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CITY OF TORONTO

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To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, and Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking, to permit the limited operation of quadricycles.

Whereas the City of Toronto Act, 2006 grants the City of Toronto authority to enact by-laws for the licensing, regulating and governing of businesses wholly or partly carried on in Toronto and to set corresponding fees and charges; and

Whereas the City of Toronto Act, 2007 grants the City of Toronto authority to enact by-laws to prohibit or regulate the placing, stopping, standing or parking of vehicles and to regulate traffic on roads, subject to the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.H.8; and

Whereas the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, governs the licensing of pedicabs in Toronto and requires that pedicabs operating as a business in Toronto obtain a municipal licence; and

Whereas the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking, regulates traffic and parking within Toronto; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Toronto considers the licensing of pedicabs and regulation of vehicles, traffic, and parking to be important in promoting public safety, consumer protection, and the economic, social, and environmental wellbeing of the City of Toronto; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Toronto has decided to opt-in to the pilot for large quadricycles pursuant to Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8, O.Reg. 411/22: Pilot Project - Large Quadricycles; and

Whereas quadricycles as defined by O.Reg. 411/22 fall within the definition of a pedicab as vehicles propelled by human muscular power, with or without the assistance of an electric motor, as set out in Article 1 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing; and

Whereas the Council of the City of Toronto has decided to direct that a limited number of pedicab licences be issued to businesses operating quadricycles and that consultations be carried out to evaluate the impacts of quadricycles on city streets, among other things;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 950, Traffic and Parking, is amended by inserting the words "large quadricycle," in the definition of "vehicle" after the words "cargo power-assisted bicycle," in section 950-101B.

2. City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, is amended by:
- a. inserting the following new definition in Article 1, Section 545-1 in alphabetical order, to read as follows:

"LARGE QUADRICYCLE - As defined in the Highway Traffic Act and its regulations and/or successors and includes non-assist large quadricycles and electric-assist large quadricycles as defined therein."
 - b. inserting the following section at the end of Section 545-21A:

"Where a pedicab is a large quadricycle, every owner shall, in respect of each pedicab that is a large quadricycle for which a licence is held, obtain, maintain and pay for a liability insurance policy to cover the offering and operating of each such pedicab for hire with a limit of not less than \$2 million combined bodily injury, death and property damage, exclusive of costs and interest, for any one accident or occurrence."
 - c. by adding Section 545-29.3, to read as follows:

"§ 545-29.3. No large quadricycles on roadways without approval.

Where a pedicab is a large quadricycle, it may not operate on any roadway for which the General Manager, Transportation Services, has not given prior written approval. The General Manager Transportation Services may amend or revoke any approval granted upon at least 48 hours' notice."

Enacted and passed on June 16, 2022.

Frances Nunziata,
Speaker

John D. Elvidge,
City Clerk

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