



## REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: Chief Licence Inspector  
SUBJECT: 2023 Business Licence, Vehicles for Hire and Animal Control Fees

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- A. THAT Council approve in principle the following fee adjustments:
- a. A new Aggressive Dog Licence Fee of \$200 in Schedule A of the Animal Control By-law;
  - b. A 5.2% increase to all other fees collected under the Animal Control By-law;
  - c. A reduced cannabis retail licence fee of \$5,000 in Schedule A of the License By-law;
  - d. A 5.67% increase to live aboard business licence fees in Schedule A of the License By-law in accordance with Council policy; and
  - e. A 5.2% increase to all other fees collected under the License By-law and Vehicles for Hire By-law, with the exception of Inter Municipal Business Licence fees;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the necessary amendments to the License By-law, Vehicles for Hire By-law and Animal Control By-law, generally in accordance with the by-laws attached in Appendices A, B and C, to be effective January 1, 2023.

- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, an amendment to the Vehicles for Hire By-law to align the definition of Courier Bicycle with the definition of "cycle" in the *Motor Vehicle Act*;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the necessary amendments to the Vehicles for Hire By-law, generally in accordance with the by-law attached in Appendix B, to be effective immediately.

### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report seeks Council approval for the following adjustments to fees collected under the License By-law, Vehicles for Hire By-law and Animal Control By-law (“licensing fees”), effective January 1, 2023:

- A reduction of the cannabis retail licence fee from \$13,500 to \$5,000;
- A new \$200 Aggressive Dog licence fee to partially fund implementation of the approach to rehabilitate aggressive dogs, which was approved by Council on April 13, 2022;
- A 5.67% increase to live-aboard licence fees, per Council’s policy to base the annual fee increase on the municipal general purpose tax levied on residential properties in the previous year; and
- A 5.2% increase to all remaining licensing fees, with the exception of Inter Municipal Business Licence (IMBL) fees, to ensure fees remain consistent with increases to City costs, bring revenue back to pre-pandemic levels and to offset the revenue loss from the reduction in the cannabis retail licence fee.

Staff are also recommending an amendment to the Vehicles for Hire By-law to align the definition of Courier Bicycle with the definition of “cycle” in the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

### **COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

Section 272(1)(b) of the *Vancouver Charter* authorizes Council to make by-laws for fixing the fee for the granting of any permit or licence, which may be in the nature of a tax for the privilege conferred by it.

On November 28, 1996, Council established that the most appropriate way of adjusting live-aboard licence fees would be to base the increase on the change in property taxes paid by residential taxpayers.

On October 5, 2021, Council approved recommendations for a reduced cannabis retail licence fee of \$13,500 in 2022, with considerations for a further reduced fee of \$5,000 in 2023.

On April 13, 2022, Council approved, in principle, amendments to the Animal Control By-law to institute a licensing approach to aggressive dogs and allow for the rehabilitation of aggressive dogs. Council further directed staff to report back on the costs of implementation and recommendations for a funding mechanism. The approved amendments to the Animal Control By-law from April 13, 2022 could then be enacted subject to the approval of the recommended increases to fees collected under the Animal Control By-law in this report.

### **CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

The City Manager recommends approval of the foregoing.

## **REPORT**

### **Background/Context**

Licensing fees are used primarily to fund the City's licensing operations, including enforcement. The *Vancouver Charter* authorizes the City to set licensing fees above the cost of recovery. Revenue above costs contribute to a balanced budget across the City.

In 2021, there were no increases to licensing fees to recognize the financial challenges faced by businesses due to COVID-19. For 2022, Council approved a 5% increase to fees in the License By-law and Vehicles for Hire By-law, with the exception of cannabis retail fees, to account for program cost escalation, support additional staffing capacity to address the City's licensing backlog and partially recover licensing fee revenue to pre-pandemic levels. Council also approved a phased reduction of the cannabis retail licence fee from \$33,958 to \$13,500 to encourage compliance among prospective retailers, while mitigating the financial impact from the loss of revenue. Note that IMBL fees, including those for transportation network services (i.e. ride hailing), are not subject to an annual increase as the fees are set according to an inter-municipal agreements established and ratified by the councils of participating municipalities.

In 2021, the City issued approximately 54,000 business and vehicles for hire licences and 22,000 dog licences. Actual revenue from licensing fees was approximately \$21.8 million in 2021, compared to budgeted revenue of \$20 million. As of May 2022, the City has collected approximately \$19.8 million in licensing fees, with a budgeted total revenue of \$21.4 million for 2022. Staff expect to exceed 2022 budgeted revenue primarily due to higher than expected volume for dog licences, and higher than anticipated revenue from the City's portion of ride-hailing IMBL fees.

### **Strategic Analysis**

#### **A. Implementing and funding the rehabilitation of aggressive dogs**

On April 13, 2022, Council approved, in principle, amendments to the Animal Control By-law that would allow owners of aggressive dogs to apply to the City for a determination that the dog is no longer aggressive. Council further directed staff to report back on the cost of implementation and the funding approach.

