

CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE

BYLAW C-1436

A Bylaw to Provide Tax Penalty Relief in 2021

WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* a municipality may by bylaw impose a penalty in the year in which a tax is imposed or in any subsequent year, if a property tax remains unpaid after the date shown on the tax notice;

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Grande Prairie has enacted the Penalties on Unpaid Taxes Bylaw C-1138;

AND WHEREAS, in order to alleviate the financial impact on residents in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Council wishes to amend the property tax payment due date for the year 2021 only and to ensure that no penalties on Current Taxes are imposed until September 1, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Bylaw shall be called the “2021 Tax Penalty Special Provisions Bylaw”.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Tax Penalties and Discount Bylaw C-1138, for the 2021 Tax Year only:
 - a. the only date on which a penalty is imposed after May 4, 2021 on Current Taxes and Taxes in Arrears, is September 1, 2021; and will be 6%;
 - b. the Property Tax Due Date is August 31, 2021; and
 - c. the late filing fee, of 1% per month, for the Tax Installment Payment Plan is cancelled.
3. Except as modified by this Bylaw for the 2021 Tax Year only, in all other respects Tax Penalties and Discount Bylaw C-1138 are in force as enacted.
4. This Bylaw shall take effect on the date it is passed.

READ a first time this 17 day of May, 2021.

READ a second time this 17 day of May, 2021.

READ a third time and finally passed this 17 day of May, 2021.

“J. Clayton” (signed) _____
Mayor

“A. Karbasheski” (signed) _____
City Clerk