



Agenda No: 3.1

Mtg Date: March 11/10

Regional Board Report

TO: Governance and Services Committee
FROM: Waste Reduction
DATE: March 4, 2010
SUBJECT: Solid Waste Management Regulation Amendment Bylaw

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Amendment Bylaw be given first, second and third readings and adopted this 11th day of March, 2010.

Key changes to bylaw:

1. A parcel tax value will not be defined in the bylaw but the total parcel tax will never exceed the amount defined in the RDCO Solid Waste Management Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 577, 1993.
2. Electoral area residents will pay the same user fee and parcel tax for basic waste management related services whether they are on curbside collection or transfer station service.
3. The user fee will be \$167.06 per year for 2010.

Background and rationale:

Parcel tax revenue is largely used to pay for the recycling and waste reduction programs. The cost of these programs changes each year due to the variability in the commodity market (i.e. the revenue we generate from recyclables) and waste reduction programming. This recommended bylaw change will allow staff to adjust the parcel tax from year to year so budgets accurately reflect market conditions and waste reduction programming.

The following reasons support applying the same user fee and parcel tax to all electoral area residents for waste management services.

1. All Regional District residents have access to the same residential waste management services including disposing of garbage, recyclables, and yard waste, waste reduction programs (eg. illegal dump cleanup and hazardous waste roundup), landfill services, and recycling processing.
2. Significant user fee increases were projected for Regional District residents on transfer station service (Board Report, December 14, 2009).
 - \$131/year for North Westside Transfer Station users (previously \$40/year).
 - \$179/year for Traders Cove Transfer Station users (previously \$52/year).

3. Due to the \$48 difference in projected user fees between transfer stations, fees were going to have to be blended to prevent residents from the Traders Cove transfer station (more expensive) changing to the NOWESI Transfer Station (less expensive), which would have further increased the difference in cost.
4. When considering the blended cost of residential transfer station service the total waste management costs for all Regional District residents are roughly the same. The higher cost of curbside collection in the East Electoral Area is similar to the added cost of the Westside Waste disposal and recycling centre in the West Electoral Area. The exception to this is the few dozen residents in Electoral Area West that are on curbside collection service.

In general, attempting to identify how the cost of service differs between residents is futile as the complexities that would need to be considered are vast and often unquantifiable. Therefore, in line with our member municipalities, we are recommending an approach that applies a base rate to all residents for access to the same basic level of service.



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Regional District of Central Okanagan
Bylaw No.

A bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Bylaw No. 1253, 2009

WHEREAS, the Regional District of Central Okanagan has enacted the Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Bylaw No. 1253, 2009

AND WHEREAS, the Regional District of Central Okanagan considers that it is necessary to amend the Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Bylaw

NOW THEREFORE, the Regional District of Central Okanagan in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. Delete from the definition of **"Solid Waste Reduction Services"** means landfill disposal costs, waste reduction activities, recycle depots and recycle processing facilities

and replace with

"Solid Waste Reduction Services" means landfill disposal costs, waste reduction activities and transfer station, waste disposal/recycling centre, recycling depot and recycling processing services.

2. Delete from Schedule "B", #4 in its entirety

"4. Owners of all Residential Dwelling Premises, including Owners of property who have been granted a waiver of service, pursuant to Section 2.1.1 of this bylaw, or who have been excluded, pursuant to Section 2.1.3 of this bylaw, from the Regional District's residential collection systems, will be levied annually on their property tax notice or utility bill a fee to cover Solid Waste Reduction Services. New accounts will be billed from the date of request for final inspection on a pro-rated basis. This Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee is \$49.36 per residential unit per year."

And replace with a new section #4

"4. Owners of all parcels of land, including Owners of property who have been granted a waiver of service, pursuant to Section 2.1.1 of this bylaw, or who have been excluded pursuant to Section 2.1.3 of this bylaw, from the Regional District's residential collection systems, will be levied annually on their property tax notice a fee to cover Solid Waste Reduction Services. New accounts will be billed from the date of request for final inspection on a pro-rated basis. This Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee shall be levied annually as a parcel tax, This fee for Solid Waste Reduction Services shall not exceed the amount defined in Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 577, 1993."

