



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN
SIMILKAMEEN
2021 -2025 BUDGET AS AT FIRST READING**

2021 -2025 Five Year Financial Plan

Board Report

January 21, 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: B. Newell, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: January 21 2021

RE: RDOS 2021-2025 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2922, 2021

Administrative Recommendation:

THAT Bylaw No. 2922, 2021 Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen 2021-2025 Five Year Financial Plan per Schedule "A" be read a first time.

Reference:

1. Bylaw No. 2922, 2021 including Schedule A (attached).

Business Plan Objective:

Providing the Board with a fiscally responsible financial plan.

Background:

The Draft 2021-2025 Five Year Financial Plan has been reviewed by the Budget Committee. The proposed date for adoption of the Five Year Financial Plan is March 4th, 2021. To comply with legislation, the Board must approve the Budget by March 31st.

Since the Board reviewed draft II of the budget there has been a number of changes. Appendix I attached to this report itemizes the changes. It is also important to note that changes to the budget can happen up until the budget is adopted.

Analysis:

The requisition amounts appearing in Schedule "A", as attached to the bylaw are considered preliminary and are subject to change before final adoption.

The Board, at the January 7th meeting, agreed to distribute \$473,000 of Covid-19 Safe Restart Grant funds to each electoral area. The distribution is split between rural (\$185,600) and Rural/Urban (287,400). These funds can be used to offset lost revenue or decrease expenses which are Covid related. This will result in lowering the tax requisition for the Electoral Areas. It is important to note that if the funds are not committed for 2021 the funds will have to be returned to the Province.

Summary of Tax Requisitions for First Reading:

REGIONAL DISTRICT OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN 2021 TOTAL REQUISITION SUMMARY

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>	2021 <u>% of Total</u>	2020 <u>% of Total</u>
PENTICTON	\$ 2,161,532	\$ 2,156,935	\$ 4,597	0.21%	10.46%	10.73%
SUMMERLAND	826,778	818,319	8,459	1.03%	4.00%	4.07%
PRINCETON	104,064	97,839	6,225	6.36%	0.50%	0.49%
OLIVER	1,573,470	1,564,324	9,146	0.58%	7.61%	7.78%
OSOYOOS	902,626	923,812	(21,186)	-2.29%	4.37%	4.59%
KEREMEOS	513,189	492,541	20,648	4.19%	2.48%	2.45%
	6,081,660	6,053,770	27,890	0.46%	29.42%	30.10%
PENTICTON INDIAN BAND	101,699	93,502	8,197	8.77%	0.49%	0.46%
ELECTORAL AREA A	1,291,083	1,219,588	71,495	5.86%	6.24%	6.06%
ELECTORAL AREA B	732,615	704,162	28,453	4.04%	3.54%	3.50%
ELECTORAL AREA C	2,272,293	2,204,229	68,064	3.09%	10.99%	10.96%
ELECTORAL AREA D	2,571,314	2,463,176	108,138	4.39%	12.44%	12.25%
ELECTORAL AREA E	2,144,881	2,102,893	41,988	2.00%	10.37%	10.46%
ELECTORAL AREA F	1,372,485	1,344,641	27,844	2.07%	6.64%	6.69%
ELECTORAL AREA G	970,612	936,327	34,285	3.66%	4.69%	4.66%
ELECTORAL AREA H	1,664,768	1,566,571	98,197	6.27%	8.05%	7.79%
ELECTORAL AREA I	1,471,004	1,421,572	49,432	3.48%	7.12%	7.07%
	14,491,055	13,963,159	527,896	3.78%	70.09%	69.43%
TOTAL TAX REQUISITION FOR ALL BUDGETS	\$ 20,674,413	\$ 20,110,431	\$ 563,982	2.80%	100.00%	100.00%

It is important to note that the Provincial Government charges a collection fee of 5.25% on the taxes collected for the Electoral Areas, and no collection fee for the Hospital tax. As the budget stands the collection fee for 2021 would be \$760,780. The 2020 collection fee was \$733,179.

Change of Assessment Values from 2020 to 2021

REGIONAL DISTRICT OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN		
2021 Completed Assessment Roll		
Converted Value Reports (December 5, 2020)		
No of Properties	DESCRIPTION	% Change from 2020
<i>MUNICIPALITIES (RG734)</i>		
15,957	PENTICTON	1.17%
6,180	SUMMERLAND	0.55%
916	KEREMEOS	6.85%
2,606	OLIVER	3.02%
4,508	OSOYOOS	1.45%
1,789	PRINCETON	6.41%
<i>FIRST NATIONS (Jurisdiction 131) {2021 Completed}</i>		
847	PENTICTON INDIAN BAND	6.49%
<i>ELECTORAL AREAS (RG735)</i>		
1,776	ELECTORAL AREA A	1.35%
874	ELECTORAL AREA B	6.20%
2,670	ELECTORAL AREA C	1.63%
2,577	ELECTORAL AREA D	1.12%
1,720	ELECTORAL AREA E	0.43%
1,060	ELECTORAL AREA F	-0.98%
1,705	ELECTORAL AREA G	2.76%
3,173	ELECTORAL AREA H	5.26%
2,148	ELECTORAL AREA I	2.74%

Communication Strategy:

The draft Five Year Financial Plan will be provided to the municipalities for their comment and posted on the RDOS website prior to final adoption. An electronic budget presentation will also be available for each electoral area. Public presentations will be conducted at the request of the Area Director.

THAT Bylaw No. 2922, 2021 Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen 2021-2025 Five Year Financial Plan be read a first time as amended.

Respectfully submitted:

Jim Zaffino

Jim Zaffino, Finance Manager