

CITY OF NANAIMO

BYLAW NO. 7294

A BYLAW TO REQUEST THE IMPOSITION OF A MUNICIPAL ACCOMMODATION TAX

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Nanaimo, wishes to raise revenues for the purpose of increasing overnight visitor stays as measured by improved hotel/motel occupancy rates;

AND WHEREAS the Council may by bylaw request that the Lieutenant Governor in Council make a regulation designating the municipality as the recipient of an accommodation tax not exceeding three percent (3%) on sales of accommodations within the municipality.

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Nanaimo, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as “Accommodation Tax Request Bylaw 2019 No. 7294”.
2. The Lieutenant Governor in Council is requested to make a regulation under Section 240 of the *Provincial Sales Tax Act* designating the area within the boundaries of the municipality as a designated accommodation area under Section 123 of the *Act* and designating the City of Nanaimo as a designated recipient of an additional tax on accommodation purchased in the municipality effective 2020-APR-01.
3. The tax to be imposed under the provisions of the *Act* is requested to be three percent (3%).
4. All funds paid to the City of Nanaimo under the provisions of the *Act* shall be applied to funding tourism marketing, programs and projects including the financing and operation of new tourism facilities, except for revenues from the Online Accommodation Platform designated for affordable housing initiatives.
5. City of Nanaimo “Accommodation Tax Request Bylaw 2014 No. 7189” is hereby repealed.

PASSED FIRST READING: 2019-SEP-16
PASSED SECOND READING: 2019-SEP-16
PASSED THIRD READING: 2019-SEP-16
ADOPTED: _____

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER