

Solid Waste Bylaw No. 2547, 2017

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Objective

Seek the first three readings of the new District of Squamish Solid Waste Utility Bylaw No. 2547, 2017 as well as related amendments to the Notice Enforcement and the Municipal Ticket Information Bylaws, by Council.

The new Solid Waste Bylaw 2547, 2017 will repeal and replace the existing Solid Waste Bylaw No. 2375, 2015.

Background

At the Committee of Whole on July 18, 2017, the proposed revisions to the Solid Waste Bylaw were presented for Council feedback.

Key elements included:

- All properties shall provide and separate their waste into multi-streams
- Staff, tenants, etc. are educated about how to separate
- Garbage is placed in a transparent plastic bag, with an allowance for dark privacy bags

Purpose

The intended purpose of the proposed bylaw is to:

- Extend the lifespan of the Squamish landfill
- Increase diversion of recyclables and organics from the landfill
- Assist in community well being through reduced GHG's created at the Landfill
- Make a significant step towards Council's goal of being a zero waste community

Changes to Current Bylaw

- Stream Separation.
- Mixed Waste Threshold.
- Clear Bags for:
 - ICI
 - MFH
 - Events and Temporary Users
- On-Street Set-Out Timing.
- Mattresses.
- Definitions.
- Extended Scope.

Changes to Bylaw

Since the COW on July 18th

- Clear Bags for garbage required for everyone except for residents who use the curbside collection program
- Wording: *Privacy Bag* replaced by *Opaque Bag*
- Diaper and Household Pet Waste. Exclusion from 10% threshold for opaque bags.
- Annual reduction of the Mixed Waste Rate threshold by 5%
- Timing for Street Set-Out for Containers
- Minor technical revisions

Timing for Container Set-Out

Based on our own experience in Squamish, as well as data from communities such as Coquitlam, Staff strongly believe that locked and unlocked totes placed on the curbside prior to 5:00 a.m. creates a significant attractant to bears and increases vandalism from “pickers”.

Timing for Container Set-Out

New Wording:

- On the scheduled day of collection, Collection Containers may be unlocked and set out only between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., but must be unlocked and set out between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m..

Current Wording:

- Curbside Collection Containers must be set out for collection before 8 a.m., and be available until 5 p.m., on the day scheduled for the collection by or on behalf of the District.

Additional Bylaw Amendments

District of Squamish Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2418, 2015, Amendment Bylaw No. 2551, 2017

- Schedule A - Designation of Bylaws and Enforcement Officers is amended by inserting the following:

24. Solid Waste Utility Bylaw and Regulation No. 2547, 2017	Sustainability Coordinator Bylaw Enforcement Officer RCMP Member Conservation Officer
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Additional Bylaw Amendments

District of Squamish Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw Number 1832, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 2550, 2017

Deleting Schedule A and replacing it with the schedule attached to this bylaw as “Schedule “A” of Bylaw No. 1832, 2004”

- Addition of Sustainability Coordinator as an Enforcement Officer to the Solid Waste Bylaw, No. 2547, 2017
- Addition of Sewer Use Bylaw No. 2505, 2016 and respective Enforcement Officers.

Recommendations

THAT the District of Squamish Solid Waste Utility Bylaw No. 2547, 2017 be given first, second and third readings.

THAT the District of Squamish Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2418, 2015, Amendment Bylaw No. 2551, 2017 be given first, second and third readings.

THAT the District of Squamish Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw Number 1832, 2004, Amendment Bylaw 2550, 2017 be given first, second and third readings.