

Bylaw No. 7565

The Poster Bylaw, 1996

**Codified to Bylaw No. 9353
(February 29, 2016)**

BYLAW NO. 7565

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The Council of The City of Saskatoon enacts:

Part I General Matters

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as The Poster Bylaw, 1996.

Purpose

2. The purpose of this Bylaw is to regulate the placement of posters on public property so as:
 - (a) to afford the residents of Saskatoon an opportunity to communicate with others in a simple and affordable way;
 - (b) to improve safety for motorists and pedestrians using the streets and sidewalks;
 - (c) to minimize visual clutter;
 - (d) to prevent littering; and
 - (e) to facilitate necessary maintenance of public property.

Definitions

3. In this Bylaw,
 - (a) "City" means the City of Saskatoon;
 - (b) "community bulletin board" means a board or other space designated as a community bulletin board and depicted in Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw;

- (b.1) “Election Poster” means a poster which is designed or intended to be displayed in connection with the following:
 - (i) a federal election or referendum;
 - (ii) a provincial election, referendum or plebiscite;
 - (iii) a local government election; or
 - (iv) a district health board election.
- (c) “Poster” means any bill, notice or sheet of paper announcing or advertising any topic, event, election, referendum or plebiscite, but does not include any material required by Court order or Court process;
- (d) “public property” means any property owned or located on property owned by the City or under the City’s direction, management and control including, but not limited to, fences, benches, bus shelters, trees, street light poles, traffic signal poles, telephone poles, power poles, traffic signal boxes, utility service boxes, or community bulletin boards.

Part II Poster Locations

General

- 4. No person shall attach a poster to any public property except in accordance with this Bylaw.

Prohibited Locations

- 4.1 No person shall attach a poster to any public property situated on any centre median or traffic island.

Permitted Locations

- 5. (1) In any area of the City shaded grey on Schedule “B”, no person shall attach a poster to any public property except that portion of a community bulletin board available for posters.

- (2) In any area of the City not shaded grey on Schedule “B”, no person shall attach a poster to any public property except to a community bulletin board and, in addition to, a street light pole, traffic signal pole, telephone pole or power pole.

Community Bulletin Boards

6. (1) The community bulletin boards depicted in Schedule “A” shall be maintained in the designated locations outlined in Schedule “B” for the use of any member of the public.
- (2) Each side of a community bulletin board shall constitute a separate community bulletin board.

Part III Poster Requirements

Size of Poster

7. A poster must not exceed 11 inches by 17 inches in dimension.

Date

8. A poster must indicate the date upon which the poster is attached.

Fastening Devices

9. A poster may only be attached with clear packing tape or other easily removable tape.

Number of Posters

10. Only one poster for each event or advertisement may be attached at a permitted location at one time.

Duration of Placement

11. (1) A poster, other than an election poster, must be removed from a permitted location after the earlier of:

- (a) the completion of the advertised event, if any; or
 - (b) thirty (30) days after the date indicated on the poster as required by Section 8.
- (2) An election poster may be put up at the following times:
- (a) in the case of a federal or provincial election, after an election writ has been issued;
 - (b) in the case of a federal referendum, after a proclamation has been issued;
 - (c) in the case of a provincial referendum, after an order by the Lieutenant Governor in Council;
 - (d) in the case of a provincial plebiscite, after a direction by the Assembly or the Minister; and
 - (e) in the case of a local government or district health board election, forty-five (45) days before the election;

and must be removed within seven (7) days after the date of the election, referendum or plebiscite.

Removal of Posters

12. (1) A poster must be removed from a permitted location after the duration allowed in Section 11 by the person who attached the poster, or the authorized agent of such person.
- (2) A poster which is attached at a permitted location, conforms with all the poster requirements and has not expired, must not be removed by any person except the person who attached the poster, or the authorized agent of such person.
- (3) Posters which are not attached at a permitted location, do not conform with all the poster requirements, or have expired, may be removed immediately, and without notice, by any person at any time.

Covering of Posters

13. No person shall cover any portion of a poster which conforms with all the poster requirements and has not expired.

Repair of Facilities

14. The City or an authorized agent of the City may remove posters from permitted locations in order to repair or maintain public property or a community bulletin board.

Part IV Offences and Penalties

Offences

15. (1) Every person who contravenes a provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction for the fines provided in this section.
 - (2) If the offence is committed by an individual, the individual is liable:
 - (a) for the first offence, to a fine not exceeding \$200.00; and
 - (b) for each subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding \$500.00.
 - (3) If the offence is committed by a corporation, the corporation is liable:
 - (a) for the first offence, to a fine not exceeding \$500.00; and
 - (b) for each subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.00.
 - (4) The Court may, in default of payment of a fine imposed under this Bylaw, order imprisonment of an individual for a term not exceeding one year.

