

CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

Bylaw C7-15 to Incur Indebtedness by the Issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the Purpose of Sewer Service Reline Construction

Motions:

1. That Council give second reading to Bylaw C7-15 to incur indebtedness by the issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.
2. That Council give third reading to Bylaw C7-15 to incur indebtedness by the issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to present Council with information on Debenture Borrowing Bylaw C7-15 for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, and recommend that second and third reading of the bylaw be given.

Background:

As a result of Council approving the 2015 Capital Budget, and the requirements of the *Municipal Government Act*, a borrowing bylaw must be passed before construction of the sewer service reline project can begin.

Bylaw C7-15 received first reading at the February 10, 2015 regular meeting of Council. In accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, Administration placed advertisements in The Fort Record on February 19 and 26, 2015 advertising the borrowing bylaw. The advertisements included information pertaining to the ability to petition for a vote of the electors to determine whether the proposed bylaw should be passed. The deadline for petition submission was March 13, 2015, and there has been no petition received by the City Manager.

Plans/Standards/Legislation:

Sections 251, 253, 254, and 258 of the *Municipal Government Act* outlines municipal legislation for debenture borrowing.

Financial Implications:

The borrowing bylaw is in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, as per approved Capital Project #15032. The anticipated annual cost of debt servicing at today's interest rate is approximately \$132,800 for 10 years. The term and interest rate of the borrowing will be determined upon application to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority.

The City's principal amount of the outstanding debt at December 31, 2013 was \$38,283,867. The 2013 debt limit for the City was \$89,401,408.

Internal Impacts:

Not applicable.

Alternatives:

1. That Council give second and third reading to Bylaw C7-15 to incur indebtedness by the issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.
2. That Council not give second and third reading to Bylaw C7-15, to incur indebtedness by the issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, and advise how they wish to proceed.

Attachment:

Bylaw C7-15

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Submitted to:	City Council	Date: March 24, 2015