

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF REYNOLDS

BY-LAW NO. 01/2025

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF REYNOLDS (THE "MUNICIPALITY"), IN MANITOBA, TO AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 1996 FRANCHISE AGREEMENT ENACTED WITH CENTRA GAS MANITOBA INC. ("CENTRA") WITH A NEW, UPDATED FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND THIRTY (30) YEAR TERM.

AND WHEREAS the Local Government District of Reynolds ("LGD of Reynolds"), in Manitoba, entered into a franchise agreement with Centra dated September 11, 1996 pursuant to by-law No. 2/96 for the supply of natural gas to portions of said LGD of Reynolds:

- River Lots 8, 10, 11, and 12 in Section 9, Township 8, Range 12 EPM;

AND WHEREAS by-law No. 2/96 of the LGD of Reynolds authorizing the franchise agreement was approved by the Public Utilities Board ("PUB") by Order No. 92/96;

AND WHEREAS the said franchise agreement of the LGD of Reynolds pursuant to by-law No. 2/96 was for a term of thirty (30) years, ending on September 11, 2026;

AND WHEREAS under The Municipal Act (C.C.S.M. c. M225), assented to November 19, 1996, regarding Transitional Provisions, the LGD of Reynolds continued as the Rural Municipality ("RM") of Reynolds;

AND WHEREAS the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba approved a new form of generic franchise agreement (2011 New Generic Franchise Agreement) by Order 159/11 dated November 16, 2011;

AND WHEREAS Section 232(1)(l) of The Municipal Act provides that a Council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting public utilities;

AND WHEREAS Section 250(2)(c)(d) and 253(1) of The Municipal Act provides that a Municipality may for municipal purposes:

- (c) acquire, establish, maintain and operate services, facilities and utilities; and
- (d) enter into agreements with another party to do on behalf of the Municipality anything the Municipality has the power to do within the Municipality.

AND WHEREAS the RM of Reynolds (as aforementioned, the "Municipality") and Centra have agreed that it is in their mutual interest to replace the existing thirty (30) year franchise agreement (set to expire September 11, 2026) with a new franchise agreement and thirty (30) year term using the 2011 Generic Franchise Agreement (hereafter, "Franchise Agreement") approved by the PUB in Order 159/11;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality deems it advisable to grant such permission pursuant to the terms and conditions of the said Franchise Agreement;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest that the Municipality enter into the Franchise Agreement for the purpose outlined and pursuant to said Section 250(2);

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Rural Municipality of Reynolds in regular session assembled enacts as follows:

1. That the Municipality enter into a new Franchise Agreement, in the form attached hereto as Schedule "A" to this By-Law to replace the September 11, 1996 agreement with Centra set to expire September 11, 2026 to allow Centra to continue to supply and distribute natural gas to River Lots 8, 10, 11, and 12 in Section 9, Township 8, Range 12 EPM in the Rural Municipality of Reynolds, in Manitoba.
2. That the Municipality enter into said Franchise Agreement as Schedule "A" to this By-Law with Centra for the purpose of granting additional franchise for Section 6, Township 6, Range 9 EPM of the Municipality to serve a customer located in SW ¼ Section 6, Township 6, Range 9 EPM that is connected to Centra's distribution system in an out of franchise location.
3. That the Reeve and Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality shall be authorized to execute said Franchise Agreement with Centra on behalf of the Municipality.
4. That this by-law shall, after being read a first time by the Council be submitted to or receive the authorization or approval of The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba.
5. That Centra be authorized to represent the Municipality in applying to The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba for approval of the Franchise Agreement.
6. That this by-law shall not take effect until it has received approval of The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba and third reading.

REPEAL

6. That this by-law shall take effect upon the passing hereof and by-law 2/96 Rural Municipality of Reynolds is hereby repealed.

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of the Rural Municipality of Reynolds, in Manitoba, in regular session assembled this 17th day of February, 2026.



REEVE



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Read a first time this 8TH day of April, 2025.

Read a second time this 17th day of February, 2026.

Read a third time this 17th day of February, 2026.