

BYLAW NO. 2041

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF NORTH BATTLEFORD IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVYING OF A TAX RATE.

WHEREAS Section 253 of *The Cities Act* provides authority for the Council to impose a levy on all taxable assessments; and

WHEREAS Council deem it necessary to define a specific area of the City to which this levy should be imposed; and

WHEREAS Council also deem it necessary to develop certain criteria to determine if property within this area will be subject to this levy;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of North Battleford, in the Province of Saskatchewan, in open meeting assembled hereby enacts as follows:

1. That an area be established and defined as the “Key Commercial Corridor” which is hereby attached as Schedule “A” and forming part of this bylaw. Commercial property with improvements abutting the boundaries of that area defined as the Key Commercial Corridor including any parallel service roads will be determined as part of this Key Commercial Corridor.
2. That a mill rate referred to as a “vacant commercial property with improvements” mill rate be applied to those properties within the vacant commercial property subclass included in the defined Key Commercial Corridor.
3. That to determine which properties per Schedule “A” will be subject to this vacant commercial property with improvements mill rate, only one of the following criteria need be established:
 - (i) a commercial property with improvements within the area per Schedule “A” that has not maintained a continuous business license for the property, either by the owner or tenant, for the past two years, from May 1, 2015 to May 1, 2017, or who does not maintain a continuous business license for the property going forward; or
 - (ii) a commercial property with improvements within the area per Schedule “A” that has not activated a water hookup utility account for the property, either by the owner or tenant, for the past two years, from May 1, 2015 to May 1, 2017, or who does not maintain an active water hookup utility account for the property going forward.
4. That the vacant commercial property with improvements mill rate be set at two times the annual mill rate for the commercial class mill rate.

5. That revenue raised through this vacant commercial property with improvements mill rate levy be accounted for separately and used specifically for economic development initiatives as recommended by Administration and approved by Council.
6. That the list of properties referred to as the Vacant Commercial Properties with Improvements – Key Corridor is hereby attached as Schedule “B” and forming part of this bylaw. This Schedule “B” is the list of properties to which the vacant commercial property with improvements mill rate for 2017 will be applied.
7. That prior to May 1 of each year, the Planning and Development Department will inspect all commercial properties within Schedule “A” to determine those properties which shall be included on the list per Schedule “B” and provide this list to Council for approval.
8. Council, by resolution, may make changes to Schedule “A” and/or Schedule “B” and such amendments will be shown on a newly created schedule to be attached to this Bylaw.
9. That this Bylaw shall take effect and come into force on the day of the final passing thereof.

INTRODUCED AND READ A FIRST TIME THIS 12th DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 2017.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 2017.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 26th DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 2017.

“Ryan Bater”
MAYOR

“Debbie Wohlberg”
CITY CLERK