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## CITY OF KELOWNA

# MEMORANDUM

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**Date:** June 5, 2003  
**File No.:** 6130-02

**To:** Ron Born, City Manager

**From:** Joe Creron, Parks Manager

**Subject:** Paws in Parks Program

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### RECOMMENDATION:

THAT pursuant to Section 801.4 of the Local Government Act, Kelowna City Council, on behalf of the electors of the City of Kelowna, consents to the adoption of the Regional District of Central Okanagan Dog Control Services Establishment Amendment Bylaw that expands the service area to include Kelowna;

AND THAT staff be directed to notify the Regional District of Central Okanagan of the consent to the dog control service area expansion;

AND THAT Bylaw No. 9043 to repeal City of Kelowna Dogs Regulation and Impounding Bylaw No. 5880-88 be advanced for reading consideration by Council;

AND THAT the 2003 Financial Plans be amended by \$35,000 with funding of \$25,000 from the Parks Development Reserve and \$10,000 from Community Contributions for implementation of the Paws-in-Parks-Program.

AND THAT Council Policy No. 258 – Dog Walking and Dog Off-Leash Parks be amended as outlined by Enclosure I in the report from the Parks Manager dated June 2, 2003.

### BACKGROUND:

At the regular meeting of City Council held on May 12, 2003, City Council past the following resolution:

THAT the correspondence dated May 2, 2003 from the Regional District of Central Okanagan putting forward recommendations from the Regional Governance Committee with respect to the regulation and control of dogs be received and referred to staff for a report back at the regular meeting of May 26, 2003 as follows:

Recommending that the City of Kelowna become a participating municipality in the Regional District of Central Okanagan service of dog regulation and control and forwarding a bylaw to rescind City of Kelowna Dog Regulation and impounding Bylaw No. 5880-88;

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Ron Born, City Manager  
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Recommending amendments to City of Kelowna Council Policy No. 258 – Dog Walking and Dog Off-Leash parks to remove Sutherland Park from the list of parks where dogs are permitted and to expand the list of parks and trails where dogs would be permitted on and off-leash as indicated in the City of Kelowna Dogs in Parks Access proposal attached to the letter from the Regional District;

Recommending a budget allocation in the amount of \$25,000 to fund the initiatives precipitated by the changes to Council Policy 258.

The first three recommendations enable Kelowna to become a participating municipality within the Central Okanagan Dog Control Services Establishment Amendment Bylaw and ensures that regulating dogs within the Central Okanagan Regional District is consistent and controlled by one bylaw.

The fourth recommendation allows dogs on leash on trails, sidewalks, walkways and roadways within 28 additional parks, it deletes Sutherland Park as an on leash park, and adds 3 additional off leash areas as listed on Enclosure I on a pilot project basis. Dogs are not permitted within beach parks or beach accesses except for Cedar Creek Park.

If the above is approved, dogs will be permitted on trails and sidewalks within 33 parks and off leash within 6 parks or areas managed by the City of Kelowna. I expect additional parks in Kelowna managed by the Regional District will also permit dogs on and off leash.

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Joe Creron  
Parks Manager

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Cc David Graham, Director of Parks and Leisure Services  
Randy Zahara, Parks Coordinator  
Al Dixon, Bylaw Enforcement Supervisor  
Kelly Roth, Director of Inspection Services

## Enclosure I

Dogs on leash are permitted within the following additional parks conditional upon that they be on trails, sidewalks, walkways and roadways within those parks. The parks which would be added in the City of Kelowna include:

- Anchor Park
- Belmont Park
- Ben Lee Park
- Calmels Park
- Canyon Falls Park
- Chichester Wetland Park
- Crawford Bridle Paths Linear Park
- Dilworth Mountain Park
- Dilworth Linear Parks
- Fairhall Park
- Franklyn Park
- Glenmore (Brandts Creek) Linear Park
- Jack Robertson Park
- Knowles Park
- Knox Mountain Park
- Main Street Park
- Mission District Park
- Moraine Park
- Parkinson Recreation Centre Park
- Portions of Mill Creek Linear Park where there is a trail
- Quail Ridge Linear Park
- Redlich Pond Park
- Roxby Centennial Park
- Rutland Sportsfields
- South Kelowna Centennial Park
- Summerside Park
- Wilson Creek Linear Park
- Wyndam Park

Dogs off leash are permitted within designated areas within the following additional city owned lands:

- Portion of Mission District Park west of the Mission Greenway parking lot and east of Michaelbrook wetland.
- Former Works Yards on Waddell Place (unless sold in the long term).
- Enterprise Way off-leash area, south of Mill Creek and north of Enterprise Way.

Dogs are no longer permitted within Sutherland Bay Park.