City of Kelowna

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 7, 2001

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TO: City Manager

FROM: Chair of Regional Transportation Sub-Committee - Transit

RE: Annual Operating Agreement – Amendment #2

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve the 2000/01 Annual Operating Agreement amendment #2 for conventional transit services required to provide additional service hours;

AND THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement.

BACKGROUND:

The 2001 expansion plans called for additional schedule maintenance service for the Rutland routes. The expansion was planned for April 1, 2001, but it is now requested to move forward to March 1. The proposed amendment provides for an additional bus to maintain schedule reliability on the 10 North Rutland and 11 South Rutland routes. Increased traffic congestion and additional ridership have created a strain on these routes causing buses to run 5-8 minutes late. Overload buses have been used to maintain schedules but a more permanent solution is required.

The additional costs for this service will be \$14,100 for the month of March and \$168,700 annually. Additional passengers are estimated at 3,800 for the part year service providing a revenue increase of approximately \$3,000. The local share of the service increase will be \$5,700 for March and \$68,500 for a full year. This expansion is for the City of Kelowna and the operating and revenue percentage share splits will be adjusted to provide for these additional service hours. The expansion budget approved for the 2001 Financial Plan will provide funding for this amendment.

Mayor Walter Gray

Chair of Regional Transportation Sub-Committee - Transit

KG Attach.

Financial Planning and Systems Manager CC.

Transportation Manager