Integrated Parking Strategy & Regulatory Framework

Committee of the Whole

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Project Purpose

The Township of Esquimalt is undertaking the *Integrated Parking Strategy & Regulatory Framework*.

Key Outcomes:

- 1. An **Integrated Parking Management Strategy** to guide decision-making and implementation of public parking – including electric vehicle charging, bicycle parking, and accessible parking.
- 2. An updated and modernized **Parking Bylaw** to ensure appropriate and desirable parking conditions are achieved through land development.

Why Manage Parking?











Environmental Sustainability

Affordability

Land Use + Urban Form Congestion + Road Safety

Health + Well-Being

Esquimalt's Transportation Profile



3.23 daily trips per household

76,190

daily trips to, from, or within Esquimalt



\$8,730

average annual household transportation costs

1.2

61%

20%

vehicles per household

of residents commute via private automobile

1.14 bicycles per household

of residents commute via walking or cycling

Emerging Mobility Trends

Technology, human behaviour and climate goals are influencing the way people travel, including:

- E-Mobility
- Active Transportation
- Ride-hailing
- Shared Mobility
- Universal Access
- Autonomous Vehicles







Project Process

Background Review

- Existing Conditions, Plan & Policy Review
- Best Practices Review

Data Collection

- Public Parking Inventory + Utilization
- Off-street Parking Demand

Public Engagement – Phase 1

- Online Survey
- Stakeholder Interviews
- Public Information Sessions

Prepare Recommendations

- Integrated Parking Strategy
- Draft Parking Bylaw



What We've Heard



Participation by the Numbers

- 537 survey responses
- 10 organizations interviewed
- 11 public information session attendees

Key Themes

- Capacity and compliance challenges in residential areas
- Ensuring new vehicle parking supply rates meet demand
- Improving access to transportation choices (active transportation, transit)
- Supporting expansion of charging infrastructure for e-bikes and EVs
- Providing parking that meets a diversity of needs including accessible parking, loading, and bike parking

Integrated Parking Management Strategy

The Parking Management Strategy considers right-of-way allocation and management policies to ensure the Township achieves the highest and best use of public parking resources.

The Strategy identifies five over-arching parking management strategies to guide key directions and actions for improvement:

- Improve Neighbourhood Management
- Support Sustainable Transportation
- Modernize Curbside Management
- Increase Parking Compliance
- Establish Temporary Parking Management Tools

Integrated Parking Management Strategy

The Township has jurisdiction over public parking resources and can determine how to best manage these parking facilities.

Management techniques recommended in the Strategy include:

- Refine the Residential Parking Program
- Retrofit, Expand and Modernize Public Bike Parking facilities
- Monitor Parking Utilization
- Modernize Process to Pay Parking Fines
- Require Construction Parking Management Plans

Integrated Parking Management Strategy

- The Strategy is intended as a roadmap toward realizing improved parking management in Esquimalt.
- The strategies and actions were identified specifically to address issues identified through data collection and technical study, based on feedback from the community, and/or to better reflect community priorities and more up-to-date best practices.
- Some actions can be realized in the short-term, while others will take longer to establish budget, change municipal procedures and/or collaborate with community partners and other agencies

Off-Street Parking Regulations Overview

Key areas of change to the off-street parking regulations include:

- 1. Vehicle Parking Supply Rates
- 2. Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging
- 3. Bicycle Parking + End-of-Trip Facilities
- 4. Transportation Demand Management (TDM)



Vehicle Parking Supply

- Land use categories and rates expanded, updated, and revised
- Rates differentiated by proximity to Frequent Transit Network (FTN)
- Differentiating Multi-Family Residential rates to reflect unit size
- Reduced parking supply rates for Affordable Housing

PROPOSED MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PARKING SUPPLY RATES

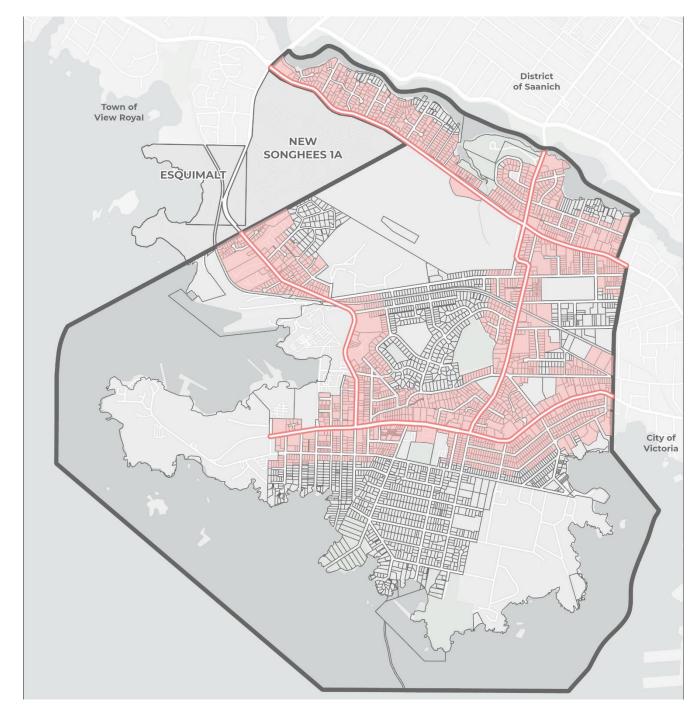
	Frequent Transit Area	All Other Areas
Studio	0.75 / unit	0.9 / unit
One-Bedroom	0.9 / unit	1.1 / unit
Two-Bedroom	1.15 / unit	1.3 / unit
Three-Bedroom		1.5 / unit



Frequent Transit Area

All properties within 200m of the Frequent Transit Network (FTN) are included.





Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging

- Expand existing EV charging requirements to include more land uses
- Commercial, industrial, and institutional to require energized spaces and limited numbers of EV chargers
- All residential spaces must be energized





Bicycle Parking

Esquimalt's Parking Bylaw currently lacks bicycle parking requirements

Proposed new regulations address:

- Bicycle parking supply requirements (short- and long-term)
- Basic design requirements (dimensions, location, electrification)
- End-of-trip cycling facilities (lockers, showers, etc.)
- Mobility scooter parking





Transportation Demand Management (TDM)

- Updated TDM regulations that permit reduced parking supply
- Incentive-based, above-and-beyond base regulations (bike parking, end-of-trip cycling)
- Focus is on Multi-Family Residential and employment uses

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PROPOSED TDM REDUCTIONS

TDM Measure	Parking Supply Reduction
On-Site	Up to
Carshare Program	4 spaces
Transit Stop	Up to
Improvement	2 spaces
Transit Passes for	Up to
Residents (min. 1 year)	2 spaces
Shared Bicycles for	Up to
Residents or Employees	2 spaces
Other Innovative	Up to
TDM Measures	1 space

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