

Staff Report for Decision

DATE OF MEETING OCTOBER 3, 2022

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SUBJECT APPOINTMENT OF BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council approval to appoint Kendra Franklin and Tomer Gerts as Bylaw Enforcement Officers.

Recommendation

That Council appoint Kendra Franklin and Tomer Gerts as Bylaw Enforcement Officers to enforce the provisions of the City of Nanaimo “Animal Responsibility Bylaw 2021 No. 7316.”

BACKGROUND

City of Nanaimo Council may appoint new Bylaw Enforcement Officers by resolution, for the purposes of enforcing the municipality’s bylaws pursuant to “Bylaw Enforcement Bylaw 1984 No. 2700”.

The City of Nanaimo “Animal Responsibility Bylaw 2021 No. 7316” provides authority to establish a Pound facility for the keeping and impounding of Dogs and other Animals, and for the appointment of a Poundkeeper responsible for the establishment, maintenance, operation and regulation of a Pound and the enforcement of the bylaw.

DISCUSSION

Animal Control Services are provided by a contractor, Nanaimo Animal Control Services Ltd. (the “Contractor”). Kendra Franklin is employed with the contractor as the Poundkeeper and will require Bylaw Enforcement Officer designation to enforce relevant City bylaws.

Tomer Gerts is employed by the contractor as an Animal Control Officer and will also require Bylaw Enforcement Officer designation to enforce relevant City bylaws.

OPTIONS

1. That Council appoint Kendra Franklin and Tomer Gerts as Bylaw Enforcement Officers to enforce the provisions of the City of Nanaimo “Animal Responsibility Bylaw 2021 No. 7316”.

2. That Council provide alternative direction. |

SUMMARY POINTS

- New Bylaw Enforcement Officers must be appointed by Council resolution to enforce City bylaws.
- The Animal Responsibility Bylaw authorizes the appointment of a Poundkeeper responsible for operation of a Pound Facility and enforcement of the bylaw.
- Kendra Franklin will be performing duties as the Poundkeeper and requires appointment as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer.
- Tomer Gerts will be performing duties as an Animal Control Officer.

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