

Report to Council



Date: December 10, 2018
File: 0250-20
To: City Manager
From: Travis Whiting, Fire Chief
Subject: Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement Renewal

Recommendation:

THAT Council receive the report of the Fire Chief, dated December 10, 2018 regarding the renewal of the Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement;

AND THAT Council authorize Mayor and City Clerk execute the Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement as attached to the report of the Fire Chief, Dated December 10, 2018.

Purpose:

To renew the Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement that is in place between local fire departments within the Central Okanagan Regional District.

Background:

The current five-year Mutual Aid agreement expired this year. This agreement includes all fire departments within the Central Okanagan. It allows for fire departments to share resources during major incidents. This support has been key in many of the local interface fires and provides for timely response. Generally, there is no cost associated with the Mutual Aid agreement, however, there is provision to recover costs if required.

The agreement has been circulated to Peachland, West Kelowna and Lake Country for their signatures prior to the City of Kelowna. Once signed by Kelowna, it will be sent to the Regional District of Central Okanagan for final signature.

Conclusion:

The Mutual Aid agreement is a key document in wildfire interface preparation, as well as providing assurances of support for other major fire events. The renewal of this document will allow continued support among the departments.

Internal Circulation:

City Clerk

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Existing Policy:

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

Personnel Implications:

External Agency/Public Comments:

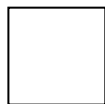
Communications Comments:

Alternate Recommendation:

Submitted by:

Travis Whiting, Fire Chief

Approved for inclusion:



S. Leatherdale, Divisional Director, Human Resources