



**Bylaw No. 683, 2023**

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A bylaw to establish a service to provide a contribution to the cost of providing and operating arts and cultural centres

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**WHEREAS** under section 332 of the *Local Government Act* a regional district may operate any service the Board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the regional district;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of the North Coast Regional District wishes to establish a service for the purpose of contributing to the cost of providing and operating performing arts and cultural centres within the City of Prince Rupert for community use for the benefit of the residents of the District of Port Edward, Electoral Area A and Electoral Area C;

**AND WHEREAS** the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities has been obtained under section 342 of the *Local Government Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** approval by alternative approval process has been obtained in accordance with sections 345 of the *Local Government Act*;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Board of the North Coast Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. Citation**

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the “Mainland Arts and Culture Contribution Bylaw No. 683, 2023”.

**2. Service**

The service established by this bylaw is for the purpose of providing financial contribution to the cost of operating the Museum of Northern B.C. and the Lester Centre of the Arts.

### **3. Service Area Boundary**

The boundary of the service area is coterminous with the boundaries of the City of Prince Rupert, the District of Port Edward, and Electoral Areas “A” and “C”.

### **4. Service Participants**

The participants in this service shall be the City of Prince Rupert, the District of Port Edward, and Electoral Areas “A” and “C”.

### **5. Cost Recovery Method**

The annual cost of the service shall be recovered by property value taxes imposed on the net taxable value of land and improvements for hospital purposes under section 378(1)(a) of the *Local Government Act*.

### **6. Apportionment of Costs**

The apportionment of the net costs of the service shall be on a ratio basis as follows:

- a) City of Prince Rupert 2/5ths;
- b) District of Port Edward 2/5ths; and
- c) Electoral Areas “A” and “C” 1/5 of the cost. The costs between electoral areas A and C shall be apportioned based on its converted value of land and improvements for hospital purposes.

### **7. Requisition Limit**

The maximum that may be requisitioned for the service to be provided pursuant to this bylaw is a fixed annual contribution maximum of \$75,000.

### **8. Repeal**

Mainland Arts and Culture Contribution Bylaw No. 621, 2018, and all subsequent amendments hereto, are thereby repealed.

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| <i>Read a first time this</i>                      | <b>17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023</b>  |
| <i>Read a second time this</i>                     | <b>17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023</b>  |
| <i>Read a third time this</i>                      | <b>26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023</b>    |
| <i>Approval of the Inspector of Municipalities</i> | <b>7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023</b>    |
| <i>Approval of the electors received this</i>      | <b>7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023</b>  |
| <b>Adopted this</b>                                | <b>18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023</b> |



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**Chair**

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**Corporate Officer**

*I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the North Coast Regional District Bylaw No. 683, 2023 at third reading.*