



Staff Report to Council

Administrative Services

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REPORT DATE: January 06, 2025 **MEETING DATE:** January 14, 2025

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Kate Barchard, Corporate Officer

SUBJECT: Obsolete Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2998, 2024

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REVIEW/APPROVAL:

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT Council:

- A. Give first, second and third readings to “Obsolete Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2998, 2024” to repeal bylaws that no longer serve a purpose; AND
- B. Repeal Council Policy C017 – Temporary Use of Municipally Owned Dike Right of Ways, as presented at the January 14, 2025 Council Meeting; OR
- C. Other.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council 36 bylaws and one policy that require repealing as they are outdated, superseded, or otherwise obsolete.

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DISCUSSION

Background:

In 2024, Administrative Services undertook an audit of all City bylaws adopted since the incorporation of Pitt Meadows in 1914. The purpose of this review was to ensure a complete and accurate inventory of all bylaws and to coordinate the repeal of any bylaws that were no

longer required. This has resulted in the repeal of more than 60 obsolete bylaws over the past year.

Staff have now prepared an additional 36 obsolete bylaws for repeal, and one policy that is no longer required.

Analysis:

Bylaws for Repeal

The following bylaws have been reviewed by Staff and deemed outdated, Superseded, or otherwise obsolete. They will be repealed through the adoption of ‘Obsolete Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2998, 2024’ (**Attachment A**).

Bylaw No.	Purpose of Bylaw	Reason for Repeal
Bylaw No. 1, 1914 – Interpretation of Bylaws	Sets out and defines rules for interpreting legislation.	Outdated; many provisions now covered under the <i>Interpretation Act</i> .
Bylaw No. 186, 1938 - Automatic Vending Machines	To licence and regulate automatic vending machines for the sale of goods.	Superseded by Business Licencing and Regulation Bylaw.
Bylaw No. 190, 1938 – Road Protection	To regulate the use of devices on tires of vehicles on certain roads.	Superseded by <i>Motor Vehicle Act</i> and Highway and Traffic Bylaw 2836, 2020.
Bylaw No. 263, 1949 – Solicitor Appointment	To appoint a solicitor for the City.	Outdated/not required.
Bylaw No. 389, 1962 – Commercial Vehicle Licencing	To provide for licensing or exemption of licensing of commercial vehicles.	Superseded by <i>Motor Vehicle Act</i> .
Bylaw No. 474, 1970 – Highway Access ¹	Unknown/copy unavailable.	Superseded by Highway and Traffic Bylaw 2836, 2020.

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Bylaw No.	Purpose of Bylaw	Reason for Repeal
Bylaw No. 475, 1970 - Animal Compensation ²	Unknown/copy unavailable.	Not enforced.
Bylaw No. 711, 1977 – Assessment Base	To provide for determination of assessed value of land and improvements.	Superseded by <i>Assessment Act</i> .
Bylaw No. 730, 1978 - Central Fraser Valley Union Board of Health Confirmation	To establish a Union Board of Health, the participation of Municipalities therein and the appointment of officials.	Defunct / Superseded by <i>Health Authorities Act</i> and other provincial legislation.
Bylaw No. 904, 1982 – Heritage Advisory Committee Establishment	To establish the Heritage Advisory Committee.	Obsolete; the committee no longer exists.
Bylaw No. 1025, 1986 - Highway Access [and all amendments]	A bylaw to regulate the use of highways.	Superseded by Highway and Traffic Bylaw No. 2836, 2020.
Bylaw No. 1042, 1985 – District of Pitt Meadows - Goose Lake Waterworks District - Greater Vancouver Water District Water Agreement Bylaw	To authorize an agreement with Goose Lake Waterworks District and the Greater Vancouver Water District.	Obsolete; the Goose Lake Waterworks District was deemed dissolved in 1994.
Bylaw No. 1078, 1986 – Officers and Employees Indemnification	To indemnify officers and employees.	Superseded by Indemnification Bylaw No. 2574, 2012.
Bylaw No. 1085, 1985 – Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Joint Family Court Committee Agreement	To amend Bylaw No. 982 pertaining to the Committee [and incorporation of Young Offenders Act].	Obsolete; the committee no longer exists.
Bylaw No. 1157, 1987 – Indemnification	To indemnify officers and employees.	Superseded by Indemnification Bylaw No. 2574, 2012.

