

City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: November 5, 2021

Submitted by: Community Development Department - Building, Bylaw, and Licensing Division

Subject: Fines for Parking Within 5m of a Fire Hydrant

Purpose

To present for Council's consideration, an amendment to the City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw (MTIA) to increase the fine from \$50 to \$100 for parking within 5m of a Fire Hydrant pursuant to the Street, Traffic, and Public Places Bylaw.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 5, 2021, No. 3334 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated November 5, 2021 from Community Development Department – Building, Bylaw, and Licensing Division regarding Fines for Parking Within 5m of a Fire Hydrant.

Background

Council adopted amendments to Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218 in 2020 to increase base fine amounts from \$50 to \$100 for the most common offences in section 6.2.7 of the Street, Traffic, and Public Places Bylaw. The fine amounts for section 6.2.8 – Park Within 5m of a Fire Hydrant were not amended at that time. Staff recommend increasing the fine from \$50 to \$100 to be consistent with other contraventions of the Bylaw and to reflect the seriousness of the offence.

Discussion

Parking within 5m a fire hydrant is a serious contravention of the Bylaw and may have a direct impact on public safety, particularly when restricting access to City infrastructure by Port Moody Fire and Rescue crews in an emergency. The fine increase is consistent with other offences, reflects the importance of the transgression under the Street, Traffic, and Public Places Bylaw, and seeks to discourage this action as much as possible.

Other Option(s)

THAT the report dated November 5, 2021 from the Community Development Department – Building, Bylaw, and Licensing Division regarding Fines for Parking Within 5m of a Fire Hydrant be received for information.

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Financial Implications

There is no expected financial impact for the proposed amendment.

Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

The amended Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw will be published on the City of Port Moody Website.

Council Strategic Plan Objectives

This report aligns with Council's Strategic Plan of providing excellence in customer service.

Attachment(s)

1. Draft City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 5, 2021, No. 3334.

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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