



## Council Report

For the Meeting of November 26, 2015

**To:** Council  
**From:** Susanne Thompson, Director of Finance  
**Subject:** CRD Sewer Rate Increase for 2016

**Date:** November 16, 2015

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt "Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater Utilities Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw (No. 2)"

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year the City is required to remit funds to the Capital Regional District for its costs related to the existing regional sewage infrastructure including trunk mains, pump stations, treatment systems and disposal systems. It also funds CRD programs related to the CRD Liquid Waste Management Plan commitment. In 2013, the CRD also began including charges related to the new Core Area Wastewater Treatment Plant program. The City funds these costs by levying a CRD Sewer rate which is billed by consumption in the same manner as the City's Sewer levy.

In 2015, there was a large increase to the CRD requisition, mainly due to increased collection for the Core Area Wastewater Treatment Plant program. Consumption in 2014, however, was greater than expected, which helped to temper the 2015 rate increase. The CRD sewer requisition for 2016 is expected to be approximately \$10,804,000. The increase is nominal, however consumption in 2015 has dropped and this is expected to continue to drop for 2016. Consequently, a rate increase is required as follows:

- Rate for non-summer months (Jan – May & Oct – Dec): \$3.01 to \$3.46/unit
- Rate for summer months (Jun – Sep): \$2.11 to 2.42/unit

Respectfully submitted,

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Christopher Paine  
Manager-Revenue

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Susanne Thompson  
Director of Finance

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Fraser Work  
Director of Engineering & Public Works

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:

Date: November 16, 2015

### List of Attachments

Draft Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater Utilities, Amendment Bylaw (No. 2)