



**BY-LAW NUMBER 159-2008  
OF  
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

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BEING a By-law to regulate traffic and the parking of motor vehicles in the City of Stratford.

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**WHEREAS** section 27(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001 c.* as amended, provides that a municipality may pass by-laws in respect of a highway only if it has jurisdiction over the highway;

**AND WHEREAS** highways, including parking and traffic on highways is within the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the City of Stratford (hereinafter "the City"), being a single-tier municipality;

**AND WHEREAS** regard has been given to the *Highway Traffic Act, 1990* as amended to ensure that this by-law is consistent with the said Act.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford as follows:

## **TRAFFIC AND PARKING BY-LAW**

### **Definitions**

1. In this by-law, unless a contrary intention appears,

**"agricultural purposes"** means **lands zoned for agricultural purposes or lawfully used as such as of the date of this by-law** where animals or birds are lawfully kept for grazing, breeding, raising, boarding, training, or for the tillage of soil, rowing, harvesting of vegetables, fruits, field crops or landscaping materials;

**"angle parking"** – is defined as parking a vehicle on an angle usually at 45 degrees to the curb or as defined by the parking markings.

**"Accessible parking permit"** means a permit which is issued under the *Highway Traffic Act* and is currently valid or a permit or other marker or device which is issued by another jurisdiction that is currently valid and recognized under the *Highway Traffic Act* and the regulations thereunder.

**"bicycle"** includes a tricycle and/or a unicycle but does not include a motor assisted vehicle;

**"boulevard"** means that portion of every road allowance within the limits of the City including islands in cul-de-sacs, which is not used as a sidewalk, driveway access, traveled roadway or shoulder;

**"bus"** means a motor vehicle designed for carrying ten or more passengers but does not include a Mobility Bus;

**"bus stop"** means that portion of roadway abutting the curb or portion of shoulder abutting the roadway, indicated by a posted authorized sign for the purpose of stopping buses operated by The Corporation of the City of Stratford while picking up or discharging passengers;

**"bicycle lane"** is a dedicated portion of the roadway for bicycle use, which is designated by a lane marking, separating the portion of roadway used by motor vehicles from the portion of roadway used by bicycles;

**"commercial motor vehicle"** means any motor vehicle having permanently attached thereto a truck or delivery body, and includes ambulances, hearses, casket wagons, fire apparatus, motor buses and tractors used for hauling purposes on the highways;

**"Corporation"** means The Corporation of the City of Stratford;

**"Council"** means the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford;

**"crosswalk"** means

- (i) that part of a roadway at an intersection that is included within the connections of the lateral lines of the sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the curbs, or in the absence of curbs from the edges of the roadway, or
- (ii) any portion of a roadway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by signs or by lines or other markings on the surface thereof;

**"curb"** includes the edge of the traveled portion of a street or roadway;

**"curb lane"** includes the traffic or parking lane immediately adjacent to the curb;

**"designated parking space"** means a parking space designated under this by-law for the exclusive use of a vehicle displaying an accessible parking permit in accordance with the requirements of the *Highway Traffic Act*, as amended, the regulations made thereunder and this by-law;

**"Director"** means the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services or any employee or agent of the Corporation designated by the Director to act on his or her behalf;

**"double parking"** means the parking of a vehicle on any roadway beside another vehicle which is legally parked adjacent to the curb of the roadway or edge of the roadway, so that vehicles are side by side or any part of the vehicles is side by side;

**"driveway access"** means the portion of a road allowance which is improved to permit the passage of vehicles between the adjacent roadway and the abutting property;

**"electric vehicle"** means any vehicle that is partially or entirely propelled by electricity and plugs in to recharge;

**"electric vehicle charging station"** means any facility or equipment on municipal property that is used to charge a battery or other energy storage device of an electric vehicle;

**"electric vehicle parking space"** means a parking space, the use of which is for charging a battery or other storage device of any electric vehicle;

**"Fire Chief"** means the Fire Chief of The Corporation of the City of Stratford or a person designated to act on her or her behalf;

**"fire department"** means the Fire Department of The Corporation of the City of Stratford;

**"fire route"** means any private access, route, road, way, lane, ramp, or other means of vehicular access to or egress from a building as designated by The Corporation of the City of Stratford and may include part of a parking lot set aside for use by emergency vehicles;

**"gross weight"** means the combined weight of vehicle and load;

**"heavy truck"** means any commercial motor vehicle which has a rated gross vehicle weight exceeding 5 tonne (5,000 kilograms or 11,023 pounds) according to the current permit or vehicle registration which has been issued under the *Highway Traffic Act*, or its foreign equivalent for such vehicle, regardless of the actual weight of such vehicles, but does not include a vehicle operated by or on behalf of the Corporation or a school vehicle which is in the course of transporting children or persons with a disability to and from school;

**"holiday"** means a holiday as defined under the *Retail Business Holidays Act*;

**"identifying marker"**, when used with respect to parking for persons with a disability means the Accessible parking permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation under the authority of the *Highway Traffic Act*;

**"intersection"** means the area contained within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines, or if none, then of the lateral boundary lines of two or more highways which join one another at an angle, whether or not one road allowance crosses the other;

**"loading"** means the physical activity of moving merchandise from or to a property or another vehicle and the physical activity of passengers entering or departing a vehicle;

**"Mobility stop"** means that portion of the roadway abutting the curb or area in a municipal parking lot or street, indicated by a posted authorized sign for the purpose of stopping vehicles operated by the Corporation while picking up or discharging passengers;

**"Mobility Bus"** means a motor vehicle designated to carry wheel chair and/or ambulatory passengers, which displays an identification sign and is operated by or for The Corporation of the City of Stratford;

**"motor vehicle"** includes an automobile, motorcycle, motor assisted bicycle unless otherwise indicated in this by-law, and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power, but does not include motor vehicles running only upon rails, or a motorized snow vehicle, traction engine, farm tractor, self-propelled implement of husbandry or road building machine within the meaning of the *Highway Traffic Act*;

**"motorized snow vehicle"** means a self-propelled vehicle designed to be driven primarily on the snow;

**"municipal parking lot"** means any open area or portion of a structure owned by The Corporation of the City of Stratford, other than a street or highway, intended for the parking of vehicles and on which there are designated parking spaces, whether their use involves the payment of a fee or otherwise;

**"one-way street"** means a street upon which vehicular traffic is limited to movement in only one direction;

**"park" or "parking"**, when prohibited, means the standing of a vehicle whether occupied or not, except when standing temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading;

**"parking meter"** means a device, sometimes referred to as an "individual parking meter", which indicates thereon the length of time during which a vehicle may be parked, which device has as a part thereof a receptacle for the receiving and storing of coins and a slot or place in which coins may be deposited to activate a timing mechanism to indicate the passage of the interval of time following the deposit of a coin or coins therein, the measurement of which interval is determined by the coin or coins so deposited, and which device also displays a signal when the said interval of time has elapsed; and a device, sometimes referred to as a "pay by plate machine", which has as a part thereof, a receptacle for the receiving and storing of coins and a slot for credit cards to received to provide payment for the requested allotment of time provided that the correct licence plate is entered in to the pay by plate machine and provides a receipt if requested to the user;"

