### NO. 15-049

# WATERWORKS BYLAW, AMENDMENT BYLAW (NO. 9)

# A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The purpose of this Bylaw is to amend the *Waterworks Bylaw No. 07-030* by establishing provisions applicable to water meter connections and incorrect utility accounts.

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Under its statutory powers, including section 194 of the *Community Charter* and the *Local Government Act Additional Powers Regulation*, the Council of the City of Victoria in an open meeting assembled enacts the following provisions:

#### Title

1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Waterworks Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw (No. 9)".

### **Amendments**

- 2 Bylaw No. 07-030, the Waterworks Bylaw is amended
  - (a) by adding the following section immediately after section 7:

### "Water meter connections

- 7A (1) Subject to subsections (2) to (4), a person must not connect to or disconnect from a water meter.
  - (2) To connect to or disconnect from a water meter, a customer must apply to the Director.
  - (3) If the Director is satisfied that it is necessary to connect to or disconnect from a water meter, the Director may
    - (a) direct how the water meter may be connected or disconnected, and
    - (b) arrange to have an authorized person attend at the water meter to ensure the connection or disconnection occurs in accordance with the Director's direction.
  - (4) While the person authorized by the Director pursuant to subsection (3)(b) is attending at a water meter, the customer, or agent for the customer, may connect or disconnect a water meter in accordance with the Director's direction.

- (5) A customer who had an authorized person attend at a water meter for the purposes of subsection (3)(b) must pay the fee set out in Schedule A.",
- (b) by adding the following section immediately after section 33:

# "Incorrect accounts

- 33A (1) If the City renders an incorrect account pursuant to section 30, the City must
  - (a) provide a refund to the owner of any amount overcharged, or
  - (b) forfeit any amount undercharged.
  - (2) The applicable refund pursuant to subsection 33A(1)(a) is the amount overcharged since the most recent of the following dates:
    - (a) the date the error occurred;
    - (b) the date of the most recent transfer of ownership of the property;
    - (c) the date that is five years prior to the date upon which the City receives notice of the error."
- (c) in Schedule A, by adding the following section immediately after section 6:
  - "7. Water Meter Activation/Deactivation Fee

To have an authorized person attend at a water meter pursuant to section 7A(5): \$40.".

# **Effective date**

3 This Bylaw comes into force upon adoption.

READ A FIRST TIME the	day of	2015
READ A SECOND TIME the	day of	2015
READ A THIRD TIME the	day of	2015
ADOPTED on the	day of	2015