

CITY OF NANAIMO

BYLAW NO. 7312

A BYLAW TO POSTPONE THE TAX SALE REDEMPTION PERIOD UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

WHEREAS a declaration of a state of emergency throughout the whole of the Province of British Columbia was made on March 18, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS it is in the public interest to ensure that certain financial measures be authorized so that local governments have the operating funds during the emergency, and that the impacts of the emergency are lessened by varying, extending, or deferring requirements;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General issued Ministerial Order No. M159 authorizing a council of a municipality, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31st, to defer the Tax Sale redemption period for all properties that have a redemption period ending in 2020, provided for under Division 7 (*Annual Municipal Tax Sale*) of Part 16 (*Municipal Provisions*) of the *Local Government Act*, until September 30, 2021.

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Nanaimo, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Title

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Tax Sale Redemption Period Postponement Bylaw 2020 No. 7312".

2. Provisions

2.1 The annual Tax Sale redemption period for all properties that have a redemption period ending in 2020 is hereby postponed to September 30, 2021.

2.2 Written notice shall be sent within two (2) weeks of the adoption of this Bylaw advising that the redemption period has been extended to September 30, 2021:

- a) to the property owner of a property that is subject to a redemption period that has been extended in accordance with subsection (1) of section 18 of Ministerial Order No. M159; and,
- b) to the tax sale purchaser.

3. Severability

- 3.1 If a portion of this Bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw will remain in effect.

PASSED FIRST READING: 2020-JUL-20
PASSED SECOND READING: 2020-JUL-20
PASSED THIRD READING: 2020-JUL-20
ADOPTED: 2020-JUL-20

L. E. KROG
MAYOR

S. GURRIE
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