City of Kelowna

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 20, 2007

FILE:

TO: City Manager

FROM: Jenelle Turpin

RE: Advisory Committee for Community and Women's Issues

REPORT PREPARED BY: JENELLE TURPIN, CORPORATE
COMMUNICATION COORDINATOR AND STAFF COMMITTEE LIAISON

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council approve the recommendation of staff and the Advisory Committee for Community and Women's Issues to appoint the following individuals to the Advisory Committee for the remainder of Council's three-year term ending December, 2008:

- Anne Horak
- Carol Lust
- Doreen Rosvold
- Peter Haslock

BACKGROUND:

The Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee on Community and Women's Issues provide for a committee consisting of 12 members.

At its inaugural meeting on June 29, 2006, the following members were appointed:

- Micki Smith
- Lisa Noelle Brown
- Caryl Horan
- Jennifer Elsasser
- Vonnie Lavers
- Dave Roseberry

- Menno Salverda
- Marne Svennes
- Joan Bottorff
- Leanne Perry
- Buffy Lynch

Since that time, Committee members Joan Bottorff, Leanne Perry and Buffy Lynch have stepped down and it was necessary to solicit applications from the community to fill these vacancies.

The four candidates being recommended for appointment are all residents of Kelowna and offer a variety of skills and interests which will be very beneficial to the work of the Advisory Committee for Community and Women's Issues:

- Anne Horak Founded Canada's first multicultural literary publishing house and co-founded a feminist magazine for women of colour.
- Carol Lust Representing Okanagan Métis Children and Family Services
- Doreen Rosvold Representing Kelowna Community Resources
- Peter Haslock –Labor Ready an employment agency for men in need. Works closely with the Gospel Mission and its clientele.

These appointments will bring the membership of the Advisory Committee for Community and Women's Issues to a total of 12. In addition there is RCMP representation on this Committee by way of Sgt. Terry McLachlan, Community Policing.

The workshop planned for April 27 by the Advisory Committee for Community and Women's Issues is also provided with this memo (on the following page) as additional background information.

Jenelle Turpin Advisory Committee Staff Liaison	
Approved for inclusion	
pc: Councillor Carol Gra	an, Committee Chair

WORKSHOP BACKGROUND:

The Kelowna City Council Advisory Committee on Community and Women's Issues will be hosting a one day workshop exploring strategies and solutions regarding domestic violence on Friday April 27, 2007.

Invitations have been sent to organizations, social services, residents associations, RCMP, the school district, Interior Health and Church groups. It is expected to have an attendance of 100 representing these stakeholder groups with some interesting outcomes.