**"parking meter zone"** means a part of a street or municipal parking lot designated by this by-law for parking purposes timed by parking meters;

**"parking space"** means a portion of the surface of the roadway or municipal parking lot designated by suitable markings, the use of which may be controlled and regulated by a parking meter ;

**"person"** includes any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind;

**"person with a disability"** means, for purposes of this by-law, a person who has been issued a Accessible parking permit;

**"private roadway"**, means any private road, lane, ramp or other vehicular access to or egress from a building or structure, which is not a highway, and it may include part of a parking lot;

**"police chief"** means the person who may, from time to time, be appointed by the Stratford Police Service Board to the position of police chief of the Corporation, or his or her designate;

**"police officer"** means a member of the Stratford Police Service;

**"public parking lot or parking facility"** means an off-street parking lot or other parking facility to which the public has access whether on payment of a fee or otherwise;

**"road allowance"** means all allowances for roads, except in so far as they have been **closed** according to law, made by the Crown surveyors, all highways laid out or established under the authority of any statute, all roads on which public money has been expended for opening them or on which statute labour has been usually performed, all roads dedicated by the owner of the land to public use, and all alterations and deviations of and all bridges over any such allowance for highway or road;

**"roadway"** means the part of the road allowance that is improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic, but does not include the shoulder, and where a road allowance includes two or more separate roadways, the term "roadway" refers to any one roadway separately and not to all of the roadways collectively;

**"rollerblades, in-line skates and rollerskates"** means a boot-type footwear upon which a number of wheels are affixed to the centre of the length of the sole thereof and are laced or secured onto a person's feet for the purpose of transportation by muscular power;

**"school bus"** means a bus that is used for the transportation of:

- i) children or
- ii) persons with disabilities to or from a training centre

which meets the provisions of the *Highway Traffic Act*

and bears on the front and rear thereof the words "school bus" and on the rear thereof the words "Do not pass when signals flashing";

**"school vehicle"** means a vehicle that is used for the transportation of:

- i) persons to or from school, or



- ii) persons with disabilities to or from a training centre, which meets the provisions of the *Highway Traffic Act* and shall only include the following:
  - a) a school bus
  - b) a bus and
  - c) a vehicle that is designed to carry less than ten passengers and is used for the transportation of persons and which is identified by public vehicle plates and/or school safety stickers;

**"shoulder"** means that portion of every road allowance which abuts the roadway and which is designed and intended for passage or stopping of motor vehicles but which extends no more than 3.6 metres in width from the limit of the roadway;

**"sidewalk"** means any municipal walkway, or that portion of a street between the curb line or the lateral line of a roadway and the adjacent property line, primarily intended for the use of pedestrians;

**"skateboard"** means a form of conveyance without self propulsion consisting of any number of wheels attached to a flat surface that is designed to support the weight of a rider;

**"skateboarding, rollerskating, rollerblading, in-line skating"** means the activity of using each of the objects respectively;

**"stand or standing"** means the halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers;

**"stop" or "stopping"**, when prohibited, means the halting of a vehicle, even momentarily, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a constable or other police officer or of a traffic control sign or signal;

**"street" or "highway"** includes a common and public highway, street, avenue, parkway, driveway access, square, place, bridge, viaduct or trestle designed and intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles (traveled roadway) and includes the area between the lateral property lines thereof and as such includes the road allowance;

**"through highway"** means any highway or part of a highway designated as such by by-law of The Corporation of the City of Stratford and all intersecting highways are marked by a stop sign or yield sign in compliance with the regulations of the Ministry of Transportation;

**"time"** means, where any expression of time occurs or where any hour or other period of time is stated, standard time or daylight saving time, whichever is in effect in the City pursuant to the *Time Act*;

**"towed vehicle"** means a vehicle towed or otherwise conveyed by a tow truck;

**"towing"** means the movement of a vehicle by a Tow Truck, whether such vehicle is picked up at or delivered to a location within the City.

**"tow truck"** means a motor vehicle for towing or otherwise conveying vehicles, as defined in the *Highway Traffic Act*, whether or not any such towed or conveyed vehicle is intact or in operable condition.

**"tractor-trailer unit"** means the combination of a commercial motor vehicle and a trailer or semi-trailer;

**"traffic"** includes pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles and other conveyances either singly or together while using any street for the purposes of travel;

**"traffic control device"** means any sign or other device erected or placed by The Corporation of the City of Stratford under the authority of the *Highway Traffic Act* for the purpose of guiding, directing or regulating traffic;

**"traffic signal"** means any device manually, electrically or mechanically operated for the regulation of traffic as authorized by the *Highway Traffic Act*;

**"U-turn"** means to turn a vehicle upon a highway so as to proceed in the opposite direction;

**"vehicle"** includes a motor vehicle, motor assisted bicycle, trailer, traction engine, farm tractor, road building machine and any vehicle drawn, propelled or driven by any kind of power, including muscular power, but does not include a motorized snow vehicle, the cars of electric or steam railways running only upon rails;

**"vehicle of a person with a disability"** means any vehicle displaying an identifying marker in accordance with Part 6 of this by-law.

**"Veteran Licence Plate"** means an Ontario veteran graphic licence plate issued by the Province of Ontario to eligible veterans:

- a) passenger and commercial veteran graphic plates displaying a red poppy and the word "Veteran" underneath the poppy;
- b) motorcycle veteran graphic plates displaying the poppy with the word "Veteran" underneath."

## **Enforcement of By-law**

2. This by-law may be enforced by a police officer or a municipal law enforcement officer appointed by Council.

## **PART 1 - TRAFFIC**

### **Erection of Control Devices**

3. (1) Traffic control devices for the purpose of guiding, directing and regulating traffic may be erected as authorized by the Council.
- (2) No person shall place or exhibit any unauthorized device, sign, standard or other marking upon any street attempting or purporting to guide, direct or regulate traffic or the parking of vehicles on a street.
- (3) No unauthorized person shall give any signal or direction attempting or purporting to direct traffic unless in an emergency to direct traffic around the scene of an accident, or obstacle, excavation, debris, glass or other hazard.
- (4) No unauthorized person shall wilfully remove, deface or injure any traffic control device.

#### **Manner of Parallel Parking**

4. (1) No person shall park a vehicle on any street except upon the right-hand side of the roadway, having regard for the direction in which the vehicle is required to proceed, and when parked on a roadway, the right front and rear wheels or runners of the vehicle shall be parallel to and distant not more than 0.3 metres from the right-hand edge of the roadway adjacent to which such vehicle is parked.
- (2) Subsection (1) shall not apply where angle parking is authorized by this by-law, or upon one-way streets as authorized by this by-law.

#### **Manner of Angle Parking**

5. (1) Where angle parking is permitted, no person shall park a vehicle except within the limits defined by pavement markings and in all cases so that the front end of the vehicle is nearest to the curb or the edge of the street.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), no person shall park a vehicle at an angle if:
  - a) the load being carried extends beyond the rear of the vehicle; or
  - b) the vehicle has attached to it a trailer as defined by the *Highway Traffic Act*; or
  - c) such vehicle obstructs or interferes with traffic in any way while so parked.

#### **Manner of Parking on One-Way Street**

6. (1) Subject to subsection (2), all persons may park vehicles on both sides of a one-way street in the permitted locations and facing in the direction in which the vehicle is required to proceed.
- (2) Unless otherwise regulated, when parked on the left hand side of the roadway, determined by the permitted direction of travel, the left front and left rear wheels or runners of the vehicle shall be parallel to and distant not more than 0.3 metres from the edge of the roadway adjacent to which such vehicle is parked.

### **No Stopping (Schedule 1)**

7. (1) No person shall stop a vehicle in a manner known as "double parking" or in any traffic lane other than the curb lane.
- (2) No person shall stop a vehicle or any part of a vehicle upon the streets set out in Column 1 of Schedule 1 of this by-law, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2 thereof, between the points set out in Column 3 thereof, and during the prohibited time or times set out in Column 4 thereof, when "No Stopping" signs have been erected and are on display and which indicate the prohibited time or times.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to:
  - a) a passenger vehicle of the Corporation when using bus stops,
  - b) a school vehicle engaged in the transportation of persons when such vehicle is stopped to discharge or pick up passengers,

### **No Parking In Unposted Locations**

8. (1) No person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places during the specified times:
  - a) in such a manner so that any part of the vehicle is situated upon or over a sidewalk at any time;
  - b) between a sidewalk and the adjacent roadway at any time;
  - c) on any boulevard or any island within a court at any time, except where authorized by by-law;
  - d) on a roadway or shoulder in front of a public or private driveway access or lane at any time;
  - e) within an intersection at any time;
  - f) within 3 metres of a fire hydrant or where the hydrant is set back from the edge of the roadway, within 3 metres of the point at which the prolongation of the centre line of the hydrant at right

- angles to the edge of the roadway intersects such edge at any time;
- g) on a crosswalk at any time;
  - h) on any street in a manner which obstructs traffic at any time;
  - i) in a position that will prevent the convenient removal of any other vehicle previously parked at any time;
  - j) on any roadway, shoulder, or City parking lot between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless otherwise designated;
  - k) on any ramp or manoeuvring area established by by-law as part of a parking arrangement at any time;
  - l) within 15 metres of any intersection controlled by traffic signals at any time;
  - m) At the entrance to any public or private lane or driveway at any time;
  - n) At places where municipal service work is being undertaken at any time;
  - o) opposite the approach and/or impede the entering or exiting of any public lane or driveway where the roadway is less than 8.5 metres in width measured from curb line to curb line at any time;
  - p) Upon any bridge or culvert at any time;
  - q) Upon any municipal park or municipal open space area at any time, except in designated parking spaces;
  - r) On, or in such a manner as to obstruct any designated bicycle lane, provided that this shall not prohibit a momentary stopping of transit buses at signs marking a bus stop, taxis while actively engaged in receiving or discharging passengers, or other motor vehicles while actively engaged in receiving or discharging passengers.
  - s) Within 10 metres of any intersection.
  - t) in a manner that obstructs municipal snow clearing operations.
- (2) No person shall stand or park any vehicle directly opposite another vehicle which is already standing/parking on the other side of the street, where such standing or parking would prevent the free passage of the two lines of traffic; or where, unless otherwise permitted in this by-law, the roadway is less than 30 feet (9.144 meters)

- (3) Nothing in subsection (1) shall prohibit the proper parking of bicycles in a bicycle rack erected or approved by the Corporation.
- (4) Subsection j) does not apply to vehicles parked in electric vehicle charging spaces owned and operated by The Corporation of the City of Stratford.

### **No Parking In Posted Locations**

- 9. (1) No person shall park a vehicle or any part of a vehicle in the following locations when appropriate signs have been erected and are on display, which signs are hereby authorized:
  - a) in front of the entrance to an office building;
  - b) within 10 metres of any intersection;
  - c) within 8 metres of the location of a fire hall and the premises used in connection therewith on that side of the street on which such fire hall is located, or on the opposite side of the street within 8 metres of a point opposite the centre exit of such fire hall;
  - d) within a school bus loading/unloading zone;
  - e) within 15 metres of any intersection controlled by traffic signals.
  - f) Notwithstanding any other parking lines applied to the pavement to designate parking spaces, where yellow markings have been applied by The Corporation of the City of Stratford to the curb to designate no parking areas adjacent to parking spaces on the South side of Water Street, no person shall park or stand any vehicle in a designated parking space on Water Street where such parked or standing vehicle extends beyond or over the yellow markings.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) shall prohibit the proper parking of bicycles in a bicycle rack erected or approved by the Corporation.
- (3) No person shall park a vehicle or any part of a vehicle in an electric vehicle parking space where such vehicle is:
  - a) not an electric vehicle;
  - b) not connected to an electric vehicle charging station or actively charging.

### **No Parking On Specified Streets (Schedule 2)**

- 10. No person shall park a vehicle or any part of a vehicle on the streets hereinafter set out in Column 1 in Schedule 2 of this by-law, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2 thereof, between the points

set out in Column 3 thereof and, during the prohibited time or times set out in Column 4 thereof, when appropriate signs have been erected and are on display, which signs are hereby authorized.

### **No Parking at Bus Stops (Schedule 3)**

11. (1) In certain areas as described in Schedule 3, a Transit Bus is exempt from the parking, standing and stopping provisions that are contained in this by-law.
- (2) No person, other than a Transit Bus driver, shall park, stand or stop a vehicle in the Transit Bus zone.

### **No Parking at Taxi Stands (Schedule 4)**

12. When appropriate signs are erected and are on display, which signs are hereby authorized, no person other than those persons operating a taxi cab under a valid licence issued by the Corporation shall park or stop a vehicle or any part of a vehicle to load or unload on any streets set out in Column 1 in Schedule 4 of this by-law, the side or sides of streets set out in Column 2 thereof, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Columns 3 and 4, thereof, at a time designed in Column 5, which areas are hereby designated as Taxi Stands.

### **Parking During Emergencies and Special Events**

13. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this by-law to the contrary, in case of fire, a parade, an assembly of persons, a congestion of traffic, a construction project or an emergency, parking may be restricted or prohibited by the Director or his authorized representative or the Chief of Police acting through police officers, and no person shall park a vehicle in contravention of such restrictions or prohibition.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "emergency" includes a snow fall or other act of God which hinders, restricts or prohibits movement of vehicles or pedestrians on a highway.

### **Restricted Parking on Specified Streets (Schedule 5)**

14. When appropriate signs have been erected and are on display, which signs are hereby authorized, no person shall park a vehicle or any part of a vehicle on any of the streets set out in Column 1 in Schedule 5 of this by-law, the side or sides of streets set out in Column 2 thereof, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Column 3 thereof, and during the time or times set out in Column 4 thereof within the maximum period permitted as set out in Column 5.

