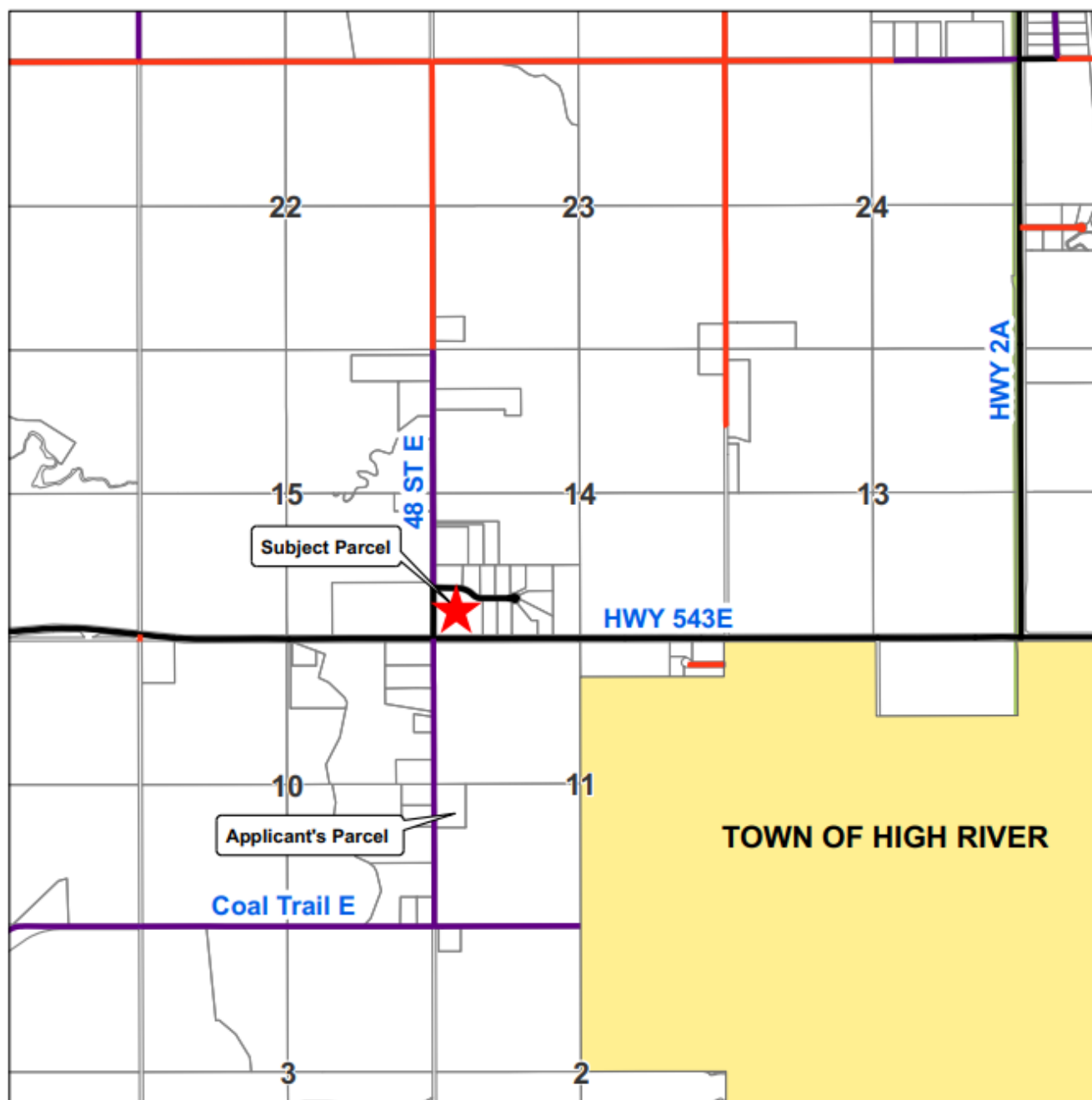
Option D: Refuse all requests, at this time.

