CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

BYLAW NO. 3136

A Bylaw to provide alternative means of public notice.

WHEREAS the *Community Charter* and the *Local Government Act* require local governments to provide advanced public notice on certain matters of public interest;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, may by bylaw, under the *Community Charter*, provide an alternative means of publishing notice;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, has considered the principles for effective public notification to be reliable, accessible, and suitable as set out in the Public Notice Regulation, B.C. Reg. 52/2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This bylaw may be cited as "Public Notice Bylaw, 2024, No. 3136".
- 2. In this bylaw "website" means the official website of the Township of Esquimalt, <u>www.esquimalt.ca</u>.
- 3. That the means of publication for notice requirements under the *Community Charter*, the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment, may be given by the means specified in this bylaw as follows:
 - 3.1. Electronically by posting the notice on the Township's website; and,
 - 3.2. Electronically by distributing the notice through the Township's email subscription service.
- 4. The notice given under section 3 of this bylaw must be published at least (7) seven days before the matter for which notice is required unless the *Community Charter, Local Government Act* or any other enactment provide otherwise.
- 5. The public notice requirements in this bylaw are minimum requirements and do not prevent the Township of Esquimalt from providing additional published notice as may be deemed appropriate.
- 6. A decision by a court that any part of this bylaw is illegal, void, or unenforceable severs that part from this bylaw, and is not to affect the balance of this bylaw.

READ a first time by the Municipal Council on the 6th day of May, 2024.

READ a second time by the Municipal Council on the 6th day of May, 2024.

READ a third time by the Municipal Council on the 6th day of May, 2024.

ADOPTED by the Municipal Council on the day of, 2024.

BARBARA DESJARDINS MAYOR DEBRA HOPKINS CORPORATE OFFICER