### **Angle Parking Permitted On Specified Streets (Schedule 6)**

15. (1) No person shall park a vehicle except at any angle, in a manner as described in section 5, on any of the streets set out in Schedule 6 of this by-law.

- (2) No person shall angle park a vehicle on a street when angle parking is not permitted.

### **Prohibited Times of Loading and Unloading (Schedule 7)**

16. As set forth in Schedule 7, no person shall park, stand or stop a vehicle in those areas designated as a loading/unloading zone/space.

### **Manner of Parking Motorcycles**

17. (1) No person shall park a motorcycle at more than an angle of forty-five degrees to the curb.
- (2) Where a parking space is designated by markings, no person shall park more than three motorcycles in one space.

### **Prohibited Turns (Schedule 8)**

18. (1) No driver or operator of a vehicle upon a street shall make a U-turn.
- (2) Where an official sign forbidding a left or right turn or both has been posted in accordance with Schedule 8 of this By-law, every driver or operator of a vehicle shall obey such sign.

### **Obstructing Traffic**

19. (1) No owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall obstruct a street with a motor vehicle that becomes stalled or, for any reason, cannot be moved by its ordinary motive power.
- (2) Any vehicle stopped on any street shall be moved away by the owner or operator thereof at the direction of a police officer when traffic congestion, proximity to a fire or any other condition renders the removal of such vehicle expedient.

### **Traffic Signs (Schedule 9)**

20. (1) The *Highway Traffic Act* requires stop signs at intersections on through streets.
- (2) Yield signs are authorized and shall be installed facing the traffic proceeding in the directions indicated in Column 1 of Schedule 9 of this by-law, on the streets set out in Column 2 thereof, at the intersecting streets set out in Column 3 thereof.

### **Funeral and Other Processions**

21. No person shall drive a vehicle so that it interferes with a funeral or other authorized procession in motion, except under the direction of a police officer.

### **One-Way Streets (Schedule 10)**



22. (1) The streets set out in Column 1 of Schedule 10 of this by-law between the limits set out in Columns 2 and 3 are hereby designated for one-way traffic only in the directions set out in Column 4.
- (2) No person shall drive in the opposite direction on any one-way street.

### **Through Highways (Schedule 11)**

23. The streets or parts of streets set out in Schedule 11 of this By-law, are designed and declared to be through highways, but shall not include any intersecting highways where traffic signals are installed.

### **Heavy Truck Restrictions (Schedule 12)**

24. (1) In this section "prohibited street" means any street or part thereof within the City set forth out in Schedule 12 of this by-law and upon which there are erected signs prohibiting heavy trucks.
- (2) No person shall operate or park a heavy truck on a prohibited street.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply where a heavy truck is being necessarily operated in the usual conduct of business and proceeds by way of the shortest route to or from any street or part thereof set forth in Schedule 12 of this by-law.
- (4) The Director shall keep and maintain accurate maps illustrating those streets or parts thereof in Schedule 12, which maps shall be available to the public.

### **School Bus Loading Zones (Schedule 13)**

25. (1) Streets or portions thereof as set out in Column 1 of Schedule 13 of this By-law, on the side of the street set out in Column 2, thereof, between the parts of the streets set out in Column 3 are hereby designated as School Bus Zones.
- (2) No person shall park a school bus or any part of a school bus except entirely in a School Bus Zone.
- (3) No person shall park, stop or stand a vehicle in a School Bus Zone.

### **Use of Sidewalk**

26. No person shall use any sidewalk for any purpose other than pedestrian traffic, except as specifically permitted by this or any other by-law.

### **Coasting or Sliding**

27. No person shall coast or slide by the use of any hand-sleigh or toboggan on any street.

### **Skateboarding/In-line skating**

28. (1) No person shall in-line skate, rollerblade, rollerskate or skateboard on any portion of Market Square, except as set out in section (4) (g) , nor any sidewalk within the City, excepting those portions of the sidewalk adjacent to the following streets:
- (a) Ontario Street, east of Romeo Street; and
  - (b) the asphalted sidewalk/bicycle path on the west side of Erie Street, south of Lorne Avenue.
- (2) No person shall in-line skate, rollerblade, rollerskate or skateboard on any private property without the written consent or permission of the occupier or owner of the property and the onus of proof of such consent or permission shall be on the person who is in-line skating, rollerblading, rollerskating, or skateboarding, as the case may be.
- (3) No person shall in-line skate, rollerblade, rollerskate or skateboard on any steps, ramps, driveways or sidewalks of any building owned or occupied by The Corporation of the City of Stratford.
- (4) No person shall in-line skate, rollerblade, rollerskate or skateboard in or on any path, access way, stairs or steps leading to or on:
- (a) the Cenotaph located on York Street;
  - (b) the Memorial Gardens located on Ontario Street;
  - (c) the Bandshell located on Veterans Drive (formerly Lakeside Drive);
  - (d) the Bandshell/Pavillion in Upper Queen's Park;
  - (e) the Avondale Cemetery;
  - (f) any portion of that area being those roads, sidewalks and boulevards lying between the Westerly limit of Downie Street on the East, the Easterly limit of Wellington Street on the West, City Hall on the North and the commercial business fronts on the South, which area is municipally known as "Market Square".
- (5) Persons who in-line skate, rollerblade, rollerskate or skateboard on roadways shall comply with the following regulations:
- (a) persons in-line skating, rollerblading, rollerskating or skateboarding upon all roadways shall do so near the right-hand curb or edge of the pavement in such a manner as to prevent undue interference with the flow of traffic, except where reasonably necessary to avoid conditions that would make it unsafe to continue along the right-hand curb edge. Conditions to be taken into consideration shall include, but not be limited to, fixed or moving objects, vehicles, bicycles, in-line skaters, pedestrians, animals, surface hazards, or traffic lanes too narrow for persons who are in-line skating, rollerblading, rollerskating or skateboarding.

- (b) Persons rollerblading or in-line skating or rollerskating or skateboarding shall do so in single file;
- (c) Persons rollerblading or in-line skating or rollerskating or skateboarding shall do so with due care and attention to their own safety and the safety of others;
- (d) Persons rollerblading or in-line skating or rollerskating or skateboarding shall not do so while under the influence of alcohol or drugs;
- (e) No person shall draw or tow, using a bicycle, vehicle or in-line skates, rollerblades, rollerskates or a skateboard, any other person using a bicycle, in-line skates, rollerblades, rollerskates, or a skateboard;
- (f) No person using in-line skates, rollerblades, rollerskates, or a skateboard shall be drawn or towed by any animal, domestic pet, person or vehicle.

### **Bicycles/ Motorcycles**

29. (1) Two or more persons riding bicycles or motorcycles shall not ride abreast or nearly so on any street, except in the course of overtaking and passing other vehicles.
- (2) No operator of any bicycle or motorcycle shall ride on any sidewalk.
- (a) Exception is bicycles will be allowed on Ontario Street, east of Romeo Street and the asphalted sidewalk/bicycle path on the west side of Erie Street, south of Lorne Avenue.
- (3) No driver or rider of a bicycle shall operate the bicycle except as near as possible to the right-hand curb.

### **Exemption for Emergency Vehicles**

30. The provisions of this by-law do not apply to those vehicles such as Fire, Police and Ambulances when attending or responding to an emergency situation.

### **Motor Vehicles to be Locked**

31. (1) No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle, other than a commercial motor vehicle, shall allow the same to stand unattended unless,
- (a) the doors of the vehicle are locked and its windows are closed; and

- (b) the key is not in the ignition or in a readily accessible location in the vehicle, so as to prevent the operation of the vehicle by any person not authorized by the owner, driver or person in charge.

### **Higher and Lower Speed Limits (Schedule 14)**

- 32. (1) The streets set out in Column 1 of Schedule 14 of this By-law, between the limits set out in Columns 2 and 3, are hereby restricted to maximum rates of speed as set out in Column 4. The speed limit for all remaining roads and highways is restricted to 50 km/hr.
- (2) No person shall operate a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of this By-law.
- (3) No driver of a vehicle shall drive within the limits of any park at a greater speed than 30 kilometres per hour.

## **PART 2 - METERED ON-STREET PARKING**

### **15 Minute Metered Zones (Schedule 15)**

- 33. 15 minute parking is permitted on the streets set out in Column 1, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Columns 3 and 4.

### **30 Minute Metered Zones (Schedule 16)**

34. 30 minute parking is permitted on the streets set out in Column 1, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Columns 3 and 4.

### **4 Hour Metered Zones (Schedule 17)**

35. Four hour parking is permitted on the streets set out in Column 1, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Columns 3 and 4.

### **12 Hour Metered Zones (Schedule 18)**

36. 12 hour parking is permitted on the streets set out in Column 1, the side or sides of streets set out in the corresponding line or lines in Column 2, between the streets or parts thereof set out in Columns 3 and 4.

### **On-Street Parking Meter Zones**

37. The erection, maintenance and operation of parking meters with the necessary standards for the purpose of controlling and regulating the parking of vehicles and the measuring and recording of the duration of such parking upon the streets or portions thereof set out in Schedules 15, 16, 17, and 18 of this by-law, and hereby designated as Parking Meter Zones, is hereby authorized.

### **Installation of Meters**

38. (1) Except as provided by subsection (2), an individual parking meter shall be installed upon the curb adjacent to each parking space within Parking Meter Zones and such parking space shall have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb or upon the roadway adjacent to each parking meter in a manner sufficient to indicate the parking space for which such meter is to be used.
- (2) In the case of Parking Meter Zones in which parking is timed by pay by plate meters and in respect of which appropriate signs are erected and on display, which signs are hereby authorized, one or more pay by plate machines shall be placed at a location or locations convenient to a number of parking spaces within such Parking Meter Zones and such parking spaces shall have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb or upon the roadway in a manner sufficient to indicate the parking space for which such meters are to be used.

### **Parking Spaces on Streets with Zones**

39. (1) Subject to subsection (2), no person shall park a vehicle on any street or portion thereof designated as a Parking Meter Zone except in such a position that the vehicle shall be entirely within the area indicated as a parking space;

- (2) Any vehicle that by reason of its size, necessarily occupies more than one parking space or portion thereof shall be entirely within the said Parking Meter Zone upon being parked. If a vehicle is larger or longer, the driver shall pay for all parking spaces that are taken up by the vehicle with attachments.
- (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to bicycles properly parked in a bicycle rack erected or approved by the Corporation.

### **One Vehicle In Parking Space**

- 40. (1) No person shall park more than one vehicle in any one parking space at any one time.
- (2) No person shall park a vehicle in a parking space that is partly or completely occupied by another vehicle.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) of this section do not apply to a person parking a motorcycle in a parking space occupied by another motorcycle so long as the number of motorcycles does not exceed three.

### **Operation of Parking Meter for Space**

- 41. (1) Subject to subsection (2), no person shall park a vehicle on any street or portion thereof designated as a Parking Meter Zone unless,
  - a) in the case where an individual parking meter is installed adjacent to the parking space used by such vehicle, the parking meter is forthwith placed in operation by the deposit of a coin; or
  - b) in the case where parking in the parking space used by such vehicle is timed by pay by plate machine , one such meter is placed in operation by the deposit of a coin or coins or payment with credit card and correct licence plate number is entered into the pay by plate machine.
- (2) No person shall park any vehicle that by reason of its size, necessarily occupies more than one parking space or portion thereof unless,
  - a) in the case where an individual parking meter is installed adjacent to each space used in whole or in part by such vehicle, the meter for each space occupied shall be placed in operation; or
  - b) in the case where parking in each space used in whole or in part by such vehicle is timed by pay by plate machine.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to bicycles properly parked in a bicycle rack erected or approved by the Corporation.
- (4) Subsection (1) herein does not apply to a motor vehicle displaying a valid Province of Ontario Veteran licence plate.

**Time Limits for Zones**

42. (1) No person shall park a vehicle in any parking space within a Parking Meter Zone set out in Columns 1 and 2 of Table 1 herein unless there is immediately deposited in the appropriate parking meter a sum of money in coin or coins for the parking time set out in Column 3 thereof. The amounts are set out in the Corporation's User Fee By-law.

**Table 1**

| <b>Column 1<br/>Schedule</b> | <b>Column 2<br/>Zone</b>             | <b>Column 3<br/>Duration of<br/>Parking</b> |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 16                           | 15 minute parking<br>Maximum allowed | up to 15 Minutes                            |
| 17                           | 30 minute Parking<br>Maximum Allowed | up to 30 minutes                            |
| 18                           | 4 Hour Parking<br>Maximum Allowed    | up to 4 Hours                               |
| 19                           | 12 Hour Parking<br>Maximum Allowed   | up to 12 Hours                              |

- (2) [Deleted by By-law 130-2012]
- (3) [Deleted by By-law 130-2012]
- (4) No person shall park a motorcycle in any parking space within a Parking Meter Zone set out in Columns 1 and 2 of Table 1 herein unless there is immediately deposited in the appropriate parking meter a sum of money in coin or coins for the parking time set out in Column 3 thereof or is one of three motorcycle operators who parks in a parking meter space where time has already been purchased.
- (5) Subsection (1) and (4) herein do not apply to any motor vehicle or motorcycle displaying a valid Province of Ontario Veteran licence plate.
- (6) Persons with disabilities holding a valid government issued accessible parking permit are exempt from depositing payment in accessible parking meters for the parking time as set out in Column 3 of Table 1 when parked in a designated parking space.

**Coinage Authorized**

43. (1) No person shall deposit, cause to be deposited or attempt to deposit in any parking meter any coin or coins other than those of the Government of Canada or the United States of America.

- (2) No person shall deposit, cause to be deposited or attempt to deposit in any parking meter any slug, device, token, substance, object or any bent, punched, damaged or mutilated coin.

