



REQUEST FOR DECISION

TO: Council **MEETING DATE:** May 7, 2025
FROM: David Douglas, Director of Financial Services and Information Technology
SUBJECT: **Septage Disposal Fees Amendment Bylaw No. 483-08, 2025**
FILE NO: 3900-02

RECOMMENDATION

That Septage Disposal Fees Amendment Bylaw No. 483-08, 2025 be considered for first, second and third readings.

PURPOSE

That Septage Disposal Fees Amendment Bylaw No. 483-08, 2025 be read a first, second and third time

DISCUSSION

Summary

At the January 22, 2025 Special Committee of the Whole meeting, the Committee recommended a 6% increase to septage fees into the 2025-2029 Five-Year Financial Plan. Staff are bringing the report to Council to proceed with the 6% increase in 2025 in accordance with the Five-Year Financial Plan.

POLICY AND BYLAW IMPLICATIONS

Council Policy - 2.1.12 – User Fees & Charges: Septage fees would be categorized as full cost recovery by the Policy: “Full cost recovery is where the District determines that a service or good or access to a facility provided by the District provides a direct benefit to individuals, groups of individuals or businesses, a user fee or charge will be imposed to recover the full cost of providing the service, good or access to facility.” Although the fees cover the annual operating costs, they do not cost cover the longer term costs associated with the future of the Dusty Road Facility.

SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

2. Economic Sustainability

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

4. Ensuring Financial Balance

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Septage Disposal Fees Amendment Bylaw No. 483-08, 2025 will take effect June 1, 2025

1. General Septage Disposal Fee	\$0.64	Per Imperial Gallon
	\$0.143	Per Litre
	\$143.00	Per Cubic Meter

2. Refund to property owners with permitted holding tanks; a BC Health Act Order; or a non-conforming holding tank "acknowledged" by Vancouver Coastal Health Authority (with submission of the disposal invoice);	\$0.61	Per Imperial Gallon
	\$0.13	Per Litre
	\$135.00	Per Cubic Meter

COMMUNICATIONS

Council's decision and the 2025 septage disposal fee will be communicated directly with the haulers and through the District of Sechelt's website.

Respectfully submitted,

David Douglas, Director of Financial Services and Information Technology

Attachments:

1 - 483-7, 2024 Septage Disposal Fees Amendment Bylaw