Item # 5.1.1

Planning and Development Services Deferral Request to Community Development Committee 2024 June 26

ISC: UNRESTRICTED CD2024-0768

Deferral Request - Response to IP2023-0501, from 2024 Q2 to 2024 Q4

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

On 2021 March 1, Council directed Administration, through Notice of Motion PFC2021-0222, to address and prevent the negative impacts of waste and recycling sites by establishing and hiring a new Waste Officer position, forming an inter-departmental working group and an enforcement strategy.

On 2021 July 5, through UCS2021-0903, Council approved a new one-time operating budget request of \$300,000 to fund Waste Officer for a 24-month period and directed Administration to report back no later than 2022 Q3 through the appropriate Standing Policy Committee to fulfill the remaining actions.

On 2022 July 26, through C2022-0896, Council approved amendments to the Land Use Bylaw 1P2007 to enable better regulations for Waste Management and Storage Uses.

On 2022 September 9, through IPC2022-0906, Administration requested a deferral of the report back on minimizing negative impacts of waste and recycling sites to no later than 2023 Q2 to align with proposed amendments to the Business License Bylaw that will further advance progress on these issues.

On 2023 July 4, through IP2023-0501, Council directed Administration to bring amendments to the Business Licence Bylaw 32M98 to address concerns around public health, safety and environmental impacts from the operations of waste and recycling sites by no later than 2024 Q2.

STATUS UPDATE

Administration continues to make progress on the Action Plan to Minimize Negative Impacts of Waste and Recycling sites.

Since the last update to Council in 2023, Administration has created and filled the permanent Waste Officer position.

The 2022 July amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1P2007 created concrete classifications and definitions related to waste operations. Administration is now better equipped with effective tools and has been successful in bringing known non-compliant private waste operations into compliance.

OUSTANDING WORK

Through the inter-departmental working group, efforts continue to further evaluate any enforcement gaps that may remain. This will help definitively determine whether amendments to Business License Bylaw 32M98 would provide additional enforcement tools.

REPORT BACK TIMELINES

The report will be presented to the Community Development Committee on 2024 October 30.

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Acting General Manager Debra Hamilton concurs with the information in this deferral request.