### **Lawful Use of Space**

- 44. (1) Except as provided for in subsection (2) of this section upon placing the parking meter into operation, the parking space adjacent to the vehicle may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle for the period of parking time equivalent to the coins deposited.
- (2) In the case of Parking Meter Zones in which parking is timed by pay by plate machines in accordance with the requirements of this By-law, one parking space in the Parking Meter Zone for which said pay by plate machine is applicable may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle for the time period equivalent to the coins deposited or credit card payment made.

### **Parking Overtime**

- 45. No person shall permit a vehicle to be parked in the same parking space for a longer period at any one time than the maximum period allowable for such zone as provided in this by-law.

### **Extension of Parking Time**

- 46. No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited in any parking meter any coin or coins for the purpose of obtaining an extension of parking time beyond the maximum period prescribed by this by-law for the parking of vehicles in the zone adjacent to such meter.

### **Vehicle Parked Overtime**

- 47. (1) No person shall leave parked a vehicle in any parking space or part thereof,
  - (a) in the case where an individual parking meter is installed adjacent to the space used in whole or in part by such vehicle, when the parking meter for such space occupied indicates expired time or a violation; or
  - (b) in the case where parking in the space used in whole or in part by such vehicle is timed by pay by plate machine beyond the time and date indicated by the pay by plate machine at time of payment and shown on the confirmation screen;
  - (c) in the case where more than one motorcycle is parked when the parking meter for such space occupied indicates no unexpired time or a violation, all motorcycles occupying such space will be in violation.



### **Display of Permits**

48. (1) Deleted by By-law 53-2012.
- (2) Deleted by By-law 53-2012.
- (3) No person shall display on a vehicle such permit other than one issued for the then current year.
- (4) A replacement parking permit may be issued for a fee in accordance with the by-law providing that the holder of the original permit presents satisfactory evidence that the original permit has been removed from the windshield so that the vehicle to which it was attached can no longer use it.
- (5) No person shall photocopy or display a photocopy of a parking permit.
- (6) No person shall tamper with, deface or alter a permit issued for parking by The Corporation of the City of Stratford.

### **Meter Hoods**

49. (1) Meter hoods can be rented for construction vehicles parked at meters while doing renovations on buildings in the downtown core; or when required for moving vans that must park at meters.
- (2) If a contractor is going to be using a dumpster and locating it on a downtown street, he/she must:
- (a) obtain a street permit from the Infrastructure and Development Services Department; and
- (b) complete and sign a Meter hood rental form.
- (3) There shall be a limit of two hoods (4 spaces) in any section of a block of a parking area at any one time unless otherwise authorized by Council at a cost which shall be identified in the Fees and Charges By-law.
- (4) No unauthorized person shall park at a meter with a hood contained thereon.

### **Municipal Official Permits**

50. As authorized by the City Clerk, municipal official permits may be issued to City Council Members and staff. These permits are not to be transferred and any lost permits must be reported to the City Clerks office so that the permit can be replaced.

### **Special and Media Permits**

51. (1) (a) As authorized by the City Clerk, a maximum of two (2) permits may be issued to those companies attending council meetings and

media functions. No person shall use a media permit when they are not covering a City related media event or City Council meeting, Committee meeting or sub-committee meeting.

- (b) Media companies wishing to obtain more than 2 media parking permits for their company shall be eligible to purchase the media permits for a fee specified in The Corporation of the City of Stratford's Fees and Charges By-law.
- (2) Notwithstanding 51 (1)(a) and (b), Media Permits shall be used for parking in the lower Erie Street lot only, and media wishing to park in other Municipal lots or along City Streets must pay for parking at the required hourly rate or purchase a parking permit for a fee specified by The Corporation of the City of Stratford's Fees and Charges By-law.
- (3) (a) As authorized by the City Clerk, special permits may be issued to those persons requiring to park close to City Hall or at another municipal facility on a short term basis only. This may include but is not limited to consultants working for The Corporation of the City of Stratford, OMB Chair/staff, municipal staff in the event of illness or injury, etc.
- (b) Special permits shall not be sold to the general public.

### **Unauthorized Devices**

- 52. No person shall place or exhibit upon any street any unauthorized device attempting or purporting to control or regulate the parking of vehicles.

### **Tampering With Meters**

- 53. Unless authorized by the Corporation, no person shall willfully or deliberately move, remove, alter or tamper with any parking meter erected or placed upon a street or on property owned or leased by the Corporation or under its direction.

### **Inapplicable on Sundays and Holidays**

- 54. The provisions of this Part, except for sections 40, 52 and 53, shall not apply to the parking of vehicles on Sundays or holidays under the *Retail Business Holidays Act*.

## **PART 3 - METERED OFF-STREET MUNICIPAL PARKING**

### **Metered Municipal Parking Lots**

- 55. The premises, owned or leased by the Corporation and described in Table 2 herein, are hereby designated as Municipal Parking Lots to be used for the metered parking of motor vehicles until the premises are otherwise required.

### **Table 2**

| <b>Column 1<br/>Lot Number</b> | <b>Column 2<br/>Lot Name</b>                   | <b>Column 3<br/>Description</b>   |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| 1                              | St. Patrick Lot<br>(Justice Building)          | The premises as outlined in Schedule " 22 "<br>12 hour meters   |
| 2                              | Ontario Street Lot                             | The premises as outlined in Schedule "22"<br>9 – 4 hour meters and 11-12 hour meters<br>1 – 30 minute meter |
| 3                              | York Street Lot                                | The premises as outlined in Schedule " 22 "<br>4 hour meters  |
| 4                              | Albert Street Lot                              | The premises as outlined in Schedule " 22 "<br>4 hour meters  |
| 5                              | Erie Street Lot "A"                            | The premises as outlined in Schedule " 22 "<br>4 hour meters  |
| 6                              | Erie Street Lot<br>"B" and "C"                 | The premises as outlined in Schedule " 22 "<br>4 hour meters  |
| 7                              | George Street                                  | The premises as outlined in Schedule "22 "<br>12 hour meters  |
| 8                              | Erie/St. Patrick<br>Street (Kalbfleish<br>Lot) | The premises as outlined in Schedule "22"<br>12 hour meters   |

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### **Lawful Use of Space**

56.1 Each lot mentioned in Column 1 of Table 3 herein shall be operated on a payment basis during the times mentioned in Column 2 thereof on each day mentioned in Column 3 thereof and during such times on such days no person shall park a motor vehicle on any of the parking lots except in a designated parking space, and upon parking the said motor vehicle the operator thereof shall pay a fee therefor forthwith

- (a) in the case where an individual parking meter is installed adjacent to the space, by depositing a coin or coins in the parking meter provided for such space; and
- (b) in the case where parking in the space is timed by one or more pay by plate machines, by depositing a coin or coins or making a credit card payment in one such machine and entering the correct licence plate;

for the parking time desired mentioned in Column 4 thereof. The amounts are set out in the Corporation's User Fee By-Law.

