BY-LAW NO. 4548

A By-law to Prevent the Existence of Untidy Premises within the City of Vancouver

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

- 1. This By-law may be cited as the "Untidy Premises By-law".
- 2. Every owner or occupier of real property shall maintain the said property in a neat and tidy condition in keeping with a reasonable standard of maintenance prevailing in the neighbourhood.
- 3. No owner or occupier of any real property shall allow any accumulation of rubbish or discarded materials upon such real property.
- 4. Every owner or occupier of a parcel of real property shall keep the same cleared of brush, trees, or other growths, within a reasonable standard of that prevailing in the neighbourhood.
- 5. (1) Where the owner or occupier of any real property fails to remove from such property any accumulation of rubbish or discarded materials, or fails to keep the said property cleared of brush, trees, or other growths, the Director of Permits and Licenses may cause a notice to be served upon the owner of the real property requiring him to remedy the condition within ten days. Any such order shall be sufficiently served upon the owner by sending the same by return registered mail to the address shown on the current year's real-property assessment roll.
- (2) In the event of default by the owner in remedying the condition within the time limited, as specified in the notice referred to in subsection (1) hereof, the Director of Permits and Licenses and any person authorized by him may enter upon the real property for the purpose of remedying the condition referred to in the said notice. The costs incurred in carrying out any work pursuant to this subsection shall be recoverable by the City from the owner by action in any Court of competent jurisdiction, or, in the alternative, if the costs and expenses incidental to the work are not paid to the City by the owner within thirty days after a demand for payment has been sent to the owner, the Director of Finance may cause such

costs to be added to and form part of the taxes payable in respect of that parcel of real property.

- 6. Every person who offends against any of the provisions of this By-law, or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or in violation of any of the provisions of this By-law, or who neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done by any of the provisions of this By-law, or who does any act or thing which violates any of the provisions of this By-law, shall be deemed to be guilty of an infraction of this By-law, and shall be liable to the penalties hereby imposed.
- (1) Every person who commits an offence against this 7. By-law is liable to a fine and penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and costs, or in default of payment thereof, or in the alternative, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding two months.
- (2) Where an offence against this By-law is of a continuing nature, it shall be lawful for the convicting magistrate, in his discretion, to impose a fine against the offender, not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each day such offence is continued by him.
- 8. By-law No. 3874 is hereby repealed.
- This By-law shall come into force and take effect on and after the date of the final passing hereof.

DONE AND PASSED in open Council this 6th day of April, 1971.

This By-law received:

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CITY CLERK