

## 2021 Budget Approval – Business Improvement Districts

### ISSUE

City Council approval is required for the 2021 budgets for each of Saskatoon’s five Business Improvement Districts (BIDs).

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommend to City Council:

1. That the 2021 budget submissions from the Downtown Saskatoon Business Improvement District, Broadway Business Improvement District, Riversdale Business Improvement District, Sutherland Business Improvement District, and 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Business Improvement District be approved; and
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the 2021 Business Improvement District Levy Bylaws for submission to City Council for consideration at the same meeting that the Mill Rate Bylaws are presented.

### BACKGROUND

The BID Bylaws require the submission of the annual budget to City Council for approval. The budget requirements determine the amount of the BID levy to be charged to commercial properties within the respective BID areas. There are five Saskatoon BIDs which were established by Bylaw in the following years:

1. 1986 - Downtown BID Bylaw No. 6710
2. 1986 – Broadway BID Bylaw No. 6731
3. 1990 – Riversdale BID Bylaw No. 7092
4. 1999 – Sutherland BID Bylaw No. 7891
5. 2014 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Street BID Bylaw No. 9235

Under Bylaw No. 9435, approved by City Council resolution on March 27, 2017, the name of the Downtown BID was changed to the Downtown Saskatoon BID.

### DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

In accordance with the BID Bylaws, each BID has submitted its 2021 budget (Appendices 1 – 5) for City Council approval. The 2021 budgeted levy request for each BID was approved by its Board of Management and is summarized below.

BID	2021 Levy Request	Increase from 2020		Reason for Adjustment
		\$	%	
Downtown Saskatoon	\$795,677	\$ 158	0%	No increase from previous year
Broadway	\$194,168	\$ 0	0%	No increase from previous year
Riversdale	\$198,280	(\$ 425)	0%	No increase from previous year
Sutherland	\$ 54,960	\$2,640	5%	Increase to offset operational programs that are presently not funded
33 <sup>rd</sup> Street	\$ 30,000	\$ 0	0%	No increase from previous year

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The financial implications are outlined in this report for the additional levy to commercial properties within each of the respective BID areas.

### **OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

There are no privacy, legal, social or environmental implications identified.

### **NEXT STEPS**

The BIDs' budget submissions require City Council approval by the end of March 2021 to ensure adequate time for the City Solicitor to prepare the 2021 BID Levy Bylaws for City Council approval before the end of April 2021.

### **APPENDICES**

1. Downtown Saskatoon BID – Letter Dated January 14, 2021 and 2021 Proposed Budget
2. Broadway BID – Letter Dated January 4, 2021 and 2021 Proposed Budget
3. Riversdale BID – Letter Dated January 14, 2021 and 2021 Proposed Budget
4. Sutherland BID – Letter Dated November 23, 2020 and 2021 Proposed Budget
5. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street BID – Letter Dated January 15, 2021 and 2021 Proposed Budget

### **REPORT APPROVAL**

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