**Table 3**

| <b>Column 1<br/>Lot<br/>Number</b> | <b>Column 2<br/>Times</b>   | <b>Column 3<br/>Days</b>        | <b>Column 4<br/>Duration of Parking</b>                                     |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| 1<br>(St. Patrick)                 | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 12 hours maximum  |
| 2<br>(Ontario)                     | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | Variation of 30 minutes, 4<br>hours and 12 hours depending<br>on the meter. |
| 3<br>(York)                        | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 4 hours maximum   |
| 4<br>(Albert<br>Street)            | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 4 hours maximum   |
| 5<br>(Erie St)                     | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 4 hours maximum   |
| 6<br>(Erie St<br>B&C)              | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November<br>1 to March 31<br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to<br>October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 4 hours maximum   |

|                    |   |                                 |                  |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 7<br>(George St)   | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November 1 to March 31<br><br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 12 hours maximum |
| 8<br>(Kalbfleisch) | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.<br>from November 1 to March 31<br><br>9 a.m. to 8 p.m.<br>from April 1 to October 31 | Monday to<br>Saturday Inclusive | 12 hours maximum |

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- 56.1 Section 56 herein does not apply to a motor vehicle displaying a valid Province of Ontario Veteran licence plate.
- 56.2 Persons with disabilities holding a valid government issued accessible parking permit are exempt from depositing payment in parking machines for the parking time as set out in Column 2 of Table 3 when parked in a designated parking space.
57. Notwithstanding Section 56 of this by-law, in metered off street Municipal Parking Lots, persons parking marked vehicles that identify them as vehicles belonging to a police force, the fire department, Festival Hydro, the Corporation and/or the Ministry of Transportation, are not required to pay for the use of a parking space.

### **Previous Sections Apply**

58. Sections 40, 41, 42(2), 42(3), 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53 and 54 apply with the necessary modifications to this Part of this by-law.

### **Parking Permits (Schedule 19)**

59. (1) The City Clerk or designate is hereby authorized and directed to provide parking permits, as identified in Schedule 19, for each metered off-street Municipal Parking Lot mentioned in section 55, whereby the purchaser of the permit agrees to the conditions described below:
- a) that the permit is issued for one specific lot at a rate set by The Corporation of the City of Stratford in accordance with the User Fee By-Law with no obligation to The Corporation of the City of Stratford to renew the permit for a term;
  - b) that the permit will be displayed by placing it on the interior windshield or on the dash board with the permit number clearly in view;

- c) that the permit is valid for the specific lot identified at time of purchase of the permit and is not transferable to any other lot; and
  - d) that the permit is valid for the licence plated vehicle identified by the owner at the time of purchase of the permit and is not transferable to any other vehicle.
- (2) When the parking permit described in sub-section (1) of this section is appropriately displayed, the vehicle is permitted to park in the specified parking lot for which the permit was purchased without inserting coins into a parking meter or pay by plate machine or making a credit card payment at a pay by plate machine.
- (3) No person who has purchased a parking permit shall park a vehicle on a municipal parking lot without displaying the parking permit issued for that specific parking lot as described in sub-section (1)(a) of this section herein.
- (4) No person shall use an expired parking permit unless authorized to do so.
- (5) A replacement parking permit may be issued for a fee.
- (6) No person shall photocopy parking permits.
- (7) No person shall tamper with, deface or alter a parking permit.

### **No Long Vehicle Parking**

- 60. No person shall park any motor vehicle in excess of 6.1 meters in length in any of the parking lots mentioned in sections 55 at anytime.

## **PART 4 - UNMETERED OFF-STREET MUNICIPAL PARKING**

### **Unmetered Municipal Parking Lots**

- 61. The following premises owned by the Corporation and described in Table 4 herein are hereby designated as Municipal Parking Lots to be used for the unmetered parking of motor vehicles until the premises are otherwise required.



**Table 4**

| <b>Column 1<br/>Lot<br/>Number</b> | <b>Column 2<br/>Lot Name</b>                 | <b>Column 3<br/>Description</b>                         |
|------------------------------------|--|---|
| 11                                 | Cooper Lot<br>(105 St. Patrick St.)          | The premises on attached as Schedule 22                 |
| 12                                 | Downie Lot<br>(17 George St.)                | The premises on attached as Schedule 22                 |
| 13                                 | Stratford Jail<br>(30 St. Andrew St.)        | The premises on attached as Schedule 22                 |
| 14                                 | removed                                      |   |
| 15                                 |  |   |
| 16                                 | Stratford Place<br>Hotel<br>(136 Ontario St) | The premises on attached as Schedule 22 Pay and display |
| 17                                 | removed                                      | removed   |

**Lawful Use of Space**

62. For each lot mentioned in Column 1 of Table 5 herein, no person shall park a motor vehicle beyond the maximum number of consecutive hours mentioned in Column 4 thereof during the times mentioned in Column 2 thereof on any of the days mentioned in Column 3 thereof, and during such times on such days no person shall park a motor vehicle on any of the parking lots except in a designated parking space.

**Table 5**

| <b>Column 1<br/>Lot Number</b> | <b>Column 2<br/>Times</b> | <b>Column 3<br/>Days</b> | <b>Column 4<br/>Maximum Limit</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 11                             | 24 hours                  | 7 days a week            | 24 hours<br>72 Hour Permit        |
| 12                             | 24 hours                  | 7 days a week            | 24 hours                          |
| 13                             | 24 hours                  | 7 days a week            | 72 hours                          |
| 14                             | As per agreement          |                          |                                   |
| 15                             | As per agreement          |                          |                                   |

|    |                  |  |  |
|----|------------------|--|--|
| 16 | As per agreement |  |  |
| 17 | removed          |  |  |

### **No Long Vehicle Parking**

63. No person shall park any motor vehicle in excess of 6.1 meters in length in any of the parking lots mentioned in section 61 at any time. Bus parking is available on those areas marked on St. Patrick Street and in the Downie Street Parking Lot.

### **Other Parking Requirements for Off-Street Parking For Both Metered and Unmetered Spaces**

64. No person shall park and leave unattended a vehicle on any aisle abutting parking spaces in an off-street parking lot.
65. No person shall drive a motor vehicle into or out of an off-street parking lot other than from the designated entrances and exists.
66. No person shall use any portion of an off-street parking lot in such a manner as to endanger the person or property of another.
67. No person shall use any portion of an off-street parking lot as a place for buying and selling of merchandise of any kind whatsoever.
68. No person shall at any time park any immobile or unlicensed vehicle in an off-street parking lot set out in Schedule 2 of this By-law.
69. No person shall at any time park any vehicle for the purpose of washing or repairing a vehicle in an off-street parking lot as set out in Schedule 2 of this By-law.

## **PART 5 - FIRE ROUTES**

### **Tampering With Signs**

70. No person shall move, remove or interfere with a fire route sign along a fire route or obstruct a view of the fire route sign along a fire route.

### **Conflicting Signs on Fire Routes**

71. No person shall erect or maintain along a fire route any sign which may conflict or be confused with a fire route sign.

### **Unauthorized Use of Signs**

72. No person shall erect or maintain a facsimile of a fire route sign along any private roadway, whether a fire route or not.

