

Council Report For the Meeting of April 11, 2019

To: Council

Date: April 8, 2019

From: C. Coates, City Clerk

Subject: Business Improvement Area Establishment Bylaw

RECOMMENDATION

That Business Improvement Area Establishment Bylaw, 2019 No. 19-045 be given first, second, and third readings.

BACKGROUND

At the March 28, 2019 Council Meeting, Council approved a Committee of the Whole recommendation to proceed on the council initiative approach to seek authority from the property owners of the business improvement area, to renew the funding authority for a further five years as requested by the Downtown Victoria Business Association.

Prior to undertaking the Alternate Approval Process (AAP) (counter petition), it would be appropriate for Council to give introductory readings to the Bylaw that would renew the BIA taxation authority, which is specifically what the AAP is about. The counter position process takes a minimum of thirty days to complete. Once that process is finished, a report will come back before Council to advise of the results of the AAP and Council can consider the matter further.

Attached for Council's initial consideration is a copy of the proposed Bylaw No. 19-045.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Coates City Clerk

Susanne Thompson Deputy City Manager/CFO

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager

Date:

List of Attachments:

Bylaw No. 19-045