

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

**BYLAW NO. 1879**

**A Bylaw to Regulate the Use of Wood Burning Appliances  
In the City of Grand Forks**

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**WHEREAS** in accordance with the Community Charter, Council may, by bylaw, regulate in regard to the protection and enhancement of the well-being of the community in the emission of smoke, dust, gas, sparks, ash, soot, cinders, fumes or other effluvia that is liable to foul or contaminate the atmosphere in the municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS**, as follows:

**Definitions:**

**In this Bylaw:**

**City** – means the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks

**Dwelling** – means a place of residence. This does not include workshops, garages or other outbuildings.

**Nuisance** – means the continuous emission of smoke, dust, gas, sparks, ash, soot, cinders, fumes or other effluvia due to a poorly operated or configured wood burning appliance that is liable to foul or contaminate the atmosphere.

**Woodburning Appliance** – means a fireplace insert, woodstove, space heater, cook stove or furnace, in which wood is burned and which discharges combustion products in the air.

**1. Prohibited Use of a Wood Burning Appliance:**

No person shall create a nuisance using a wood burning appliance in such a way as to disturb the health and comfort of two or more persons from separate dwellings in the vicinity.

**2. Enforcement**

2.1 On receiving two separate complaints the city will write a letter to the offending household and send educational materials about the ill effects of wood smoke to human health.

2.2 On receiving additional complaints the City may issue a fine up to \$500.

**3. Citation:**

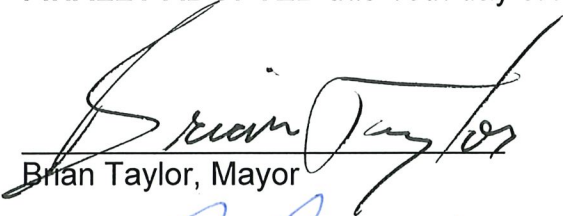
This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the **“City of Grand Forks Wood Burning Appliance Bylaw No. 1879, 2010”**.

Read a **FIRST** time this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.


Read a **SECOND** time this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

Read a **THIRD** time this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

**FINALLY ADOPTED** this 16th day of August, 2010.



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Brian Taylor, Mayor



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Diane Heinrich, Corporate Officer

**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 1879, as passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Grand Forks on the 16th day of August, 2010.

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Corporate Officer of the Municipal Council of the  
City of Grand Forks