

# City of Broken Arrow

### **Request for Action**

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**Broken Arrow Convention and Visitors' Bureau** 

Meeting of: 03-13-2017

To: Convention and Visitors' Bureau Board

From: Office of Tourism

Title:

Consideration, discussion and possible approval of identifying

recommended actions from the Tourism Asset Inventory final report

to be presented to City Council

#### **Background:**

On January 17, 2017, Young Strategies, Inc. presented the Tourism Asset Inventory final report at a joint meeting to the City Council and the Convention and Visitor's Bureau (CVB). In this report, Young Strategies recommended several action items for the CVB to consider implementing in the near future. The Suggested recommended actions include:

- Restructuring of the CVB Create new structure focused on sales and marketing to drive increased room demand.
- Increase staffing increase staff to include a Director, Marketing-Group Sales and Office Support.
- Drive increased demand for room nights with focus on need periods when occupancy is low.
- Marketing Build a brand around the unique name "Broken Arrow". Develop aggressive strategies for website and digital; social media and traditional marketing partnership with regional and state CVBs.
- Gateways Support City in the development of gateways that create a sense of place and direct arriving guests to information and core gathering spots.

City staff is recommending that the CVB identify these recommended actions as steps that should be taken by the City and present to City Council for further action. If these recommended action items are approved by City Council, City staff will work with the CVB to develop a timeline for implementation.

Cost: \$0

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**Legal Department** 

**Assistant City Manager** 

Approved By: Norman Stephens, Assistant to the City Manager/Economic Development

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Coordinator

**Attachments:** Tourism Asset Inventory Final Report

Strategic Plan

### **Recommendation:**

Identify recommended actions from the Tourism Asset Inventory final report to be presented to City Council.