



COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

Date: February 11, 2025

From: Ron Bowles, Chief Administrative Officer

Subject: **Appointment of Corporate Officer**

Report Prepared by: Trevor Seibel, Deputy CAO

PURPOSE

For Council to appoint the Corporate Officer for the City of West Kelowna.

RECOMMENDATION to Consider and Resolve:

THAT Council appoint Mark Panneton as the Corporate Officer as per Section 148 of the *Community Charter* effective February 18, 2025.

DISCUSSION

Since August 2024 Deputy CAO Trevor Seibel has served as the acting Corporate Officer for the City of West Kelowna having been appointed as Deputy Corporate Officer, pursuant to Section 148 of the *Community Charter* in July 2023.

With the recent organization realignment/restructuring under the guidance of new CAO Ron Bowles, the City engaged Leaders International to assist in the hiring of the new Director of Legislative & Legal Services, who will also serve as the Corporate Officer for the City. After a thorough search, the City has reached an agreement with Mark Panneton to fill the new Director role.

As a local government administrative professional Mark brings over 17 years of experience to the City. He entered local government after completing an undergraduate Degree in Political Science from SFU and later obtained his Master of Professional Communication from Royal Roads University. Mark grew his career primarily with the District of West Vancouver and most recently served 5 years as Director, Legislative Services/Corporate Officer. Mark will be starting with the City effective February 18, 2025.

To ensure continuity with our Officers Bylaw and the *Community Charter* staff is asking Council to appoint Mr. Panneton as the Corporate Officer.

APPROVED FOR THE AGENDA BY

Ron Bowles, Chief Administrative Officer

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