THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

BYLAW NO. 2020-39

A bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2017-7 being a bylaw to regulate the use of public transit vehicles and facilities in The Regional Municipality of York

WHEREAS pursuant to Ontario Regulation 50/20 made under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, the Province of Ontario declared an emergency due to the outbreak of a communicable disease, namely COVID-19 coronavirus disease;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to implement a requirement for individuals to wear a face covering while on transit vehicles or property, to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19;

The Council of The Regional Municipality of York hereby enacts as follows:

1. Bylaw 2017-7 is amended as set out in this bylaw.

2. Section 1.1 of the Bylaw is amended by adding the following definition:

“face covering” means a medical mask or non-medical mask or other face covering, including a bandana, scarf or other fabric that covers the mouth and nose to create a barrier to limit the transmission of respiratory droplets;

3. Section 3 of the Bylaw is amended by adding the following:

3.40 Effective July 2, 2020, every person while travelling on a transit vehicle or at a transit facility shall wear a face covering, subject to the following exceptions:

(a) a child under two (2) years of age;
(b) any person compromised by wearing a face covering because of a medical condition;
(c) any person unable to place or remove a face covering without assistance; and
(d) any person who requires accommodation under the Human Rights Code.
4. This bylaw shall remain in effect until such time as the Region's Medical Officer of Health determines that the mandatory requirement set forth in Section 3 is no longer required.


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Regional Clerk                        Regional Chair