#### TERMS OF REFERENCE

# ROADS TASK FORCE

# **BACKGROUND**

The Province of British Columbia has indicated that they intend to replace the existing 3 lane Okanagan Lake Bridge with a new 5 lane structure starting in 2005. The City had identified in its Transportation Plan and through the 2013 Official Community Plan (OCP) a north south one way roadway system which provided capacity for both internal city traffic and those accessing this bridge. During the approval process for the 2020 OCP, Kelowna City Council, in response to community concerns, removed this one way couplet system from the OCP. Council resolved to set up a task force to evaluate all options to deliver traffic that meets both City's OCP and Bridge requirements and identify a cost effective solution that meets the community needs.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

The membership of the Task Force shall consist of representatives of all stakeholder groups including:

- a) Chairperson
- b) Downtown Kelowna Association
- c) Kelowna South Central Association of Neighbourhoods
- d) Kelowna Chamber of Commerce
- e) Urban Development Institute
- f) KLO Residents Association
- g) North End Residents Association
- h) 3 community representatives at large

The Task Force shall be supported by city staff including the Transportation Manager, Transportation and Traffic Engineer, Director of Works and Utilities and additional staff as necessary. Consultants will be engaged by the Task Force as necessary to identify and cost roadway alternatives.

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Reporting to City Council the Task Force terms of reference shall include:

- A) The Task Force is to identify a cost effective road network that will provide the traffic capacity that:
  - 1) Will meet traffic capacity needs of the community based on the 2020 OCP projections;
  - 2) Will meet the traffic delivery requirements for the 5 lane Okanagan Lake Bridge as identified in the agreement between the Province of British Columbia and the City of Kelowna;

- 3) Will minimize impact on existing neighborhoods and individual properties.
- 4) Will be a cost effective.
- B) The focus of the Task Force will be primarily limited to roads in the zone from Gordon Drive in the East, Clement Avenue to the North, Okanagan Lake to the West, and KLO to the South. The Task Force will consider the need for 4 laning of Lakeshore from Gyro Beach to Old Meadows Roads as part of its review of North South links. The Task Force may consider other road capacity improvements outside this zone if it still meets the traffic needs.
- C) Report to City Council on a regular basis;
- D) Identify and implement communication measures to the community on its activities and findings;
- E) Sufficient funds have been made available in the 2004 Budget to engage such consultants as are deemed necessary by the Task Force. All contracts shall be subject to approval by the Director of Works and Utilities.
- G) The Task Force must submit a final recommendation to Council by December 2004.
- H) Members will serve on a voluntary basis without remuneration.