

Bylaw 15925

Sewers Bylaw 9425 Amendment No. 16

Purpose

To amend Sewers Bylaw 9425 to reflect new sanitary sewer trunk charges for the connection of a private drainage system to a sewer service that connects or will be connected to a sanitary or combined sewer.

Readings

Bylaw 15925 is ready for three readings.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree "That Bylaw 15925 be considered for third reading."

Advertising and Signing

Advertising is not required.

Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

Report Summary

This Bylaw provides for a 3.75% increase to the current sanitary sewer trunk charge rates. The Bylaw is to take effect January 1, 2012.

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- Money collected as sanitary sewer trunk charges is deposited into the Sanitary Servicing Strategy Fund. This Fund is used to finance sanitary sewer trunk sewer projects required for the accommodation of growth and densification within the City.
- The increase to sanitary sewer trunk charges is proposed following the findings of the Sanitary Servicing

Strategy Program Review conducted in 2009. The review looked into the current cash balance of the Sanitary Servicing Strategy Fund as well as the future estimated revenue and expenditures of the program based on latest population and cost inflation projections. In order to maintain sustainability of the Sanitary Servicing Strategy Fund, an increase of 3.75% for the year 2012 is recommended.

- The proposed increase relates to developer contribution and does not affect drainage rates.
- The Sanitary Servicing Strategy Fund Management Committee unanimously recommended this increase. The Management Committee is made up of five members (three from the City and two from the Urban Development Institute).

Policy

Sanitary Servicing Strategy for the 21st Century Report approved by Council in July 1998.

Corporate Outcomes

The Way Ahead, Edmonton's Strategic Plan 2009-2018:

- Ensure Edmonton's Financial Sustainability:
 - The City has well managed and sustainable assets and services.
 - The City has a resilient financial position.
 - The City has balanced revenue streams that are sustainable.
- Transform Edmonton's Urban Form:
 - Edmonton has sustainable infrastructure that fosters and supports civic and community needs.
- Improve Edmonton's Livability:

- Safe and clean city.
- Preserve and Sustain Edmonton's environment:
 - The impact of City operations on air, land and water systems is minimized.
 - Edmonton strives to be a leader in environmental advocacy, stewardship, preservation and conservation.

Budget/Financial Implications

Revenue from the proposed increases to the Sanitary Sewer Trunk Charge is necessary to ensure long-term sustainability of the Sanitary Servicing Strategy Fund in support of new land development within the city.

Attachments

1. Bylaw 15925
2. Summary of Proposed Amendments

Others Reviewing this Report

- D. H. Edey, General Manager, Corporate Services
- L. Rosen, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer