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Staff Report CL2020-019

Title of Report: CL2020-019-Draft Burn By-law Amendments

Department: Clerks

Branch: Legislative and Council Services

Council Date: June 3, 2020

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Council receive Staff Report CL2020-019 as information; and
That Council receive the draft amendments to the Burn By-law and provide feedback to the Clerk and/or Fire Chief no later than end of day on June 8, 2020.

Background:

Staff are currently exploring options to transition our current paper burn permit process over to a more user friendly, electronic system and have identified the need to update the burn by-law that is currently in effect as a first step.

Staff Comments:

With amendments to the current by-law, administration staff issuing permits will have clearer and consistent guidelines for instructing residents who wish to apply for open air burn permits, and to educate residents about recreational fires and the use of burn barrels. Included in this report as Attachment #1 is our current Burn By-law No. 84-2008 for reference, and Attachment #2 is a new draft burn by-law that staff are proposing for approval at the June 17, 2020 Council meeting.

At this time, staff are not proposing any amendments to the set fines Schedule A other than an addition of a fine for the burning of discarded materials at a construction site.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:

This report has been written and presented to Council to communicate accurate information to the public.

Concluding Comments:

That Council receive the draft updated burn bylaw as information and provide feedback to staff on the proposed by-law no later than the end of day of June 8, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Attachment #1 – Current Burn By-law
No. 84-2008

Attachment #2 – Draft Updated Burn
By-law No. 2020-XXX