CITY OF MISSION

CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR IN PUBLIC PLACES BYLAW 6257-2023

A Bylaw to regulate the consumption of liquor in public places

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, the Council of the City of Mission is empowered to regulate a public place that it has jurisdiction over as a place where liquor may be consumed;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Mission wishes to designate a portion of parks as a place where liquor may be consumed responsibly;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Mission, in open meeting assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw shall be known and cited for all purposes as "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw 6257-2023".

2. DEFINITIONS

"City" means the City of Mission;

"City Park" means a public park that is located in the City of Mission and which is either owned or controlled by the City;

"Permitted Spaces" means a City Park or part of a City Park that has been designated by City Council by this Bylaw as a place where liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place unless this has been specifically designated by Council in this Bylaw;

"Public Place" has the same meaning as set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing*Act:

"Sign" means any visual representation or attention-drawing device which communicates information or advertising for any purpose.

3. REGULATIONS

- 3.1 This Bylaw shall be in force from 12:00 pm on May 20 to 9:00 pm on October 31 in any given calendar year.
- 3.2 Liquor may be consumed between the hours of 12:00 pm and 9:00 pm from May 20 to October 31 in the designated public places of Centennial Park, and Fraser River Heritage Park as outlined in Schedules 'A' and 'B' attached to and forming part of this Bylaw, with the following exceptions:
 - a) Canada Day
 - b) Mission Folk Music Festival, Fraser River Heritage Park

4. **SIGNS**

- 4.1 Regulating 12" x 24" signs with the boundaries, dates and times of liquor consumption will be posted at each of the parks in the designated Public Places. Signs posted will contain reminders of the legal drinking age; drinking and driving; and no glass containers allowed in Permitted Spaces.
- 4.2 A minimum of 2 Signs must be posted in each park.

5. **BUFFER ZONES**

5.1 A buffer zone of 30 metres will exist around all playgrounds where consumption of alcohol is not permitted.

6. **ENFORCEMENT**

6.1 Offences set out in the Liquor Control and Licensing Act will apply to persons in violation of this Bylaw.

7. **SEVERABILITY**

- 7.1 If any part, section, subsection, clause or sub-clause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, it will be severed and the validity of the remaining provisions of this Bylaw will not be affected.
- 8. Schedule 'A' and 'B' attached hereto form part of this Bylaw.

READ A FIRST TIME this 18th day of December, 2023

READ A SECOND TIME this 18th day of December, 2023

READ A THIRD TIME this 18th day of December, 2023

ADOPTED this 8th day of January, 2024

PAUL HORN

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER



Schedule B – Fraser River Heritage Park

