Bylaw 19623

A Bylaw to authorize the City of Edmonton to construct, finance and assess Residential Concrete Curb Crossing Local Improvements

Purpose

To authorize the City of Edmonton to borrow the sum of \$17,478 to construct, finance and assess Residential Concrete Curb Crossing Local Improvements.

Readings

Bylaw 19623 is ready for three readings.

A majority vote of City Council on all three readings is required for passage.

If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, then prior to moving third reading, Council must unanimously agree "That Bylaw 19623 be considered for third reading."

Position of Administration

Administration supports this Bylaw.

Report Summary

This Bylaw provides for borrowing for local improvements to finance 2021 concrete curb crossing.

Report

Council has given proper notice of its intention to undertake and complete this project. The required approvals for the project have been obtained and the project is in compliance with all *Acts* and Regulations of the Province of Alberta.

The petition period expired on April 15, 2021. There were no valid petitions on the projects as outlined in Attachment 2 to this report, which is less than the two-thirds petition requirement under the *Municipal Government Act* and the one-half petition requirement as outlined in City Policy C619, *Local Improvements - Surface*. As a result, this Bylaw may proceed.

The total cost of the residential concrete curb crossing local improvements is estimated to be \$17,478. Borrowing of \$17,478 is required to finance the property owners' share of the estimated local improvement costs.

Corporate Outcomes and Performance Management

Corporate Outcomes: The City of Edmonton has sustainable and accessible infrastructure and The City of Edmonton has a resilient financial position.

Outcomes	Measures	Results	Targets	
Ensure transparent, conservative and reasonable debt financing as a source of funding to support the City's long-term capital plans and strategies while maintaining long-term financial affordability, flexibility and sustainability.	 The City of Edmonton is subject to limits both for total debt and debt servicing by the Municipal Government Act and by the City's internal Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C). The Municipal Government Act debt limit is 2 times the revenue of the City and the debt servicing limit is 35% of City revenues. For this calculation, revenues are net of capital government transfers and contributed tangible capital assets. The internal Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C) sets more conservative debt service limits at 22% (total debt) of City revenues and 15% (tax-supported debt) of Tax Levy Revenues. Debt financing preparation for Local Improvements is performed in accordance with internal City policy Financing of Local Improvements (C200B). 	Based on the limits set under the Municipal Government Act, as of December 31, 2020, the City had used 58.2% of its debt limit and 30.6% of its debt servicing limit. Based on the limits under the City's Debt Management Fiscal Policy, as of December 31, 2020, the City had used 59.4% of its tax-supported debt servicing limit and 45.3% of its total debt servicing limit.	Total debt and debt servicing are in line with the limits set by the Municipal Government Act and by the internalCity Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C). Debt financing preparation for Local Improvements is performed in accordance with internal City policy Financing of Local Improvements (C200B).	

Risk Assessment

Risk Element	Risk Description	Likeli hood	Impact	Risk Score (with current mitigations)	Current Mitigations	Potential Future Mitigations
Exceeding regulated debt and debt	The internal City policy Financing of Local Improvements (C200B) directs the	1-Rare	4-Severe	4-Low	Quarterly monitoring of the City's debt borrowings,	Long term forecasts are used to determine the

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servicing limits.	City to obtain debt financing for Local Improvements in accordance with the City's Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C). The description of risk includes exceeding debt and debt servicing limits regulated by the Municipal Government Act and the internal Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C). Exceeding the Debt Limit Regulation requires approval from the minister. Failure by a municipality to fall within the Debt Limit Regulation may result in the refusal of an application to the Provincial lender to purchase the City's debentures in order to finance a capital project.				debt positions and debt servicing to ensure compliance with the debt and debt servicing limits regulated by the Municipal Government Act and the City's internal Debt Management Fiscal Policy (C203C). The City considers and models the impact to the debt position and debt servicing limits due to future unapproved borrowings and potential changes to interest rates.	impact of approved and potential future unapproved projects and their impact on debt limits.
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Public Engagement

The City engages with the public when a local improvement plan is proposed for the affected areas. When a local improvement is proposed, the City must prepare a local improvement plan and send notice to the property owners who will be liable to pay the local improvement. If the affected property owners are not in favour of this local improvement, the affected property owners may file a petition as set out in sections 222 to 226 and 392 of the *Municipal Government Act*. These petitions must be filed and received by the City's Chief Administrative Officer within 30 days from the notices being sent. If no sufficient petitions have been received, the City may proceed with the preparation of a local improvement bylaw.

Council must pass a separate local improvement bylaw for each local improvement. Local improvement bylaws are prepared in accordance with sections 263, 397 and 398 of the *Municipal Government Act*. In the case that sufficient petitions are received, the City cannot proceed with the local improvement.

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Attachments

- 1. Bylaw 19623
- 2. Petitions Received
- 3. Declaration Re: Local Improvement
- 4. Location of Proposed Local Improvement

Others Reviewing this Report

• K. Fallis-Howell, Acting City Solicitor

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