

City of Kelowna
MEMORANDUM

Date: November 23, 2006
File No.: 7201-30
To: CITY MANAGER
From: FIRE CHIEF
Subject: FIRE INSPECTIONS CONDUCTED IN THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the City of Kelowna Fire Department Inspection Branch no longer perform fire inspections in the District of Peachland, effective December 31, 2006, and that any notice period for termination of the District of Peachland Fire Inspection Service Agreement be waived by the City of Kelowna, such that the Agreement is terminated as of that date.

BACKGROUND:

On December 21, 1999 the City of Kelowna and the District of Peachland signed an agreement. The District of Peachland requested that the City of Kelowna Fire Department perform fire inspections on commercial and industrial premises located within the District's municipal boundaries.

The District has now requested that the Agreement be terminated, and the Kelowna Fire Department recommends that Council do so. There are two reasons for this withdrawal of service. First the District of Peachland currently has a trained inspector that is able to conduct fire inspections in their area. Secondly the Kelowna Fire Department does not have the staffing required to conduct fire inspections as set out in the Agreement.

The original Agreement provides for a nine-month notice period for unilateral termination by either party, but the notice period may be waived by agreement of both parties. The District of Peachland has provided its waiver by way of its request, and a resolution of Council as recommended above would serve as the City's waiver of the notice period, and allow termination to be effective December 31, 2006.

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