Staff have conducted an analysis of the staffing implications and have confirmed that one additional Clerk position, costing \$90,000 annually including benefits and overhead, is required. The work that is anticipated as a result of amendments to the Animal Control By-law will be new lines of business for Vancouver Animal Services, which will entail more robust tracking of the dogs and its owners, higher level of bylaw administrative oversight and new administrative processes for existing clerical staff who are already at capacity with their current duties.

In the April 13 report, staff presented four potential options for funding staffing increases to enable the rehabilitation of aggressive dogs. These options have been refined and are presented in Table 3 for Council's consideration. Due to additional revenue of approximately \$200,000 from projected increases to dog licence volumes, an increase to the dog licence fee (currently \$47) is not necessary to specifically fund the staffing increase. However, staff recommend a new \$200 fee for owners of aggressive dogs to incentivize responsible dog ownership and to reflect the City's higher cost from handling aggressive dogs. This is also the approach in other B.C. cities that allow for the relief of aggressive dogs. Furthermore, the new

fee will allow more of the incremental revenue from dog licensing volume increase to be used for other purposes. **For these reasons, staff recommend the adoption of Option D.**

**Table 3:** Options for funding implementation of the approved approach for rehabilitating aggressive dogs

|                         | Option A   | Option B  | Option C   | Option D  |
|-------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| <b>Funding approach</b> | Additional revenue from increase to dog licensing volume (\$200,000) | Recover costs from all dog owners through a \$4 (8.5%) increase to dog licence fees | Recover costs from owners of aggressive dogs through a new \$486.50 aggressive dog licence fee | Recover a portion of the cost (\$37,000) from aggressive dog owners through a new \$200 aggressive dog licence fee, with the remainder (\$53,000) recovered from incremental increase to dog licensing volume |

Staff will also allocate \$2,000 of additional revenue from the projected increase to dog licensing volume to increase the Animal Welfare Grant by 16 percent (currently budgeted at \$12,417) to better support non-profit organizations that provide financial aid to dog owners experiencing low income. This could cover the cost of dog training, behavioural assessment, spay and neuter and veterinarian care, with the objective of supporting dog owners experiencing low-income to care for their dogs. Eligible non-profit organizations will be able to submit applications in 2023 as the 2022 Animal Welfare Grant has already been approved by Council on April 13, 2022.<sup>1</sup>

If Council approves the recommended funding approach, the Council approved amendments to the Animal Control By-law that will enable the rehabilitation of aggressive dogs will come into effect on January 1, 2023.

## B. Cannabis retail fee options and recommendations

In 2021, Council approved a phased reduction of the cannabis retail licence fee from \$33,958 to \$13,500, with considerations of a further reduced fee of \$5,000 in 2023. This was a balanced approach that was guided by the following principles presented in the 2021 licensing fee report.<sup>2</sup>

1. Enable cost-recovery at a minimum, including for by-law enforcement while reducing the financial impact on the City;
2. Recoup the cost of application processing upfront, including applications that do not go through to completion; and
3. Encourage compliance and entrance into the legal market for prospective retailers.

While the licence fee has been substantially reduced in 2022, cannabis retailers in Vancouver continue to pay much higher fees when compared to other cities in B.C. and other retail licence types in the city, as shown below.

**Figure 1:** Annual cannabis retail licence fees in select B.C. cities

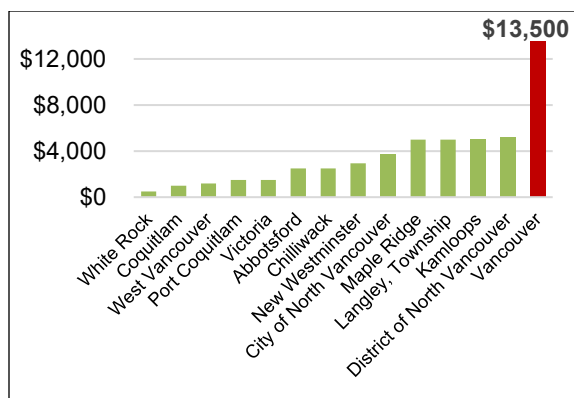
**Table 1:** Licence fees for retail business categories in Vancouver

<sup>1</sup> City of Vancouver (April 13, 2022). "2022 Animal Welfare Grant." RTS No. 15018.

<https://council.vancouver.ca/20220413/documents/pspc3.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> City of Vancouver (October, 2021). "2022 Licence Fees and Report Back on Cannabis Retail Licence Fee." RTS No. 14379.

<https://council.vancouver.ca/20211005/documents/spec2.pdf>.



| Licence category                       | Licence fee (2022) |
|--|--------------------|
| Retail dealer – standard               | \$163              |
| Retail dealer – food                   | \$300              |
| Pet store                              | \$300              |
| Liquor retail                          | \$450              |
| Retail dealer - grocery                | \$965              |
| Retail dealer – 50,000 sq. ft. premise | \$4,825            |
| Cannabis retail                        | \$13,500           |

Staff considered a number of fee reduction options, including a fee of \$5,000 as directed by Council, to model the financial impact to the City vis-à-vis budgeted cannabis licence fee revenue of \$1million in 2022. This analysis is presented in Table 2 below.

