

REPORT

Climate Action, Planning and Development

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
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Item #: 2023-4

Subject: Construction Noise Bylaw Exemption Request: New Westminster
Interceptor – Columbia Sewer Rehabilitation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council grant an exemption to Oscar Renda Contracting of Canada (ORCC) from Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 for two weekday nights between Monday to Thursday from January 09, 2023 to May 19, 2023, excluding Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights and Statutory Holidays, to conduct sanitary vault entry for sewer rehabilitation along the 800 Block to 100 Block of Columbia Street.

PURPOSE

To request that Council grant an exemption from the Construction Noise Bylaw for Metro Vancouver's contractor, ORCC, to conduct sanitary vault entry on Columbia Street for sewer rehabilitation two nights per week between Monday to Thursday from January 09, 2023 to May 19, 2023, excluding Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights and Statutory Holidays.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

City staff consider an exemption of the Construction Noise Bylaw to be reasonable for the following three reasons:

1. Given that this is an ongoing phase of the project;
2. Given the work must be done overnight when the sewer flow is lower; and

3. Given low noise impact is expected for the neighbourhood.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial impact to the City is anticipated by granting the exemption. If the exemption is not granted, the project will likely be delayed which may result in financial impacts for the applicant.

OPTIONS

There are two options to consider:

1. That Council grant an exemption to Oscar Renda Contracting of Canada (ORCC) from Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 for two weekday nights between Monday to Thursday from January 09, 2023 to May 19, 2023, excluding Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights and Statutory Holidays, to conduct sanitary vault entry for sewer rehabilitation along the 800 Block to 100 Block of Columbia Street.
2. That Council provide staff with alternative direction.

Staff recommend Option 1.

ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A: Notification to Immediate Neighbourhood

Appendix B: Area of Construction work

APPROVALS

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