

BY-LAW NO. 14442

A By-law to amend the Licence By-law No. 4450 Regarding Business Hours and Miscellaneous Amendments

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, in public meeting, enacts as follows:

1. This by-law amends the indicated provisions of the Licence By-law No. 4450.
2. In section 2, Council adds the following new definitions in the correct alphabetical order:
 - (a) “**Downtown** means that area outlined in black on Schedule E.”;
 - (b) “**Downtown Eastside** means that area outlined in black on Schedule F.”;
 - (c) “**Outside Downtown - A** means that area outlined in black on Schedule G.”; and
 - (d) “**Outside Downtown - B** means that area outlined in black on Schedule H.”.
3. Council adds a new section 11.8 in the correct numerical order as follows:

“BUSINESS PREMISES REGULATION OF HOURS

- 11.8 In the Downtown Eastside, the following business premises may only remain open for business from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. each day, and must otherwise be closed for business:
- (a) Barber Shop or Beauty Salon;
 - (b) Bottle Depot;
 - (c) Cheque Cashing Centre;
 - (d) Dating Service;
 - (e) Fitness Centre;
 - (f) Laundry Services;
 - (g) Limited Service Food Establishment with Liquor Service;
 - (h) Limited Service Food Establishment without Liquor Service;
 - (i) Postal Rental Agency;
 - (j) Restaurant;
 - (k) Retail Dealer;
 - (l) Retail Dealer - Food;

- (m) Social Escort Agency;
- (n) Tanning Salon or Tattoo and Piercing Studio;
- (o) Theatre,

except that the Chief Licence Inspector may permit temporary extensions of hours for Restaurants, Limited Service Food Establishments with Liquor Service, and Limited Service Food Establishments without Liquor Service.”.

4. In section 21.3, Council:

- (a) in subsection (1):
 - (i) strikes out clauses (a) through (j); and
 - (ii) renumbers clauses (k) through (o) as clauses (a) through (e), respectively;
- (b) strikes out subsection (2) in its entirety;
- (c) renumbers subsections (3) through (11) as subsections (2) through (10), respectively;
- (d) strikes out subsection (2) and substitutes the following:

“(2) The licensee of a standard hours liquor establishment – class 3, standard hours liquor establishment – class 4, standard hours liquor establishment – class 5, standard hours liquor establishment – class 6, extended hours liquor establishment – class 3, extended hours liquor establishment – class 4, extended hours liquor establishment – class 5, or extended hours liquor establishment – class 6 must ensure that at least one employee provides security for the liquor establishment from the earlier of the following until closing:

 - (a) 10:00 p.m.; and
 - (b) the time that the number of customers exceeds 200.”;
- (e) strikes out subsection (4) in its entirety;
- (f) renumbers subsections (5) through (10) as subsections (4) through (9), respectively;
- (g) strikes out subsections (4)(a), (b) and (c) and substitutes the following:

“(a) between 10:00 p.m. and closing, implement reasonable measures to prevent the entry of weapons into the liquor establishment, which may include any of the following:

 - (i) visual inspections of bags, purses and clothing,

(ii) the use of metal detectors, including held-held devices,

except that if the Chief Licence Inspector determines that the measures taken are not effective, the Chief Licence Inspector may require other or additional measures to be taken; and

(b) if the measures referred to in subsection (a) indicate that a person may have a weapon on their person or in their belongings and the person cannot eliminate that indication, refuse the person entry to the liquor establishment.”;

(h) adds new subsections (10), (11) and (12) as follows:

“(10) Standard hours liquor establishments located in the following areas may only remain open for business during the hours on the days set out below for that area, and must otherwise be closed for business:

(a) Downtown and Outside Downtown – B, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. each day; and

(b) Outside Downtown - A:

(i) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. Sunday to Thursday, and

(ii) from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

(11) Extended hours liquor establishments located in the following areas may only remain open for business during the hours on the days set out for that area, and must otherwise be closed for business:

(a) Downtown, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. each day;

(b) Outside Downtown – B, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. each day; and

(c) Outside Downtown - A:

(i) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Sunday to Thursday, and

(iii) From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

(12) Despite subsections (10) and (11), the Chief Licence Inspector may permit temporary extensions of liquor establishment hours.”.

5. Council strikes out section 27.1(2) and substitutes the following:

“(2) The owner or operator of a restaurant – class 1 with liquor service or restaurant – class 2 with liquor service must not serve, or allow the serving of, liquor to any customer between 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on any day,

except that the Chief Licence Inspector may reduce the hours of liquor service for a restaurant – class 1 with liquor service or restaurant – class 2 with liquor service permanently or temporarily if, in the opinion of the Chief Licence Inspector, the hours of liquor service are creating negative community impacts.”.

6. Council adds Schedules E, F, G and H in the correct alphabetical order, as attached to this by-law as Schedule A.

7. A decision by a court that any part of this by-law is illegal, void, or unenforceable severs that part from this by-law, and is not to affect the balance of this by-law.

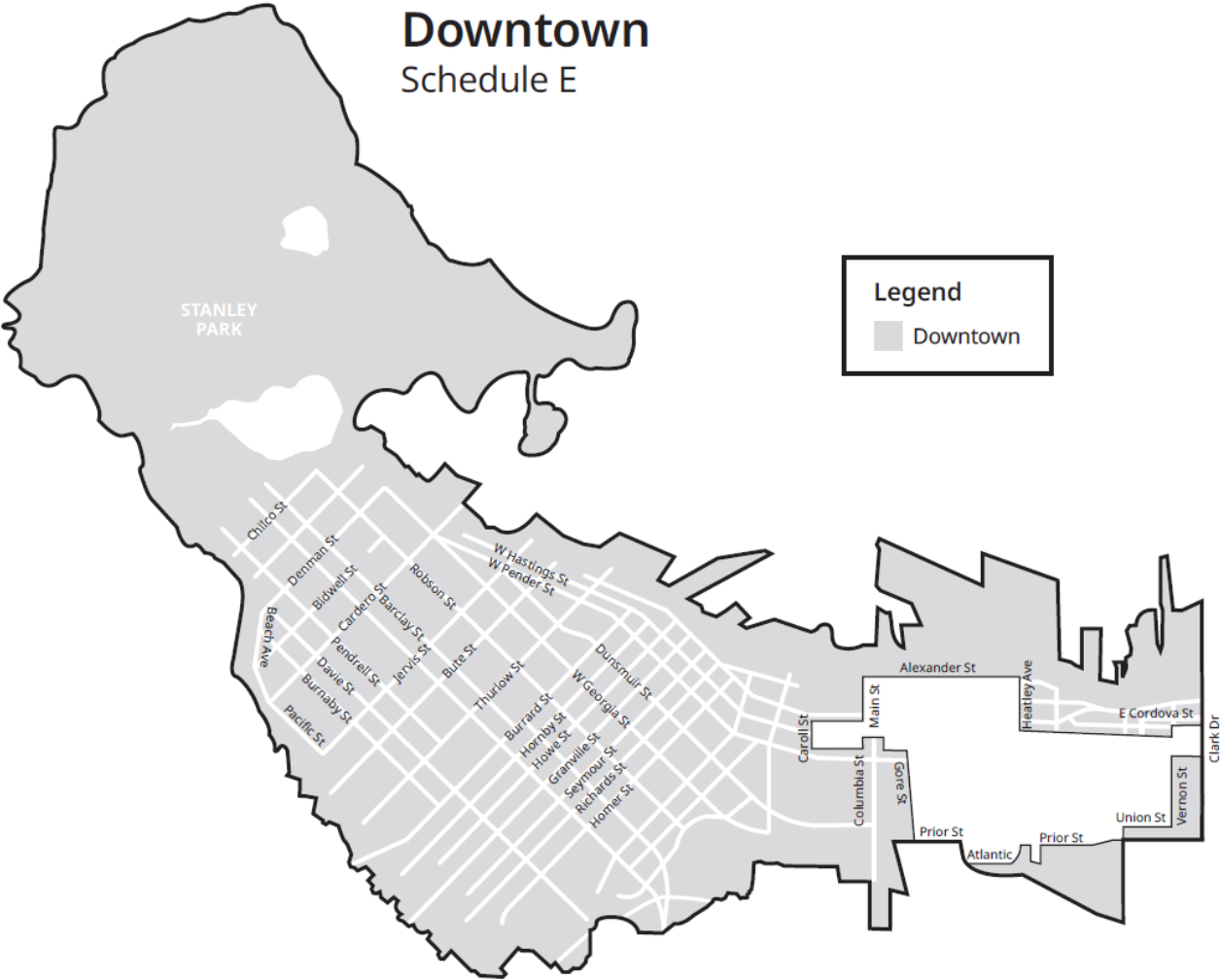
8. This by-law is to come into force and take effect on the date of its enactment.

