

KEY ASSUMPTIONS IN THE ANALYSIS

The following assumptions were presented for consideration of the Governance Committee at its meetings in September and October, 2006. Some of the assumptions may change based on further Committee discussion. The final decision on some of the items rests with the provincial government.

| Issue | Assumptions To Be Used in the Analysis |
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| Date of Incorporation | December 2007 |
| Boundaries of New Municipality or Extension to City | OCP boundaries Crystal Mountain is not included Indian Reserves #9 and #10 are not included. |
| Date of First Election | November 2007 (3 rd Saturday) |
| Date of Subsequent Elections | Regular local government election cycle – every three years starting 3 rd Saturday of November 2008 |
| Governance Structure | Remain Unincorporated No change — three Electoral Area Directors elected at large |
| | Stand-Alone Westside Mayor and six members of council elected at large |
| | Amalgamated with the City of Kelowna City council expanded to Mayor and ten councillors Partial Ward System: In 2007 and 2008, Westside residents will elect 2 councillors. In 2008, Eastside City of Kelowna residents will elect 8 councillors. The Mayor is elected at large. Effective 2011, Kelowna City Council will revert to a Mayor and 8 councillors all elected at large, unless voters choose, through referendum, to retain the partial ward system and/or a larger council. |
| Improvement Districts | Remain Unincorporated No change in the immediate future – provincial policy is to encourage improvement districts, over time, to dissolve and convert to regional district services. |
| | Incorporation or Amalgamation Governance is transferred to the new municipality or the |

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| | <p>City of Kelowna in accordance with a transition schedule to be developed by the municipality (stand-alone or City of Kelowna) and the Improvement Districts. Transition must occur within five years of the date of incorporation.</p> <p>The municipality (stand-alone or City of Kelowna) establishes two advisory committees composed initially of trustees from each service area to advise on service and cost-recovery issues.</p> <p>The municipality (stand-alone or City of Kelowna) retains separate service areas for the areas currently covered by WID and LID for at least 10 years. Following that time, merger of the service areas would be subject to Section 219 of the Community Charter, including the requirement for voter assent in both service areas.</p> <p>Reserves and debt associated with existing Improvement Districts are assigned to the service areas.</p> |
| <p>Transfer of Regional Services</p> | <p>Upon incorporation, the municipality takes over responsibility for certain regional district services (e.g. community parks). Some services remain with the regional district (e.g. regional parks). See the attached list for the proposed allocation of services.</p> <p>In some cases, transfer of responsibility will be dependent on establishment of suitable operating and cost-sharing agreements with existing participants who live outside the Westside OCP area (e.g. sewage treatment).</p> <p>To ease the transition process, the new municipality may contract with RDCO for delivery of some services for a period of one to three years.</p> |
| <p>Service Amalgamation</p> | <p>All services transferred to the municipality (stand-alone or the City of Kelowna) will be funded on a municipality-wide basis with the exception of the following Westside services: water supply, treatment and distribution; sewage collection and treatment; and, the capital cost of installing neighbourhood sidewalks.</p> |

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| Local Roads | <p>All local roads inside the boundary are transferred to the municipality. Highway 97 and Westside Road will remain a provincial responsibility.</p> <p>The bridge, which is part of Highway 97, will remain a provincial responsibility.</p> |
| New Provincial Police Tax (remain unincorporated option) | The province will introduce the proposed police tax in unincorporated areas in 2007 |
| City of Kelowna Farm Tax Exemption | The special tax rate in the City of Kelowna for farm residences and farm improvements would be ‘grand-parented’ to existing beneficiaries. It is assumed that the special rate would not apply to Westside farms under either the stand-alone option or the amalgamation option. As in other municipalities, Westside farms would pay the residential tax rate on farm residences and farm improvements (phased-in over 5 years) |
| City of Kelowna – Differential Tax Rates | The City of Kelowna will have the authority to levy a general tax rate in Westside (the area covered by the boundary extension) that is lower than the general tax rate in other parts of the City for a period no less than five and no longer than ten years following amalgamation. |

LIST OF REGIONAL SERVICES

| <i>Existing Regional Service</i> | <i>Service Provider after Incorporation</i> |
|---|---|
| General Government | |
| Administration | Municipality |
| Electoral Area Westside Grants in Aid | n/a |
| Electoral Areas - Gen. Government | n/a |
| Westside Electoral Area Office | Municipality |
| Westside Land & Property Mgmt. | Municipality |
| Regional Board | RDCO |
| Regional Grants in Aid | RDCO |
| Land Use Planning and Regulation | |
| Building inspection | Municipality |
| Electoral Area (Fringe Area) Planning | RDCO - optional participation |

| <i>Existing Regional Service</i> | <i>Service Provider after Incorporation</i> |
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| Regional Planning | RDCO |
| Parks and Recreation | |
| Johnson Bentley Aquatic Centre | Municipality |
| Mt Boucherie Arena/Rec./Seniors C. | Municipality |
| Rec Programming/Youth Centre | Municipality |
| Rec. Complex/Seniors C./Youth Programming | Municipality |
| Westbank Boys & Girls Club | Municipality |
| Westside Community Parks | Municipality |
| Regional Parks | RDCO |
| Transportation | |
| Westside Road Street Lighting | Municipality |
| Westside Street Lighting | Municipality |
| Westside Transit Service | Municipality |
| Handi-Dart Transit Service | Municipality |
| Transportation Demand Management | RDCO |
| Emergency Response | |
| Westside Fire Protection | Municipality |
| Electoral Areas Fire Prevention | RDCO |
| Regional Rescue | RDCO |
| Solid Waste Management | |
| Solid Waste Collection | Municipality |
| Recycling | RDCO |
| Solid Waste Management | RDCO |
| Westside Sanitary Landfill | RDCO |
| Water and Sewer | |
| Individual Sewer Collection Systems | Municipality |
| Individual Water Systems | Municipality |
| Westside Sewer Treatment Plant | Municipality |
| Septic Tank Effluent Disposal Site | RDCO |
| Library | |
| Okanagan Regional Library (Taxation) | Municipality |
| Crime | |
| Crime Stoppers | RDCO |
| Regional Crime Prevention Program | RDCO |
| Victims Witness Assistance Program | RDCO |
| Other | |
| Business Licences | Municipality |
| Unightly Premises | Municipality |
| Noise Abatement | Municipality |
| 911 Emergency Number | RDCO |
| Air Quality Monitoring | RDCO |
| Dog Control | RDCO |
| Economic Development Commission | RDCO |
| Mosquito Control | RDCO |
| Noxious Insect Control | RDCO |
| Okanagan Basin Water Board | RDCO |

| <i>Existing Regional Service</i> | <i>Service Provider after Incorporation</i> |
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| Prohibited Animal Control | RDCO |
| Sterile Insect Release Program | RDCO |
| Weed Control | RDCO |