The First Nations Tax Commission, pursuant to the *First Nations*Fiscal Management Act, hereby approves the following law made by the Stz'uminus First Nation in the Province of British Columbia,

Stz'uminus First Nation Annual Tax Rates Law, 2021

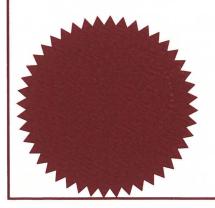
Dated at Kamloops, British Columbia this 13th day of August 2021.

On behalf of the First Nations Tax Commission

C.T. (Manny) Jules - Chief Commissioner

First Nations Tax Commission





STZ'UMINUS FIRST NATION ANNUAL TAX RATES LAW, 2021

WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, the council of a first nation may make laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands and interests or rights in reserve lands, including laws to establish tax rates and apply them to the assessed value of those lands and interests or rights;
- B. The council of the First Nation has made a property assessment law and a property taxation law; and
- C. Subsection 10(1) of the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act* requires a first nation that has made a property taxation law to, at least once each year, make a law setting the rate of tax to be applied to the assessed value of each class of lands and interests or rights;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Stz'uminus First Nation duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Stz'uminus First Nation Annual Tax Rates Law, 2021.
- 2. In this Law:

"Act" means the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*, S.C. 2005, c. 9, and the regulations made under that Act;

"Assessment Law" means the Chemainus First Nation Property Assessment Law, 2010;

"First Nation" means the Stz'uminus First Nation, being a band named in the schedule to the Act;

"property taxation law" means a law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 5(1)(a) of the Act;

"taxable property" has the meaning given to that term in the Taxation Law; and

"Taxation Law" means the Chemainus First Nation Property Taxation Law, 2010.

- **3.** Taxes levied pursuant to the Taxation Law for the taxation year 2021 shall be determined by imposing the rates set out in the Schedule upon the assessed value of all taxable property in each property class.
- **4.** Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to them in the Assessment Law and the Taxation Law.
- 5. Where a provision in this Law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- **6.** This Law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.
 - 7. The Schedule attached to this Law forms part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- **8.** This Law comes into force and effect on the day after it is approved by the First Nations Tax Commission.

THIS LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the $\underline{29}$ day of $\underline{\text{June}}$, $\underline{2021}$, at Ladysmith, in the Province of British Columbia.

A quorum of Council consists of five (5) members of Council.

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Councillor Greg Seymour	Councillor Tim Harris
	Peter San
Councillor Margaret Seymour	Councillor Peter Seymour

SCHEDULE

TAX RATES

PROPERTY CLASS	RATE PER \$1,000
	of assessed value
Class 1 - Residential	6.2500
Class 2 - Utilities	24.8700
Class 4 - Major Industry	0.0000
Class 5 - Light Industry	25.5500
Class 6 - Business and Other	10.8000
Class 7 - Forest Land	0.0000
Class 8 - Recreational Property/Non-Profit Organization	6.7500
Class 9 - Farm	0.0000