

VILLAGE OF GOLD RIVER

BYLAW NO. 735, 2021

VILLAGE OF GOLD RIVER BUSINESS LICENCE BYLAW

**WHEREAS** Council may, pursuant to Section 8(6) of the Community Charter, regulate in relation to business;

**AND WHEREAS** in regulating business, Council may, pursuant to Section 15 of the Community Charter, provide for a system of licences, permits or approvals and impose terms and conditions for obtaining, continuing to hold or renewing a licence, permit or approval and specify the nature of the terms and conditions and who may impose them;

**AND WHEREAS** Council may, pursuant to Section 154 of the Community Charter, delegate its power, duties and functions to an Officer or employee of the Village, which delegation may, under Section 60(4) of the Community Charter include the authority to grant, refuse, suspend or cancel a business licence;

**AND WHEREAS** Council has given notice of its intention to adopt this bylaw and has provided an opportunity for persons who consider they are affected by this bylaw to make representations to Council at a hearing pursuant to Section 59 of the Community Charter;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Village of Gold River in open meeting assembled hereby enacts as follows:

**1. CITATION**

This Bylaw may be cited as “Business Licence Bylaw No. 735, 2021”

**2. DEFINITIONS**

In this bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires,

**BUSINESS** means engaging in a trade, handicraft, commercial, retail or industrial activity of any kind or the provision of professional services for gain or profit, and includes promotional activities or advertising a business, service or for-profit event, but does not include an organization, which in the opinion of the Licence Inspector, is operating solely for charitable or non-profit purposes.

**CANNABIS** means any part of a cannabis plant, including the phytocannabinoids produced by or found in such a plant, whether processed or not, and includes concentrates or oils derived from any part of such a plant.

**CANNABIS ACCESSORIES** includes paraphernalia for smoking, vaping or consuming cannabis including bongs, vaporizers, wraps, pipes, water pipes.

**CANNABIS TRADE** includes the advertising, producing, growing, processing, wholesaling or retail sale of medicinal and recreational cannabis or cannabis accessories and includes research and design activities.

**COUNCIL** means the elected Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Gold River

**DWELLING** means a self-contained set of habitable rooms capable of being occupied year-round with living facilities for one or more persons including provision for living, sleeping, sanitation and having a separate entrance.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER** means the Environmental Health Officer duly appointed by the Province of British Columbia for the Village of Gold River and includes any Acting or Assistant Environmental Health Officer.

**FLOOR AREA** means the sum total of horizontal area of business premises, contained within a building or buildings.

**HOME BASED BUSINESS** means any gainful business, occupation, or profession, engaged in by an occupant of a dwelling unit that is clearly subordinate, incidental and secondary to the principal use of the property.

**LICENCE INSPECTOR** means the employee(s) of the Village of Gold River so designated from time to time by the Chief Administrative Officer.

**MEDICAL MARIHUANA PRODUCTION AND/OR RESEARCH FACILITY** means any person carrying on the business of the cultivation, production, packaging and scientific research of medical marihuana wholly within a building, but specifically excludes sales on the premises or medical marihuana research.

**PERSON** has the meaning ascribed to it by the Interpretation Act.

**PREMISES** shall include store, studio, office, warehouse, factory, building, enclosure, yard or other place occupied or capable of being occupied by any person for the purpose of any business, trade, service or occupation and shall also mean any area situated within any of the foregoing where more than one separate and distinct class or classification of business is also carried on.

**SPECIAL EVENT** means a temporary extraordinary event which operates for one to seven days or seasonally such as a summer festival or weekly market and includes farmer's markets, craft fairs, bake sales, trade shows, auctions or other gathering of people at a temporary location for selling, offering for sale, bartering, demonstrating or buying goods or services.

**SPECIALTY FOOD VENDOR** means a self-contained vehicle designed for the purpose of food and beverage preparation and sales for take-away consumption.

**VILLAGE** means the area governed by the Village of Gold River including the area of land and water lying within the Village's jurisdictional boundaries.

### 3. LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

- a. Every person following, practicing, carrying on, maintaining, or owning within the Village, any business, shall take out and maintain a licence paying in advance for such licence the sum as specified in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw.

