

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE-JUNE 21, 2004

HIATUS BY-LAW

Recommendation

The City Manager, in consultation with the Senior Management Team, recommends that the Summer Hiatus By-law, By-law 332-98 be amended to include revisions and minor additional matters.

Purpose

The purpose of the report is to obtain Council approval to amend the Summer Hiatus By-law.

Background - Analysis and Options

By-law 332-98 provides authority for administrative approval, and action for the award of tenders over the summer hiatus in meetings, and Christmas and March break.

The by-law requires revision as it contains references to the Commissioner of Development Services, a position which no longer exists. There are additional matters, such as exemptions to the Noise By-law for various construction projects and temporary road closures which can be included in the by-law.

Presently, with possibly increasing asphalt and steel prices, tenders closed during the summer may be higher than the approved capital budget amounts. However, some reserve accounts or development charges accounts may have sufficient funds to accommodate the higher amount. Accordingly a provision can be included to authorize the award of such tenders, provided the Commissioner of Finance or his designate advises there are sufficient funds available.

Vaughan Vision

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

It is in order to amend the Summer Hiatus By-law to include revisions and additional matters to ensure appropriate approvals are not delayed and capital budget projects can occur expeditiously.

Attachments

None

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