

**City of Chilliwack**

**Bylaw No. 2974**

**A bylaw to prohibit the feeding and release of animals**

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

1. This bylaw may be cited as **“Feeding and Release of Animals Bylaw 2003, No. 2974”**.

**INTERPRETATION**

2. In this bylaw

“amphibian” means a vertebrate of the class Amphibia and includes the eggs and other developmental life stages;

“animal” means a mammal, reptile, amphibian, bird or fish;

“bird” means an animal of the class Aves, and its eggs;

“City” means the City of Chilliwack;

“fish” means a

(a) vertebrate of the order Petromyzontiformes (lampreys) or class Osteichthyes (bony fishes), or

(b) invertebrate of the class Crustacea (crustaceans) or class Mollusca (mollusks)

from or in non-tidal water of British Columbia, and includes their eggs and juvenile stages;

“mammal” means a vertebrate of the class Mammalia other than humans; and,

“reptile” means a vertebrate of the class Reptilia and its eggs.

**PROHIBITION**

3. No person shall:

(a) feed any animal other than a domesticated pet, or

(b) deposit food or grain

on any area in Salish Park and Sardis Park except in litter cans provided by the City for the purpose of receiving garbage and litter.

4. No person shall release or set free any animal in Salish Park and Sardis Park.

**OFFENCE AND PENALTY**

5. Every person who violates any provision of this Bylaw, or who allows or permits any act or thing to be done in violation of any provision of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an

offence under this Bylaw.

6. Every person guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not less than \$2,000.00 and not more than the maximum allowed pursuant to the *Offence Act*, as amended.

**SEVERABILITY**

7. If any portion of this Bylaw is for any reason found invalid by decision of a court of competent jurisdiction such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

Received first reading on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2003.

Received second and third reading, as amended, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

Finally passed and adopted on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

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Mayor

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Clerk