



**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF DAWSON CREEK**  
**WATER & SEWER CONNECTING LINES BYLAW NO. 3579, 2002**

**(CONSOLIDATED VERSION FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY)**

**Amendment Bylaw 4091, 2010 incorporated**

## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF DAWSON CREEK

### BYLAW NO. 3579

A Bylaw of The Corporation of the City of Dawson Creek to establish a water and sewer connection service and impose a service charge.

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City is authorized under Division 1 of Part 15 of the *Local Government Act* to establish and operate any service that the Council considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the City, and may regulate in relation to that service;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Council is empowered by Section 363 of the *Local Government Act* to impose a fee or charge payable in respect of a service;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Council considers it to be desirable to provide for the installation of sewer and water service connections;

**THEREFORE** the Council of the City of Dawson Creek, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

#### Definitions

1. In this Bylaw:

"Connecting Line" means a pipe which extends from a Main to the boundary of a parcel and which allows community sewer service or community water service to be supplied to the parcel.

"Main" means a community sewer main or community water main.

#### Service Establishment

2. A service is established for the provision of Connecting Lines to unserved parcels of land (the "Service").

#### Service Provision

3. The Service will be provided upon the earlier of:

(a) construction by the City of a Main adjacent to a parcel which has not previously been connected to the community water system or community sewer system;

- (b) a request by the owner of an unserved parcel of land to the City for the installation of a Connecting Line from the parcel boundary to a Main located adjacent to the parcel; and
- (c) in the case of a community sewer main existing on the date of adoption of this Bylaw, the City's determination that the parcel should be connected to the community sewer system.

#### Service Charge

- 4. Upon being notified of the installation of a Connecting Line to a parcel boundary, the owner shall pay a service charge to the City.
- 5. The amount of the service charge imposed under Section 4 shall be equal to the actual costs incurred by the City to install the Connecting Line, including an administration charge of 5%. The charge will be payable in respect of each Connecting Line installed to the parcel boundary.
- 6. Charges imposed under this Bylaw shall be paid by the owner of the parcel either:
  - (a) within 30 days of being notified of the completion of the Connecting Line; or
  - (b) by 10 annual instalments of 1/10<sup>th</sup> of the charge, plus interest of 6% per annum, compounded annually, on the unpaid balance of the charge.
- 7. An owner who elects to pay the charge by instalments under Section 6(b) must notify the Collector of the City in writing and pay the first instalment within 30 days of being notified of the installation of the Connecting Line. Subsequent instalments shall be paid before July 1<sup>st</sup> in each of ensuing nine calendar years.

#### Mandatory Connection

- 8. When a sewer Connecting Line is installed to the boundary of a parcel, the owner of the parcel shall connect the building on the parcel to the sewer Connecting Line by installing a sewage disposal pipe from the building to the parcel boundary and connecting to the pipe to the sewer Connecting Line, within 60 days of being notified of the completion of the sewer Connecting Line.

#### Repeal

- 9. "Water and Sewer Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 3383, 1999" is repealed.

