

# MRDT Renewal

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## MRDT in Kelowna

2004/2009/ 2014 2%

2017 / 2022 3%

## MRDT revenue streams

# MRDT

- Remitted by hotels/motels
- For Tourism Kelowna
- 100% used for marketing



- Remitted by Online Platform hosts
- For City of Kelowna
- 100% used for affordable housing

# MRDT Program Principles



Effective tourism marketing, programs and projects



Effective local-level stakeholder support, and inter-community collaboration



Marketing efforts that are coordinated and complementary to provincial marketing strategies and tactics



Fiscal prudence and accountability

Source: MRDT Program Requirements, Province of BC

### **MRDT** Context

#### 65% of Tourism Kelowna's annual budget

2021 projection: \$1.5M ++

2022 forecast: \$2.63M

Supported by 77% of Units and 58% of properties

## Strategic Pillars









Increase high value visitation Grow indestination spending

Manage sustainable growth

Ensure value proposition

## Five year outlook

# Change and transition

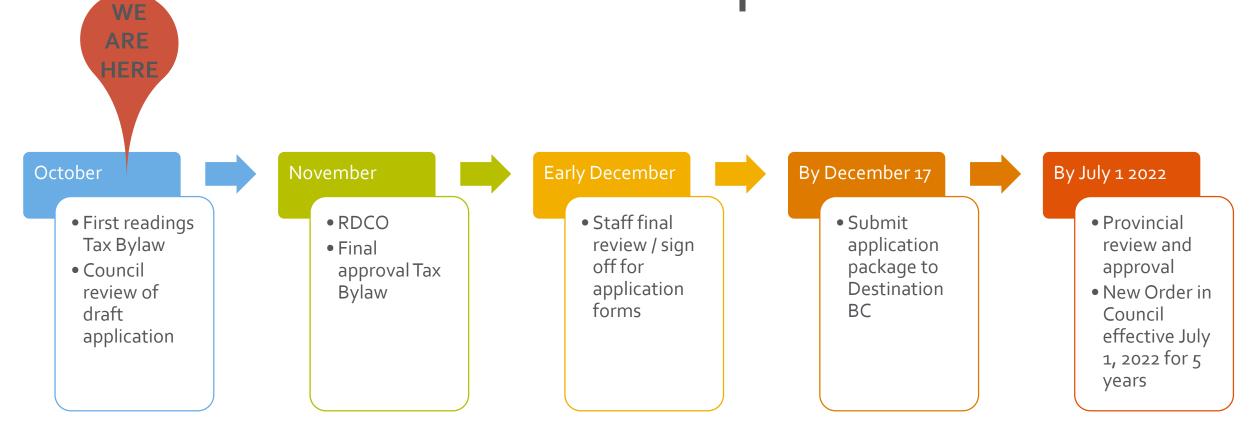
#### Recovery

Education and engagement

#### Local focus

#### Dispersion

# Next steps



## Recommendations

► THAT Council supports an application to renew 3% MRDT

THAT the Division Director, Financial Services, is authorized to sign the application documents

► THAT MRDT Tax Bylaw 12290 be forwarded for reading consideration



#### Questions?

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