BY-LAW NUMBER 200 &- 117

OF THE

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KITCHENER

(being a by-law to authorize certain on-street and off-street parking of vehicles for use by persons with a disability, and the issuing of permits in respect thereof.)

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Kitchener enacts as follows:

1. In this by-law:

"Act" shall mean the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8 and shall include the regulations thereunder;

"City" means the City of Kitchener unless inconsistent with the context;

"designated parking space" means a parking space:

- (a) located on-street, in a parking lot owned or operated by The Corporation of the City of Kitchener, or on private property; and
- (b) marked by a sign;

"person with a disability" shall have the same meaning as in the Act;

"permit" means disabled person parking permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario pursuant to the Act that has not expired;

"police officer" shall have the same definition assigned in the *Police Services Act*, R.S.O., 1990, c. P.15;

"sign" means a sign that is in accordance with the requirements of the Act that indicates a parking space to be for the sole use of vehicles displaying a permit;

"unauthorized vehicle" means:

- (a) a vehicle that is not displaying a permit in accordance with the requirements of this by-law or the Act;
- (b) a vehicle that is displaying a permit but is not being used to pick up or transport the holder of the permit; or
- (c) in the case of a corporation to which a permit has been issued, a vehicle that is not being used to pick up or transport a person with a disability.
- 2. The provisions of this by-law may be enforced by a Police Officer and any by-law or municipal law enforcement officer of The Corporation of the City of Kitchener.

- 3. The provisions of section 6 of this by-law may also be enforced by a specially appointed by-law enforcement officer whose name appears in Schedule "A" hereto but only with respect to a property of which the municipal address is listed beside the individual's name in Schedule "A" hereto. Such individual shall not commence enforcement at a property until the day following the date upon which Council adds their name beside the property in Schedule "A" of this by-law.
- 4. Every property owner shall ensure that every placard installed on the owner's property to designate a parking space for use by a person with a disability shall be a proper sign as defined by this by-law.
- 5. The Director of Enforcement or designate may cause the relevant municipal address and/or name of the relevant specially appointed by-law enforcement officer(s) to be removed from Schedule "A" of this by-law if in the opinion of the Director of Enforcement or designate the sign has not been correctly installed or maintained.
- 6. No person shall stop, park or leave an unauthorized vehicle in any designated parking space at any time.
- 7. A permit shall be displayed on the sun visor or on the dashboard of a vehicle so that the international symbol of access for persons with a disability, the permit number and the expiry date of the permit are clearly visible from the outside of the vehicle. If the vehicle is a motorcycle or a motor-assisted bicycle, the permit shall be displayed on the top left corner of the number plate on the vehicle.
- 8. No person shall obstruct a designated parking space or access thereto by any object or by the moving, placing, or storage of snow.
- 9. Every property owner and every person having care or control over a property or relevant portion thereof, shall ensure that no designated parking space or access thereto is obstructed by any object or by the moving, placing, or storage of snow.
- 10. Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to:
 - (a) in the case of an offence under section 6 of this by-law, a fine of not less than \$300.00 in accordance with the *Municipal Act*, *2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25 and not greater than \$5,000 for each offence, exclusive of costs; and
 - (b) in the case of an offence under a section other than section 6 of this by-law, a fine of not greater than \$5,000 for each offence, exclusive of costs.
- 11. Where a vehicle has been left parked, stopped or standing in contravention of this by-law, the owner of the vehicle is guilty of an offence, even when the owner was not the driver of the vehicle at the time of the contravention of the by-law, and is

liable to the applicable fine unless, at the time of the offence, the vehicle was in the possession of another person without the owner's consent.

- 12. Any fine under this by-law shall be recoverable under the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33.
- 13. Any vehicle parked or left in contravention of the provisions of this by-law may be towed, removed, impounded, restrained, and/or immobilized at the vehicle owner's expense and subsection 170(15) of the Act shall apply with necessary modifications.
- 14. A vehicle displaying a currently valid permit, number plate or other marker or device bearing the international symbol of access for persons with a disability and issued by another jurisdiction is entitled to the same privileges as a vehicle displaying a disabled person parking permit issued under the Act.
- 15. Any reference to by-law 88-172 on a sign is hereby deemed to be a reference to this by-law.
- 16. By-law number 88-172 of The Corporation of the City of Kitchener, and all by-laws amending the same, are hereby repealed as of the effective date set out in Section 17 of this by-law.
- 17. This by-law will come into force and take effect on September 16, 2008.

PASSED at the Council Chambers in the City of Kitchener this day

of Jule , A.D. 2008.

Mayor

Clerk