**Table 2:** Options for 2023 cannabis retail licence fee

|   | Status quo  | Option A    | Option B    | Option C    | Option D    |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Fee amount</b>   | \$13,500    | \$10,000    | \$8,000     | \$6,000     | \$5,000     |
| <b>Estimated 2023 revenue</b>                               | \$1,012,500 | \$750,000   | \$600,000   | \$450,000   | \$375,000   |
| <b>Comparison with budgeted 2022 revenue (\$ 1 million)</b> | \$12,500    | (\$250,000) | (\$400,000) | (\$550,000) | (\$625,000) |

Option D (fee of \$5,000) will result in an immediate revenue loss of \$625,000 against the 2022 budget that can be offset by the remaining incremental revenue from dog licensing volume increases (\$145,000), higher than anticipated IMBL ride-hailing licence fees (\$250,000) and a 1% general increase to other licensing fees. Overall, **staff recommends Option D** for the following additional reasons:

- A fee of \$5,000 will continue enabling the City to recover its cost to implement and enforce cannabis retail regulations;
- The recommended fee will align the City with other B.C. jurisdictions while bringing it closer to the City's licence fee for other retail business categories; and
- In staff's engagement with industry in 2021, stakeholders expressed a clear preference for an immediate reduction of the licence fee to \$5,000 – it was also recently reported in the media that the cannabis retail industry in Vancouver have experienced some difficulties due to competition with provincial government owned and operated B.C. Cannabis Stores and the black market.<sup>3</sup> A reduction in the fee to \$5,000 can provide some relief to licensed cannabis retailers.

### C. Recommended live-aboard licence fee increases

The City levies a licence fee on marina operators for each live-aboard boat moored at a marina. As boats used for live-aboard purposes are not a defined class under the *Assessment Act*, this licence fee contributes to the provision of municipal services, similar in function to property taxes paid by Vancouver residents who occupy assessable real property.

<sup>3</sup> Ballard, J. (May 11, 2022). "B.C. cannabis retailers say they are being pushed out by deeply discounted government stores." *CBC News*: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/private-cannabis-retailers-pushed-out-1.6449367>.

Council enacted a policy in 1996 to base the licence fee on the length of the boat at waterline, with the fee adjusted annually to mirror the increase to the municipal general purpose tax levied on the resident property class in the previous year. As the increase to the residential property tax was 5.67% in 2021, staff are recommending a 5.67% to marina operator licence fees, as presented in Table 4 below:

**Table 4:** Live aboard licence fee recommendations

| Length of boat at waterline  | 2022 Licence Fee | Recommended 2023 Licence Fee |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 21 feet or less              | \$1,521          | \$1,607                      |
| More than 21 feet to 26 feet | \$1,841          | \$1,945                      |
| More than 26 feet to 31 feet | \$2,074          | \$2,192                      |
| More than 31 feet to 37 feet | \$2,364          | \$2,498                      |
| More than 37 feet            | \$2,608          | \$2,756                      |

#### **D. Recommended annual increases to 2023 business licence, vehicle for hire and animal services fees**

Staff have calculated that a 4.2% increase is required to generate \$497,000 to ensure licensing fee revenues remain consistent with increases to city costs and another \$382,000 to fully recover licensing revenue to pre-pandemic levels. If Council approves staff's recommendation to reduce the cannabis retail licence fee to \$5,000, this will generate a shortfall of \$230,000 to licensing fee revenue, after accounting for additional revenue from projected increases to dog licensing volume and ride-hailing IMBL fees. This will require an offsetting increase of 1% to all other licensing fees. **As such, staff are recommending a total increase of 5.2% to all remaining licensing fees in the License By-law, Vehicles for Hire By-law and Animal Control By-law**, with the exception of IMBL fees.

If approved by Council, this would amount to an average annual increase of around \$10 as more than 80% of businesses in Vancouver pay an annual licence fee of under \$200.

#### **E. Definition of "Courier Bicycle" in the Vehicles for Hire By-law**

To operate a Vehicle for Hire business in Vancouver, an operator must hold a Vehicles for Hire licence. Licences are only available for vehicle types defined in the By-law and listed in Schedule A of the By-law. Courier Bicycle is defined in the Vehicle for Hire By-law as a bicycle with two wheels, operated solely by foot power. This outdated definition does not reflect the range of cycles allowed under the *Motor Vehicle Act* and which operators already use for delivery business. Examples include e-cycles and 3-wheeled cargo cycles. To enable these cycles for licensing as couriers, Staff propose to update the definition of Courier Bicycle to align with the definition of "cycle" in the *Motor Vehicle Act*. Quadricycles are proposed to be excluded because they are already licensed and regulated separately in the Vehicles for Hire By-law.

## ***Implications/Related Issues/Risk***

### ***Financial***

#### **Rehabilitation of Aggressive Dogs Fee and Financial Implications**

Staff recommend a \$90,000 staffing and overhead increase to administer the new Aggressive Dogs Program. A portion of the costs (\$37,000) will be recovered from aggressive dog owners through a \$200 aggressive dog licence with the remainder (\$53,000) recovered from the projected incremental increase to dog licensing volume.

Staff are also increasing the Animal Welfare Grant by \$2,000 from the projected incremental dog licensing revenue and volume to \$14,417 in order to better support non-profit organizations that provide financial aid to dog owners experiencing low income.

#### **Cannabis Fees and Financial Implications**

Reducing cannabis fees from the existing rate of \$13,500 to the 2023 proposed rate of \$5,000 results in a lost revenue opportunity in 2023 of approximately \$625,000 based on projected volume. This can be partially offset by the remaining projected incremental increase to dog licensing volume (\$145,000) and higher than anticipated revenue from the City's portion of ride-hailing IMBL fees (\$250,000). The remaining shortfall (\$230,000) will require a 1% increase to other licensing fees.

#### **Other Business Licence Fees and Financial Implications**

Staff have calculated that a 4.2% increase is required to generate \$497,000 to ensure licensing fee revenues remain consistent with increases to city costs and another \$382,000 to fully recover licensing revenue to pre-pandemic levels.

To achieve the aforementioned revenue increases, staff are recommending a 5.2% increase to fees collected under the License By-law, Vehicles for Hire By-law and Animal Control Bylaw.

### ***Legal***

Section 272 of the Vancouver Charter authorizes licence fees, including fees for dog and business licenses. Section 273 authorizes terms and conditions to be imposed on different licences.

## ***CONCLUSION***

Staff are recommending the following fee adjustments, to take effect on January 1, 2023:

- a) A reduced annual licence fee of \$5,000 for cannabis retail businesses, in alignment with Council's direction to consider a fee of \$5,000 for 2023;
- b) A new \$200 fee for aggressive dogs to partially fund the implementation costs for managing and rehabilitating aggressive dogs;
- c) A 5.67% increase to live-aboard licence fees, per Council's direction to set the fee increase on the increase in residential property taxes from the previous year; and
- d) A 5.2% increase to all other fees in the License By-law, Vehicles for Hire By-law and Animal Control By-law, with the exception of IMBL fees, to account for increases to the cost of existing licensing services, bring revenue back to pre-pandemic levels, and to offset revenue loss from the recommended reduction to the cannabis retail licence fee.

In addition, staff are recommending an amendment to the Vehicles for Hire By-law to change the definition of Courier Bicycles to Courier Cycle.

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SCHEDULE A

Year 2023 Business License Fees

BUSINESS LICENSE FEES

|                                     | <u>Licence Term</u>  | <u>Licence Fee</u> |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Adult Entertainment Store           | Per annum  | \$425.00           |
| Amusement Park                      | Per annum  | \$6,283.00         |
| Animal/Veterinary Hospital          | Per annum  | \$316.00           |
| Antique Dealer                      | Per annum  | \$171.00           |
| Apartment Building                  | Per annum per dwelling unit (EXCEPT that a dwelling unit that is actually occupied by the owner of the premises, or a dwelling unit that is leased for 99 years or more and the lessee is eligible for and has received the Provincial Home Owner Grant for the preceding year, shall not be included in the calculation of the fee payable) | \$84.00            |
| Arcade, Exhibit or Shooting Gallery | Per annum  | \$425.00           |
| Artist Live/Work Studio             | Per annum  | \$171.00           |
| Arts and Culture Indoor Event       |  |                    |
| (a)    31 to 60 persons             | Per event or series of up to 3 events in a 30-day period   | \$31.00            |
| (b)    61 to 150 persons            | Per event or series of up to 3 events in a 30-day period   | \$123.00           |
| (c)    151 to 250 persons           | Per event or series of up to 3 events in a 30-day period   | \$183.00           |

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| Auto Dealer   | Per annum                              | \$207.00    |
| Auto Paint/Body Shop                                  | Per annum                              | \$171.00    |
| Auto Parking  | Per annum                              | \$171.00    |
| Auto Washing  | Per annum                              | \$171.00    |
| Backyard Pay Parking                                  | Per annum for the first 2 spaces, and: | \$158.00    |
|   | For each additional space              | \$68.00     |
| Bank Machine  | Per annum                              | \$68.00     |
| Barber Shop or Beauty Salon                           | Per annum                              | \$313.00    |
| Beauty and Wellness Centre                            | Per annum                              | \$402.00    |
| Bed and Breakfast Accommodation                       | Per annum                              | \$57.00     |
| Billiard-Room Keeper                                  | Per annum                              | \$342.00    |
| Body-Rub Parlour, Body-Painting Studio & Model Studio | Per annum                              | \$12,992.00 |
| Book Agent  | Per annum                              | \$207.00    |
| Bottle Depot  | Per annum                              | \$207.00    |
| Bowling Alley   | Per annum                              | \$316.00    |
| C.N.I.B. Concession Stand                             | Per annum                              | \$1.00      |
| Canvasser   | Per annum                              | \$171.00    |
| Carpet/Upholstery Cleaner                             | Per annum                              | \$207.00    |
| Casino - Class 1                                      | Per annum                              | \$331.00    |
| Casino - Class 2                                      | Per annum                              | \$14,872.00 |
| Caterer   | Per annum                              | \$454.00    |

