



TOWN OF PILOT BUTTE

"THE BUTTE" PROTECTION BYLAW

BYLAW NO. 7-2024

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A bylaw to protect and preserve the distinctive character and natural setting of “The Butte”, officially named as the “Pilot Butte Hill”.

THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PILOT BUTTE HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as “The Butte Protection Bylaw No. 7 - 2024”.

Definitions

2. In this bylaw:
 - 2.1 Bylaw – means *The Butte Heritage Site Bylaw*
 - 2.2 Conservation – all actions or processes aimed at protecting and maintaining the characters of a historic place to retain its heritage value and extend its physical life.
 - 2.3 Council – means the Council of the Town of Pilot Butte.
 - 2.4 Ecomuseum – a museum or place comprising an area's natural and cultural history.
 - 2.5 habitation – the state of living in a particular place
 - 2.6 intervention – the action or process of meddling with the natural state of the Butte.
 - 2.7 Preservation – involves protecting, maintaining, and stabilizing the existing form, material, and integrity of a historic place or individual component, while protecting its heritage value.
 - 2.8 Rehabilitation – involves the sensitive adaptation of a historic place or individual component for continuing or compatible contemporary use, while protecting its heritage value.
 - 2.9 Restoration – involves accurately revealing, recovering, or representing the state of a historic place or individual component as it appeared at a particular period in its history while protecting its heritage value.
 - 2.10 Town – means the Town of Pilot Butte.



Application

- 3. The property enclosed by 3rd Avenue and Butte Street, which is shown on Schedule A, is the subject property for The Butte Protection Bylaw.
- 4. The legal description of the property under section 3 is part of:
NE ¼ Section 33-17-18-2
Blk/Par MR-Plan 80R00140 Ext 0
Surface Parcel No. 111605431

Rationale

- 5. The Butte Protection Bylaw is designated for the following reasons:
 - 5.1 The Butte holds a significant history of being used as a vantage point for the Indigenous people long before the Town of Pilot Butte was first settled in 1882, though little to no trace of that habitation remains on the site as European settlement of the area waxed and waned.
 - 5.2 The Butte significantly influenced the name of the Town of Pilot Butte in 1883, which means “Lookout point”.
 - 5.3 The Butte serves as an Ecomuseum, where one can find the following plants that have grown on the site:
 - Prairie wool
 - Crested wheatgrass
 - Brougham grass (Bromegrass)
 - Prairie crocus
 - Buffalo beans (yellow blossomed legumes)
 - Three flowered avens
 - Vetches
 - Wild short roses, and many more...

Purpose

- 6. The purpose of this Bylaw is to protect, preserve and to support the conservation of the Butte in a planned, selective, and cost-feasible manner for the benefit of current and future generations of citizens and visitors of the Town of Pilot Butte.

Objectives

- 7. The objectives of this Bylaw are to:
 - 7.1 Conserve the historical value of the Butte by adopting an approach of calling for minimal intervention;

- 7.2 Prevent changes to the site that have become character defining elements in their own right;
- 7.3 Allow uses for the Butte that requires minimal or no change to its character defining elements;
- 7.4 Maintain and preserve the site with recognized conservation methods, with minimal to no intervention as seen fit.

Guidelines

8. Restoration

- 8.1 The restoration of the stone monument and bronze plaque on top of the Butte may include, but are not limited to, re-painting, re-finishing, and re-polishing of the stone, so long as the changes made are not drastically away from its natural state and beauty.
- 8.2 Restoration may include removing non-character-defining features from other periods in its history and recreating missing features from the restoration period.
- 8.3 Restoration must be based on clear evidence and detailed knowledge of the earlier forms and materials being recovered.

9. Maintenance

- 9.1 Maintenance, including grass trimmings, weed removals, etc., should be performed at least once a month, or as needed.
- 9.2 Pathways should not be improved but should be allowed to develop naturally through use.

10. Activities

- 10.1 Recreational activities are allowed so long as the natural structure and habitat of the Butte is not heavily disturbed. Such activities include, but not limited to: tobogganing or winter sledding, hiking, sight-seeing, picnics, etc.
- 10.2 Plant identification of indigenous plants is encouraged to nurture the diverse habitat of the Butte.
- 10.3 Prohibit any works or activities that:
 - i. may injure, destroy, or remove any elements of the Butte;
 - ii. includes attachments of any items or materials on the butte without the Town's approval;
 - iii. requires placement or parking of any heavy equipment, machinery, vehicles or construction materials on or near the Butte without the Town's approval;

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- iv. identifies as archaeological activities; or
- v. identifies as an act of vandalism;
- vi. Involves unauthorized motorized vehicles.

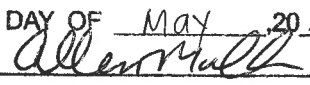
Compliance and Enforcement

- 11. The Town may:
 - 11.1 Remove any item or material that has been attached to or placed on the Butte in contravention of this Bylaw and charge the person who attached or placed the item or material with the cost of removal, disposal, and restoration.
 - 11.2 Move or relocate any heavy equipment, machinery, vehicles, or construction materials that has been placed or parked on the Butte without the Town’s approval.

