City of Nanaimo

REPORT TO COUNCIL

DATE OF MEETING: 2015-DEC-07

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RE: LINLEY VALLEY COTTLE LAKE PARK ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

RESULTS - 3669 & 3699 ROCK CITY ROAD

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the report pertaining to the results of the Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park Alternative Approval Process – 3669 & 3699 Rock City Road.

PURPOSE:

To provide the results of the Alternative Approval Process (AAP) and to obtain Council approval for adoption of "Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park Dedication Removal and Disposal Bylaw 2015 No. 7219".

BACKGROUND:

Further to Council direction provided at its Regular Meeting held 2015-OCT-05, the City conducted an AAP to obtain approval of the electors for the adoption of "Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park Dedication Removal and Disposal Bylaw 2015 No. 7219". The Bylaw would authorize the removal of the park dedication and disposal of 0.2 hectares (0.5 acres) of the land from Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park at 3669 Rock City Road as part of a parkland exchange agreement between the City and the owners of 3699 Rock City Road.

Notice of the AAP was placed in the Thursday, 2015-OCT-15 & 22 editions of the Nanaimo Daily News and the Nanaimo News Bulletin. The notice also appeared on the City's website.

DISCUSSION:

The deadline for receipt of elector response forms was 2015-NOV-25 and the results below confirm that elector approval through the AAP has been obtained.

AAP Results:

The deadline for the receipt of elector response forms for "Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park Dedication Removal and Disposal Bylaw 2015 No. 7219" was 4:30 pm on Wednesday, 2015-NOV-25.

Number of Valid Elector Response Forms received prior to the deadline		1
10% of electors within the City of Nanaimo		6,474



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On the basis of the elector response forms received before the deadline, I have determined and hereby certify that the elector approval in accordance with Section 86 of the *Community Charter* has been obtained.

Therefore, Council may proceed with the adoption of "Linley Valley Cottle Lake Park Dedication Removal and Disposal Bylaw 2015 No. 7219" which appears under the Bylaw section of this evening's agenda.

Strategic Plan Implications

The acquisition of strategically significant parcels of land in exchange for the disposition of underutilized assets meets two of the key priorities in the 2012-2015 Strategic Plan, including:

Taking Responsibility	Potential Strategies and/or Initiatives - continuing to facilitate change and overall development consistent with vision and plans; taking action steps to be a catalyst for investment in the City's future.
Asset Management	The intent is to maximize benefits, reduce risks and provide satisfactory levels of service to the community in a sustainable manner. From a parks perspective this includes exchanging lands that are mutually beneficial.

Respectfully submitted,

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CITY MANAGER COMMENT:

I concur with the Staff recommendation.

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