

WASTE & RECYCLING SERVICES BYLAW (20M2001) AMENDMENTS DEFERRAL REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A multi-family recycling strategy is an important element of achieving Council's 80/20 by 2020 waste diversion goal.

An extensive engagement process found that the majority of multi-family residents and industry stakeholders support a city-wide multi-family recycling program. Stakeholders preferred a solution where the private sector provides the recycling service and The City's role is creating a bylaw and providing communication, education, monitoring and stakeholder engagement. Waste & Recycling Services developed a strategy that would require owners of multi-family buildings to arrange for on-site recycling facilities under an amended Waste & Recycling Bylaw (20M2001).

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the SPC on Utilities and Corporate Services recommend that Council:

1. Approve the deferral of Waste & Recycling Services Bylaw (20M2001) amendments to no later than 2014 October.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

On 2014 February 10 Council direct Administration (UCS2014-0026) to:

1. Design a multi-family recycling program, as outlined in Attachment 1 for implementation in 2016; and
2. Return to Council with amendments to the Waste & Recycling Bylaw (20M2001) no later than 2014 September.

BACKGROUND

Thirty-five per cent of multi-family buildings already receive a recycling service from the private industry. To date, recycling in multi-family buildings is voluntary. The City maintains a network of Community Recycling Depots, which are available for multi-family residents to use.

A mandated multi-family recycling program will reduce the amount of recyclable materials going into the landfills. Once the bylaw amendments are in place, the multi-family strategy allows for a transition period of 12-18 months for residents, private industry and The City to prepare for implementation.

INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

N/A

Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

N/A

Strategic Alignment

N/A

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Social, Environmental, Economic (External)
N/A

Financial Capacity
Current and Future Operating Budget:
N/A

Current and Future Capital Budget:
N/A

Risk Assessment
N/A

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

In 2014 September, the SPC on Utilities and Corporate Services will be presented the 2015-2018 Action Plans for both the Utilities & Environmental Protection and Corporate Services Departments. To allow sufficient time for review and approval of these Action Plans, the Waste & Recycling Services Bylaw (20M2001) amendments will be deferred until 2014 October. Deferring the bylaw amendments by one month will have no impact on the overall implementation schedule for the multi-family recycling strategy.

ATTACHMENT(S)
N/A