- b. All applications for licences under this bylaw shall be made to the Licence Inspector on an application form provided for that purpose and therein the applicant shall make a true and correct statement in writing:
  - Disclosing the nature and character of the business to be carried on, maintained, owned or operated by the applicant;
  - Declaring the address of the business;
  - Declaring the number of persons engaged or occupied in the business;
  - Disclosing the number of distinctive lines of goods sold or offered for sale;
  - Specifying the business floor area and seating capacity (if applicable); and
  - Including any other information concerning the business which the inspector may require.
- c. The application form shall be delivered to the Licence Inspector and shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee according to the classification of such business as approved by the Licence Inspector.
- d. Every person who carries on, maintains, owns or operates, within the village, any business in or from more than one branch, office, place, premise or store, shall obtain a separate licence for each branch, office, place, premise or store; excluding vending machines.
- e. Every licence issued under this bylaw shall be provided to the person or corporation licensed or their authorized agent and the Licence Inspector shall retain a copy. The licensee shall post the said licence and keep the same posted in a conspicuous place on the premises, or on the thing or article in respect of which the licence is issued. Anyone failing to post up and keep same posted as aforesaid, shall be guilty of an infraction of this bylaw and liable to the penalties hereof.
- f. Every person required to be licensed under the provisions of this bylaw is required to pay for such licence in advance of the due date shown on the licence and all licence renewal fees are due and payable on January 1st in any year.
- g. Unless otherwise specified herein all licences granted under this bylaw shall be for the current calendar year and shall expire on the 31st day of December next succeeding the date of issue of same.
- h. For any person who becomes liable to be licensed after the 1st day of August in any year, the annual licence fee for that year shall be reduced by half of the annual licence fee.

The provision in this subsection shall only apply to the first licence issued to any specific business.
- i. There shall be no refunds on issued business licences.
- j. Every person holding or required to hold a licence under the provisions of this bylaw shall be subject to the provisions of this bylaw and non-compliance with any of the said provisions shall be deemed to be an infraction of the same and shall render any person violating or failing to comply with any of the said provisions hereof, liable to the penalties herein imposed.

- k. Every person holding or required to hold a licence under the provisions of this bylaw shall be subject to the applicable regulations of the federal and provincial governments and shall be deemed to be operating in contravention of this bylaw if compliance with such regulations is not maintained.
- l. For clarity, a registered society or organization which in the opinion of the Licence Inspector is operating solely for non-profit purposes does not require a business licence to operate.

#### **4. TRANSFER OF LICENCE LOCATION**

- a. Except as set forth in this section, every licence shall be considered as a personal licence to the licensee therein named and shall not be transferrable to any other person.
- b. Any person desiring to obtain a transfer of any licence, or part interest in any licence, held under this bylaw by any other person, shall make an application in every material respect the same as that required to obtain a licence as set forth in the last preceding section; and that the powers, conditions, requirements and procedure therein contained, relating to the granting and refusal of licences and appeals thereon, shall apply to all such applications.
- c. Any person who purchases the interest of or part of the interest of, any person licensed under this bylaw in any business, activity in respect of which a licence has been issued under the provisions of this bylaw, and carries on or continues such business, without first having obtained a transfer of licence or a new licence, shall be guilty of an infraction of this bylaw and shall be liable to the penalties hereby imposed.
- d. No person to whom a licence has been granted under this bylaw shall change the location of the premises in which he carries on his business without first having applied to the Licence Inspector in writing to have his licence altered in respect to the location of the premises set out therein; and the powers, conditions, requirements and procedure herein-before set out, relating to the granting and refusal of licences shall apply to all such applications.
- e. It shall be unlawful for any person licensed under this bylaw to transfer, sell or in any way dispose of his licence to any other person without having first notified the Inspector of the following:
  - Any person, before changing his place of business, shall obtain a transfer of his licence;
  - There shall be no fee for a transfer of licence location under this section.

#### **5. TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP**

- a. No person who purchases the interest of any person licensed pursuant to this bylaw shall carry on or continue such business without first making application for a new licence pursuant to the requirements of section 3 of this bylaw. The fee for such licence shall be as specified in Schedule "G" of Fees and Charges Bylaw and may

- be pro-rated as provided under section 3. h. Where the change of ownership results from the purchase of the shares of a limited or incorporated company and the business is to be continued under the same name or trade style, a new licence will not be required but a signed licence application must be completed prior to continuance of the said business.
- b. A limited or incorporated company making a change in the operating name of the business, where all other aspects of the business licence remain the same, may obtain a transfer of their licence to the new name. A signed licence application must be completed prior to continuance of business in the new name.

