

THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF DAWSON
BYLAW #05-10
(consolidated with bylaw #14-17)

A Bylaw to provide a system of grants to senior resident homeowners in the Town of the City of Dawson.

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, being Chapter 154, Statutes of the Yukon Territory and amendments thereto, provides that Trustee of the Town of the City of Dawson may make grants to any person; and

WHEREAS the Trustee of the Town of the City of Dawson desires to provide a Property Tax Homeowner Grant to seniors, now

THEREFORE, the Trustee of the Town of the City of Dawson hereby **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

1.00 SHORT TITLE

1.01 This Bylaw may be cited as the "**SENIOR HOMEOWNER GRANT BYLAW**".

2.00 DEFINITIONS:

2.01 In this Bylaw wherever the male gender is specified it shall be interpreted as including both male and female as applicable; and

2.02 In this Bylaw and the schedules attached hereto, unless the context requires otherwise:

2.03 "Dwelling Single Residence" means a detached building containing only one (1) dwelling unit designed exclusively for occupancy of one (1) family and that includes a modular home.

2.04 "Property Owner" means the owner as registered with the Registrar of the Yukon Land Titles Office or the owner's authorized representative,

2.05 "Senior Citizen" means a person who on or before July 2nd of the year for which a grant is provided has reached the age of sixty (60) years.

3.00 PURPOSE

- 3.01 a) It is the purpose of this Bylaw to authorize the making of a grant to any senior person, not being a body corporate, firm or society, who owns a single residential dwelling in the Town of the City of Dawson and occupies this dwelling as a private residence for a minimum of (270) two hundred seventy days of the (365) three hundred sixty-five days immediately preceding the date of issue of a real property tax notice.
- b) It is the purpose of this Bylaw to include within the eligibility requirements those senior owner-occupiers, not being a body corporate, firm or society, who own and occupy a portion of the assessed improvements as their principal residence for a minimum of (270) two hundred seventy days of the (365) three hundred sixty-five days immediately preceding the date of issue of a real property tax notice.

To qualify for the grant the senior homeowner shall provide to the City acceptable documentation detailing square footage of the principal residence and revenue generating portions of the property and/or assessment valuation of the principal residence portion. Grant calculation in Section (4) shall be based on real property taxes, which apply only to the principal residence portion.

- c) It is the purpose of this Bylaw to include within the eligibility requirements those senior owner-occupiers of single family residences in Section 3.01 a) above who chose to purchase another single family residence within Town of the City of Dawson boundaries for their own use within the eligibility period. The grant shall be applicable only to the place of owner-occupied principle residence portion at time of issuance of a real property tax notice.
- 3.02 For the purpose of this Bylaw, senior homeowner grants may be claimed in respect of eligible property under Section 3.01 a) above whose only commercial use is licensed under the home occupation classification of the current Town of the City of Dawson Business Licence Bylaw and the current Zoning Bylaw, including where a room is rented out for remuneration for other than bed and breakfast purposes.
- 4.00 GRANTS**
- 4.01 Current real property taxes minus the minimum tax levied on any real property classified as residential.
- 5.00 APPLICATION FOR A GRANT**
- 5.01 A qualified homeowner may make application for the grant, on a form prescribed by the City, provided:
- a) all real property tax demands for the property to which the grant applies were paid in full by due date for the payment of property taxes in the current year.
 - b) the application is received by the City no later than September 15th in the year for which the application is being made.
- 5.02 A senior homeowner grant provided by this Bylaw shall apply to net current real property taxes only, levied against the qualified senior homeowner's residence property.
- 5.03 No senior homeowner grant shall be made for:
- a) tax penalties and/or interest; and
 - b) tax arrears.
- 6.00 REPEAL**
- 6.01 Bylaws #99-05 and #04-09 are hereby repealed.
- 7.00 ENACTMENT**
- 7.01 The provisions of this Bylaw shall be deemed to have come into effect on the date of passing.

Read a FIRST time this 5TH day of April, 2005.

Read a SECOND time this 5TH day of April, 2005.

Approved by the Minister pursuant to section 336 (8) of the Municipal Act this 15TH day of April, 2005.

Minister, Dennis Fentie

Read a THIRD and FINAL time this 15TH day of April, 2005.

Trustee, Ray Hayes

Chief Administrative Officer, Paul Moore