

**TOWN OF MORINVILLE  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA  
FIRE SERVICES BYLAW AMENDMENT  
BYLAW 3/2024  
PAGE 1**

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF MORINVILLE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO AMEND THE FIRE SERVICES BYLAW 7/2020.

**WHEREAS**, Council at its meeting of July 14, 2020, gave third reading to Fire Services Bylaw 7/2020;

**AND WHEREAS**, Council considers it desirable to amend Fire Services Bylaw 7/2020;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Municipal Council of the Town of Morinville, Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1.0 Fire Services Bylaw 7/2020, is hereby amended by:

1.1 Replacing definition 2.11 in section 2.0 with:

“2.11 **"FIRE PIT"** means a non-combustible structure or container for the purpose of containing an outdoor fire.”

1.2 Deleting the following from in Section 10.0:

“10.1 Fire permits are required (refer to Fees and Charges Bylaw) for fires that are entirely contained in fire pits, outdoor fireplaces and stationary barbecues) that:

- 10.1.1 Are not less than 10 feet (3 meters) from all buildings, property lines and combustible materials and are not located over any underground utilities or under any above ground wires or foliage,
- 10.1.2 Have a surface area or cooking area of not more than 3 feet (1 metre),
- 10.1.3 Have enclosed sides no greater than 2 feet (60 centimetres) above ground level,
- 10.1.4 Are constructed of bricks, concrete blocks, heavy gauge metal, or other suitable non-combustible components as approved by the Town of Morinville,
- 10.1.5 Have a spark arrestor mesh screen with openings no larger than 1/2 inch (1.25) made of expanding metal or equivalent,

[...]

10.1.13 Fire permits are not required for portable barbecues or fire pits which burn liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), natural gas, compressed briquettes, or charcoal when used for the purpose of cooking or obtaining warmth provided the appliances for cooking or obtaining warmth are used on the private property or in a public area as provided by the authority having jurisdiction, and

10.1.14 All appliances must be located in the back yard of the premises.

Notwithstanding Section 10.1, a Permit shall not be required under this Bylaw to conduct:

- (a) The cooking of food using a portable barbecuing appliance used in accordance with the Safety Codes Act and the Alberta Fire Code;
- (b) Burning in fireplaces in/or attached to dwelling as provided by legislations;
- (c) Burning in Town designated campgrounds and parks where fireplaces, stoves and fire pits are provided by or approved by the Town.”

1.3 Inserting the following in Section 10.0:

“10.1.1 Shall be installed in accordance with an approved development permit,”

1.4 Amending Schedule “A” Section 10.1 heading to:

“Fire in a Fire Pit – No Development Permit or fire counter to this bylaw”

**TOWN OF MORINVILLE  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA  
LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT  
BYLAW 2/2024  
Page 2**

**2.0 SEVERABILITY**

- 2.1 If any Section or parts of this bylaw are found in any court of law to be illegal or beyond the power of Council to enact, such Section or parts shall be deemed to be severable and all other Sections or parts of this bylaw shall be deemed to be separate and independent there from and to be enacted as such.

**COMING INTO FORCE**

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect when it received third reading and is duly signed.

READ a first time the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2024.

READ a second time the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

READ a third time and finally passed the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024

**ORIGINAL SIGNED**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Simon Boersma  
Mayor

**ORIGINAL SIGNED**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Naleen Narayan  
Chief Administrative Officer