

PROPOSED

CD2022-0213
ATTACHMENT 1

BYLAW NUMBER 15M2022

BEING A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF CALGARY TO AMEND THE PUBLIC BEHAVIOUR BYLAW 54M2006

WHEREAS Council has considered CD2022-0213;

AND WHEREAS Council considers that street harassment is a systemic, cultural, and intergenerational issue that is prevalent in society as an expression of power, that denies victims safe access to public spaces and that forces them to alter behaviour out of fear, anxiety, and other psychological and physical harms;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to section 7 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, Council may pass bylaws respecting:

- (a) the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property;
- (b) people, activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it necessary to amend Bylaw 54M2006, the Public Behaviour Bylaw, to address street harassment;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALGARY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bylaw 54M2006, the Public Behaviour Bylaw, is hereby amended.
2. In subsection 2(1), after subsection c) the following is added as subsection c.1):
“c.1) “harass” means to communicate with a person in a manner that could reasonably cause offence or humiliation, including conduct, comment, or action that refers to the person’s race, religious beliefs, colour, disability, age, ancestry, place of origin, marital status, source of income, family status, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, and includes a sexual solicitation or advance;”.

3. The following is added after section 7 as section 7.1:

“HARASSMENT

- 7.1 No person shall harass another person in any public place.”.

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4. In **SCHEDULE "A" – SPECIFIED PENALTIES**, under the headings indicated, after:

SECTION	OFFENCE	SPECIFIED PENALTY
"7	Carry a visible knife in public	\$50.00"

the following is added:

SECTION	OFFENCE	SPECIFIED PENALTY
"7.1	Harassment	\$500.00".

5. This Bylaw comes into force on June 1, 2022.

READ A FIRST TIME ON _____

READ A SECOND TIME ON _____

READ A THIRD TIME ON _____

MAYOR

SIGNED ON _____

CITY CLERK

SIGNED ON _____