

Bylaw 15816 – EPCOR Water Services and Wastewater Treatment Bylaw

Summary of Written Submissions and Responses from EPCOR

Recommendation:

That Utility Committee recommend to City Council:

That the September 1, 2011, Financial Services report 2011CA1233 be received for information.

Report Summary

This report provides a summary of written submissions and responses with respect to proposed Bylaw 15816 – EPCOR Water Services and Wastewater Treatment Bylaw.

Previous Council/Committee Action

At the July 20, 2011, City Council meeting, the following motions were passed:

That Bylaw 15816 be given first reading.

That upon first reading of Bylaw 15816:

- a) Bylaw 15816 be referred to the City Manager and return to City Council, through Utility Committee, with a report as to the reasonableness of the rates application, and a summary of written submissions by interested parties.

Report

The reasonableness review of the rates application is addressed through the September 1, 2011, Financial Services report 2011CA1232.

Advertisement of the September 1, 2011, public hearing was completed by EPCOR Water Service Inc. in accordance with Bylaw 12294 – EPCOR Rates Procedures Bylaw, on July 23, 2011, and July 30, 2011. The advertisement is included as Attachment 1 to this report.

This report provided responses from EPCOR to Councillors questions received by the July 29, 2011, deadline.

No public submissions were received as of the August 10, 2011, deadline.

Public submissions received after August 10, 2011, will be distributed as late addenda for information purposes only.

Questions from Councillors and responses are contained in Attachment 2.

Policy

The information in this report is compliant with the *Municipal Government Act* and Bylaw 12294 – EPCOR Rates Procedures Bylaw.

Corporate Outcomes

The information in this report is consistent with Council's strategic vision in terms of its conditions of success, particularly related to sound management practices and processes.

Attachments

1. Advertisement of Public Hearing - Proposed Bylaw 15816 – EPCOR

Water Services and Wastewater
Treatment Bylaw

2. EPCOR Water Services Inc.,
Responses to Councillor Questions
3. Public Submission dated August 26,
2011 – Pat Bellemare
4. Public Submission dated August 30,
2011 – Don Paterson
5. Public Submission dated August 30,
2011 – Deane Purves
6. Public Submission dated August 31,
2011 – Francisca Swist

Advertisement of Public Hearing – Proposed Bylaw 15816 – EPCOR Water Services and Wastewater Treatment Bylaw

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

EPCOR WATER SERVICES AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT BYLAW 15816

On September 1, 2011, the Utility Committee of Edmonton City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed EPCOR Water Services and Wastewater Treatment Bylaw 15816. The proposed Bylaw 15816, if approved, will replace EPCOR's Waterworks Bylaw 12585 previously approved by City Council on July 4, 2006.

The purpose of the proposed Bylaw 15816 is to establish rates, fees and charges for water services and wastewater treatment services provided by EPCOR for the period from April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2017. Terms and conditions for water services are also included. The proposed Bylaw 15816 reflects an extension of the performance based regulation for water rates for a third five-year term and will also include wastewater treatment rates.

Currently, wastewater treatment rates and wastewater collection and transmission rates are levied through Bylaw 9675 – Sewers Use Bylaw. Under the proposed Bylaw 15816, effective April 1, 2012, wastewater treatment rates would be levied through the proposed Bylaw 15816.

City Council would like to hear from interested parties regarding the proposed Bylaw 15816. Written submissions should be delivered or mailed to the Office of the City Clerk, (3rd Floor, City Hall, 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square, Edmonton, AB T5J 2R7); faxed (780-496-8175); or emailed (city.clerk@edmonton.ca). Submissions received by August 10, 2011 will receive response at the public hearing. Submissions received subsequently will be received for information.

Those who wish to make an oral presentation at the public hearing may do so by contacting the Office of the City Clerk at 780-496-8178 or by registering on-line at: http://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/city_organization/request_permission_to_speak.aspx. Each presenter will have five minutes to make his or her presentation.

The public hearing will be held on September 1, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. at City Hall, 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square, Edmonton.

Documentation on EPCOR's proposed Bylaw 15816 can be obtained by contacting EPCOR directly at 780-441-7158 during normal business hours. Alternatively, the information is available for viewing at the Office of the City Clerk, 3rd floor, City Hall during normal business hours or on-line at www.edmonton.ca/meetings as an attachment to the June 16, 2011 Utility Committee Agenda.

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