CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date:

March 19, 2008

File No.:

5480-04

To:

City Manager

From:

Director of Works & Utilities

Acting Director of Corporate Services

Subject:

STANDBY AND EMERGENCY VEHICLE PARKING EXEMPTIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive the Report of the Director of Works & Utilities dated March 19, 2008 for information;

AND THAT amending bylaw to the City of Kelowna Traffic Bylaw No. 8120 be forwarded for reading consideration;

AND THAT Council direct staff to initiate the necessary zoning text amendment application.

BACKGROUND:

The Traffic and Zoning Bylaw have weight limits within their respective bylaws to prevent the parking of large trucks within residential neighbourhoods. It has been identified that some of the vehicles used by the City, utility companies and emergency services for after hours emergency call out services exceed this weight (4100 kg on property, 5600 kg on street). Typically the standby vehicle is sufficiently equipped to allow the standby individual to directly respond to most emergency calls, avoiding a significant time delay to go their respective works yard to pick up the vehicle. These individuals are normally on call for one week at a time and share this important and critical service with other employees in their organization.

The amendments will allow these vehicles to be parked in front of the standby employee's residence or on their property.

INTERNAL CIRCULATION TO: Bylaw Enforcement, Legislative Coordinator

LEGAL/STATUTORY AUTHORITY: LGA

LEGAL/STATUTORY PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS: N/A

EXISTING POLICY: as outlined in the report

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS: none

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: N/A

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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS: N/A

EXTERNAL AGENCY/PUBLIC COMMENTS: Request from outside agency

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS: N/A

ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATION: N/A

Submitted by:

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cc: Bylaw Enforcement