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City of St. Albert Transit By-Law 34/87**

CITY OF ST. ALBERT

CONSOLIDATION OF TRANSIT BYLAW 34/87
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Being a By-law to Operate a Public Transportation System

WHEREAS the City of St. Albert owns and operates a public transportation system, together with buildings and permanent facilities, officially called "St. Albert Transit"; and

WHEREAS part of this service includes the transportation by bus of people from the City of St. Albert to the City of Edmonton and return; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of St. Albert may pass by-laws and resolutions to set up a public transportation system pursuant to Section 288 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 1980, c. M-26; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of St. Albert may pass by-laws to regulate and control the conduct of persons using the facilities and vehicles of St. Albert Transit and to protect the employees and property of St. Albert Transit from harm, damage and vandalism;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the City of St. Albert duly assembled, hereby ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Title

1. This By-law may be cited as the "Transit By-Law".

Definitions

2. The following definitions shall apply to this By-law:
 - (1) "City" means the City of St. Albert;
 - (2) "Passenger" means a person with whom the City has contracted to carry from one place to another;
 - (3) "Peace Officer" includes a Police Officer or a By-law Enforcement Officer;
 - (4) "Transit Area" means any portion or portions of St. Albert Transit property designated as a transit area, with signs posted at the entrances to areas indicating that the area is restricted to persons with valid authorization for transportation on a transit vehicle or access to a transit area including persons with a valid pass, a valid transfer, or other valid authorization;
 - (5) "Transit Manager" means any person hired by the City of St. Albert as Transit Manager;
 - (6) "Transit Vehicle" means a vehicle operated by St. Albert Transit to provide transportation for passengers;
 - (7) "Transit Zone" means a place at which passengers are received for transportation or delivered after transportation, marked by a Transit Zone sign and continuing for 20 metres from the sign along the curb against the flow of traffic.

Fares

3. (1) The Transit Manager is hereby authorized to set up the operation of the sale of fares, the accounting for the same, and to present the same to Council for their approval;
- (2) When boarding or prior to using or riding upon Transit Vehicles, or prior to entering a Transit Area, passengers shall pay the exact price for the journey by depositing in the farebox, if provided (or as otherwise directed by posted signs, posted notices or St. Albert Transit personnel, as the case may be) the necessary sum of money or authorized tickets to the value required by the fare scale in force or presenting valid authorization to board, use or ride the Transit Vehicle;
- (3) Any person who refuses to pay the fare when demanded by the operator of the Transit Vehicle and refuses to leave the Transit Vehicle when so requested shall be deemed to be in contravention of this By-law and thereby guilty of an offence under this By-law;
- (4) No person shall take more than one transfer per fare paid;
- (5) No person shall receive or use for the journey any transfer not issued to him when paying the fare;
- (6) No person shall sell, exchange or give away a transfer to another person;
- (7) A transfer issued for a journey locally within St. Albert shall be for travel in any direction and valid only on the date issued and only for sixty (60) minutes from the time of issue;
- (8) A transfer issued for a journey to Edmonton shall be valid only on the date issued and only for ninety (90) minutes from the time of issue.

Conduct

4. Passengers while using the bus services shall be subject to the following rules:
 - (1) No person shall disturb the peace by profane, indecent, insulting, abusive, foul or obscene language or conduct himself in a disorderly manner or act contrary to public order while in or upon any vehicle, station or facility owned, used or operated by or on behalf of St. Albert Transit;
 - (2) No person shall annoy or inconvenience any other person in or upon any vehicle owned, used or operated by or on behalf of St. Albert Transit;
 - (3) No person shall smoke any substance of any kind including cigars, cigarettes, tobacco and any illegal substances in any Transit Vehicle;
 - (4) Except for duly authorized employees or agents of St. Albert Transit, or except in emergency circumstances requiring quick exit for safety reasons, no person shall:
 - (a) open any entrance or exit door of any vehicle of St. Albert Transit, or
 - (b) interfere with any bolt or fastening of any door, nor in any way interfere with the door closing mechanism, nor prevent the door closing mechanism from operation, so as to enter any of the said vehicles;

