DISTRICT OF TAYLOR BYLAW NO. 863, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE BYLAW

A Bylaw of the District of Taylor to prescribe the means by which statutory public notice will be provided.

WHEREAS, the *Community Charter* and *Local Government* Act require local governments to provide advance public notice on certain matters of public interest to facilitate opportunity for public participation in local government decision-making;

AND WHEREAS, Section 94.1 of the *Community Charter* sets out the default publication requirements to publish public notice in a newspaper once each week for two consecutive weeks for such matters;

AND WHEREAS, Section 94.2 of the *Community Charter* authorizes that Council may, by bylaw, provide for alternative means of publishing notice for such matters, instead of the default publication requirements;

AND WHEREAS, Council has considered the principles for effective public notice that include reliability, suitability, and accessibility as prescribed in *Public Notice Regulation 52/2022*;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the District of Taylor in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "District of Taylor Public Notice Bylaw No. 863, 2023".

2. **DEFINITIONS**

2.1 In this Bylaw the following words and terms have the following meaning assigned to them:

"Corporate Officer" means the municipal officer appointed as the Corporate Officer for the District of Taylor, or their designate.

"District" means the District of Taylor.

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"Facebook Page" means the District's computer and internet based technology information resource on the Facebook social media platform.

"Municipal Hall" means the building located at 10007 – 100A Avenue.

"Public Notice Page" means the Public Notice webpage contained on the District's website that is allocated only for the purpose of providing the District's public notices.

"Website" means the official internet website of the District of Taylor whose uniform resource locator is known as www.districtoftaylor.com.

3. APPLICATION

- 3.1 When the District wishes to provide notice to the public or is required to under a provision in legislation to give public notice, rather than publishing the public notice in accordance with Section 94.1 of the *Community Charter*, the Corporate Officer will instead publish the public notice using the following two methods:
 - (a) By posting to the Public Notice Page on the District's Website (primary method of notice)
 - (b) By posting the public notice on the District's Facebook Page (published once at least seven days before the matter)
- 3.2 Notice must be published at least seven days before the matter for which notice is required unless specified in the *Community Charter, Local Government Act*, or another *Act*.
- 3.3 If a matter is subject to two or more requirements for publication in accordance with Section 94 of the *Community Charter*, the notices may be combined so long as the requirements of all applicable provisions of the *Community Charter* and *Local Government Act* are met.

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4. ADDITIONAL NOTICES

- 4.1 Where public notice is required to be published in accordance with section 3.1, the Corporate Officer may provide additional notice respecting the matter if the Corporate Officer considers this appropriate, having considered:
 - (a) whether the matter will affect the community at large
 - (b) whether significant public input respecting the matter is anticipated
 - (c) whether any other circumstances suggest that additional notice should be provided.
- 4.2 An additional notice provided pursuant to section 4.1:
 - (a) may be published in a newspaper that is distributed in the area affected by the subject matter of the notice;
 - (b) may contain any information respecting the matter that the Corporate Officer considers appropriate;
 - (c) need not contain all information about the matter that is required to be included in a public notice published in accordance with section 3.1.

5. GENERAL

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READ FOR THE FIRST THREE TIMES THIS	6th DAY OF March	, 2023.
ADOPTED THISDAY OF	March	, 2023.
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Mayor	Deputy Corporate Officer	

5.1 If any portion of this bylaw is declared invalid by a court, the invalid portion shall be

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