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Bylaw No. 1289, 1989 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765 with respect to closing hours of Lions Park.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1401, 1991 - Ticket Information [and all amendments]	To authorize the issuing of a summons by means of a ticket.	Superseded by Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw 2439, 2009.
Bylaw No. 1420, 1991 – Procedure Amendment Bylaw	Amendment to Bylaw 1414, 1991 to incorporate Committee of the Whole.	Bylaw No. 1414 was repealed in 2000 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1458, 1992 – Council Indemnity	To indemnify officers and employees.	Superseded by Indemnification Bylaw No. 2574, 2012.
Bylaw No. 1459, 1992 – Police Support Staff Agreement	To authorize an agreement with City of Maple Ridge for civilian positions.	Superseded by RCMP Housing & Support Agreement Bylaw No. 1506, 1992.
Bylaw No. 1586, 1993 – Procedure Amendment Bylaw	Amendment to Bylaw 1414, 1991 to incorporate amendments to Council proceedings.	Bylaw No. 1414 was repealed in 2000 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1587, 1993 – Election Bylaw	To provide for the determination and conduct of local government elections.	Superseded by Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No. 2922, 2022.
Bylaw No. 1593, 1993 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765, 1979 to include school grounds.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1597, 1993 – Fire Department Emergency Plan	To establish the City’s Emergency Plan.	Superseded by Emergency Program Bylaw No. 2813, 2018.
Bylaw No. 1603, 1994 – Procedure Amendment Bylaw	Amendment to Bylaw 1414, 1991 to incorporate amendments to Council’s decision making.	Bylaw No. 1414 was repealed in 2000 but did not reference amendments.

Bylaw No.	Purpose of Bylaw	Reason for Repeal
Bylaw No. 1671, 1995 – Employee Benefit Plans	To establish and ratify agreements for benefits for employees.	Obsolete/defunct; current benefits are established through the collective agreement process.
Bylaw No. 1682, 1995 - Recreation Facilities Rates Amendment	To incorporate and define local groups for the recreation hall and sport field user fees.	Superseded by PRC Fees and Charges Bylaw 2935, 2023.
Bylaw No. 1685, 1995 – Procedure Amendment Bylaw	Amendment to Bylaw 1414, 1991 to incorporate speaking time limits for delegations.	Bylaw No. 1414 was repealed in 2000 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1704, 1995 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765, 1979 to exclude dogs from tot lots.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 1785, 1996 – False Alarm [and all amendments]	To reduce false alarms.	Superseded by Security Alarm Bylaw No. 2284, 2006.
Bylaw No. 1834, 1997 - Bicycle Advisory Committee [and all amendments]	To establish the Bicycle Advisory Committee.	Outdated; committee no longer exists.
Bylaw No. 1842, 1997 – Procedure Amendment Bylaw	Amendment to Bylaw 1414, 1991 to incorporate amendments for Council proceedings.	Bylaw No. 1414 was repealed in 2000 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 2034, 2001 - Tourism Service Establishment Bylaw	To establish tourism as a service.	Outdated; not required.
Bylaw No. 2073, 2002 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765 to reference the closing of parks from dusk to dawn.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.
Bylaw No. 2253, 2005 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765 to update definitions and prohibited activities.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.

Bylaw No.	Purpose of Bylaw	Reason for Repeal
Bylaw No. 2361, 2008 – Parks Regulation Amendment	Amendment to Bylaw No. 765 to prohibit tobacco within 10m.	Bylaw No. 765 was repealed in 2014 but did not reference amendments.

Copies of these obsolete bylaws have been compiled and included as **Attachment B**.

Council Policy C017 – Temporary Use of Municipally Owned Dike Right of Ways

During Staff research for bylaw repeals, it was identified that Council Policy C017 – Temporary Use of Municipally Owned Dike Right of Ways, was no longer serving a purpose. This policy was established in September 1992 and last reviewed in June 2012. The intention of the policy was to permit dike access strictly for adjacent land owners. These requests are now considered on an ‘as needed’ or adhoc basis. Requests for temporary use of dikes for an event are addressed through the application process for a special event permit and considered cross-departmentally. As a result of these current departmental protocol and practices, Staff recommend repealing Council Policy C017 [**Attachment C**].

Relevant Policy, Bylaw or Legislation:

Section 137 of the *Community Charter* requires that a bylaw must be repealed through the enactment of another bylaw.

COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

- Principled Governance Balanced Economic Prosperity Infrastructure
- Community Spirit & Wellbeing Corporate Pride Public Safety

WORKPLAN IMPLICATIONS

- Already accounted for in department workplan / no adjustments required
- Emergent issue / will require deferral of other priority(ies)
- Other

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- None Budget Previously Approved Referral to Business Planning

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Inform Consult Involve Collaborate Empower

KATZIE FIRST NATION CONSIDERATIONS

Referral Yes No Other

SIGN-OFFS

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ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. Obsolete Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2998, 2024
- B. Obsolete Bylaws [combined]
- C. Council Policy C017 - Temporary Use of Municipally Owned Dike Right of Ways