

## Bylaw 16239

A Bylaw Fixing the Fees for Assessment and Tax Services of the City of Edmonton Amendment No. 3

### Purpose

To establish fees for services provided by the Assessment and Taxation Branch.

### Readings

Bylaw 16239 is ready for three readings.

Three readings are required by November 30, 2012, to provide for adequate notification of the increase in fees effective January 1, 2013, is to be provided to high use account holders.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree "That Bylaw 16239 be considered for third reading."

### Advertising and Signing

This Bylaw does not require advertising.

### Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

### Report Summary

**This Bylaw reflects an increase of 5% in the majority of fees for information services provided by the Assessment and Taxation Branch.**

### Report

The fees outlined in this Bylaw reflect an increase of approximately 5% from the previous rates. Prior to this proposed increase, the fees for services such as tax searches, tax certificates, and information/billing services to financial

institutions, had not been increased since January 1, 2010.

Based on a survey of Alberta municipalities, the fees being proposed in this Bylaw are in the middle of the range when compared to other larger jurisdictions.

### Corporate Outcomes

Ensure Edmonton's Financial Sustainability.

### Budget/Financial Implications

The 2012 budget for this revenue is \$1.2 million. The proposed changes to the fee schedule are expected to generate additional revenues in 2012 of \$60,000 or approximately 5%.

### Attachments

1. Bylaw 16239
2. Summary of Proposed Amendments
3. Bylaw 15034 – A Bylaw Fixing the Fees for Assessment and Tax Services of the City of Edmonton (Consolidated on December 7, 2010)

### Others Reviewing this Report

- D. H. Edey, General Manager, Corporate Services