

Agenda Item: <u>D.6</u>

Request for Decision

Title	Bylaw 1427/18 Schedule of Fees and Charges
Proposed Motion	 That Council give first reading to Bylaw 1427/18. That Council give second reading to Bylaw 1427/18. That Council give unanimous consent to proceed to third reading of Bylaw 1427/18. That Council give third reading to Bylaw 1427/18.
Administrative Recommendation	Administration recommends that Council give all three readings to Bylaw 1427/18 Schedule of Fees and Charges which is consistent with the Sturgeon County Fiscal Principles, Practices and Policies, the <i>Municipal Government Act</i> , and 2019 budget cycle.
Previous Council Direction	June 26, 2018 – Motion 191/18 That Council amend the Fees and Charges Schedule to add a new fee of \$1,500 per amendment for Resource Extraction to Agriculture.
Report	 Background Information Administration brings forward the Fees and Charges schedule annually for approval by Council as part of the budget approval process. In past years, Council has approved a Fees and Charges schedule. This year, Administration is bringing forward a bylaw to align with requirements from the Minister of Municipal Affairs. The Schedule of Fees and Charges Bylaw will establish rates, fees and charges payable for municipal services provided by the County. Recommended changes to the fees and charges, Schedules A through I, are displayed in red within the bylaw. There are some charges such as penalties that are not included within the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges Bylaw 1427/18, however, there are references to the governing bylaw within this proposed bylaw. Once approved, the bylaw would take effect on January 1, 2019.

Date Written: November 27, 2018 Council Meeting Date: December 11, 2018

External Communication

The bylaw will be posted on the Sturgeon County website.

Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:

- The Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26 as amended (MGA) authorizes Council to establish and amend bylaws.
- Section 8 of the Municipal Government Act authorizes Council, through bylaw, to provide for a system of licenses, permits, and approvals and establish fees for the purpose of raising revenue.
- Section 61(2) of the Municipal Government Act authorizes a municipality to charge fees, tolls and charges for the use of its property, including property under the direction, control and management of the municipality.

Implication of Administrative Recommendation

Strategic Alignment:

Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership – The proposed Bylaw is consistent with legislation, policies and procedures creating fiscal stability and sustainability.

Organizational:

Administration will implement all proposed changes effective January 1, 2019.

Financial:

The proposed fee changes have been reflected in the recommended 2019 Budget, where measurable.

Alternatives That Considered 2019.

That County Council approve Bylaw 1427/18 with specific amendments for 2019

Implications of Alternatives

Strategic Alignment:

 Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership – The Fees and Charges Bylaw is consistent with policies and procedures that create fiscal stability and sustainability.

Organizational:

 Administration would implement the proposed changed effective January 1, 2019.

Financial:

 Dependent on changes. Material changes would be calculated and presented to Council.

Follow up Action

- 1. Bylaw 1427/18 will be distributed to Council and Staff.
- 2. Bylaw 1427/18 will be posted on the Sturgeon County website.

- **Attachment(s)** 1. Request for Decision (Attachment 1)
 - 2. Proposed Bylaw 1427/18 (Attachment 2)

Report Reviewed

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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

Mission: Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
Planned Growth and Prosperity			_
We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 36)		×	
 Supports a strong thriving business environment to strengthen our economic foundation 		×	
 Plans for responsible growth through the MDP and regional growth plan. 		\boxtimes	
 Manages growth for current and future developments through: transparent bylaws, policies and processes to enable responsible land development 		×	
 targeting growth around existing and identified future growth areas 		\boxtimes	
Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities			
We are committed to a safe and viable community, where our residents are			
provided with access to opportunities and quality of life.		\boxtimes	
(Strategic Plan and pg. 27 MDP)			
 Provides access to programs and services that have a positive impact on residents' quality of life 		\boxtimes	
 Provides access to safe and reliable infrastructure assets 		\boxtimes	
Supports the safety of people and property		\boxtimes	
Strong Local and Regional Governance			
We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan and pg. 27 MDP)			⊠
 Provides effective leadership and management consistent with Strategic Plan, MDP, master plans, bylaws, policies, community engagement 			×
 Considers fiscal stability and sustainability 			\boxtimes
Fosters collaborative intergovernmental partnerships		\boxtimes	
Community Identity & Spirit			
We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 27)			
 Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County 		\boxtimes	
Support and/or collaborate with voluntary organizations in the region		\boxtimes	
Environmental Stewardship			
We foster a healthy environment and minimize our impact on ecosystems. (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 27)		\boxtimes	
 Plans and partnerships that minimize environmental impact on natural areas 		×	
Provides awareness of environmental issues impacting the County		\boxtimes	

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