

CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

Bylaw C6-17 to amend Animal Control Bylaw C7-16

Motions:

1. That Council give first reading to Bylaw C6-17, which amends Animal Control Bylaw C7-16.
2. That Council give second reading to Bylaw C6-17, which amends Animal Control Bylaw C7-16.
3. That Council provide unanimous consent to proceed with third reading of Bylaw C6-17.
4. That Council give third reading to Bylaw C6-17, which amends Animal Control Bylaw C7-16.

Purpose:

To amend Animal Control Bylaw C7-16 for implementation of the urban beekeeping strategy.

Background:

On February 14, 2017 Council directed Administration to proceed with implementation of the urban beekeeping strategy. Implementation of the strategy includes amendment of appropriate bylaws.

Implement of the urban beekeeping strategy requires an amendment to Animal Control Bylaw C7-16. This Bylaw amendment would enable City staff to issue a licence to a successful applicant in order to keep or have a prohibited animal (i.e., urban bees).

Urban beekeeping will be monitored for 2 years to address any changes which may be required. In the fall of 2018, should Council direct Administration to make urban beekeeping a permanent program, a further amendment to Animal Control Bylaw C7-16 will be proposed to remove honey bees as a prohibited animal.

While Animal Control Bylaw C7-16 is before Council, Administration is proposing an additional amendment, which would permit a Peace Officer to issue a municipal tag to any person the Peace Officer believes has contravened a provision of the Bylaw by leaving the violation tag at the last known municipal address of such a person. Currently, a Peace Officer must personally serve the violation tag or mail the violation tag to the last known municipal address of such person. This amendment would create a similar provision to one that exists in Traffic Bylaw C4-09 whereby a Peace Officer may issue a violation tag by leaving it upon a vehicle found in contravention of the Traffic Bylaw.

Fees and Charges Bylaw C18-16 will also require an amendment to include an urban beekeeping licence fee. This Bylaw amendment will be presented to Council under separate cover at the March 28, 2017 regular Council meeting.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends that Council give Bylaw C6-17 first, second and third reading.

Enclosure:

Bylaw C6-17

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