



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: Bylaw Notice Enforcement Regulation

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From: Dave Selvage
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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council request the Ministry of Attorney General to add the City of Langley to the *Bylaw Notice Enforcement Regulation* to allow for the City to practice adjudication under the *Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act*.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to recommend to Council that they request the Attorney General to add the City of Langley to the Bylaw Notice Enforcement Regulation to allow the City to practice adjudication under the Local Government Bylaw Enforcement Act. This resolution is required in order for the bylaw adjudication process to be implemented within the City of Langley.

POLICY:

The *Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act* provides that local governments may establish a bylaw notice adjudication system. This administrative system is an alternative to the provincial court for resolving minor local government bylaw contraventions and to the current Bylaw Notice system used in the City.

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

At the Special Closed Meeting of October 19, 2021, City Council considered the report from the Manager of Community Safety with respect to bylaw enforcement ticket disputes process in the City of Langley. After consideration, City Council directed staff to initiate the process to implement an adjudication process for all bylaw enforcement ticket disputes in the City of Langley.

The goal of the adjudication system is to create a simple, fair and cost-effective system for addressing bylaw infractions. The system eliminates the requirement for personal service (an element of the current MTI system) and establishes a dedicated forum for resolving local bylaw enforcement disputes through independently adjudicated decisions.

The bylaw adjudication process is governed by the *Local Government Bylaw Enforcement Act*. In order for the City of Langley to practice bylaw adjudication, Council must first request the Ministry of Attorney General to add the City of Langley to the *Bylaw Notice Enforcement Regulation* under the *Local Government Bylaw Enforcement Act*.

ALTERNATIVES:

To not request the Ministry of Attorney General to add the City of Langley to the *Bylaw Notice Enforcement Regulation* which would preclude the City of Langley from practicing bylaw adjudication.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dave Selvage
Manager of Community Safety

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.



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Chief Administrative Officer