### **No Parking In Fire Route (Schedule 20)**

73. (1) No person shall park, stop or stand a vehicle along a fire route or in such a manner that any part of a vehicle is located within the fire route as designated on schedule 20 of this by-law.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a passenger vehicle of the Corporation using bus stops when appropriate signs are erected and on display, which signs are hereby authorized.
- (3) A peace officer, a police officer, a special constable, an officer appointed for the carrying out of the Provisions of the *Highway Traffic Act* and The Corporation of the City of Stratford By-law enforcement officer as special constable may cause a vehicle in violation of (1) to be moved or taken to and placed in suitable place and all costs and charges for removing, care and storage thereof, if any, are a lien upon the vehicle which may be enforced in the manner provided in the *Repair and Storage Lien Act*.

## **PART 6 - PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

### **Parking Space for Persons with Disabilities (Schedule 21)**

74. Notwithstanding the provisions of this or any other by-law, no person shall park, stand, stop or leave a motor vehicle in any designated parking space set out in Schedule 21 of this by-law except a motor vehicle,
- (a) that is operated by or carries a person with a disability, and
- (b) that is identified by a Accessible parking permit.

### **Display of Permit**

75. (1) An Accessible parking permit shall be displayed on:
- (a) the inner surface of the windshield, as close as practicable to the drivers side and as close as practicable to the left-hand side of the motor vehicle, or
- (b) the outer surface of the sun visor on the drivers side of the motor vehicle so as to be visible through the windshield from the exterior of the car when the sun visor is in a lowered position.

### **Prohibitions Regarding Permits**

76. (1) No person shall

- (a) use or permit the use of a defaced or altered Accessible parking permit furnished by the Minister of Transportation;
- (b) use or permit the use of a Accessible parking permit furnished by the Ministry of Transportation except the Accessible person to whom the permit is issued; or a person transporting such person with a disability;
- (c) without the authority of the person to whom a Accessible parking permit has been issued, remove a Accessible parking permit furnished by the Ministry of Transportation from a motor vehicle.

### **Location and Allocation of Designated Parking Spaces**

77. (1) A designated parking space shall be distinctly indicated in accordance with the requirements of the *Highway Traffic Act* and as further provided by the Corporation's Accessibility Guidelines.
- (2) The Corporation's Accessibility Guidelines shall be regarded to when installing/establishing such parking spaces.

## **PART 7 - PRIVATELY-OWNED LOTS/PRIVATE PROPERTY**

### **Privately-Owned Off Street Parking Lots**

78. (1) All privately-owned parking lots shall erect and display signs stating the conditions on which a motor vehicle may be parked or left on the property or prohibiting the parking or leaving of a motor vehicle on the property.
- (2) No person shall permit a vehicle to be parked in a privately - owned parking lot or other parking facility without the authorization of the owner of the parking lot or parking facility when signs are posted at all entrances to such parking lot or parking facility prohibiting such unauthorized parking.
- (3) No person shall permit a vehicle to be parked in the same parking space in a privately-owned parking lot or other parking facility for a longer period at any one time than the maximum period allowable, if any, for such vehicle as prescribed by signs posted upon such lot or facility.
- (4) No person shall park or leave a motor vehicle on private property without the written consent of the owner or the occupant of the property.

## **PART 8 – MOTORIZED SNOW VEHICLES**

79. (1) Motorized snow vehicles may be operated within the City between the hours of 6:30 am to 11:30 pm on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and between the hours of 6:30 am to 12:00 midnight on Friday and Saturday.
- (2) Motorized snow vehicles shall not travel along any municipal sidewalk within the City, but shall be permitted to cross such sidewalks for the purpose of traveling from private property to a roadway or from a roadway to private property.

## **PART 9 - GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **General Penalty**

80. (1) Except where otherwise expressly provided by this by-law or the *Highway Traffic Act*, every person who
- (a) contravenes any provision of this by-law; or
  - (b) is the owner of a vehicle that is parked, standing or stopped in contravention of any provision of this by-law,
- is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to any penalty as provided in the *Provincial Offences Act*.
- (2) Despite subsection (1), any person who contravenes any section Part 6 of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not less than \$300.00.

### **Illegally Parked Vehicles**

81. Where a vehicle has been left parked, standing or stopped in contravention of this By-law, the owner of the vehicle, notwithstanding that he was not the driver of the vehicle at the time of the contravention, is guilty of an offence and is liable to the fine prescribed for the offence unless, at the time of the offence, the vehicle was in the possession of some person other than the owner without the owner's consent.

### **Towing of Illegally Parked Vehicles**

82. Where a vehicle has been left parked, standing, or stopped and is:
- (a) in contravention of any of the provisions of this by-law;
  - (b) interfering with a street event where streets and/or parking lots are closed;
  - (c) interfering with snow removal and/or winter maintenance activities; or,

- (d) interfering with road or parking lot maintenance and/or construction being undertaken by the City or its contractor;

a police officer/by-law enforcement officer/parking enforcement officer may, in addition to attaching a parking infraction notice to the vehicle, cause the vehicle to be taken to and placed in storage in a suitable place and all costs and charges for removing, care and storage thereof, if any, shall be a lien upon the vehicle which may be enforced pursuant to the Repair and Storage Liens Act R.S.O. 1990, c. R 25 as amended or any successor legislation.

### **Excess Coins in Parking Meters**

- 83. Where a person deposits one or more coins in a parking meter or pay by plate machine in excess of that required for the parking time allowed by the meter or the pay by plate machine, no change shall be remitted, no increase in parking time shall be allowed and no refunds shall be granted.

### **Executive Acts Authorized**

- 84. The Mayor and staff of the Corporation are hereby authorized to do all things and to execute on behalf of and under the seal of the Corporation any document necessary to give effect to this by-law.

### **Headings Not Part of By-law**

- 85. The headings in the body of this By-law form no part of the By-law but are inserted for convenience of reference only.

### **Deviation From Form**

- 86. Where a form or words or expressions are prescribed in any Schedule to this By-law, deviations therefrom not affecting the substance or calculated to mislead do not vitiate them.

### **Conflict With Highway Traffic Act**

- 87. In the event of conflict between the provisions of this By-law and the *Highway Traffic Act*, the provisions of the Highway Traffic Act prevail.

### **Signage**

- 88. Any signage previously erected under the authority of the by-laws listed in (1) that is compliant with the provisions of this by-law shall be observed and enforced as if such signage had been erected under the authority of this by-law.

### **Commencement**

- 89. This By-law comes into force and takes effect on when approval from the Ministry of the Attorneys Office is received with respect to the fine amounts.

### **Short Title**

90. The short title of this By-law is the *Traffic and Parking By-law*.
91. Notwithstanding anything contained in this By-law, City Council hereby grants four-hour free parking on Saturdays from the first Saturday in December to the last Saturday in April, that all other traffic and parking provisions in this By-law remain in force and effect and that Council, by resolution of Council, may amend, change or revise this Four-Hour Free Parking on Saturday from the first Saturday in December to the last Saturday in April program at any time and with any conditions as Council determines from time to time.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008.

"Daniel B. Mathieson"

Mayor – Dan Mathieson

"Joan Thomson"

Clerk – Joan Thomson

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