

THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW

BY-LAW NUMBER 041-2025

A By-law to amend Sign By-law 140-2018, as amended to: reflect changes to the legislative authority for municipalities to appoint municipal by-law enforcement officers; and to update other definitions, and clarify interpretation of the By-law.

WHEREAS subsection 11(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides that a municipality may pass by-laws with respect to structures, signs;

AND WHEREAS the City of Vaughan enacted Sign By-law 140-2018, as amended, in which municipal law enforcement officers have the authority to enforce the By-law;

AND WHEREAS section 55 of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1 ("*Community Safety and Policing Act*") gives municipalities the authority to appoint *Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers* and repeals and replaces the *Police Services Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 15 ("*Police Services Act*") which previously gave municipal councils that authority;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan deems it necessary to amend the Sign By-law, as amended, to reflect this change to legislative authority, and make other updates regarding definitions and interpretation of the By-law;

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

1. To amend By-law 140-2018, as amended, as follows:

(a) add section 1.3 as follows:

SECTION 1.3 INTERPRETATION

a. In this By-law, unless the context otherwise requires, words imparting the singular number shall include the plural, and words imparting the masculine gender shall include the feminine and further, the converse of the foregoing also applies where the context requires.

b. Wherever a word is used in this By-law with its first letter capitalized and the whole word italicized, the term is being used as it is defined

in section 2 of this By-law. Where any word appears in ordinary case, the commonly applied English language meaning is intended.

- c. Any reference to a statute, regulation, by-law or other legislation shall include such statute, regulation, by-law or legislation as amended, re-enacted, replaced, or superseded.
- (b) delete reference to “as amended”, “as amended, or its successor by-law” and “as amended from time to time,”.
- (c) add the following definition to section 2: “Administrative Penalties By-law” refers to the *City Administrative Penalties By-law 240-2024*;
- (d) delete and replace reference to “Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law” and “Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019” with “*Administrative Penalties By-law*”.
- (e) delete and replace reference to “administrative monetary penalties” with “administrative penalties”.
- (f) delete and replace reference to “administrative monetary penalty” with “administrative penalty”.
- (g) delete and replace the definition of Municipal Law Enforcement Officer in section 2 with:

“Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer” means a *Person* appointed as a Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, pursuant to section 15 of the *Police Services Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.15 or section 55 of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*, S.O. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, to enforce the provisions of this By-law;
- (h) delete and replace reference to “*Municipal Law Enforcement Officer*” with “*Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer*”.
- (i) delete and replace section 22.2 with the following:

22.2 Designated By-law

 - (1) This is a designated by-law as per Schedule 1 of the *Administrative Penalties By-law*.

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 25th day of February, 2025.

Steven Del Duca, Mayor

Todd Coles, City Clerk

Authorized by Item No. 13 of Report No. 1 of the Committee of the Whole.
Report adopted by Vaughan City Council on January 28, 2025.
City Council voted in favour of this by-law on February 25, 2025.
Approved by Mayoral Decision MDC 002-2025 dated February 25, 2025.
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