

**City of Nanaimo**  
**Bylaw NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

A Bylaw to authorize the use of low-speed electric powered vehicles on public highways

The Council of the City of Nanaimo, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. In This Bylaw:  
“Municipality” means the area contained within the geographical limits of the City of Nanaimo;  
  
“Neighbourhood Zero Emission Vehicle” means a vehicle that travels on 4 wheels and is powered by an electric motor that is designed to allow the vehicle to attain a speed of 32 kilometres per hour but not more than 40 kilometres per hour in a distance of 1.6 kilometres on a paved level surface, and
  - (a) Meets or exceeds standards of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada) for a low-speed vehicle and bears a compliance label for a low-speed vehicle in accordance with that Act; or
  - (b) if imported to Canada, has been imported as an admissible low-speed vehicle in accordance with the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada) requirements and
    - (i) bears a compliance label for a low-speed vehicle in accordance with that Act; or
    - (ii) meets applicable Federal United States laws in accordance with the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada);
2. A person may drive or operate a Neighbourhood Zero Emission Vehicle within the Municipality only on a highway or class of highway that has a speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour or less.
3. A person who drives or operates a Neighbourhood Zero Emission Vehicle as authorized by this Bylaw may cross a highway that has a speed limit that is not greater than 80 kilometres per hour at an intersection to enable the person to continue on a highway on which the person is authorized to drive or operate a Neighbourhood Zero Emission Vehicle.
4. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “City of Nanaimo Low-Speed Electric Powered Vehicle Authorization Bylaw No. \_\_\_\_\_”

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Mayor

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Corporate Administrator