

**DISTRICT OF SQUAMISH
CAMPING BYLAW NO. 2679, 2019**

A Bylaw to regulate camping in public places

WHEREAS Council has the authority under s. 8(3)(b), s. 46 and s. 62 of the Community Charter SBC 2003, c. 26 to regulate, prohibit and imposed requirements in relation to public places within the City;

NOW THEREFORE Council, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

PART 1 – GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the District of Squamish Camping Bylaw No. 2679, 2019.

PART 2 – INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 In this bylaw the following words, terms, and phrases, wherever they occur in this bylaw, have the following meaning assigned to them:

CAMP means to stay overnight in a tent, vehicle or other form of shelter whether or not on a temporary or permanent basis;

CROWN LAND means land, whether or not it is covered by water, vested in or owned by the government of British Columbia, and for certainty includes forest service roads;

HIGHWAY includes every road, street, lane, bridge, viaduct or right of way designed or intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles, and any other way open to public use, other than a private right of way on private property;

PARKING LOT means land owned or leased by the District of Squamish which is open to the public for the purpose of parking motor vehicles;

PUBLIC PLACE means any land which is a highway, a park, a parking lot, or crown land.

- 2.2 All words and phrases that are not defined in this bylaw must be construed in accordance with the meanings assigned to them by the *Community Charter*, *Local Government Act* and *Interpretation Act* as the context and circumstances require. A reference to a statute in this bylaw refers to a statute of the Province of British Columbia, and a reference to any enactment refers to that enactment as it may be

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amended or replaced from time to time. Words in the singular include the plural and gender specific terms include both genders and corporations. Headings in this bylaw are for convenience only and do not define or limit the scope or intent of this bylaw. If any portion of this bylaw is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, that invalid portion is severed and the remainder is deemed to continue as valid.

PART 3 - PROHIBITIONS

- 3.1 Except as provided for under section 3.3 of this bylaw, a person must not:
- (a) camp in any public place within the zone indicated in Schedule A of this bylaw;
or
 - (b) sleep overnight in any public place within the zone indicated in Schedule A of this bylaw.
- 3.2 Except as provided for under section 3.3 of this bylaw, a person must not erect, construct or build, or cause to be erected, constructed or built, a tent, shelter, structure, or building in any public place within the zone indicated in schedule A.
- 3.3 Sections 3.1 and 3.2 of this bylaw do not prohibit any activity on a highway, a park or a parking lot which is:
- (a) expressly authorized under any bylaw of the District of Squamish by way of a sign, permit or written agreement; or
 - (b) carried out by an employee or agent of the District of Squamish acting as an employee or agent of the District of Squamish.

PART 4 – ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

- 4.1 This bylaw may be enforced by a bylaw enforcement officer, a police officer, or a peace officer.
- 4.2 Every person must not obstruct a bylaw enforcement officer, a police officer, or a peace officer engaged in the enforcement of this bylaw.
- 4.3 Any bylaw enforcement officer, employee or agent of the District of Squamish may remove or caused to be removed any tent, shelter, structure, or building in a public place which is in breach of s. 3.2 of this bylaw.
- 4.4 Any person who:

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- (a) violates or fails to comply with any provision of this bylaw;
 - (b) permits, suffers or allows any action or thing to be done in violation of this bylaw; or
 - (c) fails or neglects to do anything required to be done under this bylaw,
- contravenes this bylaw, and where the contravention is a continuing one, each day that the contravention continues amounts to a separation contravention.
- 4.5 Any person who contravenes this bylaw commits an offence and upon conviction by way of a proceeding under the *Offence Act* is liable to a penalty of not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for each offence and the costs of prosecution.
- 4.6 This bylaw may be enforced by the issuance of a bylaw notice under the Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2418, 2015 or by the issuance of a municipal ticket information under the Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw No. 1832, 2004.

