

Executive Committee Report

Class A Bingos Associations – Update on Taxable Status

Recommendation of the Committee

- 1. That the municipal portion of the taxes for the 2018 taxation year for Class A Bingo Associations be cancelled subject to: qualifying bingos verifying and maintaining a Class A Bingo Facility Licence; property owners under whom bingo associations hold leases confirming that the benefits of a tax exemption would flow to the bingo associations; areas within the bingo that serve alcohol or contain video lottery terminals remain taxable.
- 2. That the municipal portion of the taxes for the 2019 taxation year for Class A Bingo Associations be cancelled conditional upon Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation exempting Class A Bingo Associations in 2019.
- 3. That, should Community Organization Property Tax Exemption Regulation not be passed in the first quarter of 2020, Administration return to Committee with an update in advance of the tax rate bylaw.

History

At the April 8, 2019, Executive Committee meeting, the April 8, 2019, Financial and Corporate Services report CR_5898, the April 8, 2019, Financial and Corporate Services report CR_6906 and the April 8, 2019, Financial and Corporate Services report CR_6907 were considered and dealt with together. The Committee heard from R. Dhunna and W. Melhem, Regency Developments; A. Ruston; and J. Szumlas, Bingo Alberta and the following motion was passed:

That, if there are no changes to Copter prior to the next taxation year, Administration prepare a report outlining the considerations to exempt class A Bingo Associations, as well as an analysis of the consequences of doing so and the principle choices that would support such an exemption.

Attachment

April 8, 2019, Integrated Infrastructure Services report CR 5898