THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE:	October 17.	2022
		, 2022

TO:	Mayor and Council
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FROM: Candice Gartry, Director, Financial Services

SUBJECT:	White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2428, Amendment
	No. 3, 2022 No. 2443

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive the October 17, 2022, corporate report from the Director of Financial Services, titled "White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2428, Amendment No. 3, 2022, No. 2443" for consideration and give first, second and third readings to the draft Bylaw attached as Appendix A.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this corporate report is to introduce the White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2428, Amendment No. 3, 2022 No. 2443, which seeks to add \$320K for a daytime warming shelter to run from November 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, the majority of which would be funded from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Strengthening Communities' Services grant.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

Motion # &	Motion Details
Meeting Date	
2022-281	THAT Council endorse the City's Union of British Columbia
June 27, 2022	Municipalities (UBCM) Strengthening Communities' Services 2022
	Grant application and indicate a willingness to provide overall grant
	management.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The *Community Charter* (*Charter*) requires that a municipality adopt annually, by bylaw, a fiveyear financial plan. This section also allows a municipality to amend the financial plan, by bylaw, at any time to provide for greater certainty. Additionally, the *Charter* states that municipalities must not make an expenditure other than those that are included for that year in its financial plan.

Staff applied for the UBCM Strengthening Communities' Services 2022 grant and received confirmation from UBCM that funding of \$320K had been approved for the City. The funding from UBCM is intended to supplement the existing \$160K budget that the City has for the daytime warming shelter and enables the shelter to operate from November 1, 2022 to March 31,

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2023, rather than starting two months later, in January 2023. It is necessary to add both the UBCM grant funding and the additional warming shelter expenses to the 2022 Financial Plan to cover the daytime warming shelter operations for the additional months (November and December, 2022).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This Financial Plan Amendment adds funding (and matching expenses) of \$320K for the daytime warming shelter so that it can operate from November 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 the majority of which would be funded from a UBCM grant.

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Public consultation for the White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2428, Amendment No. 3, 2022 No. 2443 will be conducted through opportunity for written submissions. Communications staff assisted with an advertisement being placed in the Peace Arch News on Thursday, October 12 seeking public input prior to the date of Council consideration of adoption of the bylaw amending the Financial Plan (2022-2026).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Maintaining infrastructure to provide safe, reliable, and sustainable infrastructure for the community while minimizing impacts on the environment, and managing delivery of services efficiently and effectively, are also Council priorities.

OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES

The *Charter* states that municipalities must not make an expenditure other than those that are included for that year in its financial plan. To comply with the *Charter* it is recommended to adopt a bylaw amending the 2022-2026 Financial Plan to include the expenses prior to the awarding of a contract or start of services.

Should Council decide to not adopt a bylaw amending the 2022-2026 Financial Plan to include additional funds for the warming shelter, it may not be able to operate during the months of November and December 2022.

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CONCLUSION

Staff recommend that White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2428, Amendment No. 3, 2022 No. 2443 attached as Appendix A be given first, second and third readings.

Respectfully submitted,

Candice Gartry Director, Financial Services

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer

I concur with the recommendation of this corporate report.

Guillermo Ferrero Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A: White Rock Financial Plan (2022-2026) Bylaw, 2022, No.2428, Amendment No. 3, 2022 No. 2443