

Report to Council



Date: February 19, 2018

File: 1850-18

To: City Manager

From: Darryl Astofooroff, Public Works Manager

Subject: Shared Use Agreement with FortisBC

Report Prepared by: Brian Cairney, Traffic Signals and Systems Supervisor

Recommendation:

THAT Council approves the City entering into an ongoing Agreement, with FortisBC, which allows the City to carry out maintenance of City owned streetlight infrastructure mounted on FortisBC owned utility poles, in the form attached to the Report of Public Works Manager, dated February 19, 2018;

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

Purpose:

To enter into a Shared Use Agreement with FortisBC for working on City owned streetlight infrastructure mounted on FortisBC owned utility poles.

Background:

On July 24, 2017, Council approved a one-time budget increase to purchase remaining streetlight inventory held by FortisBC. With the purchase of the inventory the City could maintain the streetlight assets mounted on City owned steel poles but not mounted on FortisBC utility poles (wood poles). The approximately 3600 streetlights mounted on utility poles would still have to be maintained by FortisBC. This Shared Use Agreement allows the City to carry out the maintenance of City owned streetlight assets mounted on the utility poles.

The City will have control over the maintenance of all the street lighting assets, approximately 14,000 lights.

This model is beneficial to the City for several reasons:

- At present we have no control over material or labor costs. The City has to procure all materials through FortisBC and use their labor. Transferring control to the City will allow us to buy materials and hire contractors in the competitive market.

- The repair of infrastructure has happened on a reactive basis with no documentation or knowledge of streetlight infrastructure condition. This makes budgeting for future replacement costs an unknown quantity. Taking control of the maintenance will allow the City to work in a proactive manner, form a plan for organized replacement of ageing infrastructure and create known future budget costs.

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

On July 24, 2017, Council approved a one-time budget increase to purchase remaining streetlight inventory held by FortisBC.

Internal Circulation:

Deputy City Manager Operations

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Existing Policy:

Personnel Implications:

External Agency/Public Comments:

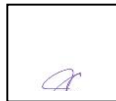
Communications Comments:

Alternate Recommendation:

Submitted by:

Darryl Astofooroff, Public Works Manager

Approved for inclusion:



Joe Creron, Deputy City Manager, Operations

cc: Corinne Boback, Legislative Coordinator

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Shared Use Agreement with FortisBC.docx
Attachments:	- FortisBC Shared Use Agreement 05 feb 2018.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Feb 6, 2018

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

Joe Creron - Feb 6, 2018 - 9:20 AM