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Council Policy

Sewer Servicing – Non-City Area

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There are areas immediately outside the City limits that have been developed with an urban setting that require, or will require, adequate sewage disposal. These include existing neighborhoods that are experiencing septic field or treatment system failure or where an environmental or health need has been identified. There are also potential new developments that, to avoid installing a private sewage collection, treatment, and disposal systems, should be connected to conventional sewer treatment facilities. It is generally recognized that when considering environmental, health, and cost benefits, that a central sewage treatment and disposal solution is the better alternative as compared to a number of small individual treatment facilities. The City of Kelowna will permit the connection of certain Regional District areas to the City sanitary sewer collection and treatment system with specific conditions. This policy identifies the criteria for determining which properties will be considered.

CRITERIA

- 1) A parcel or area wishing to connect to the City of Kelowna sewer system must support the process required to amalgamate the boundaries of the subject property into the boundaries of the City, and join the City.
- 2) Areas to be considered are only the abutting “Kelowna Fringe Area” within the Regional District where the Regional Directors representing the City of Kelowna have full voting rights. Areas that are remote and do not abut the City boundaries will need special consideration and each case will be brought before City Council and the Regional Board before servicing is permitted.
- 3) There must be no negative cost impact on existing City sewer utility customers or development within the City boundary either in the form of increased operating cost or increased Development Cost Charges.
- 4) Any proposal to amalgamate with the City and connect to City sanitary sewer must be reviewed with the appropriate City and Regional District staff and then be submitted to City Council for consideration.
- 5) The City sewer system intended to be utilized must have adequate capacity to serve all Lands in the City identified in the current OCP, and have additional capacity available for the Lands requesting the connection. If the proposed connection results in the need for improvements/expansion to the City sewer system, the benefiting property owner(s) or the Regional District will be required to finance the initial cost of improvements/expansion.

REASON FOR POLICY

To establish criteria to require properties within the Central Okanagan Regional District to join the City of Kelowna to allow connection to the City sanitary sewer system.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Council Resolution.

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

As outlined in policy.