TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL POLICY

Title:

Policy on Idling Control

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Purpose:

To limit green house gas emissions that have negative affects on local, regional and global climate and air quality and, as such, constitute a nuisance and negatively affect the health safety and well-being of residents of the Town of Annapolis Royal;

Definitions:

- (a) "idle" means the operation of a Vehicle's internal combustion engine while the vehicle is not in motion and "idling" has a corresponding meaning;
- (b) "Public Transport Vehicle" means a bus or van, other than one being operated as a taxi, for the conveyance of passengers from any point within the Town of Annapolis Royal to any other point within the Town, including a bus or van for the conveyance of passengers to points outside the Town from within the Town; and
- (c) "Vehicle" means any motorized vehicle but does not include any vehicle designed to run exclusively on rails.

Policy Statement:

No person shall cause or permit a Vehicle to idle for more than three consecutive minutes.

Exemptions

The Town recognizes that idling a vehicle may be necessary under circumstances and has defined the following exemptions:

- (a) idling for a purpose required by provincial or federal legislation;
- (b) engaged in an emergency response and idling was necessary for such

response;

- (c) engaged in work where the engine was required to provide power for auxiliary equipment being used in that work, and the auxiliary equipment is typically found in or attached to the type of vehicle in question, which auxiliary equipment could not operate without the Vehicle idling;
- (d) an armoured Vehicle in which a person remains inside the Vehicle while guarding the contents, or while the armoured Vehicle is being loaded or unloaded, and idling was necessary for the safety of the occupant of the Vehicle or bystanders;
- (e) standing as a result of an emergency, traffic, weather conditions, a funeral or mechanical difficulties over which the driver has no control;
- (f) engaged in the course of a parade or race;
- (g) idling where the engine was required to provide power or heat for defogging or de-icing the windshield and no reasonable alternative was available to clear the condensation or ice;
- (h) idling for the purpose of being mechanically maintained or fixed; or
- (i) a Public Transport Vehicle engaged in the embarking or disembarking of passengers.

Phil Roberts, Mayor

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