

## **COUNCIL REQUEST FOR DECISION**

**MEETING DATE: August 19, 2024** 

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REPORT TITLE: Bylaw No. 1188-2024 – Telford Cemetery Borrowing Bylaw (2nd and 3rd Readings)

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report presents for second and third reading a Borrowing Bylaw that, if passed, would authorize up to \$3.0M in financing for the construction of Telford Cemetery.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council give Bylaw No. 1188-2024 second reading.

That Council give Bylaw No. 1188-2024 third reading.

#### **COUNCIL HISTORY**

Bylaw No 1188-2024 was given first reading by Council at the regular meeting held July 8, 2024.

#### **BACKGROUND / RATIONALE**

The City of Leduc's current cemetery is quickly approaching maximum capacity and a new cemetery is required. To prepare for a new cemetery, the City completed servicing and site preparation for a new cemetery north of Telford Lake in the Sawridge development in 2023. This project is to complete the construction of phase 1 of the new cemetery, which will be fully operational and ready for use upon its completion.

### STRATEGIC / RELEVANT PLANS ALIGNMENT

A City with a plan for the future.

### ORGANIZATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

N/A

#### **RISK ANALYSIS:**

N/A

## FINANCIAL / LEGAL:

The City of Leduc will enter into a promissory note agreement with the Province of Alberta or other similar financial institution. The City will have to abide with all the terms and conditions within the agreement.

As at December 31, 2023, the City's unused debt limit is \$98.7M (2022 - \$81.0M).

There is no legal risk associated with the recommendation for second and third reading. As noted below, a Borrowing Bylaw must be advertised and cannot be given final approval until the close of the petition period, or the final resolution of a valid petition.

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A valid petition was not received following posting of the required advertisements noted below; therefore, the Borrowing Bylaw may now be passed.

### **IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. Following first reading, the proposed bylaw was advertised in accordance with the Advertising Bylaw.
- 2. Electors had 15 days from the date of the last publication of the notice to petition Council for a vote on the proposed Borrowing Bylaw, and if a valid petition had been presented to Council, Council would have had to either abandon the project or submit the Borrowing Bylaw to a vote of the electors.
- 3. As no petition for a vote was presented, the municipality may pass the Borrowing Bylaw.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1. That Council amend Borrowing Bylaw No. 1188-2024.
- 2. That Council defeat Borrowing Bylaw No. 1188-2024. In this case, another funding source would have to be identified to proceed with the project.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Bylaw No. 1188-2024 - Telford Cemetery Borrowing Bylaw

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