

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH

BYLAW NO. 10131

TO IMPOSE A PARCEL TAX ON ALL BENEFITING PARCELS FOR THE FINANCING OF HEAT PUMPS

WHEREAS The Corporation of the District of Saanich has established a local area service for building retrofits for the particular benefit of the local service area under that Bylaw;

WHEREAS the *Community Charter* authorizes the Council to impose and levy a parcel tax to meet the cost of activities, facilities, works or other services that benefit land within the local service area; and

WHEREAS the Council wishes to impose a parcel tax for the purposes of the owners repaying to the District of Saanich the full cost of the building retrofits covered by the service;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the District of Saanich, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

Title

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “**HEAT PUMP FINANCING PARCEL TAX BYLAW, 2025, NO. 10131**”.

Purpose

2. The tax imposed under this Bylaw is for the purpose of repaying to the District of Saanich the cost of retrofitting buildings in the local area services established by the Local Area Services Bylaws as set out in Column 2 of Schedule “A” attached hereto.

Update of the Roll

3. The parcel tax roll used to impose the parcel tax is the Heat Pump Financing Parcel Tax Roll. The collector is hereby directed to amend the Heat Pump Financing Parcel Tax Roll pursuant to section 208 of the *Community Charter* to include those properties within the established local area services as set out in Column 1 of Schedule “A” attached hereto.

Basis of Parcel Tax

4. The parcel tax imposed under this Bylaw shall be imposed on the basis of a single amount for each parcel that has the opportunity to be provided with the service, as set out in Column 1 of Schedule “A” attached hereto.

Imposition of Parcel Tax

5. A tax in the amount set out in Column 3 of Schedule “A” for each parcel within the local area service established under *Heat Pump Financing Service Bylaw, 2022, No. 9761* will be charged.

Term

6. Subject to Section 8, the parcel tax imposed under this Bylaw in the amounts per parcel per year as set out in Column 3 of Schedule "A" will be imposed for a ten (10) year term.

Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel

7. Every complaint with regards to the Heat Pump Financing Parcel Tax Roll shall be reviewed by a Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel, appointed pursuant to the provisions of the *Community Charter*.

Reduction of Parcel Tax

8. The parcel tax imposed by this Bylaw shall be waived in its entirety where the owner of a parcel subject to the parcel tax has paid a single payment in cash to the Collector of the amounts set out for that parcel in Column 2 of Schedule "B" attached hereto on or before the date set out for that parcel in the corresponding Column 3 of Schedule "B" attached hereto.

Severability

9. If a portion of this Bylaw is held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of this bylaw is deemed to have been adopted without the severed section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or phrase.

Read a first time _____, 2025.

Read a second time _____, 2025.

Read a third time _____, 2025.

Adopted by Council, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Seal of the Corporation on _____, 2025.

Corporate Officer

Mayor