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TO: Chair and Directors
Electoral Areas Services Committee

FROM: James Warren
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RE: Union Bay Water Service Budget Amendment – 3rd St. Watermain Extension

Purpose

To present an amendment to the 2021 adopted budget for the Union Bay water service to enable an urgent extension of a watermain along 3rd Street.

Recommendation from the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer:

THAT the 2021 approved budget for the Union Bay Water Service, Function 308, be amended to increase water infrastructure expenditures up to a maximum of \$58,500 to support the extension of a water main along 3rd Street in Union Bay;

AND FURTHER THAT this project be funded by a contribution from the capital works reserve of \$46,800 and by an \$11,700 contribution from the owner of 5597 3rd Street, Union Bay.

Executive Summary

- The conversion of the Union Bay Improvement District (UBID) to the Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) became effective on July 1, 2021, as per Order in Council No.221.
- On May 12, 2021, the owner of 5597 3rd Street requested to be connected to the Union Bay water system.
- On June 1, 2021, several water main leaks were identified on 3rd Street where work crews discovered that the watermain and connections to at least three properties were in very poor condition, constructed of non-standard materials and significantly undersized.
- The CVRD proposes to use this connection request as an opportunity to replace the existing watermain from Douglas Street and extend the main to the north side of 5597 3rd Street to minimize service disruptions.
- This project would involve installation/replacement of approximately 90m of watermain at an estimated cost of \$650/m or \$58,500. As the frontage length of 5597 3rd Street is 18m, the owner would be expected to pay \$11,700, leaving the remaining amount of \$46,800 to be paid by the CVRD.
- It is not recommended to connect additional properties on 3rd Street without replacing the 3rd Street watermain.
- The capital works reserve fund balance for the service was estimated to be \$481,160 at the end of 2021 after a budget amendment approved by the CVRD Board on July 27, 2021, in the amount of \$140,000. If this budget amendment is approved, the capital works reserve fund balance at the end of 2021 would now be estimated at \$434,360.

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