

THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW

BY-LAW NUMBER 045-2025

A By-law to amend the Long Grass and Weeds By-law 125-2022, as amended, to: reflect changes to the legislative authority for municipalities to appoint municipal by-law enforcement officers, to clarify when a placard can be posted on a *Property*; 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, allows municipalities to pass by-laws respecting the environmental well-being of the municipality and the health, safety and well-being of persons;

AND WHEREAS the City of Vaughan enacted Long Grass and Weeds By-law 125-2022, as amended, in which municipal by-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 Long Grass and Weeds By-law to reflect this change to legislative authority, make other updates regarding definitions and interpretation of the By-law, and provide greater clarification regarding the placement of a placard;

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

1. To amend By-law 125-2022, as amended, as follows:
 - (a) to renumber section 3.0(3) to 3.0(4).
 - (b) add section 3.0(3) as follows:
 - (3) 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or other legislation shall include such statute, regulation, by-law or legislation as amended, re-enacted, replaced, or superseded.

- (c) in section 3.0(2) delete and replace reference to “in 3.0(3) of this By-law.” with “in 3.0(4) of this By-law.”
- (d) delete references to “as amended”, “as amended, or its successor by-law” and “as amended, or its successor regulation”.
- (e) delete and replace the definition of “Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law” with the following definition in section 3.0(4) in alphabetical order: “Administrative Penalties By-law” refers to the *City Administrative Penalties By-law 240-2024*;
- (f) delete and replace reference to “*Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*” with “*Administrative Penalties By-law*”.
- (g) delete and replace reference to “administrative monetary penalties” with “administrative penalties”.
- (h) delete and replace reference to “administrative monetary penalty” with “administrative penalty”.
- (i) delete and replace the definition of Enforcement Officer 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;”
- (j) delete and replace reference to “*Enforcement Officer*” with “*Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer*”.
- (k) delete and replace the text in section 5.0(5) with the following:

“If the address of the *Owner* is unknown, the *City* is unable to serve the *Owner* in person or by registered mail as per section 5.0(3), or if the order cannot be served to the *Owner* and occupant as per section 5.0(4), a placard stating the terms of the order in 5.0(2) shall be placed in a conspicuous place on the *Property* and shall be deemed to be sufficient notice to the *Owner*.”

- (l) delete and replace section 9.0 with the following:

9.0 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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