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| Chimney Sweep  | Per annum  | \$207.00   |
| Club   | Per annum  | \$11.00    |
| Club Manager   | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Coin-Operated Services   | Per annum  | \$454.00   |
| Community Association  | Per annum  | \$2.00     |
| Compassion Club  | Per annum  | \$1,250.00 |
| Contractor   | Per annum  | \$207.00   |
| Courier/Messenger  | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Dairy Delivery Services  | Per annum  | \$454.00   |
| Dance Hall   | Per annum  | \$342.00   |
| Dancing Academy  | Per annum  | \$207.00   |
| Dating Service   | Per annum  | \$207.00   |
| Donation Bin   | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Dry Cleaner  | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Duplex   | Per annum for each dwelling unit (EXCEPT that no licence is required for a dwelling unit that is actually occupied by the owner of the premises) | \$82.00    |
| Dwelling Unit that a person rents, intends to rent, or customarily rents to a tenant except for a dwelling unit for which a fee is payable under another part of this Schedule A | Per annum  | \$82.00    |
| Electrician  | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Exhibition   | Per day  |            |

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| (a) Circus or Rodeo EXCEPT that where the Circus or Rodeo is to be held entirely within a permanent building, the fee shall be   | Per week  | \$193.00    |            |
|  | Per annum   | \$390.00    |            |
|  |   | \$3,660.00  |            |
| (b) Horse Racing   | Per annum   | \$14,872.00 |            |
| (c) Automobile or Motorcycle Racing  | Per day   | \$193.00    |            |
|  | Per week  | \$390.00    |            |
|  | Per annum   | \$1,489.00  |            |
| (d) Concert, lecture or a musical or theatrical performance staged or promoted by a person not holding a licence, where the capacity of the facility:  | (A) does not exceed 500 seats                                 | Per day     | \$171.00   |
|  |   | Per week    | \$335.00   |
|  |   | Per annum   | \$3,660.00 |
|  | (B) is greater than 500 seats but does not exceed 1000 seats  | Per day     | \$193.00   |
|  |   | Per week    | \$390.00   |
|  |   | Per annum   | \$3,430.00 |
|  | (C) is greater than 1000 seats but does not exceed 2000 seats | Per day     | \$229.00   |
|  |   | Per week    | \$454.00   |
|  |   | Per annum   | \$4,573.00 |
|  | (D) exceeds 2000 seats  | Per day     | \$263.00   |
|  |   | Per week    | \$517.00   |
|  |   | Per annum   | \$5,267.00 |
| EXCEPT that where no part of the proceeds from any event listed in (c) or (d) enures to the benefit or private gain of any person or proprietor or member thereof or shareholder therein, or to the person or persons organizing or managing such event, the fee shall be: |   |             |            |
|  | Per day   | \$47.00     |            |
|  | Per week  | \$57.00     |            |
|  | Per annum   | \$2,288.00  |            |
| (e) Boxing, wrestling, game, show, contest or any other exhibit, performance or device not hereinbefore specifically mentioned   | Per day   | \$194.00    |            |
|  | Per week  | \$390.00    |            |
|  | Per annum   | \$3,430.00  |            |

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| Extended Hours Liquor Establishment    | Per annum per person based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the establishment, except that despite the number of persons, the minimum fee will be: | \$19.30     |
|  | and the   | \$171.00    |
|  | maximum fee will be   | \$25,986.00 |
| Family Sports and Entertainment Centre | Per annum   | \$408.00    |
| Farmers' Market                        | Per annum   | \$11.00     |
| Financial Institution                  | Per annum   | \$1,740.00  |
| Fitness Centre – Class 1               | Per annum   | \$171.00    |
| Fitness Centre – Class 2               | Per annum   | \$316.00    |
| Fund Raiser                            | Per annum   | 207.00      |
| Gasoline Station                       | Per annum   | \$255.00    |
| Hair Stylist                           | Per annum per chair   | \$171.00    |
| Hairdresser                            | Per annum per chair   | \$171.00    |
| Health Care Office                     | Per annum   | \$171.00    |
| Health Enhancement Centre              | Per annum   | \$317.00    |
| Homecraft                              | Per annum   | \$86.00     |
| Hotel                                  | Per annum, plus   | \$86.00     |
|  | Per annum per dwelling unit   | \$82.00     |
|  | Per annum per housekeeping unit   | \$60.00     |
|  | Per annum per sleeping unit   | \$40.00     |

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| Inter-municipal Business Licence                           | Per annum   | \$250.00   |
| Inter-municipal TNS Business Licence                       | Per annum, plus   | \$155.00   |
|  | For each vehicle except for accessible passenger directed vehicles and zero emission vehicles, plus | \$158.00   |
|  | For each zero emission vehicle  | \$30.00    |
| Janitor Service  | Per annum   | \$207.00   |
| Junk Dealer, Mobile  | Per annum   | \$171.00   |
| Kennel   | Per annum   | \$171.00   |
| Late Night Dance Event                                     |   |            |
| (a) with patron capacity of less than 350                  | Per event   | \$372.00   |
| (b) with patron capacity of 350 or more but less than 750  | Per event   | \$653.00   |
| (c) with patron capacity of 750 or more but less than 2000 | Per event   | \$1,118.00 |
| (d) with patron capacity of 2000 or more                   | Per event   | \$1,489.00 |
| Laundry (with equipment)                                   | Per annum   | \$316.00   |
| Limited Service Food Establishment                         | Per annum   | \$616.00   |
| Liquor Delivery Service                                    | Per annum   | \$207.00   |
| Liquor Retail Store  | Per annum   | \$474.00   |
| Livery and Feed Stables                                    | Per annum   | \$316.00   |
| Locksmith  | Per annum   | \$207.00   |
| Manufacturer   | Per annum   | \$171.00   |
| Manufacturer – Food  | Per annum   | \$891.00   |