## 6. DUTIES OF A LICENCE INSPECTOR

- a. The Council hereby delegates to the Chief Administrative Officer the authority to designate a Village employee or employees as "Licence Inspector" whose duty it will be to carry out and enforce the provisions of this bylaw.
- b. The Council hereby delegates to the Licence Inspector the power to grant, refuse, transfer and suspend licences as herein provided.
- c. The Licence Inspector shall grant a licence when he is satisfied the applicant has complied with the requirements of all bylaws of the Village regulating building, zoning, health, sanitation and business and applicable federal and/ or provincial licencing or certification requirements.
- d. Before a licence is issued, the applicant shall submit applicable letters of approval or certificates of approval to the Licence Inspector upon request.
- e. The Licence Inspector may classify the business on the basis of the following factors or on the basis of any combination of the following factors:
- The floor area used;
  - The number of employees regularly engaged;
  - The number of vending or other dispensing machines or other machines, appliances used;
  - The number of rental units maintained;
  - Appropriate BC Building Code classification for the intended use.
- f. Where the Licence Inspector has determined the classification in accordance with section 6.e., no person shall change the extent, scale or scope of the business without first making an application in every material respect the same as that required to obtain a licence as set forth in section 3 of this bylaw (including applicable fees); and the powers, conditions, requirements and procedures therein contained relating to the granting, suspension and refusal of licences and appeals thereon shall apply to all such applications.
- g. The Licence Inspector is hereby authorized to interpret the wording of an application where such wording is not concurrent with the interpretations and the classifications stated herein.

- h. The Licence Inspector may refuse a licence for reasonable cause after having given the applicant written reasons for the refusal and informed the applicant of his right to appeal to Council. Reasons for refusal include, but are not limited to the following:
  - i. The applicant or licence holder is non-compliant with any bylaw of the Village of Gold River;
  - ii. In the case of a non-resident business, the applicant or licence holder is noncompliant with any bylaws of the jurisdiction from which the person is required to hold a business licence;
  - iii. The applicant or licence holder is non-compliant with a term, limit, restriction or requirement or condition of a licence under this bylaw or a permit issued by any other regulatory authority;
  - iv. The applicant or licence holder has been formally charged with, convicted of, or deemed to be or has been found guilty of an offence under a federal or provincial law and the offence, in the opinion of the Licence Inspector, is relevant to the operation of the business;
  - v. The applicant or licence holder has, in the opinion of the Licence Inspector, been guilty of such gross misconduct in respect of the business or in or with respect to the premises named in the licence, that it warrants the refusal of the licence.
- i. The Licence Inspector has the authority to suspend any licence for the period he decides if its holder:
  - i. Is convicted of an offence under any municipal bylaw or statute of the federal or provincial government in respect of the business for which he is licenced or with respect to the premises named in the licence;
  - ii. Has, in the opinion of the Licence Inspector, been guilty of such gross misconduct in respect of the business or in or with respect to the premises named in the licence, that it warrants the suspension of the licence;
  - iii. Has ceased to meet the lawful requirements to carry on the business for which he is licenced or with respect to the premises named in the licence.
- j. A person whose licence has been suspended under section 6.i. herein may appeal, in writing, to Council, which may on the appeal confirm or set aside the suspension on the terms it thinks fit.

## 7. HOME BASED BUSINESS

Every home based business shall, in addition to all other provisions of this bylaw, conform to the following:

