
CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 21, 2006

To: City Manager

From: City Clerk

Subject: 2005 General Local Government Elections – Campaign Financing Disclosure Statements

Recommendation:

THAT Council receive the report of the City Clerk, dated March 21, 2006, with regard to the filing of Campaign Financing Disclosure Statements for the 2005 General Local Government Election.

Background:

The *Local Government Act* requires that all candidates, and all registered elector organizations, for a local government election file a campaign financing disclosure statement within 120 days of general voting day. The *Act* further requires that the name of any candidate or elector organization who has failed to meet that deadline be reported to an open meeting of Council as soon as practicable. The deadline for filing in relation to the 2005 election passed at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 20, 2006.

One candidate, Andrew Uitvlugt, failed to file a campaign financing disclosure statement by the deadline. Mr. Uitvlugt has a further 30 days (until 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2006) in which he may file his statement, but only upon paying a \$500.00 late filing fee, which is required by the *Local Government Act*. The penalty for failing to file at all is disqualification from being nominated for, elected to, or holding local government office anywhere in the province, until after the next general local government election (2008).

For Council's information, all candidates were advised of the requirements related to their campaign financing disclosure statements and were sent reminder letters in mid-February. Staff also made attempts to contact all candidates whose statements were outstanding by telephone during the week of March 13, 2006.

Allison M. Flack, City Clerk