

# Bylaw 19091

## To Replace Bylaw 14737, the City of Edmonton Emergency Management Bylaw

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### Purpose

To replace the current Emergency Management Bylaw 14737 with an updated Emergency Management Bylaw that is consistent with changes in the Alberta *Emergency Management Act* and the City's organizational structure.

### Readings

Bylaw 19091 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 19091 be considered for third reading."

### Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

### Previous Council/Committee Action

At the January 29, 2020, Community and Public Services Committee meeting, Bylaw 19091 was forwarded to City Council for the appropriate readings.

### Report Summary

Bylaw 19091 replaces Bylaw 14737 and reflects updates to the Alberta *Emergency Management Act*, new obligations under the Alberta *Local Authority Emergency Management Regulation* and changes in the City's organizational structure.

### Report

The roles and responsibilities of all municipalities within Alberta related to emergency management are set out in provincial legislation, primarily the *Emergency Management Act* and the *Local Authority Emergency Management Regulation*.

The City's current Emergency Management Bylaw 14737 describes how the City will meet its emergency management roles and responsibilities. Recent updates to provincial legislation require the City's Emergency Management Bylaw 14737 to be revised and updated.

The revisions and updates to the City’s Emergency Management Bylaw include:

- continuing the Emergency Advisory Committee as a council committee
- simplifying the state of local emergency procedures
- updating the membership of the Emergency Management Agency to reflect the current city structure
- clarifying emergency management roles and responsibilities
- simplifying the process to update the City’s emergency management governing documents
- updating language to reflect current references and terminology

The updated Emergency Management Bylaw also addresses one of the recommendations made by the City Auditor in their audit of the City’s Emergency Management Program (June 13, 2019, Office of the City Auditor CR\_7279). The Office of the City Auditor recommended that the City review and update the Emergency Management Program governing documents including the bylaw and municipal emergency plan.

**Corporate Outcomes and Performance Management**

<b>Corporate Outcome(s): Edmonton is a safe city</b>			
<b>Outcome(s)</b>	<b>Measure(s)</b>	<b>Result(s)</b>	<b>Target(s)</b>
Emergency Management is enabled by sound governance	Emergency Management governance documents are reviewed annually to reflect the current operating environment.	N/A	2020: 100%

**Public Engagement**

No public engagement was done as the Emergency Management Bylaw establishes the membership of the Emergency Advisory Committee and Emergency Management Agency, and prescribes the roles and responsibilities for the City’s emergency management plans and programs.

**Legal Implications**

Bylaw 19091 meets all requirements of the *Emergency Management Act* and the *Local Authority Emergency Management Regulation*.

**Attachments**

1. Bylaw 19091 Emergency Management Bylaw

**Others Reviewing this Report**

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