

**BYLAW NO. 23-27
OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
TO AMEND THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS BYLAW NO. 13-05.**

WHEREAS the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, c. M-26 authorizes a municipality to pass bylaws respecting the safety, health and welfare of people and protection of people and property;

AND WHEREAS the Town seeks to regulate the unsolicited distribution of graphic images to premises, so that recipients have an opportunity to choose whether they wish to view such images;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to establish a Bylaw to regulate graphic images that may cause harmful and traumatizing impacts to recipients, particularly those who have experienced pregnancy loss.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Council of the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta duly assembled **HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. SHORT TITLE:

1.1. This Bylaw may be cited as "Community Standards Amending Bylaw No. 23-27."

2. AMENDMENTS

2.1. That section 2 of the Community Standards Bylaw No. 13-05 be amended to include the following definitions:

"Deliver" means to leave the Graphic Image anywhere on the property or mailbox associated with a Residence, whether or not the Graphic Image is handed to a person;

"Fetus" means a developing but unborn mammal;

"Flyer" means any printed or written matter, and includes a circular, leaflet, pamphlet, paper, booklet, postcard, or any other printed or otherwise reproduced matter of literature.

(Non-commercial flyers distributed by interest groups to express an opinion on an issue or a cause are included in the definition of 'flyer')

"Graphic Image" means a visual image showing, or purporting to show, a Fetus or any part of a Fetus.

2.2. That the Community Standards Bylaw No. 13-05 be amended to include the following section as Part IX:

Part IX – Graphic Flyers

- (1) No Person or shall Deliver or participate in the Delivery of a Graphic Image to any Premises, unless:
 - (a) the Graphic Image be concealed in a sealed opaque envelope;
 - (b) the exterior of the envelope contains the following legible warning:
"Contains a Graphic Image that may be offensive or disturbing";

and
 - (c) the exterior of the envelope clearly identifies the sender and sender's address.
- (2) This By-law does not apply to:
 - (a) Mail that is Delivered to a Premises by Canada Post,
 - (b) Material that is Delivered to the Premises at the request or with the consent of the addressee.

2.3. That the Community Standards Bylaw No. 13-05 be amended to include the following in Schedule A of the bylaw:

Part IX – Graphic Flyers

SECTION	OFFENSE	MINIMUM PENALTY	SPECIFIED PENALTY
1. (a)	Deliver a Graphic Image not contained in a sealed opaque envelope	\$500.00	\$1000.00
1. (b)	Deliver a Graphic Image without the legible warning	\$500.00	\$1000.00
1. (c)	Deliver a Graphic Image without identifying the sender and sender's address	\$500.00	\$1000.00

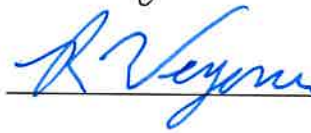
3. EFFECTIVE DATE

- 3.1. This Bylaw comes into full force and effect upon third and final reading and being signed.

READ A FIRST TIME this 26th day of July, 2023.

READ A SECOND TIME this 26th day of July, 2023.

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME this 26th day of July, 2023.



Deputy MAYOR


DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC, ADMINISTRATIVE
AND FINANCIAL SERVICES