
Local Improvement Petition for Hunter Heights and Lakeview Estates**Report Purpose**

The Municipal Government Act requires a declaration of sufficiency to be made to Council within 45 days after the date on which a petition is filed.

Recommendation

N/A

Our Strategic Goals

Governance Requirement

N/A

Report

On August 1, 2023, a local improvement petition was filed with Legislative and Legal Services. The purpose statement of the petition is as follows:

"The UNDERSIGNED persons, being registered landowners of the specialized municipality of Strathcona County, in the Province of Alberta, as the owners who would be liable to pay the local improvement tax, hereby petition Strathcona County, pursuant to Division 7 of the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26 to undertake the following improvements:

Expand the Strathcona County water service to include the country residential homes of the Hunter Heights and Lakeview Estates subdivisions on Range Road 224 and 225 in the form of a low-pressure trickle system. This will include, but not limited to, the necessary installation of a water transmission and distribution system for the subdivisions including a water service line to a meter vault/pit at the property lines (as per SER-001-026 in the Strathcona County Municipal Policy Handbook).

Incidental and other expenses incidental to the undertaking of the local improvement and to the raising of revenue to pay for it.

We understand that the estimated cost of the local improvement in the amount of (\$21,000.00 estimate per parcel of land on the public side only x39 parcels of land = \$1,344,000 TOTAL) will be paid for by A UNIFORM TAX RATE TO BE IMPOSED BASED ON ASSESSMENT, ON EACH PARCEL OF LAND and will be amortized over a twenty (25) year period as a charge against the lands in question. I further understand that the local improvement charge assessed against the lands in question may be prepaid at any time by the owners of each individual parcel of land."

The petition was validated, following the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act* and Directive GOV-002-042D Receipt and Handling of Petitions. Based on the validation process, the petition was declared insufficient. A copy of the declaration of sufficiency is attached as Enclosure 1 and details the rationale for the declaration.

Section 226 of the *Municipal Government Act* requires a declaration to be made to Council within 45 days after the date on which a petition is filed. Council was emailed a copy of the Declaration of Sufficiency on September 13, 2023. If the petition is not sufficient, Council is not required to take any notice of it. No action is required at this time.

Other Impacts

Policy: Directive GOV-002-042D Receipt and Handling of Petitions

Legislative/Legal: *Municipal Government Act*, s. 220-226, 391-392

Financial/Budget: N/A

Interdepartmental: N/A

Master Plan/Framework: N/A

Communication Plan

Council was provided a copy of the Declaration of Sufficiency by email on September 13, 2023.

The representative for the petitioners was provided a copy of the Declaration of Sufficiency copy by letter mail.

Enclosure(s)

- 1 Declaration of Sufficiency of Local Improvement Petition
- 2 PowerPoint presentation - Local Improvement Petition for Hunter Heights and Lakeview Estates