



WHISTLER

REPORT | ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: February 18, 2020 **REPORT:** 20-020
FROM: Corporate and Community Services **FILE:** 4700
SUBJECT: PARKING AND TRAFFIC AMENDMENT BYLAW (BICYCLE AND SKATEBOARD USES)

COMMENT/RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

That the recommendation of the General Manager of Corporate and Community Services be endorsed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the “Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw (Bicycle and Skateboard Uses) No. 2264, 2020”; and

That Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the “Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 2269, 2020”.

REFERENCES

- “Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw (Bicycle and Skateboard Uses) No. 2264, 2020” (not attached)
- “Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 2269, 2020” (not attached)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report presents the “Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw (Bicycle and Skateboard Uses) No. 2264, 2020” for Council’s consideration. This new bylaw will replace the existing Highway Use Regulation Bylaw that regulates bicycles and skateboards on the Village Stroll or Upper Village in pedestrian only zones. The enforcement bylaw also known as the Bylaw Notice Amendment Bylaw will be amended as well to allow for bylaw notices to be issued for using bicycles or skateboards on the Village Stroll or Upper Village in pedestrian only zones.

DISCUSSION

The existing Highway Use Regulation Bylaw adopted in 1992, allowed for the regulation and impoundment of bicycles and skateboards. The bylaw was adopted mainly to prevent biking and skateboarding on the Village stroll and allowed for the impoundment of bicycles and skateboards that were in contravention. The impoundment of bicycles and skateboards is not permitted by the under the Community Charter regulations.

As such, staff recommend rescinding the current Highway Use Regulation bylaw, and amending the existing Parking and Traffic bylaw No. 2177, 2018 to prohibit the use of bicycles, skateboards, scooters, e-scooters and hover boards on the Village Stroll. . Within the current Highway Use Regulation bylaw,

only bicycles and skateboards are prohibited from being used on the Village Stroll, however the prohibition of scooters, e-scooters and hover boards will be added to the new amendment bylaw through this process. Scooters, e-scooter and hover boards were not as popular and not considered when the original bylaw was first adopted in 1992. Mobility aids for persons with a disability will continue to be permitted to be used on the Village Stroll.

The amending bylaw does not add any new regulations regarding skateboards and roller skates in areas outside of the Village Stroll such as the Valley Trail. A future Parks Bylaw update will be brought forward to address these devices on the Valley Trail. It is worth noting that the *Motor Vehicle Act* already prohibits the riding of bicycles on the sidewalk unless permitted by a sign or bylaw, however the Act does not regulate skateboards and roller skates on sidewalks.

BYLAW NOTICE AMENDMENT BYLAW MICELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

The Bylaw Notice bylaw will also be amended to allow for enforcement (i.e. enforcement notice/ticket) on the village stroll for bicycles and scooters. In addition, a bylaw notice for walking on the Lost Lake trails during the winter cross country season will also be added to the amendments at this time. Finally, there will be a few small text amendments to the expressions section that describes the contravention related to parking infractions in the schedule to the bylaw notice enforcement bylaw for the Parking and Traffic bylaw.

WHISTLER 2020 ANALYSIS

W2020 Strategy	TOWARD Descriptions of success that resolution moves us toward	Comments
Health and Social	Community members and visitors are civil and law-abiding, and the respect each other's physical space and emotional boundaries.	The new bylaw is a tool to promote bylaw compliance on the Village Stroll to encourage a pedestrian friendly environment.
Visitor Experience	The resort is comfortable, functional, safe clean and well-maintained.	This is another tool to promote bylaw compliance and allow for a positive visitor experience.

The Bicycles and Skateboard Use bylaw does not move our community away from any of the adopted Whistler2020 Descriptions of Success.

OTHER POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Legal expenses to draft and prepare the bylaw were included in the 2019/20 operating budget.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

N/A

SUMMARY

This bylaw, "Parking and Traffic Amendment Bylaw (Bicycle and Skateboard Uses) No. 2264, 2020" is intended to replace the existing "Highway Use Regulation bylaw No. 933, 1992" to restrict the use of bicycles, skateboards, scooters, e-scooters and hoverboards on the Village Stroll. The "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 2269, 2020" will allow for enforcement with bylaw notices for the prohibited uses on the Village Stroll and provide some additional housekeeping amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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