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| Marina Operator              | Per annum, plus   | \$341.00   |
|                              | For each occupied live-aboard boat 21 feet or less in length, at water line, plus                             | \$1,607.00 |
|                              | For each occupied live-aboard boat more than 21 feet but not more than 26 feet in length, at water line, plus | \$1,945.00 |
|                              | For each occupied live-aboard boat more than 26 feet but not more than 31 feet in length, at water line, plus | \$2,192.00 |
|                              | For each occupied live-aboard boat more than 31 feet but not more than 37 feet in length, at water line, plus | \$2,498.00 |
|                              | For each occupied live-aboard boat which is more than 37 feet in length at water line.                        | \$2,756.00 |
| Milk Vendor                  | Per annum   | \$316.00   |
| Moving Transfer Service      | Per annum   | \$171.00   |
| Multiple Conversion Dwelling | Per annum per dwelling unit   | \$82.00    |
|                              | Per annum per housekeeping unit   | \$60.00    |



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|   | Per annum per sleeping unit (EXCEPT that a dwelling unit, sleeping unit or housekeeping unit that is actually occupied by the owner of the premises shall not be included in the calculation of the fee payable) | \$40.00     |
| Newspaper Vending Machine   | Per annum per machine  | \$45.00     |
| Non-Profit Housing  | Per annum  | \$171.00    |
| Pacific National Exhibition – Annual Fair   | Per annum  | \$20,828.00 |
| Painter   | Per annum  | \$171.00    |
| Passenger Directed Vehicle Services excluding transportation network services providers providing transportation network services under an inter-municipal TNS business licence | Per annum, plus  | \$171.00    |
|   | For each vehicle except for accessible passenger directed vehicles and zero-emission vehicles  | \$110.00    |
| Pawnbroker  | Per annum  | \$2,642.00  |
| Peddler   | Per annum  | \$171.00    |
| Peddler- Food   | Per annum  | \$316.00    |
| Personal Care Home  | Per annum per licenced bed   | \$40.00     |
| Pet Store   | Per annum  | \$316.00    |
| Plumber   | Per annum  | \$171.00    |
| Property Manager  | Per annum  | \$171.00    |
| Psychic or Astrological Service   | Per annum  | \$171.00    |

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| Public Bike Share   | Per annum   | \$2,706.00              |
| Public Market Operator  | Per annum   | \$1,760.00              |
| Public Market Operator who operates on a temporary basis only | Per day   | \$620.00                |
| Rental Dealer   | Per annum   | \$171.00                |
| Residential Rental Unit                                       | Per annum   | \$82.00                 |
| Restaurant - Class 1  | Per annum   | \$891.00                |
| Restaurant – Class 1 with Liquor Service                      | Per annum, plus<br><br>Per annum per person, based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the restaurant | \$891.00<br><br>\$11.50 |
| Restaurant - Class 2  | Per annum   | \$891.00                |
| Restaurant – Class 2 with Liquor Service                      | Per annum, plus<br><br>Per annum per person, based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the restaurant | \$891.00<br><br>\$11.50 |
| Retail Dealer   | Per annum   | \$171.00                |
| Retail Dealer – Food  | Per annum   | \$316.00                |
| Retail Dealer – Grocery                                       | Per annum   | \$1,015.00              |
| Retail Dealer – Market: 50,000 sq. ft. premises               | Per annum   | \$5,076.00              |
| Retail Dealer – Cannabis                                      | Per annum   | \$5,000.00              |
| Rooming House   | Per annum per sleeping unit (EXCEPT that a sleeping unit that is actually occupied by the owner of the premises                       | \$40.00                 |

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|  | shall not be included in<br>the calculation of the fee<br>payable) |            |
| Scavenger  | Per annum  | \$342.00   |
| Schools – Business or Trade  | Per annum  | \$316.00   |
| Schools – Private  | Per annum  | \$316.00   |
| Scrap Metal Recycler   | Per annum  | \$171.00   |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 1  | Per annum  | \$2,642.00 |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 2  | Per annum  | \$1,450.00 |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 3  | Per annum  | \$1,002.00 |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 4  | Per annum  | \$379.00   |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 5  | Per annum  | \$379.00   |
| Secondhand Dealer - Class 6  | Per annum  | \$623.00   |
| Short Term Rental Operator   | Per annum  | \$109.00   |
| Single Detached House which is leased to and occupied by persons other than the building's owner | Per annum  | \$82.00    |
| Single Room Accommodation Operator   | Per annum  | deemed     |
| Social Escort  | Per annum  | \$207.00   |
| Social Escort Service  | Per annum  | \$1,535.00 |
| Soliciting for Charity   | Per annum  | \$11.00    |
| Specialty Wine Store   | Per annum  | \$316.00   |

