## City of Kelowna

## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: July 21, 2005 FILE: 3150-20

TO: City Manager

FROM: Financial Planning Manager

RE: Wastewater - 20 Year Servicing Plan and Financing Strategy

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council approve an extension to the Development Cost Charge Sector A for both the Wastewater Trunks and Treatment boundaries to include the north east corner of the City (extending from the current north boundary of Sector A to the City of Kelowna northern boundary);

AND THAT Kelowna Development Cost Charge Bylaw No. 9474 be advanced for reading consideration by Council;

AND FURTHER THAT final adoption be considered following approval of Bylaw No. 9474 by the Inspector of Municipalities with the boundary change to take effect on October 1, 2005.

## BACKGROUND:

In February 2005, Council approved a process to obtain stakeholder input into a proposed extension of the Wastewater DCC sector boundaries at the north end of the city. An open house was held and one response letter was received from a property owner in that area.

The main concern of the property owner was that there are no local mains to connect to at the present time and with industrial properties there is often an ability to use a septic system due to the larger size of the properties thus avoiding the costs of connecting to a sewer system. However, local mains can be installed through development construction or a Local Services Area. With the major wastewater trunk in the area, and without a DCC boundary change, any property owner could connect to the wastewater system without having to make a contribution to the downstream trunk and treatment costs. This situation would be unfair to other property owners that have paid the development cost charge fees and to the utility rate payers. Also, smaller lots may be created from existing larger properties by having wastewater service to the area.

Using Official Community Plan growth information there will be an estimated 86,000 square feet of new institutional and 35 acres of new industrial development in this area over the life of the current 20 Year Servicing Plan. There will be a minor reduction in

DCC	rates	for wastew	ater trunks	and treatme	ent by	expanding	the bo	oundary	(from	\$6,577
to \$6	6,538 p	er acre for	Industrial p	roperty).						

Attached is a map of the existing trunk and treatment sector boundaries and the proposed extension of Sector A at the north end of the City.

Keith Grayston Financial Planning Manager							
Approved for inclusion							
Paul Macklem, CMA Director of Financial Services							
Attach							

cc. Director of Works and Utilities Wastewater Manager

