# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE: December 5, 2022

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Candice Gartry, Director, Financial Services

SUBJECT: Latecomer Interest Rate Bylaw, 2015, No 2088, Amendment No. 3, 2022, No.

2450

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receive the December 5, 2022, corporate report from the Director of Financial Services, titled "Latecomer Interest Rate Bylaw, 2015, No. 2088, Amendment No. 3, 2022, No. 2450" for Council approval and adoption.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This corporate report introduces the Latecomer Interest Rate Bylaw, 2015, No 2088, Amendment No 3, 2022 No. 2450 to Council for approval and adoption.

#### INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Latecomer agreements are development finance agreements between municipalities and property developers. These agreements specify off-site capital works infrastructure necessary for development to proceed.

Latecomer agreements also set the terms by which developers can recover costs for excess infrastructure capacity beyond what is required for the initial development.

As part of the latecomer agreement, the municipality and property developer must determine what portion of the excess infrastructure capacity will benefit the future development that will subsequently be serviced by the initial capital works. In order to connect to these capital works, a future developer of the parcels must pay a latecomer charge to the municipality based on the terms of the latecomer agreement. One of the terms of the latecomer agreement is the interest that will be applied to the latecomer charge. This interest rate must be set by bylaw.

This bylaw amendment is a housekeeping item to alter the bylaw to ensure the interest rate is in line with current market conditions. Staff have used the Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) indicative market long-term lending rate of 4.58% (Appendix A) to determine the interest rate for this bylaw update. The fifteen (15) year rate ties to the maximum term of the latecomer agreements.

# **OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES**

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Should Council decide to not adopt the Bylaw amendment, the interest rate for latecomer charges will remain at 1.93%.

### **CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Latecomer Interest Rate Bylaw, 2015, No. 2088, Amendment No. 3, 2022, No. 2450 be approved and adopted.

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: MFA Long Term Lending Rates

Appendix B: Latecomer Interest Rate Bylaw, 2015, No. 2088, Amendment No. 3, 2022,

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