- (5) No person shall bring any animal, other than seeing eye dogs, in or upon any Transit Vehicle, Transit Zone or other facility owned or operated by or on behalf of St. Albert Transit;
- (6) No person shall, except in the conduct of St. Albert Transit business or operation, unless authorized, operate any radio, tape recorder or similar device, or musical instrument in or upon any Transit Vehicle, Transit Zones or facility of St. Albert Transit unless the sound emitted therefrom is conveyed to that person by an earphone only;
- (7) No person shall beg or solicit for any purpose on Transit Vehicles, Transit Zones or facilities of St. Albert Transit;
- (8) No person shall enter or leave or attempt to enter or leave any vehicle of St. Albert Transit while such vehicle is in motion;
- (9) No person shall deposit any litter in or upon any Transit Vehicle, Transit Zone or other facility of St. Albert Transit except in the receptacles provided for litter;
- (10) No person, other than the operator of a Transit Vehicle, shall consume any drink or food stuff while on a Transit Vehicle;
- (11) No person shall interfere with the windows, apparatus or equipment of any of the windows of any of the vehicles of St. Albert Transit, except to open or close the same for the reasonable need of ventilation in cases where such windows are provided with manual operation thereof for passenger use. This subsection shall not apply to the proper and reasonable use of any signal device provided for the use of passengers for the purpose of warning the operator of a vehicle that a person desires to leave the vehicle;
- (12) No person shall use any transfer slip to travel upon any Transit Vehicle except in the manner authorized by the regulations of St. Albert Transit;
- (13) Any person who causes any damage to any of the vehicles or facilities of St. Albert Transit or any equipment on or used in connection with any of the vehicles or facilities shall be deemed to be in contravention of this By-law and thereby guilty of an offence under this By-law;
- (14) No person shall interfere with the operation of any window, door, apparatus or equipment of a Transit Vehicle so as to delay or prevent the departure of a Transit Vehicle;
- (15) Unless authorized by the Transit Manager, no person shall sell, offer or post any newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, leaflets, printed matter or merchandise of any kind for any purpose in Transit Vehicles, Transit Zones or St. Albert Transit facilities;
- (16) Any police officer, constable, inspector, motorman, operator, or any employee or agent designated by the Transit Manager may demand the name, address and occupation of any person he finds committing a breach of this By-law or any of the regulations of the Provincial Board of Health of the Province of Alberta prohibiting spitting within any public passenger transportation vehicles, and every such person upon demand being made shall forthwith give the information required;
- (17) Any person who refuses to give such information or who gives false, incorrect or misleading information shall be guilty of a breach of this By-law and, in addition to any other penalties provided in this By-law, such person may be removed from the Transit Vehicle by any police officer, constable, motorman, inspector, operator or other employee of St. Albert Transit;

- (18) No person shall operate, drive, park, leave, abandon or otherwise be responsible for allowing a vehicle to be in a Transit Area or Transit Zone unless otherwise authorized by the Transit Manager.

Enforcement and Penalties

5. (1) Any person who contravenes any section of this By-law is guilty of an offence;
- (2) any person who is guilty of an offence under this By-law shall be liable to pay a fine not exceeding Fifty (\$50.00) dollars for the first offence and not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars for any subsequent offence;
- (3) The Transit Manager or Peace Officer may levy fines [as set out in Section 5 (2)] against any person contravening any provision of this By-law by issuing a ticket evidencing the levy. The ticket shall outline which section of this By-law has been contravened and the amount of the penalty to be paid therefor to the City.

General

6. (1) Any person using Transit Vehicles or St. Albert Transit facilities shall also comply with all rules and regulations which are either posted on Transit Vehicles or facilities, or are printed on St. Albert Transit bus tickets, transfers or passes;
- (2) No person except St. Albert Transit may operate any bus line or other public transportation system within the City or any part of the City without the consent of the Council of the City of St. Albert and the appropriate Provincial or Federal Government Departments. This prohibition includes but is not limited to the following:

shuttle bus services, charter bus services, special event public transit services (Park 'N' Ride), regular scheduled Transit Services;

- (3) This By-law applies only to the public transportation system operated under the name "St. Albert Transit";
- (4) When negotiating a contract for the provision of drivers and personnel to operate Transit Vehicles and for provision of any incidental services on behalf of St. Albert Transit, St. Albert Transit shall make its best efforts to include the following clause or any reasonable variation thereof in the agreement;
- "The Contractor agrees to hire and employ all personnel for the fulfillment of its obligations as evidenced by this agreement without engaging in discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, sex or age.";
- (5) St. Albert Transit shall make its services available equally to every person without discrimination on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, sex or age;
- (6) No person shall engage in soliciting or political campaigning of any kind whatsoever, or any activities incidental thereto, in or upon Transit Vehicles, Transit Zones or any other facilities owned or operated by or on behalf of St. Albert Transit;
- (7) St. Albert Transit may own and operate a parallel transportation system for the use and benefit of mentally and physically disabled persons;
- (8) The provisions of this By-law shall apply to all parallel and auxiliary transportation services being provided by or for St. Albert Transit;

- (9) The Transit Manager is hereby authorized to set up the general operation, management and scheduling of St. Albert Transit;
- (10) The Transit Manager is hereby authorized, without prejudice to the generality of Section 6 (9), to negotiate or renegotiate agreements on behalf of St. Albert Transit and present same to Council for approval, and to negotiate and enter into agreements on behalf of St. Albert Transit and the City in regards to the cleaning of buildings, painting and repairs of Transit Vehicles, supply and operation of buses and any other agreements incidental to the day-to-day management and operations of St. Albert Transit based upon an approved budget;
- (11) The Transit Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate advertising contracts in and on all Transit Vehicles, shelters, and stations operated or used by St. Albert Transit and to present same to Council for its approval;
- (12) That By-law No. 39/77 passed on the 3rd day of October, A.D. 1977 to establish a public transportation system and to enter into an agreement with the City of Edmonton, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed.
- (13) This By-law shall take effect on January 1, 1988.

READ a first time this 7th day of December, A.D. 1987.

READ a second time this 7th day of December, A.D. 1987.

READ a third and final time this 21st day of December, A.D. 1987.

Original Signed by:

Richard Fowler, Mayor
Fiona Daniel, City Clerk