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| <p>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 1;<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 2;<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 3;<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 4;<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 5;<br/>and<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 6</p> | <p>Per annum per person based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the establishment, except that despite the person capacity, the:</p> <p>Minimum fee will be: and the<br/>Maximum fee will be:</p> | <p>\$7.05</p> <p>\$171.00<br/>\$3,556.00</p> |
| <p>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 7;<br/>and<br/>Standard Hours Liquor Establishment – Class 8</p>   | <p>Per annum per person based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the establishment, except that despite the person capacity, the:</p> <p>Minimum fee will be: and the<br/>Maximum fee will be:</p> | <p>\$7.05</p> <p>\$171.00<br/>\$605.00</p>   |
| <p>Steam Bath/Massage Parlour</p>   | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$342.00</p>                              |
| <p>Street Vendor</p>  | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$171.00</p>                              |
| <p>Swimming Pool located in a hotel, apartment building, club, health spa or other business required to be licenced under this By-law</p>   | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$915.00</p>                              |
| <p>Talent/Model Agency</p>  | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$205.00</p>                              |
| <p>Tanning/Skin Care Salon</p>  | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$316.00</p>                              |
| <p>Tattoo Parlour</p>   | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$316.00</p>                              |
| <p>Taxicab Premises</p>   | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$171.00</p>                              |
| <p>Theatre</p>  | <p>Per annum</p>  | <p>\$316.00</p>                              |
| <p>Trailer Court</p>  | <p>Per annum per space</p>  | <p>\$288.00</p>                              |
| <p>Transient Peddler or Transient Trader</p>  | <p>Per week, or<br/>Per annum</p>   | <p>\$846.00<br/>\$4,117.00</p>               |

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| Undertaker   | Per annum   | \$316.00 |
| Urban Farm – Class A   | Per annum   | \$11.00  |
| Urban Farm – Class B   | Per annum   | \$171.00 |
| Vending Machine  | Per annum per machine   | \$21.00  |
| Venue  | Per annum per person based on the person capacity set out on the Provincial liquor licence for the venue, except that despite the person capacity, the: | \$7.05   |
|  | Minimum fee will be:  | \$82.00  |
|  | and the   |          |
|  | Maximum fee will be:  | \$549.00 |
| Warehouse Operator   | Per annum   | \$171.00 |
| Warehouse Operator – Food  | Per annum   | \$454.00 |
| Wedding Chapel   | Per annum   | \$446.00 |
| Wholesale Dealer   | Per annum   | \$171.00 |
| Wholesale Dealer – Food  | Per annum   | \$454.00 |
| Window Cleaner   | Per annum   | \$171.00 |
| Any Business, Trade, Profession or other occupation not specified herein | Per annum   | \$171.00 |
| Transfer of a Licence  |   | \$171.00 |
| Non-Refundable Portion of Fee  | Per licence where the applicable fee is greater than \$103.00   | \$103.00 |

Late Payment Fee

\$40.00 or  
10% of the  
original  
license fee,  
whichever is  
greater

SCHEDULE B

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICE FEES

**PART 1**

Application fees for comments on a new liquor licence or a permanent amendment to a liquor licence:

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| Base fee   | \$1,095.00 |
| Incremental Fees:  |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neighbourhood notification              | \$1,316.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Staff-held neighbourhood public meeting | \$2,264.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone survey                        | \$1,239.00 |

**PART 2**

Application fees for comments on a temporary amendment to a liquor licence:

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| Application fee for comments on a temporary amendment to liquor licence requesting later closing hours of operation   | Per night per seat except that, despite the person capacity or the number of nights, the | \$0.53     |
|   | Minimum fee will be: and the   | \$109.00   |
|   | Maximum fee will be:   | \$731.00   |
| Fee for assessing and providing comments on an application for a temporary amendment to a liquor license, other than a food primary license, requesting earlier opening hours of operation  |  | \$109.00   |
| Fee for assessing and providing comments on an application for a temporary amendment to a liquor license requesting any other change to a liquor license  |  | \$109.00   |
| Fee for assessing and providing comments on an application for a permanent or temporary amendment to a food primary license requesting liquor service hours past midnight, or a temporary amendment to a food primary license requesting patron participation entertainment |  | \$109.00   |
| Fee for assessing and providing comments on an application for the issue or amendment of a cannabis licence   |  | \$2,630.00 |

**PART 3**

**Miscellaneous Fees and Charges**

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| Application fee (s. 6.3)   | \$66.00  |
| Request for copy of licence (s. 7.1)                                     | \$6.00   |
| Request for change of business name or business trade name (s. 7.2)      | \$11.00  |
| Request for change of business address under licence (s. 7.3)            | \$28.00  |
| Request for change in business licence category (s. 7.4)                 | \$11.00  |
| Temporary licence fee for standard hours liquor establishment (s. 19.2A) | \$109.00 |



**DRAFT By-law to amend Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066  
Regarding 2023 Fee Increases and Amendments to Courier Bicycles**

*Note: A By-law will be prepared generally in accordance with the provisions listed below, subject to change and refinement prior to posting.*

1. This By-law amends the indicated schedules of the Vehicles for Hire By-law.
2. In section 2, in the definition of “Vehicle for Hire”, Council strikes out the definition of “Courier Bicycle” and substitutes the following:

