



City of Port Moody

Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: October 19, 2020
Submitted by: Fire and Rescue Services
Subject: Updates to Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw

Purpose

To present draft City of Port Moody Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw, 2010, No. 2835, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2020, No. 3270 for consideration of first three readings.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw, 2010, No. 2835, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2020, No. 3270 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated October 19, 2020 from Fire and Rescue Services regarding Updates to Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw.

Background

City of Port Moody Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw, No. 2835, a bylaw to provide for the prevention and suppression of fires, for regulating the conduct of persons at fires, and to authorize the issuance of permits in order to protect life and property, was adopted in November 2010. It was developed following consultation with industry and legal professionals and extensive research of applicable regulations, legislation, and best practices throughout Metro Vancouver, British Columbia, and Canada, and replaced Fire Department Bylaw, No. 2067 and Fire Prevention Bylaw, No. 2068.

In 2016 and 2017, the Attendance on False Activation of Fire Alarm System and Open Air Burning sections were amended through Bylaw Nos. 3034 and 3084 respectively.

Staff recently undertook a full review of the bylaw to ensure compliance with current legislation and regulatory requirements. Updates and other amendments were identified and are being proposed in draft City of Port Moody Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw, 2010, No. 2835, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2020, No. 3270 (**Attachment 1**).

Discussion

In addition to a few housekeeping amendments, the following is an overview of the amendments that are being proposed:

- the addition of definitions for:
 - Authority having jurisdiction (AHJ);
 - Emergency Health Services;
 - National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA);
 - Office of the Fire Commissioner of BC (OFC-BC); and
 - Playbook for Fire Department Operations;
- the addition of Service Level and Training subsections under the Fire-Rescue Department section;
- updates to the Services subsection under the Fire-Rescue Department section;
- the replacement of “Assistant Fire Chief” with “Platoon Captain”;
- updates to the Administration and General subsections under the Fire Chief section;
- updates to the Orders by Fire Chief or Inspector subsection under the Prevention of Fire Hazards section; and
- updates to the Operations Manual – Storage Box subsection under the Operations Manual section.

Other Options

1. THAT the report dated October 19, 2020 from Fire and Rescue Services regarding Updates to Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw be received for information.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the proposed amendments to the Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw.

Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Amendments to the Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw will be updated on the City website.

Council Strategic Plan Objectives

Keeping the Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw up to date contributes to the Council Strategic Plan priorities of providing Exceptional Service and creating a Healthy City.

Attachments:

1. Draft City of Port Moody Fire Protection and Emergency Response Bylaw, 2010, No. 2835, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2020, No. 3270.

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Report Approval Details

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

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