



VILLAGE OF BELCARRA
Public Notice Bylaw No. 618, 2023



A bylaw to provide alternate means for 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 Village wishes to ensure that its residents are provided with any notice required pursuant to Provincial legislation in an effective and efficient manner;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Community Charter* section 94.2(1), a council may, by bylaw, provide for alternate means of publishing a notice instead of publishing the notice in a newspaper in accordance with section 94.1(1)(a) and (b);

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Community Charter* section 94.2(2), a bylaw adopted under this section must specify at least two means of publications by which a notice is to be published; not including posting in the Public Notice Posting Place;

AND WHEREAS the Council has determined that the proposed methods of publication set out in this bylaw meet the principles of reliability, suitability, and accessibility as prescribed by the *Public Notice Requirement B.C. Reg. 52/2022*.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Village of Belcarra, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Public Notice Bylaw No. 618, 2023."

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 In this bylaw:

"Digital Newspaper" means, an online publication or local periodical that contains items of news and advertising accessed and read through digital devices such as computers, smartphones, or tablets.

"Direct Mail Out Service" means notifications delivered through the use of Canada Post.

"Resident/Owner Email Notification Service" means the notification service managed by the Village using email addresses supplied by the residents who wish to subscribe for notices from the Village.

"Public Notice Posting Place" is as defined in the Village of Belcarra Council Procedure Bylaw as amended from time to time.

"Village" means the Village of Belcarra.

"Website" means the information resource found at an internet address provided by the Village.

3. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

3.1 Any notice required to be given or published in accordance with section 94 of the *Community Charter* shall be posted to the Village’s Public Notice Posting Place and, subject to any prescribed notice periods, at least 7 days before the date of the matter for which notice is required via the following additional means of publication:

- a) The Village of Belcarra website public notice webpage
- b) Resident/Owner Email Notification Service
- c) Direct Mail out Service
- d) Digital Newspaper

3.2 If any matter is subject to two or more requirements for publication in accordance with section 94 of the *Community Charter*, the notices may be combined so long as all applicable provisions are met.

3.3 Nothing in this bylaw shall preclude the Village from employing further means of public notification or communication as it deems appropriate in the circumstances.

4. SEVERABILITY

4.1 If any provision of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

4.2 Village of Belcarra Public Notice Bylaw No. 602, 2022 is repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME on November 20, 2023

READ A SECOND TIME on November 20, 2023

READ A THIRD TIME on November 20, 2023

ADOPTED by the Council on December 4, 2023



 Jamie Ross
 Mayor



 Amanda Seibert
 Corporate Officer

This is a certified a true copy of
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Chief Administrative Officer