ENACTED by Council this 16th day of September, 2025

Signed _____ “Ken Sim”
Mayor

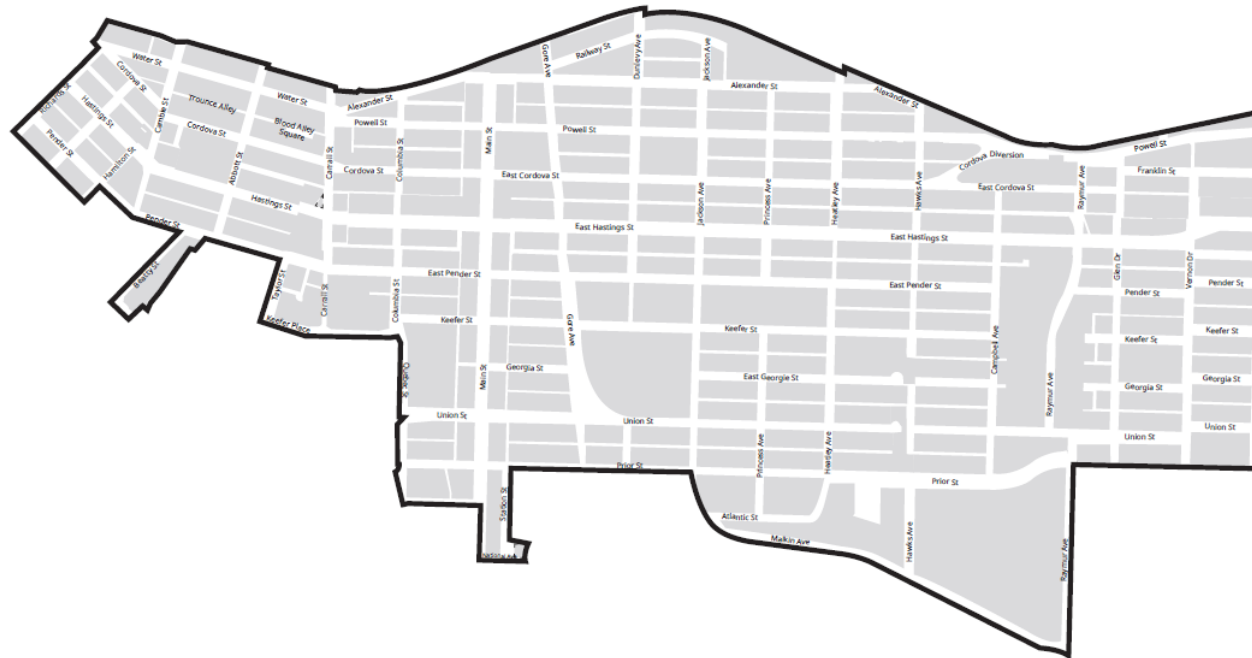
Signed _____ “Katrina Leckovic”
City Clerk

