
CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 20, 2007

File No.:

To: City Manager

From: Ian Wilson, Urban Forestry Supervisor
Al Dixon, License and Bylaw Enforcement Supervisor

Subject: Changes to the Discharge of Firearms Bylaw

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive the Report of the Urban Forestry Supervisor and the License and Bylaw Enforcement Supervisor, dated April 20, 2007;

AND THAT the updated Discharge of Firearms Bylaw No. 9779, be forwarded to Council for reading consideration.

BACKGROUND:

The "Discharge of Firearms Bylaw" requires clarification of language and updating to allow the use of blank ammunition for the scaring of wildlife in Kelowna parks, as well as discharge of firearms for occasional wildlife control, under permit from the RCMP.

The opportunity to update some of the general language in the bylaw, as well as the amount of insurance required from persons obtaining a firearm permit pursuant to the bylaw, as well as to update the possible penalties for violation of the bylaw, has also been taken, given that the last revision to the existing bylaw was approximately twelve years ago.

INTERNAL CIRCULATION TO:

Planning and Development Services/Inspection Services
Parks Division
RCMP

LEGAL/STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Community Charter, s. 8 – authority to regulate the discharge of firearms

EXISTING POLICY:

Existing Discharge of Firearms Bylaw No. 7418 (to be repealed via adoption of this proposed updated version)

CONSIDERATIONS THAT WERE NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS REPORT:

LEGAL/STATUTORY PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS:

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

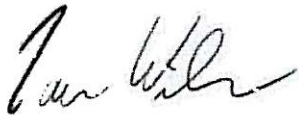
PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

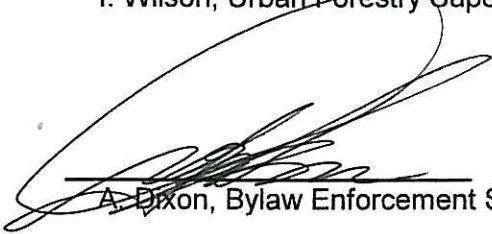
EXTERNAL AGENCY/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATION:

Submitted by:



I. Wilson, Urban Forestry Supervisor



A. Dixon, Bylaw Enforcement Supervisor

Approved for Inclusion:



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Cc: David Graham, Director of Recreation Parks and Cultural Services
Joe Creron, Parks Manager
Scott Meadows, RCMP