



## Safety and Social Standing Policy Committee\* Report

*\*Transitioned to Community Issues Committee*

February 19, 2026

Legal Services-2026-0002

### Amendment to Noise Bylaw 5270

**Submitted by** Acting Mayor Crowson, Chair – Community Issues Committee

#### **Recommendation of Community Issues Committee:**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Community Issues Committee recommends that City Council provide first reading to Bylaw 6512, a Bylaw to amend Bylaw 5270 - Noise Bylaw, as provided in Attachment 2.

#### **Vote:**

**In Favour:** 8-0 (Unanimous)

**Absent:** Mayor Hyggen

**Public Speakers at the Meeting:** None

**Public Submissions:** None

**Name** Duane Ens, Regulatory Services GM

**Department** Legal Services

#### **Summary**

[Bylaw 5270 - Noise Bylaw](#) restricts, mitigates and abates activities which cause excessive noise, especially during nighttime hours commonly used for sleeping, and delegates authority to the City Manager to grant exemptions to allow certain activities during those hours, when necessary. Although the existing Bylaw allows exemptions primarily for construction activities, in practice, exemptions have also been granted occasionally in the past to facilitate community events, such as outdoor concerts and music festivals, that conclude in the late evening.

This amendment introduces Section 12.1 to Noise Bylaw 5270, formally delegating discretion to the City Manager, or their designate, to grant noise exemptions when deemed appropriate. Additionally, the Bylaw has been updated with formatting improvements, minor corrections, and the removal of outdated references. The enforcement framework has also been modernized with updated procedures for issuing municipal tags and violation tickets in alignment with current provincial legislation.

**Recommendation(s)**

That the Community Issues Committee recommend that Council give first reading to Bylaw 6512, a Bylaw to amend Bylaw 5270 Noise Bylaw, as provided in Attachment 2.

**Financial**

N/A

**Background and Prior Decisions**

Noise Bylaw 5270 was last consolidated on August 31, 2021.

**Engagement**

N/A

**Recommendation and Option(s) Analysis**

That the Community Issues Committee recommend that Council give first reading to Bylaw 6512. This amendment adds language to the Bylaw that formally delegates sufficient discretion to the City Manager, or their designate, to grant noise exemptions when deemed appropriate and includes several housekeeping updates.

**Attachment(s)**

1. Noise Bylaw 5270 - Redline Version.doc
2. Amending Bylaw 6512 - Noise Bylaw.doc

**Link(s)**

1. [Bylaw 5270 - Noise Bylaw](#)