
City of Kelowna

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 8, 2004
FILE: 1970-50
TO: City Manager
FROM: Director of Financial Services
RE: The Kelowna Community Foodbank – Request for Tax Relief

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve a refund of the municipal portion of 2004 property taxes for roll no. 16620 - The Kelowna Community Foodbank located at 1265 Ellis Street – in the amount of \$5,660.92;

AND THAT funding be made available from Council Contingency.

BACKGROUND:

At the Regular Meeting of Council on Monday, June 28, 2004, the following resolution was adopted:

THAT consideration of the 2004 property tax exemption request by the Kelowna Foodbank be deferred to a future date.

The Kelowna Community Foodbank (KCF) purchased the property at 1265 Ellis Street in October, 2003. The Community Charter gives Council the authority to grant a permissive exemption under section 224 (2) (a) for property that is owned or held by a charitable or philanthropic organization and that Council considers is being used for a purpose directly associated with the organization's charitable or philanthropic activities. The tax exemption bylaw must be adopted by October 31 of the year prior. Vonnie Lavers, Executive Director of KCF, advises that her organization was unaware of the need to apply for an exemption, however they will apply for the 2005 taxation year.

The total taxes on this property are:

Municipal	\$ 5,660.92
Other Taxing Authorities	5,634.51
Local Services Taxes – Bylaw	<u>928.47</u>
Total	\$12,223.90

The Kelowna Community Foodbank paid the total current property taxes of \$12,223.90 through their financial institution on June 30, 2004.

Paul Macklem

Attachment

cc: Revenue Supervisor