

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LANGLEY

EXOTIC ANIMAL BYLAW 1994 NO. 3461

EXPLANATORY MEMO

Bylaw No. 3461 prohibits performances involving wild or exotic animals that are defined in Schedule "A" of the bylaw.

The bylaw also prohibits the sale of wild or exotic animals as defined in Schedule "A" unless in possession of a valid permit or license.

The only animals considered to be domesticated for the purposes of this Bylaw include llamas, alpacas, ferrets, mink, goats, sheep, pigs, cattle, guanacos, vicunas, camel, horses, mules, donkeys, dogs, cats, rabbits, gerbils, guinea pigs, hamsters, chinchillas, mice, rats, and hedgehogs.

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WHEREAS, the Council may, pursuant to Section 527 (1) of the "Municipal Act", 1979 R.S.B.C. C.290, prohibit the operation of a public show, exhibition, carnival or performance of any particular kind or in any particular location or both;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed desirable to prohibit the sale or trade of wild or exotic animals;

NOW, THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Langley, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "Exotic Animal Bylaw 1994 No. 3461."
2. In this Bylaw "Wild or Exotic Animal" means an animal as defined in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw.
3. No person shall operate or carry on a circus or carnival in which wild or exotic animals accompany or are required to perform tricks, fight or participate in performances for the amusement or entertainment of an audience.
4. No person shall sell or trade any wild or exotic animal referred to in Schedule "A" unless in possession of a current permit for the keeping of those animals as issued by the Province of British Columbia, the Government of Canada, or other recognized authority.
5. Any person who contravenes the provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$2,000.

READ A FIRST TIME the 7th day of November, 1994

READ A SECOND TIME the 7th day of November, 1994

READ A THIRD TIME the 10th day of April, 1995

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED the 24th day of April, 1995


Mayor

Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" to BYLAW NO. 3461

WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMALS

For the purpose of this Bylaw the definition of a "wild or exotic" animals shall be:

"Any vertebrate, excluding fish, birds, or non-venomous amphibians or reptiles, that normally lives in a wild or natural state and has not been subject to domestication through selected or controlled breeding."

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