City of Chilliwack

Bylaw No. 5484

A bylaw to amend "Highway and Traffic Bylaw 2019, No. 4686"

The Council of the City of Chilliwack in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This bylaw may be cited as "Highway and Traffic Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2025, No. 5484".
- 2. "Highway and Traffic Bylaw 2019, No. 4686" is hereby amended in Section 3 **INTERPRETATION**, by inserting two new definitions, as follows, in alphabetical order:
 - "Electric Vehicle" is a motor vehicle powered entirely or partially by electricity from a battery that requires external recharging; and,
 - "Recreational Vehicle" (RV) means any Vehicle that is designed, equipped, constructed, or is being used for the purposes of temporary or permanent dwelling;".
- 3. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended by deleting Sections 17 and 18 **CONVEYANCES** in their entirety, and re-numbering the existing Sections accordingly.
- **4.** Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 19 **OBSTRUCTIONS**, by deleting the words "and within a 25m radius from the Intersection of the centrelines of the Highway", after the words "a Highway" and before the words "if the".
- 5. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 20 MAINTAIN BOULEVARD AND SIDEWALK, by inserting the words ", Multi-Use Path," after the words "Boulevard, Sidewalk" and before the words "or public".
- 6. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 20 **MAINTAIN BOULEVARD AND SIDEWALK**, by deleting Subsection (1) in its entirety, and substituting with a new Subsection (1), as follows:
 - "(1) remove snow and ice from the Sidewalk, public footpath, or Multi-Use Path as soon as practicable following a snowfall, icefall or frost within a reasonable time of its deposit, but in any case no later than noon on the day following its deposit; and,"
- 7. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 23 **PROHIBITED USES OF HIGHWAY**, Subsection (4), by inserting the words "fence, planter box, wall, water feature, bench," after the words "occupied, any" and before the words "structure, object".
- 8. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 23 **PROHIBITED USES OF HIGHWAY**, by adding new Subsections (8), (9), (10), (11), (12) and (13), as follows:
 - "(8) install any impervious hard surface on a Highway except as permitted under this Bylaw;
 - (9) plant a bush, shrub, ornamental planting or ground cover in a Highway with a height in excess of 0.5m within 1.5m of a sidewalk, within 1m of a utility box or fire hydrant, or 1m of a curb or road edge where no sidewalk exists;

- (10) plant a bush, shrub, ornamental planting or ground cover in a Highway with a height in excess of 1m;
- (11) plant a tree or hedge in a Highway, except as approved by the Engineer;
- (12) allow vegetation to grow within 0.6m of traffic and information signs or reduce the visibility of the signs below the minimum stopping sight distance from the Highway as identified in Schedule 7 of this Bylaw; and,
- (13) place a berm or fill on a Highway which alters grade to less than 2% away from the roadway or towards a catch basin."
- 9. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 83 **ANIMALS**, Subsection (2), by deleting the word "or," after the words "or sidewalk".
- **10.** Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 83 **ANIMALS**, Subsection (3), by adding the word "; or," after the words "all times".
- 11. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 83 ANIMALS, by adding a new Subsection (4), as follows:
 - "(4) feed or leave food available to Wildlife."
- 12. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended by adding a new Section 95 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES, as follows:
 - "95. No person may operate any mode of transportation within a Highway unless permitted in the table below:"
- 13. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 96 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES, by deleting the table in its entirety, and substituting with a new table, as follows:

NON-MOTORIZED								
Mode	Highway	Sidewalk	Multi-Use	Bicycle	Private			
	(roadway)		Pathways	Lanes	Property			
Wheelchair	Yes***	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes			
Pedestrian	Yes***	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes			
Bicycle	Yes	No**	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Skateboard; Longboard;	No	Yes**	Yes*	Yes	Yes			
Push Scooter; Rollerblades;								
other Small Wheeled								
Transport								
MOTORIZED								
Motorized	Yes***	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes			
wheelchair/mobility scooter								
Electric-Motor Assisted	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Bicycle (total combined								
rated output of not more								
than 500 watts; max speed								
of 32 km/h)								
Motorized skateboard;	No	No	No	No	Yes			
Segway; Hoverboard; self-								
balancing board; other								
motorized small wheeled								
transport								
Electric kick scooter (total	Yes	No****	Yes	Yes	Yes			
power of not more than 500								
watts; max speed of								
25km/h)								
Limited Speed Motorcycle	Yes	No	No	No	Yes			
(no more than 50cc engine								
displacement or 1.5 kw								
motor rating; max speed of								
70 km/h)								
Motorbike	Yes	No	No	No	Yes			
Golf Cart	No	No	No	No	Yes			
Off-Road Vehicle (other)	No	No	No	No	Yes			

^{*} only where signage or road markings permit or where there are no sidewalks or multiuse pathways

^{**} unless outlined in Highway and Traffic Bylaw and only if travelling at the rate of speed of Pedestrians, and without interfering with or endangering any other person using the Sidewalk or shared pathway

^{***} on road edge only facing Traffic; not permitted in travel lane

^{****} except where signage or markings permit

^{14.} Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 **STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING**, Subsection (2), by adding the words ", edge of roadway, or edge of marked bike lane".

