

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER



UNSIGHTLY PREMISES BYLAW NO. 5969, 1991

EFFECTIVE DATE: MARCH 4, 1991

CONSOLIDATED FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY
(March 23, 1999)

This is a consolidation of the bylaws listed below. The amendment bylaws have been combined with the original bylaw for convenience only. This consolidation is not a legal document. Certified copies of the original bylaws should be consulted for all interpretations and applications of the bylaws on this subject.

<u>AMENDMENT BYLAW</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
No. 6450	FEBRUARY 2, 1998
No. 6467	JULY 20, 1998
No. 6521	MARCH 22, 1999

The bylaw numbers highlighted in this consolidation refer to the bylaws that amended the principal Bylaw No. 5969, 1991. The number of any amending bylaw that has been repealed is not referred to in this consolidation.

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BYLAW NO. 5969, 1991

A Bylaw to establish required standards for the maintenance of real property and to prohibit littering

THE CITY COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of New Westminister ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as “Unsightly Premises Bylaw No. 5969, 1991”.

Bylaw No. 6450, 1998

2. In this Bylaw:

“Administrative Services Officer” means the person appointed from time to time by Council for the purpose of enforcing this Bylaw”;

Bylaw No. 6467, 1998

“Secondary Suites Co-ordinator” means the person appointed from time to time by Council for the purpose of enforcing this Bylaw”.

Bylaw No. 6521, 1999

“Graffiti” means initials, slogans, designs, symbols, marks or drawings, written, spray-painted, etched or otherwise made on a sidewalk, wall, building, fence, sign, or any other structure or surface but does not include:

- (i) a sign authorized pursuant to Sign Bylaw No. 5750, 1988;
- (ii) a sign or traffic-control mark authorized by the Director of Engineering; or
- (iii) a public notice authorized by a City bylaw, Provincial or Federal Legislation, or is otherwise permitted by law.

3. No owner or occupier of real property shall allow that property to become or remain untidy or unsightly.
4. Every owner and occupier of real property shall remove any accumulation of filth, discarded materials or rubbish from that property.

5. Every owner and occupier of real property shall clear that property and shall keep it cleared of brush, noxious weeds, wild grass and other untended growths.

6. **Bylaw No. 6521, 1999** (repeals previous)

No person shall:

(i) deposit or throw bottles, broken glass or other rubbish in any open place, or

(ii) place graffiti, or cause graffiti to be placed, on walls, fences, structure, buildings or elsewhere on or adjacent to a public place or street.

7. **Bylaw No. 6450, 1998** (deleting Section 7)

Bylaw No. 6521, 1999

(a) No owner or occupier of real property shall permit graffiti to be placed on any wall, fence, structure or building located on that real property and adjacent to any street or public place.

(b) Every owner and occupier of real property shall maintain any wall, fence, structure or building located on that real property and adjacent to any street or public place free of graffiti.

8. No owner or occupier of real property shall cause or permit waste, rubbish or noxious, offensive or unwholesome matter to accumulate around that property.

9. **Bylaw No. 6521, 1999**

Where any person fails to comply with Sections 3, 4, 5 or 7 of this Bylaw, the Administrative Services Officer or the Secondary Suites Co-ordinator may give written notice to that person to comply within 10 days of the delivery of the notice, and in the event of failure to comply with the notice, the City may, by its employees or contractors, enter the property and affect the removal of the offending material at the expense of the person defaulting.

10. **Bylaw No. 6450, 1998** (deleting Section 10)

11. **Bylaw No. 6450, 1998**

The cost of affecting removal pursuant to Section 9 shall be due and payable by the person in default immediately upon removal, and if such charge remains unpaid on December 31 in any year, the charge shall be added to form part of the taxes payable on the property as taxes in arrears.

12. **Bylaw No. 6450, 1998 & 6467, 1998**

No person shall obstruct the Administrative Services Officer or the Secondary Suites Co-ordinator, an employee or officer of the City or a contractor of the City from entering onto any land authorized by this Bylaw or carrying out of any action under this Bylaw.

13. The Administrative Services Officer is appointed for the purpose of enforcing this Bylaw.

14. **Bylaw No. 6450, 1998 and 6467, 1998**

The Administrative Services Officer or the Secondary Suites Co-ordinator may at all reasonable times enter on property to ascertain whether the regulations and directions of this Bylaw are being complied with.

15. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Bylaw, or who neglects or refrains from doing anything required to be done by this Bylaw, commit an offence.

16. If any portion of this Bylaw has held to be invalid by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed, and the severance shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

17. Property Maintenance Bylaw No. 5121, 1979 is hereby repealed.