Schedule A



Downtown Eastside

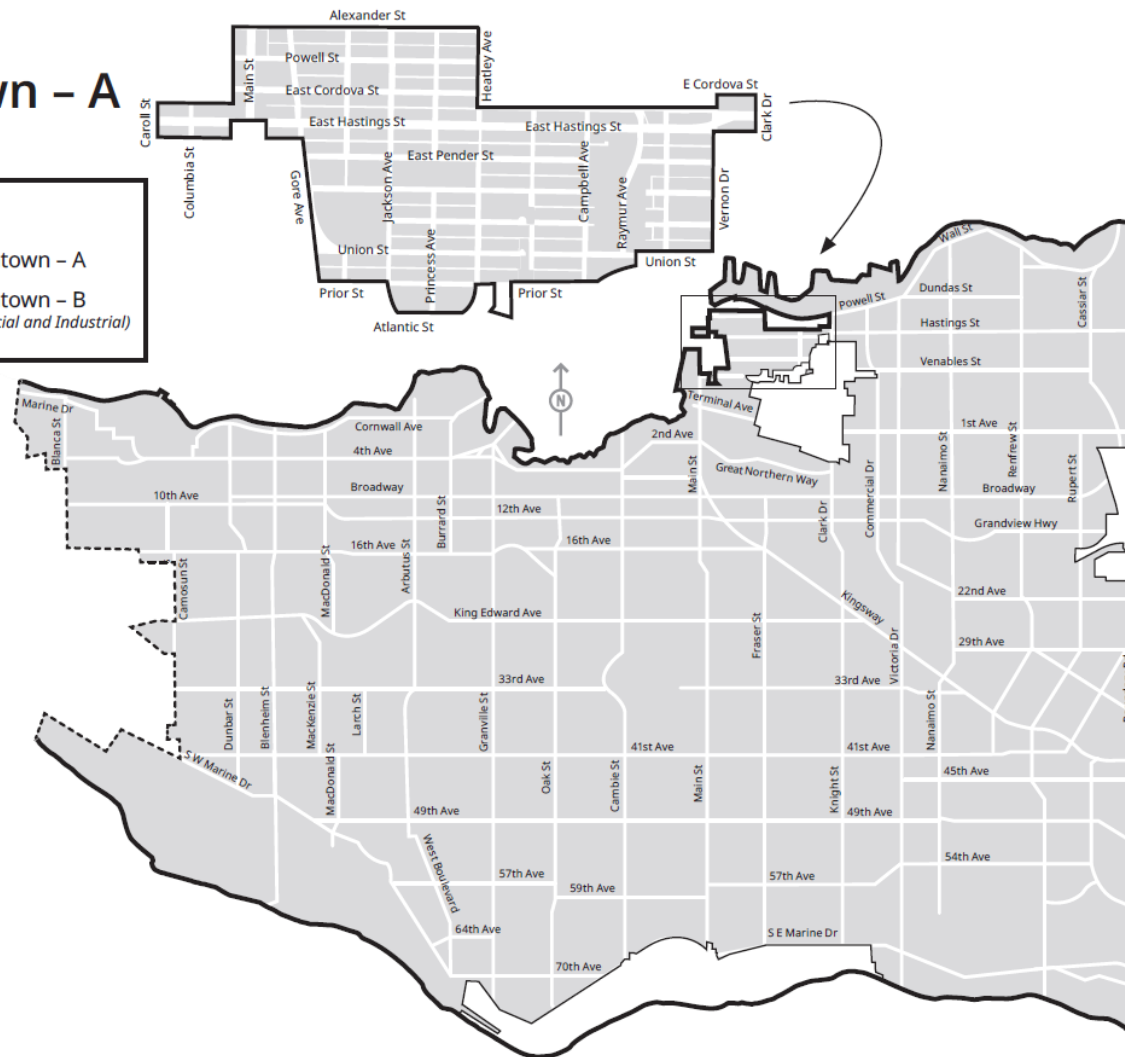
Schedule F



Outside Downtown – A Schedule G

Legend

- ☐ Outside Downtown – A
- ☐ Outside Downtown – B
(Primarily Commercial and Industrial)
– see Schedule H



Outside Downtown - B

Schedule H

Primarily Commercial and Industrial Areas
as shown on map