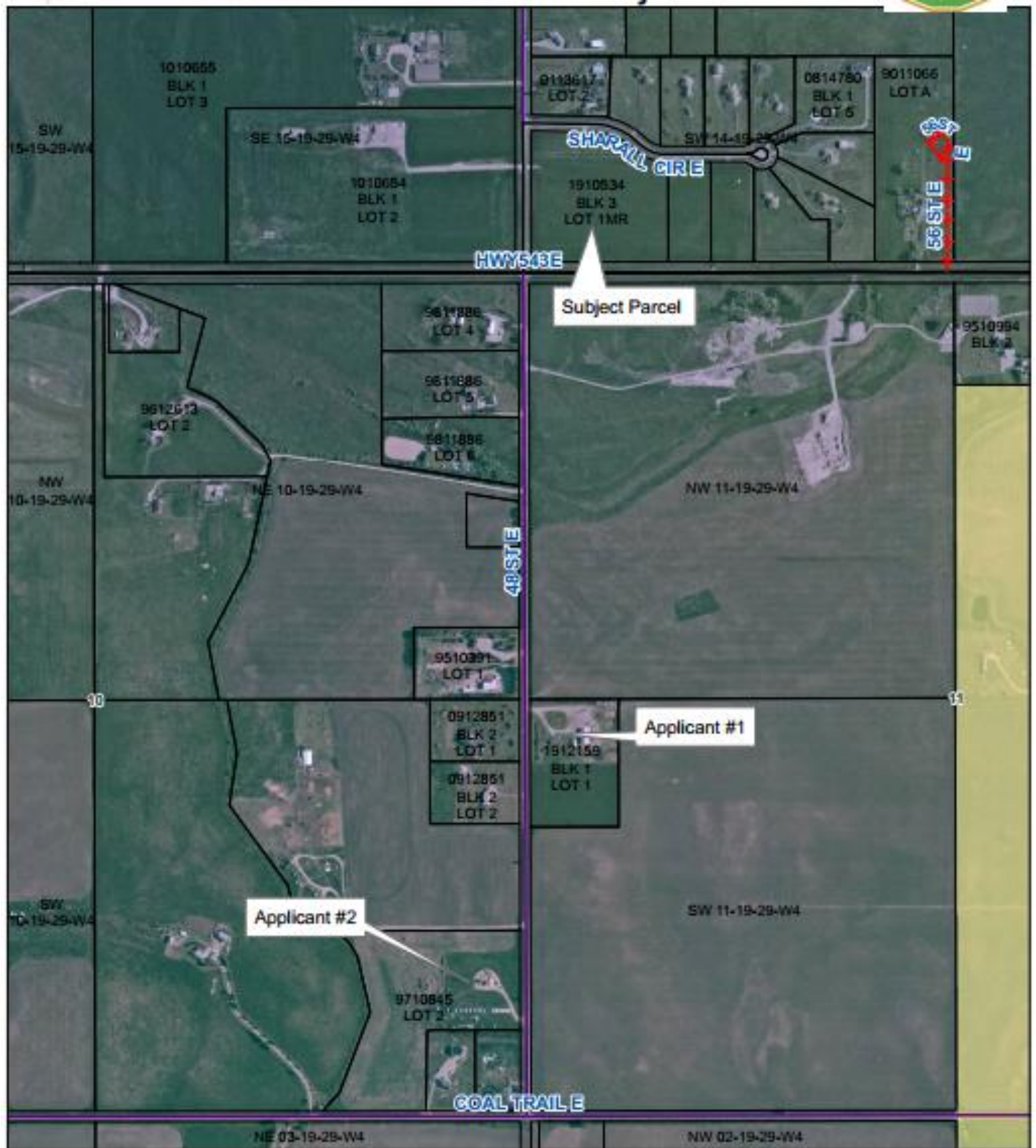
APPENDICES

APPENDIX A - Location Maps

APPENDIX B- Bid Letters – B. King & M. Macklin

APPENDIX A:
LOCATION MAP





APPENDIX B: Bid Letters

1) B. King

2) M. Macklin

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Nicole Poffenroth

From: Nicole Poffenroth
Sent: May 5, 2025 12:41 PM
To: Nicole Poffenroth
Subject: FW: Ptn: SW 14-19-29 W4M Re: MR License

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: April 22, 2025 11:42 AM
To: Donna Fowler <Donna.Fowler@FoothillsCountyAB.ca>
Subject: Ptn: SW 14-19-29 W4M Re: MR License

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Thank you Donna,

RE: License of Municipal Reserve - Ptn: SW 14-19-29-W4M

I, Barry King / King and Sons Ranches, am interested in the license to cultivate / steward the 14.99 +/- acres Municipal Reserve, being legally described as Plan 1910534, Block 3, Lot 1MR within Ptn SW 14-19-29 W4M for the next 5 years, inclusive 2025 - 2029 growing seasons, for the purpose of haying and bailing. I am offering \$1500/year, payable annually on May 1.

The land has been seeded many years ago and produces a good crop of hay that is essentially weed-free. It has been fertilized approximately every other year and I would continue with this as necessary.

Sincerely,

Barry King

King and Sons Ranches

[REDACTED]

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Donna Fowler

From: Mike Macklin [REDACTED]
Sent: April 29, 2025 3:46 PM
To: Donna Fowler
Subject: Municipal Reserve SW 14-19-29 W4M

15 Ac at \$50/ Ac= \$750.00/yr

Field has been in hay and I would leave it as hay.

Legal Address of Parcel SW 14-19-29 W4M

My Legal Address is SE 10-19-29 W4M One Mile south. I will also be haying the field directly west of this parcel.

My management plan would be to fertilize in spring to obtain the best hay crop possible. Crop would be harvested in August.

My desired term would be at least 3 years but 5 would be most favor full and allow the best payback for input costs.

Thank You for your consideration of my application. Mike Macklin [REDACTED]

Any questions or concerns, please contact me.

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