Report to Council



Date: October 25, 2021

To: Council

From: City Manager

Subject: Lakeshore and June Springs Fire Service Agreement

Department: Kelowna Fire Department

Recommendation:

THAT Council authorizes the City to renew the Fire Service Agreement for Lakeshore Road and June Springs Road with the Regional District of the central Okanagan for a five (5) year term, in the attached contract from the Fire Chief.

And that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Fire Service Agreement for Lakeshore Road and June Springs Road.

Purpose:

To renew the Fire Service Agreement for Lakeshore Road and June Springs Road with the Regional District of the Central Okanagan (RDCO) for a five(5) year term.

Background:

In 2004 the RDCO and City entered into a fire service agreement where the Kelowna Fire Department (KFD) would provide fire protection services to Lakeshore Road and June Springs Road area, that are outside of the city boundary. KFD's fire suppression services would be those typically provided in response to a structural fire alarm and does not include wildfire or interface fire suppression to land on which there are no improvements. Wildfire response is addressed in the Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement covered by all fire departments within the RDCO.

This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon giving six (6) months written notice to the other party.

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

For providing these services, the city shall pay the RDCO a fee, by July 1st of each year. The fee shall be calculated using an amount equal to the annual levy amount for Fire Services charged by the city to property owners within Kelowna's geographical boundaries. For each \$1,000.00 of assessed value of land and improvements located on such properties (the "levy"), the levy shall not exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. There is also an administrative fee of 15% calculated into the agreement.

Discussion:
Conclusion:
Internal Circulation:
Considerations applicable to this report:
Legal/Statutory Authority:
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:
Existing Policy:
External Agency/Public Comments:
Communications Comments:
Considerations not applicable to this report:
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