



CORPORATE REPORT

To: Fraser Valley Regional District Board

Date: 2018-04-24

From: Jaime Schween, Manager of Corporate Administration/
Chief Election Officer

File No: 4200-20-2018

Subject: Cultus Lake Sewer System Assent Voting Results

INTENT

This report is intended to advise the Board of information pertaining to the Cultus Lake Sewer Assent Vote conducted on April 4 and 14, 2018. Staff is not looking for a recommendation and has forwarded this information should members want more clarification to discuss the item further.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Provide Responsive & Effective Public Services

PRIORITIES

Priority #1 Waste Management

BACKGROUND

On April 4 and 14, 2018, an Assent Vote was conducted with respect to the North Cultus Sewer System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1468, 2018. The purpose of Bylaw No. 1468, 2018 is to authorize the borrowing of up to \$6.5 million for the purpose of constructing a new sewage treatment plant to serve the North Cultus Sewer System Service Area.

DISCUSSION

Although a Declaration of Official results has been made, the *Local Government Act* (the "Act") requires that the Chief Election Officer must submit a report to the Board with the election results, including a compilation of the information on the ballot accounts. Please be advised that the results were as follows:

Number of valid votes cast:

YES 111

NO 47

Number of Ballots received for use:	2,000
Ballots accepted without objection:	158
Ballots accepted subject to an objection:	0
Ballots rejected without objection:	0
Ballots rejected subject to an objection:	0
Spoiled ballots that were replaced:	2
Number of ballots given to electors:	160
Unused ballots:	1,840
Number of ballots not accounted for:	0

As Bylaw No. 1468, 2018 has received the assent of the Electors, the Board may choose whether or not to adopt North Cultus Sewer System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1468, 2018.

COST

Costs for the Cultus Lake Sewer System Assent Vote are broken down as follows:

Statutory Advertising	\$2,774.10
Ballots and election materials	\$ 463.68
Supplies	\$ 50.00
Mileage:	<u>\$ 46.80</u>
	\$3,334.58

Staffing Costs:

Chief Election Officer	Two days in lieu of overtime
Deputy Chief Election Officers (2)	One day in lieu of overtime

Should the Board choose to adopt Bylaw No. 1468, 2018, the costs will be borne by the North Cultus Sewer System Service Area. If the Board should choose to not adopt Bylaw No. 1468, 2018, the costs will be allocated to the Electoral Area Administration election budget.

CONCLUSION

The Assent Vote with respect to North Cultus Sewer System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1468, 2018 has been conducted, and as a result, the bylaw has received the assent of the electors. In compliance with the Act, the Chief Election officer is reporting the election results, the compilation of the ballot accounts, and is also providing a cost for the Assent Vote.

As Bylaw No. 1468, 2018 has received the assent of the electors, the Board may now consider whether or not to adopt the North Cultus Sewer System Service Area Bylaw No. 1468, 2018.

COMMENT BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported.

COMMENT BY:

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported