

February 25, 2013

To: His Worship the Mayor  
and Members of City Council

Re: Candidates Campaign Contributions and Expenses

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**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
- FEBRUARY 13, 2013**

That this report be received and filed.

*EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – FEBRUARY 13, 2013*

The Committee adopted a resolution to concur in the recommendation contained in the report.

Mayor Michael Fougere, Councillors: Sharron Bryce, Bryon Burnett, John Findura, Jerry Flegel, Shawn Fraser, Bob Hawkins, Mike O'Donnell and Barbara Young were present during consideration of this report by the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee, at the **PRIVATE** session of its meeting held on February 13, 2013, considered the following report from the Administration:

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be submitted to City Council.

CONCLUSION

Bylaw No. 2007-34 The Regina Municipal Election Expenses Bylaw requires any candidate whose name appears on the ballot in an election shall, within 90 days after the date of the election, complete and submit to the Returning Officer a sworn statement of the candidate's compliance with the requirements of this Bylaw with respect to the spending limits and disclosure of contributions.

The Returning Officer shall then prepare a report to Council listing all the candidates and attaching all the forms filed by the candidates.

The purpose of this report is to meet the above requirements.

All information provided to the Returning Officer shall be available to the public after Council's receipt of the returning officer's report.

## BACKGROUND

A Municipal/School Board election was held on October 24, 2012. As the Returning Officer for the election I conveyed the City of Regina Bylaw #2007-34 to all candidates and they were requested to provide the required information to my office within 90 days of the election. The deadline date communicated to all candidates throughout the campaign was January 22, 2013.

Communication to candidates with respect to the requirement to file expense forms included a link to the website with election information, verbal instruction during the candidates' information night, email reminders and telephone conversations. The consequences for non compliance were communicated throughout January 2013.

## DISCUSSION

Election contribution and expense disclosures have been received from 48 of the 50 candidates involved in the 2012 Election for the positions of Mayor and Councillor, including one submission received after the deadline date. The original copy of the submission from each of the candidates is attached as Appendix A.

A list of those candidates who did not submit the required disclosures is attached as Appendix B.

If a candidate who is elected fails to comply with this Bylaw, the candidate shall be subject to disqualification from council as provided by clause 120(1)(e) of *The Cities Act*.

Candidates who were not elected and who fail to comply with the Bylaw would be subject to the penalty clause contained therein.

## RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS

### Financial Implications

None with this report.

### Environmental Implications

None with this report.

### Strategic Implications

Ensuring legislative requirements are met helps achieve operational excellence.

### Other Implications

None with this report.

### Accessibility Implications

None with this report.

COMMUNICATIONS

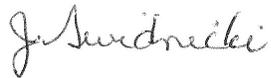
The two candidates have been advised of the consequence of non-compliance with the Bylaw.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

City Council's receipt of this report is required by the Bylaw.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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Joni Swidnicki, Secretary