



Policy Title	Date:	Resolution No.
ENCROACHMENT POLICY	May 11, 2020	HMC-20-069

Purpose:

The Summer Village of Half Moon Bay has the responsibility to manage Municipal Reserve, Environmental Reserve, Recreational Leases, Licenses of Occupation and the Shoreline within the boundaries of the municipality.

Statement:

The Summer Village of Half Moon Bay asserts its right of ownership to all lands owned, leased and managed by the municipality. It is the policy of the Summer Village to work proactively with property owners to remove **encroachments** for all lands owned, leased and managed by the municipality.

Definitions:

“building(s)” includes anything constructed or placed on, in, over or under land but does not include a highway or road or a bridge forming part of a highway or road.

“development” means:

- (a) An excavation or stockpile and the creation of either of them; or
- (b) A **building** or an addition to, or replacement or repair of a **building** and the construction or placing in, on, over or under land of any of them; or
- (c) A change of use of land or a **building** or an act done in relation to land or a **building** that results in or is likely to result in a change in the use of the land or **building**; or
- (d) A change in the intensity of use of land or a **building** or an act done in relation to land or a **building** that results in or is likely to result in a change in the intensity of use of the land or **building**.

“encroachment(s)” means a **building** or **development** or any personal items that illegally extends or restricts vehicle access on an adjacent municipal property.

General:

1. The Summer Village requires the removal of all **encroachments** from lands owned, leased or managed by the municipality. The owners of the **encroachment** shall be required to remove the **encroachment** and restore the site to its original / natural state to the satisfaction of the municipality, and or
2. The Summer Village may permit **encroachments** onto property owned, leased or managed by the municipality if the **encroachment** is established and recognized in accordance with the provisions of this policy as of the date of the approval of the Policy.

3. Permitted **encroachments** identified by a letter of consent or a license agreement from the Summer Village of Half Moon Bay shall have a review every 5th year.
4. It will be a requirement for the current owner to provide proof of their liability insurance in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 as mentioned in 2.(h).
5. The municipality may, as a condition of approval, require the **encroachment** to be removed should the owner of the property change. This may be reflected in the agreement.

Encroachment on Environmental Reserve Lands

1. The Summer Village does not permit any type of **encroachment** on environmental reserve land.

Encroachments on Municipal Reserve Lands, Municipal Leased Properties and or Municipal Managed Properties

1. Existing **Encroachments** deemed by Council to be minor may be permitted provided a consent letter is issued by the Municipality. The consent letter shall include provisions reserving the Municipality's right to require the removal of the **encroachment** at any time at the expense of the owner of the **encroachment** and any other conditions deemed necessary by the municipality. Minor **encroachments** include the storage of piers and boat lifts.
2. Stairs, retaining walls, fire pits and other types of **development** encroaching onto Municipal property, excepting environmental reserves, may be permitted by the Council provided the owner of the **encroachment**:
 - a. Enters into an Agreement with the municipality outlining the terms by which both parties shall manage the **encroachment**.
 - b. Agrees that the existence of the **encroachment** in no way affect the Municipality's ownership of or authority over the lands.
 - c. Agrees to remove the **encroachment** at the encroaching party's expense at any time such removal is required by the municipality.
 - d. Agrees that upon the removal of the **encroachment**, the site will be restored to a condition acceptable to the municipality.
 - e. Provides, at the request of the municipality, a survey plan illustrating the extent of the **encroachment** prepared by a land surveyor registered to practice in the province of Alberta to the satisfaction of the municipality prior to the execution of the agreement.
 - f. Pays all costs incurred by the municipality to facilitate the execution of the agreement.
 - g. Pays the **encroachment** fee of \$250.00 yearly.
 - h. The Owner is required to provide proof of insurance annually upon payment of the encroachment agreement fee and throughout the term of the agreement, provide and keep enforced general liability insurance in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 in respect of injury to, or death of, any person, or damage of any property, which insurance shall:
 - i. name the Summer Village as an additional insured under the policy, only in respect to liability arising from the encroachment agreement of the municipal owned lands;
 - ii. be effected with insurers, and upon terms and conditions satisfactory to the Summer Village.