- a. No external indication shall exist that any building is being utilized for any purpose other than those normally associated with a residential building other than a sign permitted by the Village of Gold River Sign Bylaw, from time to time amended;
- b. There shall be no exterior displays or storage of materials, equipment, containers or finished product, and no exterior indication of a business being conducted from the premises.
- c. No accessory buildings, detached garages, or yards in a residential zone can be used for a home based business, or in conjunction with the storage or warehousing of goods, materials, or products connected with a home occupation.
- d. The home occupation shall not generate any vibrations, smoke, dust, odours, electrical or electronic interference, heat or glare, of a nature that is offensive to observers within 200 meters of the premises in which that business is located.
- e. The home occupation shall not generate any noise before 9:00 a.m. or after 5 p.m. Monday to Saturday.
- f. No more than one employee (in addition to the principal of the business) shall be employed on the premises of any home based business.
- g. At all times, the home based business shall not, within one hundred meters of the dwelling in which it is sited, generate the parking of more than 3 motor vehicles belonging to clients of that home based business.
- h. The floor area in a dwelling normally used for or occupied by a home based business shall not exceed fifty-five (55) square meters, or twenty-five (25) per cent of the Total Floor area of the dwelling, whichever is the lesser amount of floor area.
- i. Home based business shall not be open to the public at times earlier than 9:00 a.m. nor later than 9:00 p.m. in the evening.
- j. Fees for all home based business shall be charged by the appropriate fee class.
- k. All articles sold through a home based business must be produced on site with an exception allowing for the incidental selling of goods not produced on site, but directly related to other activity on the site, including a mail order business.
- l. Articles produced off site may be sold through a home based business provided that all distribution of articles will be carried out off site by persons employed in the home based business.
- m. Notwithstanding provisions of section 7.a. to l. of this bylaw, where accommodation for consideration is offered or provided as a home based business or where a

service establishment is established as a home based business, then the following requirements shall apply:

- i. Principal use of the dwelling shall be for occupation by a single family;
  - ii. The family or a member of it shall alone be engaged in providing the accommodation or operating the service establishment;
  - iii. The occupant load for accommodation shall be a maximum of 12 persons in total including family members with a maximum of 6 persons being non-family members.
  - iv. The occupant load for business, professional, and personal service establishments shall be based on 4.6 square meters (49.5 square feet) per person served, up to a maximum of 25% of the floor area and four persons, in addition to the resident family.
  - v. Meals shall be served only on site in return for any consideration from the customers of the operation.
- n. Notwithstanding section 7.l. and m. of this bylaw, up to 20% of the floor area used for the home based business may be used to sell articles not produced, repaired or refinished on site.

## **8. SPECIAL EVENT BUSINESS LICENCE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- a. A licence in respect of a theatre, including drive-in theatre, amusement hall or other entertainment venue or exhibition may be for six months, three months, one month, or one day and the period requested shall be by written application in accordance with the provisions set out in this bylaw.
- b. An application for a licence in accordance with this section for a period of one to four days shall be charged a business licence daily rate as set out in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw; for a period of five or more days the Special Event Business Licence rate as set out in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw shall apply.
- c. Before a licence shall be granted to any person for the purpose of holding or exhibiting within the Village any circus, menagerie, show, carnival, or festival with or without ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds, bouncing castles or other similar devices, such person shall at his own cost and expense obtain and maintain in force for as long as the said event remains within the Village, in an Insurance Company authorized and licenced to carry on business and having an office in the Province of British Columbia, and in a policy of insurance acceptable to and approved in writing by the Village the following insurance with limits on an occurrence basis not less than those shown in respective items following:
  - i. Comprehensive Public Liability Insurance and Property Damage Insurance providing coverage up to five million dollars (\$5,000,000)



inclusive against liability for bodily injury or death and/or damage to property on an all-risk occurrence basis;

- ii. In all policies of insurance, the Village shall be named as an additional insured. Such insurance shall contain a Cross Liability Endorsement stating that in the event of bodily injury, sickness or disease, including death, at any time resulting therefrom, or damage or destruction of property belonging to any one of the insured for which another insured is or may be held liable, then this policy shall cover such insured against whom claim is made or may be made the same as if separate policies had been issued for each insured, but nothing herein shall operate to increase the insurer's liability as set forth elsewhere in the policy beyond the amount or amounts for which the insurer would be liable if there had been only one name insured;
  - iii. All policies shall provide that no cancellation, expiration or material change in the policy shall become effective until after thirty (30) days' notice of such cancellation, expiration or change shall have been given to the Village by return registered mail.
- d. A current valid operating permit pursuant to the British Columbia Safety Standards Act and the Elevating Devices Safety Regulation, including an inspection certificate from an accredited professional engineer shall be submitted to the Licence Inspector before a licence shall be granted for a special event that includes ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds, bouncing castles or other similar devices or midway rides. The inspection certificate shall state in precise terms that all machines, rides or equipment used by the public conform to the acceptable standards and such certificates shall be submitted every seven (7) days during the term of licence or as directed by the Licence Inspector.
- e. A cash bond of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be deposited with the Director of Finance and such bond or part thereof shall be forfeited to the Village to pay for any damages or the cost of any clean-up required during or after the terms of the licence. Such bond or part thereof shall be returned by the Director of Finance upon notification by the Licence Inspector that all conditions regarding damages and clean-up are satisfactory.

## **9. DIRECT SELLING AND/OR DOOR TO DOOR SOLICITATION**

- a. No person shall canvass or solicit business on any street in the Village from vehicles or in any other manner whatsoever, for the sale of any items, samples, goods, wares or merchandise or any article or thing for future delivery.
- b. No person, without prior instructions from the owner or occupier of the premises, shall attend upon or canvass or solicit at any residential premises for the sale or promotion of goods or services.
- c. No person shall sell any goods or services whatsoever from a vehicle, container or trailer on any street or road within the Village. Such selling may be undertaken only from private or designated public property and with the prior written approval and

- knowledge of the owner. This approval in no way releases such person from other requirements of this bylaw or any other bylaw.
- d. As an exception to section 9. c. above, Specialty Food Vendor vehicles, where permitted under zoning or through a special event permit, may be allowed to operate from private property or designated public property with the prior knowledge and written approval of the owner and subject to the issuance of relevant Village authorizations, such as a Special Event Permit, where required.
  - e. The soliciting or sales of any article, commodity or thing, or soliciting of any service, agreement or promise that will lead to any service or contract for service, or the sale of any article, commodity or thing shall require a business licence issued under the provisions of this bylaw.
  - f. Every licence to solicit shall be a personal licence to the applicant and is not transferable.
  - g. No person may apply for a licence to solicit on behalf of any other person.
  - h. Soliciting within the Village between the hours of 8 pm and 9 am is not permitted except by special permission of Council.
  - i. Private personal sales between individuals and garage and yard sales are excluded from the requirements of this section.
  - j. Appeals made by churches, similar religious organizations and other not-for-profit organizations where such appeals are made solely and exclusively during a door-to-door campaign are excluded from the provisions of this bylaw section.
  - k. Canvassing for political reasons to disseminate information about candidates running for federal, provincial or local government elections does not require a business licence.

## 10. RESTAURANTS

- a. Every person intending to operate a restaurant shall file a written application containing the following information:
  - i. The name, occupation and full address of the applicant;
  - ii. The nature of the licence applied for;
  - iii. The address of the premises where it is intended to operate the restaurant;
  - iv. The maximum floor area and seating capacity;
  - v. If service is provided for persons in motor vehicles, the number of vehicles for which parking space is provided shall also be stated.

- b. Upon receipt of the application referred to in section 10.a. above, the Inspector shall forward one copy of the said application to the provincial Environmental Health Officer and no licence shall be granted by the Inspector until he has received a report from the Environmental Health Officer approving of the granting of the provincial licence.

## **11. SPECIALTY FOOD VENDOR**

- a. Upon receipt of the business licence application the Licence Inspector shall forward one copy of the said application to the Environmental Health Officer and no licence shall be granted by the Licence Inspector until he has received a report from the Environmental Health Officer approving of the granting of the said licence.
- b. A Specialty Food Vendor vehicle shall be self-contained and capable of providing its own source of water, waste disposal and recycling and where a generator is required it shall be rated by the manufacturer to a maximum noise level of 60 decibels.
- c. A Specialty Food Vendor vehicle must be removed at the end of the business day and shall not remain overnight at the business location.

## **12. MEDICAL MARIHUANA PRODUCTION FACILITY / MEDICAL MARIHUANA PRODUCTION AND RESEARCH FACILITY**

- a. Must operate only in those zones where permitted and must be conducted in accordance with the provision of the zoning bylaw or bylaws in effect within the Village.
- b. Must operate under a valid licence issued by Health Canada under the Marihuana for Medical Purposes Regulations (MMPR), and any subsequent regulations or acts which may be enacted henceforth.
- c. Every applicant for a licence to operate as a Medical Marihuana Production Facility or Medical Marihuana Production and Research Facility shall include in the application the trade name or names under which such business will operate and advertise.
- d. Every person who intends to operate or advertise a Medical Marihuana Production Facility or Medical Marihuana Production and Research Facility under a trade name other than that specified in the application for a licence shall notify the Licence Inspector in writing of the intended trade name at least fourteen (14) days prior to its use.
- e. Must be operated within a building that meets the British Columbia Building Code of the occupancy category of the use or where applicable the National Building Code of Canada for farm buildings.
- f. Must be operated within a building that is in compliance with the British Columbia Electrical Code.

### 13. RECREATIONAL CANNABIS

- a. Must operate only in those zones where permitted and must be conducted in accordance with the provision of the zoning bylaw or bylaws in effect within the Village.
- b. Every applicant for a licence to engage in cannabis trade shall complete the Cannabis Trade business licence application form and submit the following supporting documents with their application and applicable fees:
  - i. An odour control plan prepared by an appropriately qualified independent professional outlining mitigation strategies to reduce odour impacts on neighbouring properties;
  - ii. A light pollution plan for hydroponic growing operations prepared by an appropriately qualified independent professional outlining mitigation strategies to reduce negative impacts of light pollution;
  - iii. Police Information Check for the applicant, business owner and all employees, to be updated annually prior to licence renewal;
  - iv. A good neighbour agreement, outlining strategies to mitigate real or perceived negative impacts resulting from the operation.
- c. With respect to items 13.b. i. to iv., the format and content of the supporting documents must be acceptable to the Licence Inspector.
- d. Hours of operation for cannabis trade shall be between 9 am and 11 pm daily.
- e. An application for a licence to operate a recreational cannabis trade business shall be refused where the proposed premises is located within 150 metres, measured as the shortest distance between property lines, of a property containing the following uses:
  - i. Registered commercial daycare centre for minors;
  - ii. A school providing educational services to minors aged 19 years or less; excludes post-secondary education.

### 14. OTHER PROVISIONS

- a. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained when any business, occupation or calling is licenced and regulated, or licenced under a special bylaw of the Village the regulations and/or licence fees to be paid to the Village shall be those provided for in the special bylaw.
- b. The Council may, by the unanimous vote of all the members present at any lawful meeting thereof, refuse in any particular case to grant the request of the applicant for a licence or a renewal thereof under this bylaw, but the granting or renewal of a licence shall not be unreasonably refused.

- c. The provisions of this bylaw shall not apply to commercial travellers who sell goods, merchandise or any effects whatsoever or offer the same for sale to bona fide merchants, either wholesale or retail, within the Village for resale by such merchants in the ordinary course of their respective businesses.

## 15. OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

- a. Where a person fails to obtain the renewal of a licence and pay therefore the fee specified in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw within thirty days of the expiration of that licence, that person shall pay in addition to the fee specified in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw an additional fee of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).
- b. In every case where the business set in Schedule "G" of the Fees and Charges Bylaw hereof is carried on, followed or practised by two or more persons in partnership, it shall be deemed a sufficient compliance with this bylaw if one licence is taken out in the name of the partnership firm and one licence fee paid therefor.
- c. Every person to whom a licence has been granted under this or any other bylaw for the purpose of carrying on any business shall permit the Licence Inspector, or any other person duly authorized in that behalf, or any police officer, to inspect any house, place, premises, vehicle or thing in respect of which such licence has been granted.
- d. The Licence Inspector may apply to any person on such premises for such information as will enable the Inspector to determine whether or not such person is or is not required to hold a licence pursuant to the provisions of this bylaw and as to whether the provisions of this bylaw are being carried out. It shall be the duty of every such person to deliver to the Licence Inspector a statement in writing containing the information applied for.
- e. Any person who shall refuse to allow the Licence Inspector or any other person duly authorized in that behalf, or any police officer to inspect such house, place or premises, vehicle, or thing or provide information as requested, shall be guilty of an infraction of this bylaw and liable to the penalties thereof.
- f. Any person who contravenes, suffers or permits anything to be done in contravention of any of the provisions of this bylaw or any permit issued under this bylaw commits an offence punishable on summary conviction and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

**16. REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY**

- a. Gold River Business Licence Bylaw No. 589, 1998 and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.
- b. If any section, paragraph or phrase in this bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by a decision of a Court of competent jurisdiction, that portion shall be severed and the remainder of this bylaw shall continue in full force and effect.

READ the first time this	1 <sup>st</sup>	day of	November, 2021
READ the second time this	1 <sup>st</sup>	day of	November, 2021
READ the third time this	1 <sup>st</sup>	day of	November, 2021
ADOPTED this	15 <sup>th</sup>	day of	November, 2021

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B. Unger Mayor

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M. Roy Corporate Administrator