

## The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2023 (No. 3)

### ISSUE

This report submits Bylaw No. 9923, *The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2023 (No. 3)* (“Bylaw”) for City Council’s consideration. This Bylaw implements City Council’s decision to make various amendments to *The Traffic Bylaw*, including amendments to provisions respecting unrestricted parking permits; the addition of an ability to issue orders in respect to encroachments such as fences on the City’s right of way; and a new prohibition against allowing shrubs, trees or other vegetation to overgrow onto or over City property in a manner that interferes with the free passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

### RECOMMENDATION

That City Council consider Bylaw No. 9923, *The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2023 (No. 3)*.

### BACKGROUND

At its [August 30, 2023 Regular Business Meeting](#), City Council considered a report of the General Manager, Community Services dated August 8, 2023, and resolved:

1. That the proposed amendments to Bylaw No. 7200, *The Traffic Bylaw*, as outlined in this report, be approved; and
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to make the necessary amendments to Bylaw No. 7200, *The Traffic Bylaw*.

### DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

In accordance with City Council’s instructions, we are pleased to submit Bylaw No. 9923, *The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2023 (No. 3)* for City Council’s consideration.

Due to the number of changes required, Part X of *The Traffic Bylaw* was repealed and replaced. Various housekeeping amendments were made to this Part, including removing references to metered parking and updating language surrounding temporary reserved parking to align with how this program operates in practice.

Section 8, which previously only prohibited the installation of unauthorized traffic control devices on streets, sidewalks and boulevards, has been expanded to also apply to private property. The new provision prohibits causing or permitting unauthorized traffic control devices to be located on private property in any place where the device may confuse or mislead drivers or pedestrians with respect to the permitted use of public places such as streets or sidewalks.

**APPENDIX**

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 9923, *The Traffic Amendment Bylaw, 2023 (No. 3)*.

Report Approval

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