

## City of Richmond

## Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, Amendment Bylaw No. 8357

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. The Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932 is amended at Part Six by deleting Sections 6.1 and 6.2 and substituting the following:

## 6.1 General Requirements

- 6.1.1 Every person keeping bees, and the owner of a parcel on which bees are kept, must ensure that the bees are:
  - (a) maintained in a condition so as to reasonably prevent undue swarming or aggressive behaviour;
  - (b) requeened as soon as possible if such bees are subject to undue swarming or show signs of aggressive behaviour; and
  - (c) provided with adequate water to prevent the bees from seeking water from neighbourhood swimming pools, birdbaths, ponds or other community bodies of water;
- 6.1.2 Every person keeping bees, and the owner of a parcel on which bees are kept, must ensure that:
  - (d) each beehive is located in a rear yard away from the main street;
  - (e) each beehive is positioned so that the entrance to the beehive faces away from the closest neighbouring property; and
  - where a beehive is located within 8 metres of the property line of an adjacent parcel containing a one-family dwelling, two-family dwelling or multiple-family dwelling, the beehive is located either:
    - i. a minimum of 2.5 metres above the ground; or
    - ii. behind a solid fence or hedge a minimum of 2.0 metres in height running parallel to any parcel line and extending a minimum of 6.0 metres horizontally beyond the beehives in both directions.

## 6.2 Prohibitions

- 6.2.1 A person must not:
  - (a) locate a beehive on any parcel containing a multiple family dwelling;
  - (b) keep more than two (2) beehives on a parcel of less than 1,000 square metres in area;
  - (c) keep more than four (4) beehives on a parcel that is between 1,000 and 2,000 square metres in area; or
  - (d) keep more than six (6) beehives on a parcel that is between 2,000 and 4,000 square metres in area.
- 2. The Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932 is amended at Part Nine by adding the following to Section 9.1:

**BEEHIVE** means an enclosed, man-made **structure** in which **bees** live and raise their young.

REAR YARD means the portion of a parcel located behind the main dwelling unit on the parcel.

3. This Bylaw is cited as "Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, Amendment Bylaw No. 8357".

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