

CORPORATE REPORT

To: Fraser Valley Regional District Board

From: Mike Veenbaas, Director Financial Services

Date: 2020-01-28

File No: 3920-20

Subject: Bylaw No. 1570, 2020 – Animal Control Service Area Amendment

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional Board consider giving three readings to the bylaw cited as Fraser Valley Regional District Sub-Regional Animal Control Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1570, 2020.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community
Provide Responsive & Effective Public Services

BACKGROUND

As part of a service area review it was determined that certain amendments to the Sub-Regional Animal Control Service were required to reflect requisition changes and the current funding allocation process. Bylaw No. 1570, 2020 was presented to RACS on January 22, 2020 and the recommendation was moved for the Board to consider giving three readings prior to the bylaw being sent to the Ministry for approval.

DISCUSSION

As part of the bylaw adoption process, the regional district must secure municipal council consent from the participating areas. Following discussions with a municipal CFO it was determined that some wording in the amendment bylaw created confusion and the incorrect terms were used in detailing the process. With this feedback, Staff have prepared a change for accuracy and clarity as follows:

Original Phrasing

2.2 f) i) The gross municipal share is:

City of Abbotsford 44.20% of tax requisition

District of Mission 27.60% of total requisition

City of Chilliwack 25.80% of total requisition

District of Kent 1.90% of total requisition

Village of Harrison Hot Springs 0.5% of total requisition

ii) The net municipal share is equal to the gross municipal share less the estimated portion of dog licence fees collected in the respective municipal jurisdiction.

Updated Phrasing

- 2.2 f) i) "Service Area Funding Requirement" is defined as the service area's annual budget for Member Tax Requisition and Dog Licence fees.
 - ii) The "Service Area Funding Requirement" is to be allocated to each participating area based on:

City of Abbotsford 44.20%

District of Mission 27.60%

City of Chilliwack 25.80%

District of Kent 1.90%

Village of Harrison Hot Springs 0.5%

iii) The tax requisition per participating area is equal to:

A - B = C

Where A = participating area's share of "Service Area Funding Requirement"

B = dog licence fees collected in the participating area

C = participating area's tax requisition

COST

Amendments to service area establishment bylaw requisition limits do not have a direct financial impact as the actual requisition level is set by the Board through the adoption of the annual financial plan bylaw.

CONCLUSION

To ensure the Animal Control Service Area amendment bylaw accurately reflects the proposed change, certain phrasing and wording has been updated.

COMMENTS BY:

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Reviewed and supported.