3. Change title of Schedule "C" to **COLLECTION LIMITS AND FEES**

4. Delete from Schedule "C", 2.0 in its entirety

"2.0 The following fees and charges shall be paid in relation to the removal of *Garbage*, *Mandatory Residential Recyclable Material* and *Yard Waste* pursuant to the residential collection system established under this bylaw:

\$164.12 per year, for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* for basic *Garbage*, *Yard Waste* and *Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection Fee* and an additional \$72.00 per year *Large Cart Fee* for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* using the 240 litre Cart collection service for *Garbage* as per Section 2.2.15. Notwithstanding this provision, where a waiver of service has been approved pursuant to Section 2.1 of this bylaw, a *Collection Fee* shall not be levied, however, a *Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee* shall be levied for landfill disposal costs, waste reduction activities, recycling depot and recycle processing facility operations. This fee for *Solid Waste Reduction Services* is set at \$49.36 per year for each *Residential Dwelling Premise*.

Residential Dwelling Premises shall be invoiced with a utility bill sent twice yearly by the *Regional District* to cover the costs of the *Garbage*, *Yard Waste* and *Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection Fee*. The *Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee* shall be levied on the annual Property Tax bill. Payments received are applied firstly to arrears, then to current charges. New accounts are billed from the date of request for final inspection of the applicable building permit works, on a pro-rated basis."

And replace with a new section 2.0

2.0 The following fees and charges shall be paid in relation to the removal of *Garbage*, *Mandatory Residential Recyclable Material* and *Yard Waste* pursuant to the residential collection systems established under this bylaw:

\$167.06 per year, commencing January 1, 2010, for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* for basic *Garbage*, *Yard Waste* and *Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection/Transfer Station Fee* and an additional \$72.00 per year *Large Cart Fee* for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* with a 240 litre *Garbage* cart as per Section 2.2.15. Notwithstanding this provision, where a waiver of service has been approved pursuant to Section 2.1 of this bylaw, a *Collection Fee* shall not be levied, however, a *Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee* shall be levied for landfill disposal costs, waste reduction activities, transfer station, waste disposal & recycling centre, recycling depot and recycling processing services. This fee for *Solid Waste Reduction Services* shall not exceed the amount defined in *Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 577, 1993*.

Residential Dwelling Premises shall be invoiced with a utility bill sent at a minimum of twice yearly by the *Regional District* to cover the costs of the *Garbage*, *Yard Waste* and *Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection Fee*. Payments received are applied firstly to arrears, then to current charges. New accounts are billed from the date of request for final inspection of the applicable building permit works, (or two months after insulation inspection if final inspection is not requested in a timely manner), on a pro-rated basis.

5. Delete from Schedule "C", 2.4 in its entirety

"2.4 \$52.00 per year, for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* for basic *Garbage, Yard Waste and Recyclables* collection service for *Owners* living in Trader's Cove local service area, as defined by the Local Service Area Bylaw, and;

\$40.00 per year, for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise* for basic *Garbage and Yard Waste* collection service for *Owners* living in North Westside Road local service area, as defined by the Local Service Area Bylaw."

And replace with a new section 2.4

"2.4 The following fees and charges shall be paid in relation to those residences serviced by a transfer station in lieu of curbside pickup:

\$167.06 per year, commencing January 1, 2010, for each individual Residential Dwelling Premise for basic *Garbage, Yard Waste and Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection/Transfer Station Fee* for each individual *Residential Dwelling Premise*. Notwithstanding this provision, where a waiver of service has been approved pursuant to Section 2.1 of this bylaw, a *Collection Fee* shall not be levied, however, a *Solid Waste Reduction Services Fee* shall be levied for landfill disposal costs, waste reduction activities, transfer station, waste disposal and recycling centre, recycling depot and recycling processing services. This fee for *Solid Waste Reduction Services* shall not exceed the amount defined in Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 577, 1993.

Residential Dwelling Premises shall be invoiced with a utility bill sent at a minimum of twice yearly by the Regional District to cover the costs of the *Garbage, Yard Waste and Mandatory Recyclable Material Collection Fee*. Payments received are applied firstly to arrears, then to current charges. New accounts are billed from the date of request for final inspection of the applicable building permit works (or two months after insulation inspection if final inspection is not requested in a timely manner), on a pro-rated basis.

6. Citation

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. ____, 2010

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	March	2010
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	March	2010
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	March	2010

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF March 2010

Chairperson

Director of Corporate Services

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. ____ cited as "Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. ____, 2010" as read a third time by the Regional Board on the 11th day of March 2010

Dated at Kelowna, B.C.
this 12th day of March 2010

Director of Corporate Services

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. ____ cited as "Regional District of Central Okanagan Solid Waste Management Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. ____, 2010" as adopted by the Regional Board on the 11th day of March 2010.

Dated at Kelowna, B.C. this
12th day of March 2010

Director of Corporate Services