

# **EXPLANATORY MEMO**

PUBLIC NOTICE BYLAW, 2024, No. 3267, AMENDMENT No. 1, 2024, BYLAW No. 3281

The purpose of Bylaw 3281 is to amend Public Notice Bylaw, 2024, No. 3267 to clarify that the alternative public notice requirements apply only to matters for which there are legislative notice requirements.

Public Notice Bylaw No. 3267 was adopted pursuant to section 94.2 of the Community Charter, "Bylaw to provide for alternative means of publication". The intent of section 94.2 is to permit local governments, by bylaw, to provide legislatively required public notice by means other than the local newspaper. Prior to the addition of Section 94.2, legislative public notice requirements could only be met by publishing the notice in the local newspaper.

The alternate means for publishing a notice identified in the Public Notice Bylaw apply only to matters that have legislative notice requirements, such as the disposition of land or road closings; however, the way the bylaw is currently worded public notice for matters that do not have legislatively required public notice requirements must also be published in accordance with the Public Notice Bylaw, which is not the case.

Accordingly, the wording amendment proposed in this amending bylaw will address this issue.

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A Bylaw to amend the Public Notice Bylaw, 2024, No. 3267.

The Council of the City of Langley, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

#### (1) Title

(1) This bylaw shall be cited as the "Public Notice Bylaw, 2024, No. 3267, Amendment No. 1, 2024, Bylaw No. 3281".

### (2) Amendments

- (1) Public Notice Bylaw, 2024, No. 3267 is hereby amended:
  - (a) In subsection 3.1, by replacing the wording which reads as follows:

"When the City wishes to give notice to the public or is required under a provision in legislation to give public notice, in addition to posting a hard copy notice at the Public Notice Posting Place in City Hall, notice shall be provided as follows:

- i. By posting an electronic notice on the Website; and
- ii. By posting a hard copy notice on the notice board dedicated for this purpose, in the lobby of Timms Community Centre at 20399 Douglas Crescent, Langley, BC."

#### with the following

"When the City is required under a provision in legislation to give public notice, in addition to posting a hard copy notice at the Public Notice Posting Place in City Hall, notice shall be provided as follows:

i. By posting an electronic notice on the Website; and

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ii. By posting a hard copy notice on the notice board dedicated for this purpose, in the lobby of Timms Community Centre at 20399 Douglas Crescent, Langley, BC."

READ A FIRST AND SECOND time this twenty-ninth day of April, 2024.

READ A THIRD time this thirteenth day of May, 2024.

ADOPTED this -- day -- of --, 2024.

MAYOR
CORPORATE OFFICER