

CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE

OFFICE CONSOLIDATION

BY-LAW C-741

**A By-law to prohibit any other person from providing
a public ambulance service within the corporate limits
of the City of Grande Prairie or any part thereof**

(As Amended By-Law C-741A)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 166 of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, a Council may, by-law, provide an ambulance service in the municipality, or any part thereof;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 166 of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, where the Council provides an ambulance service to all or part of the municipality, the Council may, by-law, prohibit any other person from providing a public ambulance service in the municipality or any part thereof;

AND WHEREAS the City of Grande Prairie entered into an Agreement dated the 10th day of May, A.D., 1976 (hereinafter referred to as the Ambulance Service Agreement) with the Grande Prairie General and Auxiliary Hospital and Nursing Home District No. 14 to provide reasonable ambulance service to the residents of the City of Grande Prairie;

AND WHEREAS the said Ambulance Service Agreement has been renewed yearly by the City of Grande Prairie;

AND WHEREAS the City of Grande Prairie deems the said Ambulance Service Agreement necessary and properly conserves the public interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Grande Prairie deems it expedient and necessary to prohibit any other person from providing a public ambulance service within the corporate limits of the City of Grande Prairie or any part thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This by-law shall be cited as "The Ambulance By-law".
2. Definitions
 - a. "Act" means the Municipal Government Act being Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1970, as amended and any Act substituted herefore;

- b. "Ambulance" means a special motor vehicle equipped for conveying the sick and wounded;
- c. "Ambulance Service" means the providing of an ambulance, or ambulances, to the residents of the City of Grande Prairie, for the conveyance of the sick and wounded, whether or not a fee is charged;
- d. "City" means the City of Grande Prairie;
- e. "Hospital" means the Grande Prairie General and Auxiliary Hospital and Nursing Home District No. 14;
- f. "Owner" includes any person renting an ambulance or having the exclusive use thereof under a lease or license agreement;
- g. "Operator" or "driver" means a person who drives or is in physical control of an ambulance;
- h. "Person" includes any firm, one or more persons, a partnership and a corporation.

CITY TO PROVIDE AMBULANCE SERVICE

- 3.1 The City of Grande Prairie shall provide an ambulance service to the residents of the City by way of a written Ambulance Service Agreement with the Hospital.
- 3.2 The Agreement with the Hospital dated the 10th day of May, A.D., 1976 and any renewals thereto, shall constitute the written Ambulance Service Agreement for the purposes of this by-law and shall remain in full force and effect, subject to any amendments thereto, until specified otherwise by Council.
- 3.3 The Ambulance Service Agreement referred to in Section 3.2 above shall be marked Schedule "A" and is hereby embodied in and made part of this by-law.

PROHIBITION

- 4.1 Subject to the provisions of Section 4.2 herein, no person, other than the City of Grande Prairie, shall operate an ambulance service within the corporate limits of the City of Grande Prairie.
- 4.2 Section 4.1 shall not apply to:
 - (a) The Volunteer ambulance service provided by St. John Ambulance;
 - (b) A person operating an ambulance within the corporate limits of the City of Grande Prairie where the service being provided originated outside the corporate limits of the City of Grande Prairie.

(c) A person operating an ambulance service within the corporate limits of the City of Grande Prairie in accordance with the terms of a written agreement approved by City Council.

4.3 Notwithstanding Section 4.1, hereof, the Provincial Ambulance Service of the Ministry of Health for the Province of British Columbia may operate its ambulance service in the City of Grande Prairie for the sole purpose of transporting British Columbia residents from the hospital to the Province of British Columbia, but not otherwise.

(By-Law C-741A - February 13, 1989)

PENALTY

5. Any person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and costs, for every offence, and in default of payment thereof shall be subject to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months.

6. This by-law shall take effect on the day of final passing thereof.

READ a first time this 1st day of June , 1981 A.D.

"H. Impey" (Signed) _____
MAYOR

"L. Saunders" (Signed) _____
CITY CLERK

READ a second time this 19th day of April , 1982 A.D.

READ a third time and finally passed this 19th day of April , 1982 A.D.

"H. Impey" (Signed) _____
MAYOR

"L. Saunders" (Signed) _____
CITY CLERK