““Courier Cycle”, which means a cycle as defined in the Motor Vehicle Act, but does not include quadricycles.”.
3. In section 6(3)(c), Council strikes out “courier bicycle” and substitutes “courier cycle”.
4. In section 11, Council:
  - (a) strikes out the title “**Courier bicycles**” and substitutes “**Courier cycles**”;
  - (b) strikes out “courier bicycle” wherever it appears and substitutes “courier cycle”; and
  - (c) in section 11(2):
    - (i) strikes out “attached to the bicycle” and substitutes “attached to the cycle”,
    - (ii) strikes out “of the seat”, and
    - (iii) strikes out “behind the bicycle” and substitutes “behind the cycle”.
5. In Schedule A, Council:
  - (a) strikes out “Courier Bicycle” and substitutes “Courier Cycle”; and
  - (b) strikes out “Bicycle Courier Testing” and substitutes “Cycle Courier Testing”.
6. Council:
  - (a) repeals Schedule A, and substitutes Schedule A attached to this By-law; and
  - (b) approves the fees set out in the new Schedule A.



SCHEDULE A

Year 2023 Vehicles for Hire License Fees

A classification of carriers and respective license fees payable by such person.

The following license fees are payable by every person owning or operating any of the following vehicles for hire in the City of Vancouver:

|   |  |          |
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| Airport Shuttle Bus   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$102.00 |
| Airport Transporter   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Charter Bus   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Charter Van   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Courier Cycle   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$23.00  |
| Driver Instruction Vehicle                                      | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Horse-Drawn Carriage  | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$698.00 |
| Motor Stage   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Pedicab   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| For each person operating a leased vehicle on a daily fee basis | Per annum  | \$14.00  |
| Quadricycle   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| School Cab  | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| School Shuttle Van  | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| Tow Truck   | Per annum for each vehicle                         | \$212.00 |
| U-Drive   | Per annum for each vehicle with 4 or more wheels   | \$59.00  |
|   | Per annum for each vehicle with less than 4 wheels | \$15.00  |

Unless otherwise provided herein, the licence fee to operate a vehicle licenced for one purpose shall be \$96 for each additional purpose authorized by this By-law. \$96.00

Administrative costs

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| Transfer of Licence - s. 9(4)    | \$171.00 |
| Replacement Plate - s. 10(4)     | \$42.00  |
| Cycle Courier Testing - s. 11(1) | \$47.00  |

Pro-rated license fees

If a person commences owning or operating a vehicle for hire after January 1 in any calendar year, the license fee is to be pro-rated by dividing the applicable annual license fee by 12 and multiplying the resulting number by the number of whole or partial months remaining in that calendar year except that:

- (a) annual licence fees that are less than \$88 will not be pro-rated; and
- (b) the minimum licence fee for any vehicle for hire shall be the lesser of \$88 or the full amount of the annual licence for that vehicle for hire.

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**DRAFT By-law to amend Animal Control By-law No. 9150  
Regarding 2023 Fee Increases and a New Aggressive Dog License Fee**

*Note: A By-law will be prepared generally in accordance with the provisions listed below, subject to change and refinement prior to posting.*

1. This By-law amends the indicated schedules of the Animal Control By-law.
2. Council:
  - (a) repeals Schedule A, and substitutes for it Schedule A attached to this By-law, which new Schedule A is to form part of the Animal Control By-law; and
  - (b) approves the fees set out in the new Schedule A.
3. A decision by a court that any part of this By-law is illegal, void, or unenforceable severs that part from this By-law, and is not to affect the balance of this By-law.
4. This By-law is to come into force and take effect on January 1, 2023.

ENACTED by Council this      day of      , 2022

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Mayor

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City Clerk

**SCHEDULE A**

Year 2023 Animal Control Fees and Charges

**Part 1 - License Fees**

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Dog (per annum)     | \$49.00  |
| Aggressive dog      | \$200.00 |
| Replacement dog tag | \$6.00   |

**Part 2 – Impound Fees**

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Licensed dog                        | \$105.00 |
| Unlicensed dog                      | \$205.00 |
| Licensed aggressive dog             | \$380.00 |
| Unlicensed aggressive dog           | \$484.00 |
| Fowl, other bird, rabbit, or rodent | \$18.00  |
| Reptile or other animal             | \$104.00 |

**Part 3 – Maintenance Charges (per day)**

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Dog  | \$27.00 per day |
| Aggressive dog   | \$36.00 per day |
| Fowl, other bird, rabbit or rodent   | \$6.00 per day  |
| Reptile or other animal  | \$37.00 per day |
| Exotic Bird (Amazon Parrots, African Grey, Cockatoos, Conures, Lorikeets and Macaws) | \$18.00 per day |

**Part 4 – Adoption Fees**

|  |          |
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| Dog Up to 7 years of age                           | \$333.00 |
| Dog >7 years old / with ongoing Medical Conditions | \$102.00 |
| Ferret   | \$67.00  |
| Rabbit, chinchilla and hedgehog                    | \$37.00  |
| Guinea pig   | \$18.00  |
| Parakeet and Lovebird                              | \$18.00  |
| Budgie and Finch                                   | \$11.00  |
| Chicken, rooster, duck, pigeon and dove            | \$6.00   |
| Mouse, rat, hamster, gerbil and degu               | \$6.00   |

**Part 5 – Miscellaneous**

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| Microchipping | \$18.00 |
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