- 15. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, Subsection (7), by inserting the words "or recognized as valid by", after the words "issued by" and before the words "the Social".
- 16. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, by deleting Subsection (8) in its entirety, and substituting with a new Subsection (8), as follows:
 - "(8) on a Sidewalk, top of curb, walkway, Multi-Use Pathway, Boulevard, or between a roadway and the sidewalk or Multi-Use Pathway;"
- 17. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, by deleting Subsection (19) in its entirety, and substituting with a new Subsection (19), as follows:
 - "(19) on other than the right side of a two-way Highway, with the right hand wheels parallel to that side and within 30cm of the curb, edge of roadway, or edge of marked bike lane."
- 18. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, Subsection (24), by deleting the words "paved portion of any" after the words "on a" and before the words "Highway for".
- 19. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, by deleting Subsections (27) and (28) in their entirety, and substituting with new Subsections (27) and (28), as follows:
 - "(27) with improper, obscured, or invalid number plates;
 - "(28) within the end bulb of a cul-de-sac, or area designated for turn-around;".
- 20. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 109 STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING, by adding new Subsections (29), (30), (31), (32), and (33), as follows:
 - "(29) with obscured reflective devices;
 - (30) any recreational vehicle (RV) for a continuous period in excess of 24 hours. The RV must then be moved off of any Highway for at least 24 hours before it can be returned to the Highway.;
 - (31) any vehicle with Garbage, Recyclables, Compostable Waste, refuse, or other noxious, offensive, unwholesome or discarded matter collected, accumulated or remaining on or in the vehicle, unless it is securely contained.;
 - (32) in a parking space equipped with an Electric Vehicle charging station unless the vehicle is an Electric Vehicle; and,
 - (33) in a parking space equipped with an Electric Vehicle charging station unless the Vehicle is plugged into the Electric Vehicle charging station and actively charging."
- 21. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended by deleting Section 119 **PAYMENT OF FINE** in its entirety, and substituting with a new Section 119, as follows:
 - "119. Payment of a fine for a bylaw violation notice as set out in Schedule 4 of this Bylaw may be made in person at City Hall, by depositing the payment together

with notice in the mail slot at City Hall, by mail, or via the City's online payment system"

- 22. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 120 **PAYMENT OF FINE**, by deleting the words "three working" and substituting with the words "ten calendar" after the words "City within" and before the words "days of".
- 23. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended in Section 121 RIGHT TO DISPUTE, by deleting the word "three" and substituting with the words "ten calendar" after the words writing within" and before the words "days from".
- 24. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended by deleting Schedule 4 <u>PENALTIES AND FEES</u> in its entirety, and substituting with a new Schedule 4, as attached.
- 25. Said Bylaw is hereby further amended by deleting Schedule 7 <u>PROHIBITED AREA</u> <u>FOR RESTRICTED CONVEYANCES</u> in its entirety, and re-numbering the existing Schedule accordingly.
- **26.** Said Bylaw is hereby further amended throughout the text of the Bylaw where reference is made to section numbers and updated to reflect the new reference numbering.

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	Mayor
	Corporate Officer

Schedule 4

PENALTIES AND FEES

1. Penalties for Parking Violations:

(1)	Parking Time Limit Violations	\$ 40.00
(2)	Disabled Parking Stall Violations	\$ 100.00
(3)	Loading Zone	\$ 50.00
(4)	No Parking Zone	\$ 50.00
(5)	All Other Parking Violations	\$ 50.00

NOTE: Penalty for parking violations reduced by 50% if payment is received by the City within ten calendar days.

2. Penalties for Overweight Vehicles:

Every person who drives or operates an overloaded Vehicle is liable to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and, in addition, to a penalty of \$10.00 per 100 kg, or part of it, of the gross weight in excess of that allowed by the regulations or a permit.

- 3. All Other Violations (other than M.T.I.) \$ 100.00
- 4. Impound Fee

\$ 100.00 plus applicable charges as per the ICBC Towing and Storage Rate Payment Schedule, as amended