CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date:

August 19, 2009

File No.:

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To:

City Manager

From:

Director, Real Estate & Building Services

Subject:

Sail Boat parking and storage at the Cook Road Parking Lot

Report Prepared by: Stuart Evans, Parking Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive, for information, the Report from the Director, Real Estate & Building Services dated August 19, 2009.

BACKGROUND:

Several years ago staff at the Works & Utilities Department received requests from two sail boat owners asking for authorization to park their sail boats on trailers at the Cook Road parking lot for the boating season and possibly beyond. The rationale for allowing this was that sail boat operators would not have to rig and de-rig their vessels when they wish to go out for the day. Rigging a sail boat from mast down can take up to two hours.

It was agreed that we would authorize these owners to park their vessels on the lot as long as they paid the \$5 per day charge or the \$35 per week charge from the meter and they maintained valid license plates with insurance on their trailers. This arrangement worked well for the last two years and both boat owners paid for the space and removed their vessels after boating season. This year we have seen a dramatic increase and now have six sailing vessels and one commercial utility trailer parking on the lot for extended periods. While the majority of the owners pay to park their vessels / trailers on the lot it has become a contentious issue.

Staff is now limiting the parking / storage of vessels, trailers and vehicles to a 7 day continuous period per one month period. Staff will notify the sail boat owners and post signs at each of the ticket dispensers and around the lot stating that parking is limited to a one week period as of September 30, 2009.

INTERNAL CIRCULATION TO:

City Clerk Bylaw Services

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATIONS:

Press release to notify the public

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Considerations that were not applicable to this report:

LEGAL/STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

LEGAL/STATUTORY PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS:

EXISTING POLICY:

FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS:

EXTERNAL AGENCY/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATION:

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

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Director, Real Estate & Building Services

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