

Council

For the Meeting of January 9, 2020

To:

Council

Date:

December 2, 2019

From:

Jo-Ann O'Connor, Deputy Director of Finance

Subject:

Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That Council give three readings to the Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year, the City adopts a temporary borrowing bylaw to allow the City to borrow money to meet cash flow demands before property taxes are collected in July. This is done as a proactive measure only and has rarely been used since the City has sufficient reserves in place to address cash flow needs. The proposed borrowing maximum under this bylaw is \$10 million.

Under Section 177 of the Community Charter, Council may, by bylaw, provide the authority to borrow money that may be necessary to meet the current year expenditures and to pay amounts required to meet the City's taxing obligations to other local governments or public bodies. If money is borrowed pursuant to this bylaw, revenue from property taxes must be used to repay the money borrowed. The maximum amount of borrowing allowed is the sum of the unpaid taxes for the current year plus the money remaining to be collected from other governments; or if the current year tax bylaw has yet to be adopted, the maximum is 75% of prior year taxes. For 2020, the maximum amount would be approximately \$105 million.

Respectfully submitted.

Jo-Ann O'Connor

Deputy Director of Finance

Susanne Thompson

Deputy City Manager/CFO

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager

Date

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List of Attachments

Appendix A: Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, 2020

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