

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-Law 142-25

A By-law to amend the Chapter 1116 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, being By-law 402-89, as amended, relating to parking regulation

Whereas on November 6, 1989, the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill (the “City”) enacted by law By-law 402-89 that regulates the parking of motor vehicles on public highways and other property (“Parking Regulation By-law”);

And Whereas on December 10, 2025, Council of the City adopted the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole in respect of various proposed amendments to the Parking Regulation By-law as set out in Staff Report SREIS.25.013 and directed staff to bring forward this by-law;

Now Therefore The Council of The Corporation of The City Of Richmond Hill Enacts as Follows:

1. That Chapter 1116, being By-law 402-89 of the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill (the “Parking Regulation By-law”), be amended as follows:
 - (a) by inserting the following new definitions to Article 1 – Interpretation, in alpha-numerical order:

Actively Charging – defined

“Actively Charging” means the period during which an Electric Vehicle is connected to an Electric Vehicle Charge Station and electricity is actively delivered to the Electric Vehicle’s battery, as indicated by the Electric Vehicle Charge Station’s network, display or visual indicators.

Electric Vehicle – defined

“Electric Vehicle” means a Motor Vehicle that is powered wholly or partially by electricity and is capable of being charged by an Electric Vehicle Charge Station and shall include battery electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

Electric Vehicle Charge Station - defined

“Electric Vehicle Charge Station” means a device or group of devices installed for the purpose of transferring electricity to a battery in an Electric Vehicle through a connection between the station and the vehicle.

Electric Vehicle Charging Space – defined

“Electric Vehicle Charging Space” means a parking space equipped with an Electric Vehicle Charge Station and signed for the purpose of charging an Electric Vehicle.

Engaged in a Charging Session – defined

“Engaged in a Charging Session” means the period during which an Electric Vehicle remains physically connected to an Electric Vehicle Charge Station, whether or not electricity is actively being drawn, and the session remains open or ongoing on the Electric Vehicle Charge Station’s network, display or visual indicators.

- (b) by adding the following new Article, Article 5 – Electric Vehicle Designated Parking and renumbering all subsequent articles and sections accordingly:

Article 5

Electric Vehicle Designated Parking

5.1 Electric Vehicle Charging Space Restrictions

No person shall park or stop a Motor Vehicle in an Electric Vehicle Charging Space unless:

- (a) the Motor Vehicle is an Electric Vehicle; and
- (b) the Electric Vehicle is Actively Charging.

No person shall park an Electric Vehicle in an Electric Vehicle Charging Space for more than ten (10) consecutive hours.

Any Motor Vehicle found in contravention of this Section may be issued a Penalty Notice and be subject to overstay charging fees and removal overstay charging fees and removal in accordance with this Chapter.

5.2 Exemptions to Timed Parking Restriction

Notwithstanding anything in this Chapter to the contrary, where an Authorized Sign has been erected in connection with an Electric Vehicle Charging Space permitting parking and stopping for the purpose of Actively Charging, an Electric Vehicle may remain parked in an Electric Vehicle Charging Space:

- (a) for more than 3 hours, provided the Electric Vehicle is Actively Charging; and
- (b) overnight between 11:30p.m and 7a.m., provided the Electric Vehicle is Actively Charging or Engaged in a Charging Session.

5.3 Payment of Charging Fees

- (a) The operator or owner of an Electric Vehicle parked in an Electric Vehicle Charging Space shall pay all applicable user fees as prescribed by the City's Tariff of Fees By-law, as amended.
- (b) All charging fees shall be paid by a City accepted credit or debit card or legal tender of the Dominion of Canada.
- (c) Where an Electric Vehicle remains parked in an Electric Vehicle Charging Space after it has ceased Actively Charging, an overstay fee may apply in accordance with the time increments and associated amounts and conditions set out in the City's Tariff of Fees By-law, as amended.
- (d) Overstay fees shall not apply between the hours of 11:30p.m. and 7a.m. provided that the Electric Vehicle remains Engaged in a Charging Session, and the Vehicle is not parked for more than ten consecutive hours.
- (e) The payment of Electric Vehicle charging fees, where applicable in any pay parking area, shall be in addition to any

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pay parking fee, except where a person holds a valid resident or facility parking permit granting exemption from the parking fee.

2. Except as herein provided and as required to give effect to the amendments in this By-law No. 142-25, the provisions of the Parking Regulation By-law continue in full force and effect without amendment.

Passed this 10th day of December, 2025.

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Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke
City Clerk