

BYLAW NO. 2020-27

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC BYLAW, 2020

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REGINA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Purpose

1 The purpose of this Bylaw is to suspend or modify the provisions of a number of City of Regina bylaws for the following reasons:

- (a) some requirements may not be able to reasonably be met during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) it is necessary to modify or suspend some requirements to reduce in-person contact with residents and businesses.

Authority

2 The authority for this Bylaw is section 8 of *The Cities Act*.

Bylaw 9635

3 The following modifications, waivers and suspensions are put into place notwithstanding any requirement of *The Taxi Bylaw, 1994*, being Bylaw 9635:

- (a) the licence inspector shall not be required to issue any new licence, renew a licence, or authorize any transfer of a licence applied for between March 18, 2020 and June 30, 2020;
- (b) no appeal shall be available for a refusal to issue, renew or transfer a licence by reason of this section;
- (c) all existing licences issued by the City of Regina, that are eligible for renewal and that expire on or after March 18, 2020 are hereby extended to June 30, 2020;
- (d) subsection 6(8) of Bylaw 9635 which allows a taxi driver to refuse a trip only in certain circumstances shall be interpreted to allow a taxi driver to refuse a trip to a customer who is presenting with COVID-19 symptoms;
- (e) requirements related to customer service, with the exception of providing services to non-ambulatory passengers related to storing and securing mobility devices, shall be interpreted in a way that limits contact with passengers and their personal property, for example, the requirement to provide a receipt can be modified to requiring a customer to email the broker to obtain a receipt;

Approved as to form this _____ day of _____, 20____.

City Solicitor

- (f) any requirement to operate a taxi for a number of hours or within a number of weeks is suspended between March 18, 2020 and June 30, 2020;
- (g) the licence inspector is delegated authority to modify any processes or procedures set out in Bylaw 9635 as is reasonably required to limit in-person contact as long as is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency.

Bylaw 9881

- 4 Any right to appeal a permit or agreement under *The Clean Property Bylaw*, being Bylaw 9881 is suspended from March 18, 2020 until June 30, 2020.

Bylaw 9900

- 5 Notwithstanding any requirement of Bylaw 9900, being *The Regina Traffic Bylaw, 1997*, issuance of parking permits may be suspended at the discretion of the City Manager or designate until June 30, 2020.

Bylaws 2003-15 and 2003-80

- 6 The requirements in Bylaw 2003-15 being *Regina's Old Warehouse Business Improvement District Bylaw* and Bylaw 2003-80 being *The Regina Downtown Business Improvement District Bylaw, 2003* to submit an annual report to Council by May 1 shall be extended to June 1 for the 2020 tax year only.

Bylaw 2004-27

- 7(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of Bylaw 2004-27, being *The Parks and Open Space Bylaw*, the City Manager or designate has the authority to close, reopen or modify the use of all City play structures and outdoor sports facilities as long as is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency.
- (2) Any requirement in Bylaw 2004-27 to post notice of such closure or modification is waived by this Bylaw.

Bylaw 2009-44

- 8(1) The right to appeal outlined in subsections 30(9) and section 50 of Bylaw 2009-44 being *The Regina Animal Bylaw, 2009* is suspended until June 30, 2020.
- (2) The detention fee outlined in Schedule "A" of Bylaw 2009-44 may be modified or waived at the discretion of the City Manager or designate as long as is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency.
- (3) The City Manager or designate has the authority to close, reopen or modify the use of all off leash dog parks provided for in Bylaw 2009-44 as long as is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency.

Bylaw 2011-67

9 Notwithstanding the fees and charges outlined in Bylaw 2011-67, being *The Community Services Fees Bylaw*, the following actions may be taken at the discretion of the City Manager or designate as long as is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency:

- (a) fees and charges outlined in Bylaw 2011-67 may be modified or waived;
- (b) the timelines for passes purchased may be modified or extended; or
- (c) refunds or credits may be provided.

Bylaw 2017-4

10(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Bylaw 2017-4 being *The Code of Ethics Bylaw, 2017*, the requirement for the Integrity Commissioner to meet certain timelines for investigating and reporting on complaints is waived until June 30, 2020.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Bylaw 2017-4 being *The Code of Ethics Bylaw, 2017*, the requirement for Regina City Council to consider and respond to an investigation report is waived until June 30, 2020.

11 The suspensions, waivers and modifications of the bylaws outlined in this Bylaw may be terminated, modified or extended by resolution of Council.

12 This Bylaw comes into force on the day of passage.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 29th DAY OF April 2020.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 29th DAY OF April 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 29th DAY OF April 2020.

Mayor

City Clerk

(SEAL)

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

City Clerk

ABSTRACT

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ABSTRACT:	This Bylaw temporarily suspends, alters and modifies the timelines and some requirements (fees, permits, licenses, applications, filing of annual reports, appeal timelines) set out in the following bylaws: <i>The Taxi Bylaw</i> , <i>The Clean Property Bylaw</i> , <i>The Regina Traffic Bylaw</i> , <i>Regina's Old Warehouse Business Improvement District Bylaw</i> , <i>The Regina Downtown Business Improvement District Bylaw</i> , <i>The Parks and Open Space Bylaw</i> , <i>The Regina Animal Bylaw, 2009</i> , <i>The Community Services Fees Bylaw</i> and <i>The Code of Ethics Bylaw, 2017</i> . This Bylaw allows for modifications to these requirements until certain specified dates or until is reasonably necessary to respond to the public health emergency, however Council may by resolution terminate, modify or extend the timelines.
STATUTORY AUTHORITY:	Section 8 of <i>The Cities Act</i>
MINISTER'S APPROVAL:	N/A
PUBLIC HEARING:	N/A
PUBLIC NOTICE:	N/A
REFERENCE:	Report CM20-11 from the April 29, 2020 meeting of City Council
AMENDS/REPEALS:	This Bylaw does not amend the provisions of the above bylaws but does allow for timelines and requirements to be extended waives or modified.

CLASSIFICATION: Regulatory and Administrative

INITIATING DIVISION: City Manager's Office

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