Report to Council



Date: March 7, 2016

File: 0280-04

To: City Manager

From: Matt Friesen, Revenue Accountant

Subject: DOWNTOWN KELOWNA ASSOCIATION 2016 BUDGET

Report Prepared by: Tina Waddell, Revenue Accountant

Recommendation:

THAT Council approves the Downtown Kelowna Association 2016 Budget as outlined in the report of the Revenue Accountant dated March 7, 2016;

AND THAT Council approves the 2016 levy of \$828,404 on Class 5 and Class 6 properties located within the boundaries of the Kelowna Downtown Business Improvement Area.

Purpose:

To authorize the 2016 levy on Class 5 light industry and Class 6 business / other properties located within the Downtown Business Improvement area.

Background:

On September 30, 2013 Council approved the Kelowna Downtown Business Improvement Area Bylaw #10880. Bylaw #10880 established the local area (Refer to Schedule A) for the purpose of annually funding the activity of the Downtown Kelowna Association for a period of 5 years, 2014 to 2018. Council may approve the DKA's annual budget request to a maximum amount of \$887,407 per annum in order for the City to tax the affected properties within the improvement area boundary.

Attached is a copy of the 2015 Financial Statements as reviewed by KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants, the Downtown Kelowna Association's 2016 Budget and a list of the Board of Directors for 2015/2016 (Refer to Schedule B).

City of Kelowna staff have not participated in or assisted the Downtown Kelowna Association in preparation of their annual budget.

A representative from the Downtown Kelowna Association will be present at the Council meeting to answer any questions.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Council may, by bylaw, grant money to a corporation or other organization that has, as one of its aims, functions or purposes, the planning and implementation of a business promotion scheme, with the establishment of a Business Improvement Area in accordance with Division 5 Section 215 of the Community Charter.

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Council may, by bylaw, impose a parcel tax in accordance with Division 4 Section 200 of the Community Charter to provide all or part of the funding for a service.

Considerations not applicable to this report: Internal Circulation Existing Policy Financial/Budgetary Considerations Personnel Implications External Agency/Public Comments Communications Comments Alternate Recommendation

Alternate Recommendation	
Submitted by:	
M. Friesen, Revenue Accountant	
Approved for inclusion:	Genelle Davidson, CPA, CMA, Director, Financial Services

Attachments:

Schedule A - Kelowna Downtown Business Improvement Area Map

Schedule B - Downtown Kelowna Association Financials