## THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

## **BY-LAW**

## BY-LAW NUMBER 155-2023

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan to amend the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, to add the Fire Burn Permit Bylaw to the list of by-laws for which an Administrative Monetary Penalty may be imposed and to make changes to the process of requesting screening and hearing reviews.

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 a municipality to enable it to govern its affairs as it

considers appropriate, and enhance its ability to respond to municipal issues;

**AND WHEREAS** section 391(1) of the *Municipal Act,* as amended, provides for a municipality to impose fees or charges on persons for services or activities it provides and for the use of its property;

**AND WHEREAS** section 102.1 of the *Municipal Act,* as amended, provides that a municipality may require a person to pay an Administrative Monetary Penalty if the municipality is satisfied that the person has failed to comply with any bylaws respecting the parking, standing or stopping of vehicles;

**AND WHEREAS** section 434.1 of the *Municipal Act,* as amended, provides that a municipality may require a person to pay an Administrative Monetary Penalty if the municipality is satisfied that the person has failed to comply with a by-law of the municipality passed under the *Municipal Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** section 434.2 of the *Municipal Act,* as amended, provides that an Administrative Monetary Penalty imposed by the municipality on a person constitutes a debt of the person to the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario adopted the "Administrative Penalties" regulation, O. Reg 333/07 pursuant to the *Municipal Act,* as amended, which applies to administrative penalties that are required by the municipality in respect of the parking, standing or stopping of vehicles;

AND WHEREAS the City of Vaughan considers it appropriate to have the option to

issue Administrative Monetary Penalties for Fire Burn Permit By-law infractions and to make other changes to the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan amends the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law as follows:

 That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing the definition of Director from section 3.0(1) and replacing it with the following:

"Director" means the Director of By-law & Compliance, Licensing & Permit Services of the City of Vaughan or his or her designate;

- 2. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing sections 5.0(2) and 5.0(3) and replacing them with the following sections:
  - (2) Where extenuating circumstances exist, the time to request a review of an *Administrative Monetary Penalty* may be extended by the *Director* if a request is made by a *Contravener* within thirty (30) days of the service date of the *Penalty Notice*.
  - (3) A request for an extension under the above section shall be made in writing in a form approved by, or otherwise satisfactory to, the *Director*.
- 3. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing section 5.0(4) and replacing it with the following sections:
  - (4) If the *Contravener* has not requested a review by the *Screening Officer* or an extension of time to request a review from the *Director* as per sections 5.0(1) and 5.0(2), the Administrative Monetary Penalty shall be deemed to be affirmed and late payment fees, as set out in the Fees and Charges Bylaw, as amended, shall apply.
- 4. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing sections 5.0(5) and 5.0(6) and replacing them with the following sections:
  - (5) Where an extension to request a review has been granted, late payment fees shall not be applied until fifteen (15) days after disposition of the matter or at a time otherwise set by the *Screening Officer*.

- (6) Where an extension to request a review has been granted, enforcement mechanisms in relation to the *Administrative Monetary Penalty* shall be suspended.
- 5. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by replacing the words "under Sections 5.0(3) or 5.0(7)" with the words "under Section 5.0(7)" in section 5.0(8).
- 6. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing sections 6.0(2) and 6.0(3) and replacing them with the following:
  - (2) Where extenuating circumstances exist, the time to request a review of the Screening Officer's decision may be extended by the Director if a request is made by a Contravener within thirty (30) days of notification of a Screening Officer's decision.
  - (3) A request for an extension under the above section shall be made in writing in a form approved by, or otherwise satisfactory to, the *Director*.
- 7. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing section 6.0(4) and replacing it with the following:
  - (4) If the *Contravener* has not requested a review by the *Hearings Officer* or an extension of time to request a review from the *Director* as per sections 6.0(1) and 6.0(2), the *Screening Officer's* decision shall be deemed affirmed.
- 8. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by repealing section 6.0(5) and replacing it with the following:
  - (5) Where an extension to request a review of the *Screening Officer's* decision has been granted, late payment fees shall not be applied until fifteen (15) days after disposition of the matter or at a time otherwise set by the *Hearing Officer*.
- 9. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by replacing the words "under Sections 6.0(3) or 6.0(6)" with the words "under Section 6.0(6)" in section 6.0(7).
- 10. That Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended, be further amended by adding the following to Schedule 1 Designated By-laws:

155-2023	Fire Burn Permit By-law	Part 6.0
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Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

Steven Del Duca, Mayor

Todd Coles, City Clerk

Authorized by Item No. 2 of Report No. 41 of the Committee of the Whole. Adopted by Vaughan City Council on October 17, 2023. City Council voted in favour of this by-law on October 17, 2023. Approved by Mayoral Decision MDC 005-2023 dated October 17, 2023. **Effective Date of By-Law: October 17, 2023**