

# FINANCE AND CIVIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: TEMPORARY FINANCING BYLAW

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council authorize staff to bring down a bylaw to permit borrowing of up to \$2 million as required, during the period 2015 January 01 to December 31, repayable 2015 December 31.

## **REPORT**

The Finance and Civic Development Committee, at its meeting held on 2014 October 23, received and adopted the <u>attached</u> report to obtain borrowing authority to temporarily finance expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor D. Johnston Chair

Councillor C. Jordan Vice Chair

Councillor P. McDonell Member

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Deputy City Managers Director Finance City Solicitor





TO:

**CHAIR AND MEMBERS** 

DATE:

2014 October 16

FINANCE AND CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

**COMMITTEE** 

FROM:

**DIRECTOR FINANCE** 

FILE:

6400-20

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**PURPOSE:** 

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#### REPORT

### 1.0 BACKGROUND

Temporary borrowing sometimes becomes necessary during the year prior to collection of property taxes and at other times to make large unexpected payments or to cover an overdraft resulting from revenue shortfalls. Section 177 of the Community Charter provides that Council may authorize borrowing of this nature through a bylaw.

#### 2.0 2014 ACTIVITY

In 2014 a temporary financing bylaw was adopted authorizing \$2 million to meet operating needs between January and December. As of 2014 October 15 the City has utilized these funds only once on 2014 October 06 in the amount of \$2 million for one day. The bank account however was in an overdraft position of \$5.7 million due to a financial institution processing error. This overdraft position was not the fault of the City, therefore loan and overdraft fees were paid by the financial institution.

# 3.0 2015 REQUIREMENTS

For 2015 it is estimated that a \$2 million temporary financing bylaw will be sufficient to cover any City cash shortfalls which may occur at different times during the year. It is recommended that Council authorize staff to bring down a bylaw to permit borrowing of up to \$2 million as required, during the period 2015 January 01 to December 31, repayable 2015 December 31.

Denise Jorgenson

**DIRECTOR FINANCE** 

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