

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**

**BYLAW NO. 1725**

**A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH A TAXI SAVER CONTRIBUTION  
SERVICE ON GABRIOLA ISLAND**

WHEREAS under sections 796 and 800 of the *Local Government Act* a regional district may, by bylaw, establish and operate any service the Board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the regional district;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Nanaimo wishes to establish a Taxi Saver Contribution Service on Gabriola Island for the purpose of providing a Taxi Saver Program to provide assistance to residents of Gabriola Island who are persons with disabilities or seniors with low incomes;

AND WHEREAS the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities has been obtained under section 801(1)(a) of the *Local Government Act*;

AND WHEREAS the approval of the electors in the participating area has been obtained by an alternative approval process under section 801.3 of the *Local Government Act*;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Nanaimo, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. Citation**

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the “Gabriola Island Taxi Saver Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1725, 2015”.

**2. Service**

(1) A Taxi Saver Contribution Service is hereby established for the purpose of providing a contribution toward the operation of a Taxi Saver Program on Gabriola Island to provide assistance to residents of Gabriola Island who are persons with disabilities or seniors with low incomes (the “Service”).

(2) For the purpose of this bylaw a “low income senior” means a person 65 years of age or older who is enrolled in the MSP Regular Premium Assistance Program or qualifies for another provincial or federal income assistance program on the basis of financial need.

**3. Boundaries**

The boundaries of the Service Area are coterminous with the boundaries of Gabriola Island (the “Service Area”).

4. **Participating Area**

Electoral Area 'B' is the sole participating area in the Service.

5. **Cost Recovery**

In accordance with section 803 of the *Local Government Act*, the annual cost of providing the Service may be recovered by one or more of the following:

- (a) property value taxes imposed in accordance with Division 4.3 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (b) parcel taxes imposed in accordance with Division 4.3 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (c) fees and charges imposed under section 363 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (d) revenues raised by other means authorized by the *Local Government Act* or another Act;
- (e) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.

6. **Maximum Requisition**

In accordance with section 800.1 (1)(e) of the *Local Government Act*, the maximum amount that may be requisitioned for the Service is the greater of:

- (a) fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000); or
- (b) the amount obtained by applying a property value tax rate of \$0.0152 per \$1,000 to the net taxable value of land and improvements in the Service Area.

Introduced and read two times this 26th day of May, 2015.

Read a third time, as amended, this 23rd day of June, 2015.

Received the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities this 7th day of July, 2015.

Received the approval of the electors under section 801.3 of the *Local Government Act* this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

Adopted this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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CHAIRPERSON

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CORPORATE OFFICER