



**Subject:** *Sea Container for storage at Enfield Water Treatment Plant*  
**To:** Council  
**Date Prepared:** June 28, 2023  
**Related Motions:** n/a  
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### Summary

Construction for the Enfield Water Treatment Plant Expansion project has been awarded, and the tanks are currently being manufactured. Once the major components start arriving on-site, all items stored in the location of the future new 3<sup>rd</sup> tank will need to be removed. Availability of municipal storage space, within a reasonable distance to the urban serviced area where those inventory items will be used is limited.

Staff believe there is a cost-effective benefit of brining a sea container onto site for storage. These structures can sustain weight, be secured with locks, and be repurposed for other uses in the future. However, all municipally owned properties within the planned area are zoned IU (Institutional Zone Use), which does not permit the use of sea containers (aka Shipping Containers). Where sea containers are allowed in most other zoning areas and within the neighboring properties to the Water Treatment Plant, Staff recommend the use of Section 1.6a of the Land Use Bylaw to permit the specific need at this property.

To do so requires a motion of Council, as there is no delegation of authority to Staff for this topic, nor would one be recommended at this time. It would be more appropriate to review, and possibility amend the bylaw in the future, instead of designating authority on when not to follow a bylaw in this circumstance.

#### *Section 1.6 (a)*

*The Municipality, or its authorized representatives, is not required to comply with the requirements of this Bylaw or need to obtain any license, permission, permit, authority or approval required thereunder.*

### Financial Impact Statement

Estimated cost of a sea container - \$10,000

Estimated cost of ground work to prepare for the container - < \$5,000

This cost would be funded through the contingency of the Enfield Water Treatment Plant Expansion Capital Project 20-038.

## Recommendation

To allow for the use of a sea container at the Enfield Water Treatment Plant for on-site storage.

## Recommended Motion

*Move that Council approve the use of a sea container for on-site storage for property PID 45366226, site of the Enfield Water Treatment Plant, utilizing the authority granted under Section 1.6 (a) of the Land Use Bylaw.*