Part V Commencement

Severability

16. If any section or portion of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, that section or portion shall be deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

Coming into Force

17. This Bylaw comes into force on the day of its final passing.

Read a first time this 2nd day of December, 1996.

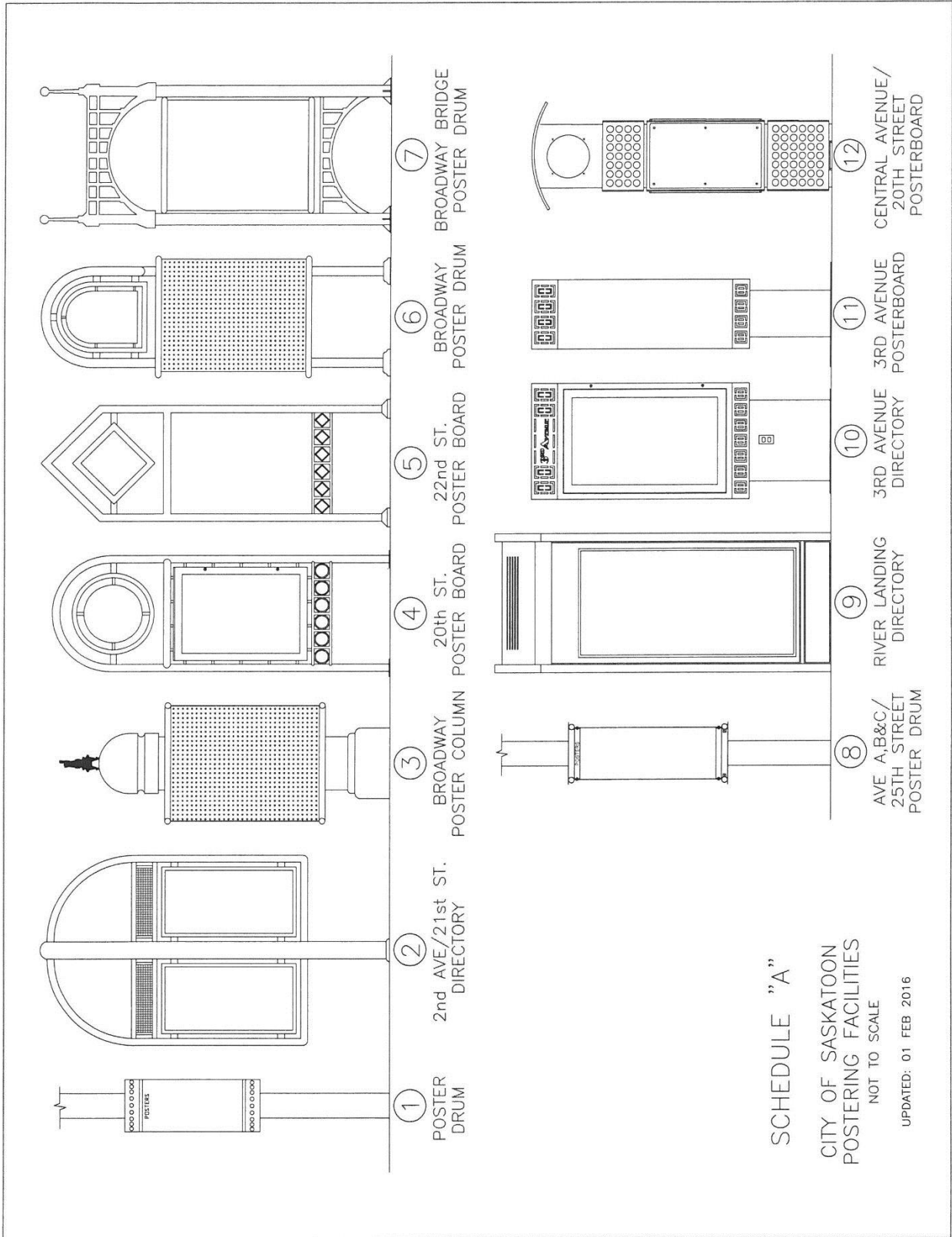
Read a second time this 2nd day of December, 1996.

Read a third time and passed this 2nd day of December, 1996.

"Henry Dayday"
Mayor

"Janice Mann"
City Clerk

Schedule "A"



SCHEDULE "A"
CITY OF SASKATOON
POSTERING FACILITIES
NOT TO SCALE
UPDATED: 01 FEB 2016

Schedule "B"

