

## PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION BYLAW NO. 6989 AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 7744 (MOSQUITO CONTROL)

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. The Public Health Protection Bylaw No. 6989 is amended by deleting Subdivision 5 in its entirety and substituting the following:

# "SUBDIVISION FIVE: MOSQUITOES AND RODENT (COMMUNICABLE DISEASE) CONTROL REGULATION

## PART 5.1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 5.1.1 Prohibitions

- 5.1.1.1 A person must not:
  - (a) keep or store any waste products, construction material or debris, refuse or other material in such a manner as to provide shelter, refuge or food for rodents;
  - (b) allow or permit the accumulation of waste food products, animal feed or any other foodstuffs on any property within the City, unless such waste food products, animal feed or any other foodstuffs are properly contained or properly disposed of so as not to provide a food source for rodents;
  - (c) keep or maintain any animals or birds in such a manner so as to provide shelter, refuge or food for **rodents**; or,
  - (d) cause or permit water, construction material or debris, refuse or other material to collect or accumulate in such a manner as to provide mosquito breeding sites.

### 5.1.2 Obligations

- 5.1.2.1 Every person must:
  - (a) construct, repair or alter any buildings, structures, plumbing, drainage pipes or any other item to ensure that **rodents** or **mosquitoes** do not have access to the building, provide **rodent** harbourage or **mosquito** breeding sites;
  - (b) destroy or eliminate any food which is unfit for human consumption, by reason of contamination by **rodents**;
  - (c) remove any water, construction material or debris, refuse or other material to ensure that they cannot use the site for **mosquito** breeding.

#### 5.1.3 Authority of Medical Health Officer

- 5.1.3.1 The Medical Health Officer is authorized to enter onto any land or into any buildings for the purpose of determining the presence of rodents or mosquitoes on such property, and may order any person to take steps which are necessary to control rodents or mosquitoes on that property.
- In the event the order given under the authority of subsection 5.1.3.1 is not complied with, the **Medical Health Officer** is further authorized to enter the property in order to carry out terms of the order to control **rodents** or **mosquitoes**, and in the event the costs are not paid within 30 days after being invoiced, the amount outstanding may be added to and form part of the taxes payable on the property as taxes in arrears."
- 2. The Public Health Protection Bylaw No. 6989 is further amended by adding the following definitions in alphabetic order to Subdivision 8: Interpretation:

"ENDEMIC means the constant presence of a disease or infectious agent within a given geographic area."

"MOSQUITO means any insect of the Order Diptera, Family Culicidae, capable of transmitting an endemic disease to humans."

3. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the Public Health Protection Bylaw 6989, Amendment Bylaw No. 7744.

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