

THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW NUMBER 300-93

A By-law requiring owners and occupants to remove snow and ice from sidewalks.

WHEREAS the Municipality may pass a By-law requiring the owners or occupants of designated buildings in the Municipality to clear away and remove snow and ice from the sidewalks on highways abutting their lands;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan deems it advisable to enact such a By-law;

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

- 1. In this By-law:
 - a) "commercial building" means a building used primarily for commercial uses.
 - b) "dwelling" includes a single family detached dwelling, a semi-detached dwelling and a townhouse.
 - c) "dwelling, semi-detached" means a building containing two attached single family dwellings with a common masonry wall dividing the two dwellings vertically.
 - d) "dwelling single family detached" means a building containing one single family dwelling.
 - e) "industrial building" means a building used primarily for industrial purposes.
 - f) "institutional building" means a building used primarily for institutional purposes.
 - g) "occupant" includes every person residing in a dwelling who is at least sixteen years of age and who is not a physically handicapped person or a senior citizen.
 - h) "owner" means the registered owner of land.
 - i) "physically handicapped person" means a person who is unable physically to clear snow and ice and who has filed with the City a medical certificate so stating.
 - j) "residential building" means a building used primarily for human habitation but does not include dwellings.
 - k) "senior citizen" means a person who has attained the age of sixty-five years and who

has filed with the City proof thereof.

- "highway" means a street or highway being a Provincial Highway or under the jurisdiction of the Regional Municipality of York or assumed by the City.
- m) "townhouse" means a building which abuts a public street, containing three or more attached single family dwellings each of which has direct access from the outside ground level.
- 2. The
 - Owners of vacant land, occupied or unoccupied institutional, industrial and residential buildings and unoccupied dwellings, and
 - (ii) Occupants of dwellings

shall clear away snow and ice from the sidewalks on the highways in front of, alongside or at the rear of such vacant land or the land occupied by such buildings or dwellings within twenty-four hours after a fall of snow, rain or hail has ceased; and if the condition of such sidewalk remains slippery after the removal of the snow and ice, such owner or occupant shall cover the slippery area with sand or salt

- forthwith.
- 3. Where such owner or occupant has failed to so clear the snow and ice from a sidewalk or to cover a slippery area with sand or salt, the City may do it at the expense of the person required by Section 2 to do so and may recover the expense thereof by action or in like manner as Municipal taxes.
- 4. That the owners of all occupied or unoccupied buildings abutting sidewalks which are on main streets, along transit routes, and in school zones, hereby constitute a class of persons pursuant to paragraph 210.63 of the Municipal Act and notwithstanding Section 2 hereof, the City shall clear such sidewalks of snow and ice at its expense.
- 5. Any person convicted of a breach of any provision of this By-law shall forfeit and pay a penalty at the discretion of the convicting justice.
- 6. By-laws 371-84 and 416-84 are hereby repealed.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and finally passed this 1st day of November 1993.

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L. D. Jackson, Mayor

J. D. Leach, City Clerk