THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW

BY-LAW NUMBER 088-2022

A By-law to amend Parks By-law 134-95, as amended, to provide exceptions for dogs at off-leash zones.

WHEREAS section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. 2001*, c.25 ("*Municipal Act*"), as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable it to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate, and to enhance its ability to respond to municipal issues;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 5 of section 11(3) of the *Municipal Act* provides that a lower-tier municipality may pass by-laws respecting matters within culture, parks, recreation and heritage;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan has determined that it is desirable to make amendments to By-law 134-95, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

 That By-law 134-95, as amended, be further amended by repealing Part 35 Dogs and replacing it with the following:

35. Dogs

- (1) While in any park, no person as an owner or person having control of any dog shall:
 - (a) allow it to run at large, except as permitted within a City designated off-leash zone;
 - (b) permit any dog to enter any beach, pond, swimming area, farm area, garden, landscaped area, playground or sports field, or any other area posted to prohibit same, excluding blind persons reliant upon a guide dog.

(2) While in any park, every person as an owner or person having control of any dog shall:

(a) ensure that it is on a leash or chain, unless within a City designated off-leash zone;

(b) pick up and remove forthwith excrement left by the dog and dispose of it in a sanitary manner in a receptacle for litter or in some other suitable container, excluding disabled persons.

Enacted by City of Vaughan Council this 17th day of May, 2022.

Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor

Todd Coles, City Clerk