

BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE BYLAW 7055

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

PART ONE: GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 Property Owner Obligations

1.1.1 In regard to the **boulevard** immediately fronting an owner's property, such property owner must:

- (a) keep such **boulevard** trimmed and free of brush and noxious weeds;
- (b) remove any garbage, debris, or discarded materials from the **boulevard**;
- (c) prune and trim hedges, trees and shrubs on the **boulevard** to maintain a minimum clearance of 0.5 metres from a sidewalk and a minimum vertical clearance of 3.0 metres;
- (d) maintain any shrubbery, landscaping, and flower beds on the **boulevard** below a maximum permitted height of 0.5 metres from the **boulevard** level;
- (e) ensure that view corridors to traffic signals are not restricted by modifications to the **boulevard** that the property owner may undertake; and
- (f) ensure that no hard surfaces, such as rocks, gravel, landscape ties, rails, asphalt, bricks, concrete structures or figures, are placed on the **boulevard**.

1.1.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1.1.1, a property owner may add flower beds, plant shrubbery, and landscaping in a **boulevard**, provided that a minimum 0.5 metre grass strip parallel to the sidewalk is not altered.

1.2 Authority of the City

1.2.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1.1, the **City**:

- (a) reserves the right to request in writing, that the property owner remove all planting and landscaping within a two week period of such notice, to facilitate work that the **City** will have to undertake in the vicinity; and

- (b) may remove any additions to the **boulevard** undertaken by the property owner and restore the **boulevard** to the best condition possible, in the case of an emergency.

- 1.2.2 Upon completion of any work by the **City** under the provisions of subsection 1.2.1, the property owner may replace any shrubbery, landscaping, and flower beds.

PART TWO: VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

- 2.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw commits an offence punishable on summary conviction, and is liable to a fine equal to the **boulevard** maintenance and restoration costs incurred by the **City**.

PART THREE: INTERPRETATION

- 3.1 In this bylaw:

BOULEVARD

includes the portion of a **highway** between the roadway or ditch and the boundary of a parcel adjacent to the **highway**, and includes landscaping, sidewalk, underground utilities, or any other improvements located within the boulevard.

CITY

means the City of Richmond.

HIGHWAY

includes a developed street, road, lane, bridge, and viaduct, but does not include a private right-of-way on private property.

PART FOUR: CITATION

- 4.1 This bylaw is cited as “**Boulevard Maintenance Bylaw No. 7055**”.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

_____	CITY OF RICHMOND
_____	APPROVED for content by originating dept.
_____	APPROVED for legality by Solicitor

MAYOR

CITY CLERK