

City of Richmond

Report to Council

To:

Community Safety Committee

Date:

April 2, 2003

From:

Don Pearson

File:

8000-01

Re:

Manager, Community Bylaws

Parking Program - Bylaw Amendments

Staff Recommendation:

That the following amendment bylaws to make the City's parking programs more flexible, responsive and effective, be given first, second, and third readings:

Amendment Bylaw No. 7481 which amends Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw (a) No. 7403; and

Amendment Bylaw No. 7482 which amends Traffic Control and Regulation Bylaw No. 5870.

Community Bylaws

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Origin

This report was originally brought forward on March 11, 2003. Council requested several changes and these have been incorporated into this submission.

Analysis

A series of changes to the Traffic Bylaw (On-Street) are as follows:

Construction zone fees

A Construction Zone Permit allows the use of a portion of a street as a loading zone for supplies or equipment during construction in exchange for paying certain fees. These fees do not currently take into account the loss of parking revenue or the costs associated to patrolling the zones. The fees now include a base of \$300.00 plus \$30.00 per day for the duration of the permit and the amendment would include a charge of \$0.25 per day per metre of roadway to which the permit applies.

Chalk removal to avoid parking time limits (non-metered areas)

Where non-metered parking is limited to a certain maximum period of time, officers have observed individuals erasing the chalk mark from tires in order to avoid receiving a ticket. This has a negative impact on the vehicle turnover goal and is being used by individuals to avoid purchasing a monthly parking permit. The amendment provides the officer an enforcement tool to deter this action.

Moving a vehicle within a block to avoid parking time limits (non-metered areas)

To avoid parking time limits in non-metered areas, some drivers are moving their vehicles from one parking space to another within the same block. This negatively impacts on both vehicle turnover and parking revenues from enforcement and monthly parking permits. The amendment provides officers an enforcement tool to deter this action.

Valid number plates/valid validation decal/valid SPARC placard

The enforcement of the requirement that vehicles display valid and proper number plates was subject of a recent court challenge. The wording of the bylaw offence has been clarified and the relevant definitions have been tied to the definitions in the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

The exemption from parking requirements for holders of SPARC placards (for the disabled) has been clarified by requiring the placard to be a "valid" SPARC placard. This will preclude ticket challenges and makes the wording consistent throughout the Traffic Bylaw and the Parking (Off-Street) Bylaw.

Changes to the Parking (Off-Street) Bylaw are presented as follows:

Addition of properties to schedule A

We are amending the designation of Pay Parking Lots to include the following sites.

7300 Elmbridge Way, Lot 1, Section 5, Block 4 North, Range 6 West, New Westminster District Plan LMP19859.

Lansdowne Canal Allowance, as shown on the map attached as Schedule E to this bylaw.

Financial Impact

These changes should result in additional revenue from the pay parking program.

Conclusion

The proposed amendments to the Traffic Bylaw and Parking (Off-Street) Bylaw will increase the effectiveness of the Parking program and help generate increased parking revenue.

Bruce Howie

Parking Supervisor (4342)

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City of Richmond

Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 7481

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

- 1. Schedule A to Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by adding the following to the list of properties:
 - 19. **7300 Elmbridge Way**, Lot 1, Section 5, Block 4 North, Range 6 West, New Westminster District Plan LMP19859.
 - 20. **Lansdowne Canal Allowance**, as shown on the map attached as Schedule E to this bylaw.
- 2. Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by attaching the attached map entitled "Lansdowne Canal Allowance" as Schedule E.
- 3. This Bylaw is cited as "Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 7481".

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SCHEDULE E to BYLAW NO. 7403 LANSDOWNE CANAL ALLOWANCE





Schedule E Lansdowne Canal Allowance Original Date: 03/24/03

Revision Date:

Note: Dimensions are in METRES

Traffic Control and Regulation Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 7482

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. Subsection 1.2 of Bylaw No. 5870 is amended by adding the following definitions in alphabetical order:

NUMBER PLATES

means number plates as defined in the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

- 2. Clause (t) of subsection 12.4 of Bylaw No. 5870 is deleted and the following substituted:
 - on any highway without displaying proper or valid number plates, including a valid validation decal;
- 3. Subsections 12.14 and 12A.6 of Bylaw No. 5870 are amended by adding the word "valid" before the words "SPARC placard".
- 4. Bylaw No. 5870 is amended by adding the following as subsection 12.4A:
 - 12.4A A person must not move a **vehicle** from one location to another in the same block in order to avoid the posted time limit for **parking**.
- 5. Bylaw No. 5870 is amended by deleting subsection 34.1 and substituting the following:
 - 34.1 The **owner** of a **vehicle** is liable for any violation of the **parking** regulations in this bylaw, notwithstanding that at the time of the violation, the **vehicle** is unattended or in the possession of another person.
- 6. Subsection 35.1 of Bylaw No. 5870 is amended by adding "35B" to the list of sections.
- 7. Clause (b) of subsection 42.2 of Bylaw No. 5870 is deleted and substituted with the following:
 - (b) payment of a fee of \$300 plus the following daily fees based on the duration of the permit:
 - (i) \$30 per day; and
 - (ii) \$0.25 per metre of roadway to which the permit applies, per day; and

- 8. Schedule I to Bylaw No. 5870 is amended by adding "35B" to the list of sections under the heading "Level II. Other Parking and Stopping Offences".
- 9. This Bylaw is cited as "Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 7482".

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