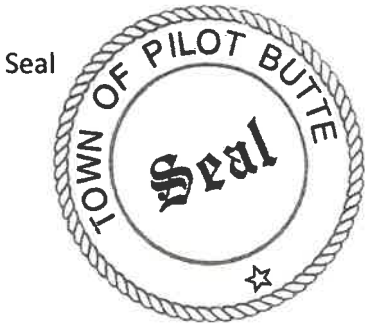
Coming into Force

- 13. The Town of Pilot Butte has recognized the responsibility of conservation of the heritage value of “The Butte”, which includes the preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of the site.
- 14. Any conditions provided for the compliance to this Bylaw shall not contravene with the existing Zoning Bylaw and Official Community Plan of the Town of Pilot Butte.
- 15. This Bylaw shall come into force once it is approved and given a third reading by the Council of the Town of Pilot Butte.

1st Reading: May 13, 2024
 2nd Reading: May 13, 2024
 3rd Reading: May 13, 2024

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY OF A BYLAW PASSED
 BY RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
 OF PILOT BUTTE AT A MEETING HELD THE
13th DAY OF May, 2024 AD.


 ADMINISTRATOR



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 Peggy Chorney
 Mayor

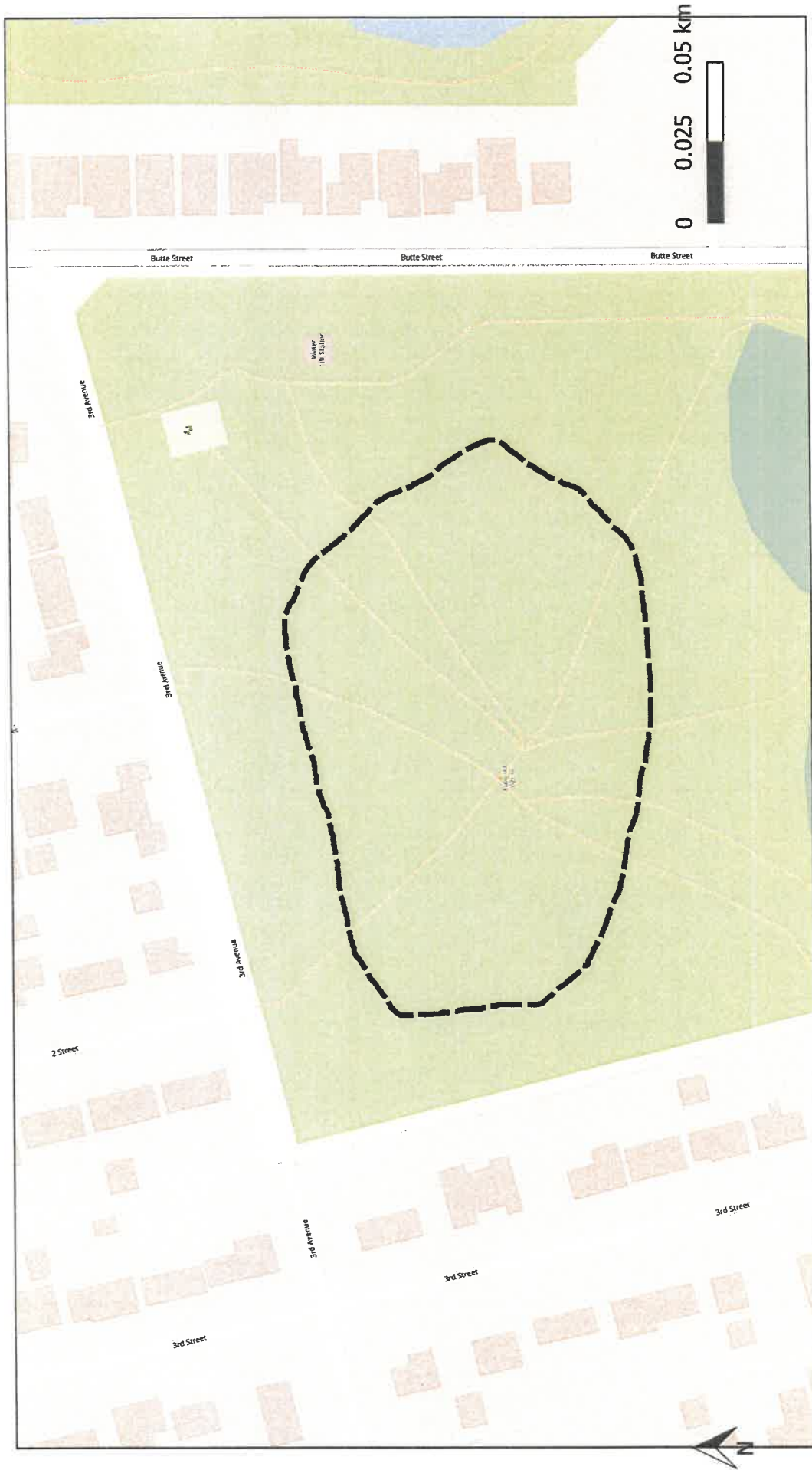
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Schedule A - The Butte



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