

BY-LAW NO. _____

**A By-law to amend Fire By-law No. 12472
to facilitate arts and culture events**

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, in public meeting, enacts as follows:

1. This By-law amends the indicated provisions of Fire By-law No. 12472.
2. In Division A, Article 1.4.1.2 Council strikes the definition of “Arts and culture indoor event” and replaces it with the following:

“Arts and culture event means an event of an artistic or cultural nature, including but not limited to visual, performing, media, literary, craft or interdisciplinary arts, which occurs not more than six days per month in a building, a portion of a building, or an associated outdoor area not approved for assembly occupancy.”.
3. In Division B, Article 2.7.1.3 Council strikes 2.7.1.3.(1) and replaces it as follows:

“2.7.1.3. Occupant Load

 - 1) Every building with an assembly occupancy over 60 persons must have an occupant load permit, except that the temporary use of a building for an arts and culture event for not more than 250 persons shall not require an occupant load permit provided that the temporary maximum permissible occupant load for the arts and culture event has been calculated pursuant to the provisions of this By-law.”.
4. In Division C, Article 1.5.1.1, Council strikes Article 1.5.1.1.(1) and (2) and replaces them as follows:

“1.5.1.1. When a Permit is Required

 - 1) Except as provided in Sentence (2), every building with an assembly occupancy designed for more than 60 persons shall have an occupant load permit.
 - 2) The temporary use of a building for an arts and culture event for not more than 250 persons shall not require an occupant load permit if the temporary occupant load for the arts and culture event has been calculated pursuant to the provisions of this By-law.”.
5. 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.

6. This By-law is to come into force and take effect on the date of its enactment.

ENACTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2023

Mayor

City Clerk

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