

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
Bylaw No. 2594, 2026

A bylaw to convert the function of community parks to
a service established by bylaw with fixed proportions
for cost apportionment

WHEREAS, by supplementary Letters Patent dated February 8, 1985, as amended by supplementary Letters Patent dated August 20, 1987, the Peace River Regional District was granted the function of acquiring, developing, operating, maintaining and regulating Community Parks (Division XXXIII);

AND WHEREAS, the *Local Government Act* authorizes the Regional Board to convert a function established by supplementary Letters Patent to a service exercised under the authority of a service establishment bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board wishes to convert the function of acquiring, developing, operating, maintaining and regulating community parks to a service established by bylaw and wishes to amend the service to specify that costs for the service are apportioned using fixed proportions;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board has obtained the required consent of at least 2/3 of the participants of the original function pursuant to the *Local Government Act*;

NOW THEREFORE the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

CONVERSION AND ESTABLISHMENT

1. The function of community parks granted by supplementary Letters Patent Division XXXIII dated February 8, 1985, as amended by supplementary Letters Patent dated August 30, 1987, is hereby converted and established as the Peace River Regional District Community Parks Service.

SCOPE OF SERVICE

2. The service established by this bylaw includes:
 - a) the acquisition, development, operation, maintenance and regulation of community parks;
 - b) carrying out any function that is ancillary or incidental to the foregoing activities.

SERVICE AREA

3. The service area for the service established by this bylaw is the area comprising Electoral Areas B, C, D and E.

PARTICIPATING AREAS

4. The participating areas are Electoral Areas B, C, D and E of the Peace River Regional District.

COST RECOVERY

5. The annual cost of providing the Service shall be recovered by any of the following:
 - a) the requisition of money to be collected by property value taxes on the net taxable value of improvements within the participating area;
 - b) the imposition of user fees and other charges that may be imposed by separate bylaw;
 - c) revenues raised by other means authorized by the *Local Government Act* or another act; and
 - d) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant, or otherwise.

APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS

6. The costs to provide the service shall be apportioned among the participating areas on the basis of a fixed proportion formula imposed in accordance with section 380 of the *Local Government Act*, and shall be apportioned as follows:
 - a) Area B – 85%
 - b) Area C – 0%
 - c) Area D – 0%
 - d) Area E – 15%

MAXIMUM REQUISITION LIMIT

7. The maximum requisition that may be requisitioned annually for the service is the greater of \$5,977,113 or \$0.50/\$1,000 when applied to the net taxable value of improvements in the service area.

CITATION

8. This bylaw may be cited as "Community Parks Conversion and Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2594, 2026."

GENERAL PROVISIONS

9. If any portion of this bylaw is declared invalid by a court, the invalid portion shall be severed and the remainder of the bylaw is deemed valid.
10. The headings used in this bylaw are for convenience only and do not form part of this bylaw, and are not to be used in the interpretation of this bylaw.
11. Any enactment referred to herein is a reference to an enactment of the Province of British Columbia and regulations thereto, as amended, revised, consolidated, or replaced from time to time.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 8th day of January, 2026.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 8th day of January, 2026.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 8th day of January, 2026.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 2594, 2026 cited as “Community Parks Conversion and Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2594, 2026” as read a third time by the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District at a meeting held on the 8th day of January, 2026.

Original signed by

Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

Third reading given January 8, 2026 rescinded this 26th day of February, 2026.

READ A THIRD TIME AS AMENDED THIS 26th day of February, 2026.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 2594, 2026 cited as “Community Parks Conversion and Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2594, 2026” as read a third time as amended by the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District at a meeting held on the 26th day of February, 2026.

Original signed by

Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

Approved by the Inspector of Municipalities this 3rd day of March, 2026.

ADOPTED THIS 19th day of March, 2026.

Filed with the Inspector of Municipalities this 23rd day of March, 2026.

Original signed by

Brad Sperling, Chair

(Corporate Seal has been affixed to the original bylaw)

Original signed by

Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FORGOING to be a true and correct copy of “Community Parks Conversion and Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2594, 2026”, as adopted by the Peace River Regional District on March 19, 2026.

Original signed by

Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer