

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT
BYLAW NO. 2701**

A Bylaw to allow the use of low-speed electric powered vehicles on public highways.

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. In this Bylaw,

“Municipality” means the area contained within the geographical limits of the Township of Esquimalt;

“neighbourhood zero emission vehicle” means a vehicle that travels on four wheels and is powered by an electric motor that is designed to allow the vehicle to attain a speed of 32 kilometres per hour but not more than 40 kilometres per hour in a distance of 1.6 kilometres on paved level surface, and which

(1) meets or exceeds standards of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada) for a low-speed vehicle and bears a compliance label for a low-speed vehicle in accordance with that Act; or

(2) if imported to Canada, has been imported as an admissible low-speed vehicle in accordance with the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada) requirements and

a. bears a compliance label for a low-speed vehicle in compliance with that Act; or

b. meets applicable federal United States laws in accordance with the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act* (Canada).

2. A person may drive or operate a neighbourhood zero emission vehicle on any highway within the municipality that has a speed limit of over 40 kilometres per hour but no more than 50 kilometres per hour.

3. The authority conferred by Section 2 is in addition to the authority under Section 24.07(3)(a) of the *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations*, B.C. Reg. 26/58, as amended, for a person to drive or operate a neighbourhood zero emission vehicle on a highway that has a speed limit of 40 kilometres or less.

4. If any section of this bylaw is found to be illegal, void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that section may be severed without affecting the validity of the remainder of the bylaw.

5. This bylaw may be cited as the “Low-Speed Electric-Powered Vehicle Authorization Bylaw, 2008, No. 2701.”

READ a first time by the Municipal Council on the 20th day of October, 2008.

READ a second time by the Municipal Council on the 20th day of October, 2008.

READ a third time by the Municipal Council on the 20th day of October, 2008.

ADOPTED by the Municipal Council on the 3rd day of November, 2008.

CHRIS CLEMENT
MAYOR

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