Request for Sanitary Sewer Charge Exemption – OSP Community Development Corporation

Recommendation

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council:

- That the request for sanitary sewer charge exemption for OSP Community Development Corporation, 2610 St. Henry Avenue, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, be approved; and
- 2. That the Director of Corporate Financial Services be requested to remove the sanitary sewer charge from the above applicant's Utility Bill for water meter #106682, retroactive to the date of the water meter installation, January 3, 2019.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to obtain City Council approval for a sanitary sewer charge exemption.

Report Highlights

- 1. A request for sanitary sewer charge exemption was received from OSP Community Development Corporation on January 3, 2019.
- 2. On-site investigation by Saskatoon Water Meter Shop staff confirmed a dedicated water source not returning to the sewer system.
- 3. The application complies with Bylaw No. 9466, The Sewage Use Bylaw, 2017.

Strategic Goal

This report supports the Strategic Goal of Economic Diversity and Prosperity by creating a business-friendly environment where the economy is diverse and builds on the city and region's competitive strength and by establishing fees and permits that are competitive with other jurisdictions.

Background

Customers that have a dedicated water service connection to provide water that does not return to the sanitary sewer system may apply for a sanitary sewer charge exemption, as per Bylaw No. 9466, The Sewage Use Bylaw, 2017, which states:

"Adjustment for Water Not Discharged to Sanitary Sewer System

60. (1) If a substantial portion of the water purchased by a person is not discharged to the sanitary sewer system, the person may apply to the City for an appropriate adjustment in the sewer service charge."

Report

Exemption Request

The Administration has received a request from OSP Community Development Corporation for an exemption from the sanitary sewer charge on their Utility Bill. An investigation by the Saskatoon Water Meter Shop staff determined that the water supplied through water meter #106682 is used specifically for the snow making equipment at Optimist Hill and therefore is not discharging to the sanitary sewer system. The Administration recommends that OSP Community Development Corporation receive an exemption from the sanitary sewer charge for water meter #106682, retroactive to the date of the water meter installation, January 3, 2019.

Bylaw Compliance

The request for a sanitary sewer charge exemption from OSP Community Development Corporation complies with Bylaw No. 9466, The Sewer Use Bylaw, 2017, which allows for a sewer service charge adjustment where a substantial portion of the water purchased by a customer is not returned to the sanitary sewer system of the City.

Financial Implications

There will be a minimal impact on the Wastewater Revenue.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no options, public and/or stakeholder involvement, communication, policy, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

Upon approval, the sanitary sewer charge exemption will be effective January 3, 2019.

Public Notice

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

Report Approval

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