



BOARD REPORT

TO: Chair and Directors

File No: 5400 20 02 Bylaw No. 5804, 2019
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SUBJECT: Blind Bay Streetlighting Service Area Amendment Bylaw.

DESCRIPTION: Report from Terry Langlois, Team Leader, Utilities, dated July 5, 2019. Blind Bay Streetlighting Service Area Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION : THAT: Blind Bay Streetlighting Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 5804, 2019 be read a first, second and third time this 18th day of July, 2019.

SHORT SUMMARY:

The intersection at Blind Bay and Eagle Bay Roads has long been identified as a location in need of a streetlight, primarily for visibility and safety reasons. The CSRD was presented with an informal petition from residents showing extremely strong support to expand the current Blind Bay Streetlighting Service Area to include 24 properties (22 regular parcels and 2 strata properties with 23 strata units) for this initiative. BC Hydro has also confirmed there will be no additional cost to install a light at this location, only the ongoing operation and maintenance of the light.

Staff has confirmed after consulting with the Province that this initiative does not require traditional public assent. Based on the low cost involved as well as the level of public and Electoral Area Director support, the existing service area can be extended with the support of 2/3 of the Board and the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities. In this particular case, a typical public assent process will be challenging and time consuming as there are properties with complex ownership structures on a number of properties within the proposed extension area. This would involve significant work to determine the exact particulars and signatories for such a simple expansion to add one streetlight, which is being supplied and installed for no additional cost.

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BACKGROUND:

This intersection at Blind Bay and Eagle Bay Roads is extremely busy, particularly in the summer tourist season, both in terms of vehicle traffic and pedestrians. In addition, much of the surrounding area residents receive their mail at the community mail boxes located at this busy intersection. Members of the community and the Area Director have been working on this initiative for a long time, as the intersection is a safety concern, particularly after dark with limited visibility. Many residents currently living within the Blind Bay Streetlight Service Area use this intersection to get to their properties.

POLICY:

In accordance with the Section 349 of the Local Government Act, assent of the electors is not required for an amendment to a service area, but may be conducted if the Board desires it. Directors may consent to an amendment of the service area by 2/3 vote and apply for Inspector approval with evidence of property owner engagement and general support in favour of a proposed extension.

FINANCIAL:

There will be no infrastructure or installation costs applicable for BC Hydro to install a street light at this location. There will be minimal ongoing maintenance as well as the power costs to operate the additional light, which will be borne by the properties owners within the service area. The 2019 average cost to property owners for the Blind Bay Street Light Service is approximately \$14.00 annually.

KEY ISSUES/CONCEPTS:

Improved safety and visibility at the busy intersection.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Upon adoption of the bylaw, staff will engage with BC Hydro to coordinate the installation of the new light.

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

To provide better visibility for vehicle traffic as well as pedestrians at this busy intersection and improve public safety.

BOARD'S OPTIONS:

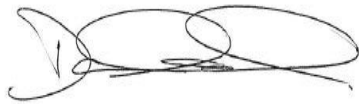
1. *Endorse the Recommendation.*
2. *Deny the Recommendation.*
3. *Defer.*
4. *Any other action deemed appropriate by the Board.*

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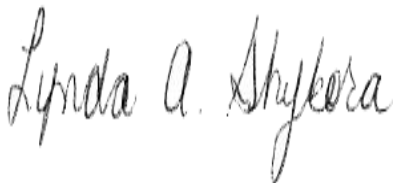
This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



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