READ a FIRST time the 21st day of May, 2019

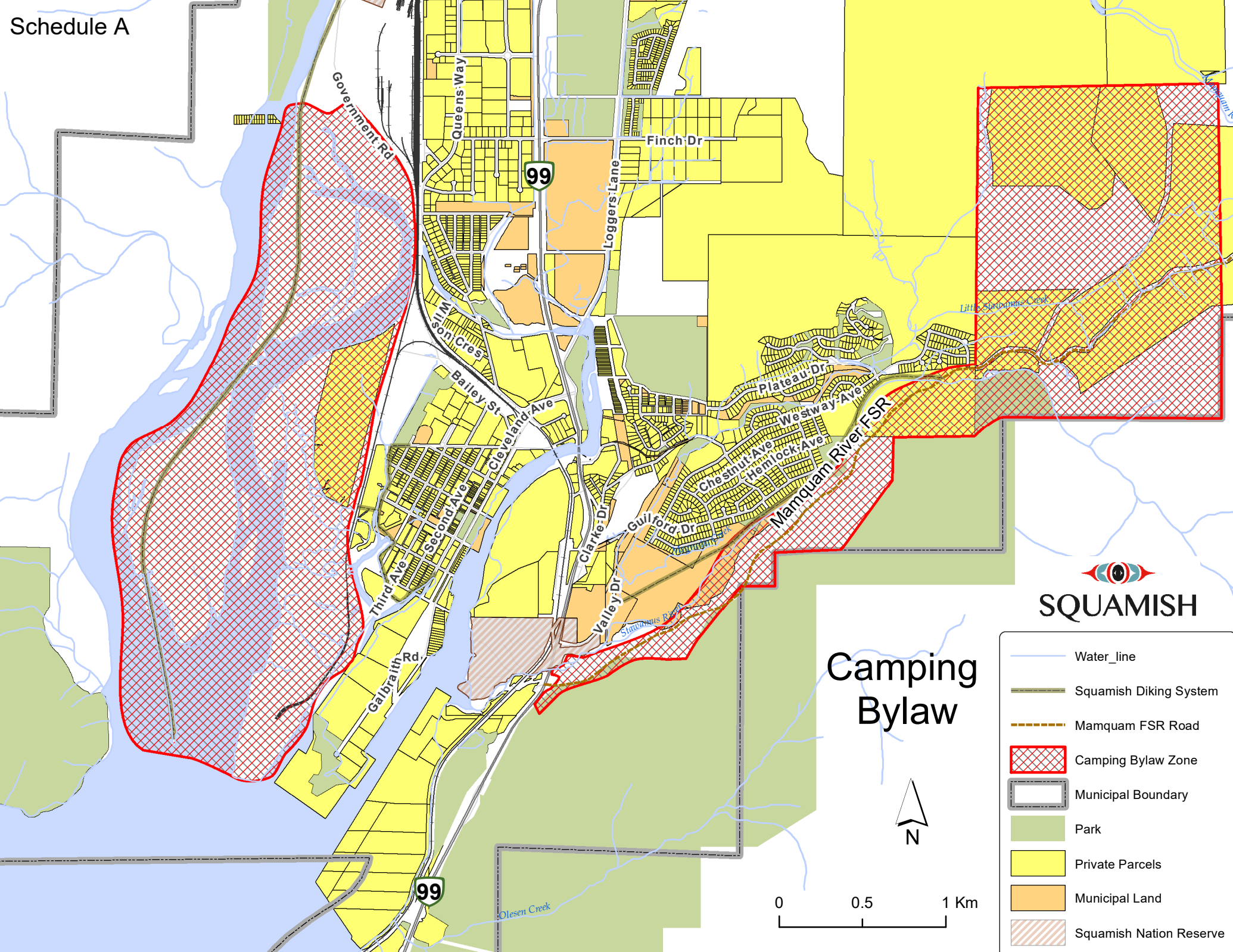
READ a SECOND time the ____ day of ____ 2019

READ a THIRD time the ____ day of ____ 2019

FINALLY CONSIDERED and ADOPTED the ____ day of _____, 2019

Karen Elliott, Mayor

Robin Arthurs, Corporate Officer



Camping Bylaw

- Water_line
- Squamish Diking System
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- Camping Bylaw Zone
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