

LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC-POWERED VEHICLE AUTHORIZATION BYLAW

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The purpose of this Bylaw is to eliminate a two-year expiration clause, to permit low-speed electric-powered vehicles to be driven or operated on certain streets in the City of Victoria

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Under its statutory powers, including section 24.06(2)(b) of B.C Reg. 26/58, the Motor Vehicle Act Regulations under the *Motor Vehicle Act*, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts the following provisions:

Title

- 1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC-POWERED VEHICLE AUTHORIZATION BYLAW".

Definitions

- 2 In this Bylaw,

"City"

means the area contained within the geographical limits of the City of Victoria;

"low-speed electric-powered vehicle"

means a neighbourhood zero emission vehicle as defined in Division 1 of the *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations*, B.C.Reg. 26/58;

"street"

includes a highway, as defined in section 1 of the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

Permitted on Certain Streets

- 3 (1) A person may drive or operate a low-speed electric-powered vehicle on streets in the City that have a posted speed limit of over 40 km/h but no more than 50 km/h.

- (2) As permitted by section 24.06(2)(a) of the *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations*, a person may drive low-speed electric-powered vehicle on a street where the posted speed is 40 km/h or less.

Exceptions

- 4 (1) Despite section 3, a person must not drive or operate a low-speed electric-powered vehicle on Blanshard Street between Caledonia Avenue and Tolmie Avenue.
- (2) A person may drive or operate a low-speed electric-powered vehicle across Blanshard Street between Caledonia Avenue and Tolmie Avenue at intersections only.

Right Lane Only

- 5 (1) For the purposes of this section, the operation of a low-speed electric-powered is considered to be extraordinary traffic.
- (2) A person must drive or operate a low-speed electric-powered in the lane nearest to the right hand side of the roadway, except when passing another vehicle or making a left turn.

Severability

- 6 If any section of this bylaw is found to be illegal, void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that section may be severed without affecting the validity of the remainder of the bylaw.

READ A FIRST TIME the	17 th	day of	January,	2013
READ A SECOND TIME the	17 th	day of	January,	2013
READ A THIRD TIME the	17 th	day of	January,	2013
ADOPTED on the	31 st	day of	January,	2013

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