

VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

SEWER REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW No. 641, 2021

A Bylaw to amend the regulation of the sanitary sewer system.

TITLE:

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Sewer Regulations and Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 641, 2021"

Council of the Village of Tahsis, in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts the following amendments to the Sewer Regulations and Rates Bylaw No. 582, 2016 as follows:

Part 1- Citation and Definitions

- 2. g) Deleted and replaced with the following
- 2. g) "Connection Fee" means the amount due and owing to the Village of the installation and construction of a service connection as set out in the applicable schedule in the Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 2. w) Deleted and replaced with the following.
- 2. w) "Service Connection" means the pipes and equipment that connect a property to the sanitary sewer system.

Part 2 - General Provisions

- 4. Deleted.
- 6. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 6. The Director of Infrastructure and Operations ("the Director") is the person appointed by the Village's CAO to manage the Village's sanitary sewer system.
- 8. Deleted

Part 3 - Service Connections

- 10. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 10. A person must apply for a service connection by submitting the form prescribed by the Director of Operations and Infrastructure and by paying the Village the connection fee that is set out in the applicable schedule in the Fees and Charges bylaw.
- 11. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 11. The connection fee is set out in the applicable schedule in the Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 12. Deleted and replaced with the following.
- 12. The Director may limit the number, size and capacity of connections to the Village sanitary sewer system for purposes of protecting the system and preventing adverse effects on other users.
- 13. Deleted and replaced with the following.
- 13. Subject to s. 12, every owner of a parcel:
 - a) on which a building or structure with plumbing is built or is being built and
 - b) that borders a highway or right-of-way containing a Village sewer system main must connect the building or structure to the Village sewer system using a service connection.
- 14. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 14. All service connections shall be in accordance with the requirements of the BC Building Code, other applicable provincial codes and Village bylaws.
- 15. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 15. The Village will not turn on any new service connection until:
 - a) a completed application form has been submitted to the Village;
 - b) the service connection fee has been paid;
 - c) the connection has been inspected by the Village; and
 - a site plan showing the location of the service on the property has been submitted to the Village

16, 17, 18. 19, 20 and 21. Deleted and replaced with the following:

Prohibitions

- 16. No person shall obstruct or prevent the Village from accessing the system and/or carrying out an inspection under this Bylaw.
- 17. No person other than a Village employee shall turn on or shut off any valve, pump or other fixture of the Village Sewer System or the Storm Drain System or shall tamper with such objects in any way whatsoever.
- 18. No person shall obstruct access to any valve, pump or other fixture of the Village Sewer System or Storm Drain System.
- 19. No person shall connect or suffer the connection of a Storm Drain to the Village Sewer System.
- 20. No person shall connect, or suffer the connection to, the Village Sewer System except for a Service Connection approved through an application made under Section 10 of this Bylaw.
- 21. No person shall deposit, or suffer the deposit of, any of the following wastes into a Service Connection, the Village Sewer System or the Storm Drain System:
 - hazardous waste as defined by the Environmental Management Act and its Regulations;
 - b) any waste which, by itself or in combination with another substance, is capable of creating, causing or introducing an air contaminant outside any sewer or sewage facility or is capable of creating, causing or introducing an air contaminant within any sewer or sewage facility which would prevent safe entry by authorized personnel;
 - any waste, which, by itself or in combination with another substance, is capable of causing or contributing to an explosion or supporting combustion in any sewer or sewage facility including, but not limited to gasoline, naphtha, propane, diesel, fuel oil, kerosene or alcohol;

- d) any waste, which, is by itself or in combination with another substance, is capable of obstructing the flow of, or interfering with, the operation or performance of any sewer or sewage facility including, but not limited to, earth, sand, sweepings, gardening or agricultural waste, ash, chemicals, paint, metal, glass, sharps, rags, cloth, tar, asphalt, cement-based products, plastic, wood, waste portions of animals, fish or fowl and solidified fat;
- e) any waste with corrosive properties which, by itself or in combination with any other substance, may cause damage to any sewer or sewage facility or which may prevent safe entry by authorized personnel;
- f) any waste which will raise the temperature of waste entering any sewage facility to 40 degrees Celsius or more; and
- any waste, other than sanitary waste, which by itself or in combination with another substance constitutes or may constitute a significant health or safety hazard to any person, that may interfere with any sewer or sewage treatment process or that may cause a discharge from a sewage facility to contravene any requirement by or under any discharge permit or any approved Liquid Waste Management Plan or any other law or regulation governing the quality of the discharge or may cause the discharge to result in a hazard to people, animals, property or vegetation.
- 22. Deleted
- 23. Deleted
- 24. Deleted

Part 5- Offences and Penalties

<u>Offences</u>

- 25. Deleted and replaced with the following:
- 25. Every person who violates any provision of this Bylaw or who permits or allows any act or thing to be done in violation of any provision of this Bylaw, or who neglects to or refrains from doing anything required to be done by any provision of this Bylaw, is guilty

of an offence against this Bylaw and each day that a violation continues to exist is deemed to be a separate offence against the Bylaw.

Penalties

- 26. Deleted and replaced with the following
- 26. Every person who commits an offence contrary to the provisions of this Bylaw is liable upon summary conviction to a penalty of not more than \$10,000.00 and to any payment of the costs of the prosecution that the court may order.
- 27. Deleted
- 28. Deleted
- 29. Deleted
- 30. Deleted

READ a first time this 4th day of May, 2021

READ a second time this 4th day of May, 2021

READ a third time this 4th day of May, 2021

Reconsidered, Finally Passed and Adopted this 11th day of May, 2021

MAYOR CORPORATE OFFICER

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Bylaw No. 641, 2021 duly passed by the Council of the Village of Tahsis on this 11th day of May, 2021.

CORPORATE OFFICER