

| Section: | Planning and Development | BRD-0340-50 |
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| Title: | Screening Officer Bylaw Notice | 023 |

1. PURPOSE

To identify grounds for cancelling a Bylaw Notice.

2. SCOPE

This policy applies to the review of Bylaw Notices by a designated Screening Officer.

3. **DEFINITIONS**

4. POLICY

- **4.1** The Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) authorizes the Screening Officer to cancel a Bylaw Notice where they are satisfied that one or more of the following reasons exist, and a compliance agreement is not appropriate or available:
 - a) Identity cannot be proven, for example:
 - i. The Bylaw Notice was issued to the wrong person; or
 - ii. The boat involved in the contravention had been stolen.
 - b) An exception as specified in the Bylaw being enforced or a related enactment is proven.
 - c) There is an unlikelihood of success for the SCRD at adjudication, for example:
 - i. The evidence is inadequate to show a contravention.
 - ii. The Bylaw Officer relied on incorrect information when issuing the Bylaw Notice.
 - iii. The Bylaw Notice was not completed properly.
 - iv. The Bylaw provision is unenforceable or poorly worded.
 - d) The contravention was necessary for the preservation of health and/or safety, for example:
 - i. The contravention was the result of a medical emergency.
 - e) The Bylaw Notice is one of several Bylaw Notices arising out of the same incident, in which case the Screening Officer may cancel all but the most appropriate Bylaw Notice(s).
 - f) It is not in the public interest to proceed to adjudication for one of the following reasons:
 - ii. The person who received the Bylaw Notice was permitted or entitled to take the action, but the Bylaw Officer was not aware of this entitlement or permit.
 - iii. The person receiving the Bylaw Notice was undergoing a personal tragedy or crisis at the time of the contravention such that it is not in the public interest to proceed.
 - iv. The Bylaw has changed since the Bylaw Notice was issued, and now authorizes the contravention.
 - g) The person exercised due diligence in their efforts to comply with the Bylaw, for example:
 - i. As a result of mechanical problems, the person could not comply with the Bylaw; or
 - ii. The sign indicating the Bylaw requirement was not visible.

5. EXCEPTIONS

6. AUTHORITY TO ACT

Delegated to staff.



7. REFERENCES (Bylaws, Procedures, Guiding documents)

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