

DEFERRAL REPORT: Notice of Motion Response - Progress Report on the Water Supply Management Plan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report requests a deferral to Administration's response to the Notice of Motion "Provincial Flood Mitigation and Water Supply Management" approved by Council on 14 April 2015.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

That the SPC on Utilities and Corporate Services recommends that Council defer Administration's response to the Notice of Motion "Provincial Flood Mitigation and Water Supply Management" until no later than end of 2016 June.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

At its meeting of 2015 April 14, Council approved a Notice of Motion from Councillors Pootmans, Carra, Pincott, Farrell, Sutherland and Woolley as follows:

"...AND THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council reiterate its support for more mitigation and the need for a comprehensive water management plan, and that the Mayor be requested to write to the Premier after the provincial election confirming our desire for a joint plan to address flood and drought mitigation.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to report back to Utilities and Corporate Services as part of the Annual Watershed Management Plan Update by the end of Q1 2016, with progress report on the Water Supply Management Plan, which characterizes and evaluates a spectrum of current and future risks facing The City's water supplies."

BACKGROUND

The Utilities has developed a framework for a Water Supply Management Plan which characterizes and evaluates current and future water supply risks and provides water supply management strategies, policies and long term plans to support a sustainable water supply for The City of Calgary.

INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

The Utilities will provide two annual reports to SPC on Utilities and Corporate Services in Q2 2016: a Flood Resiliency and Mitigation report and the Watershed Management Planning Update report. The Utilities is proposing to defer the response to the Notice of Motion "Provincial Flood Mitigation and Water Supply Management" to be included in the annual Watershed Management Planning Update report to be presented in Q2.

Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

No impact has been identified with respect to this deferral. Stakeholder engagement will continue as a part of the Water Supply Management Plan.

Strategic Alignment

There is no impact of this deferral to strategic corporate objectives or Action Plan 2015-2018.

Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

No impact has been identified with respect to this deferral.

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Financial Capacity

Current and Future Operating Budget:

No impact has been identified with respect to this deferral.

Current and Future Capital Budget:

No impact has been identified with respect to this deferral.

Risk Assessment

No risks have been identified with respect to this deferral.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Administration will present the Watershed Management Planning Update in Q2 2016, which will include progress on the Water Supply Management Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

None