



2019 Bylaw Drafting & Interpretation Workshop

Thursday, September 12

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport, Richmond, BC

Chaired by Don Lidstone, this one-day workshop will provide attendees with vital information that every local government official should know about the bylaw drafting process and how to make your local government's bylaws effective, understandable, lawful and enforceable.

Workshop topics to be covered:

The Council/Board Policy Making Process and the Provincial Bylaw Approval Process -

Nicola Marotz, Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing

Some Thoughts on Legislative Drafting - Janet Erasmus, Q.C., Ministry of Attorney General

- Clear instructions, plain language and uniformity

Bylaw Drafting Process - Donald Lidstone, Q.C., Lidstone & Company

Part 1:

- When is a bylaw required?
- Bylaw validity checklists (including substantive and procedural grounds for setting aside bylaws)

Part 2:

- Organization and content of a bylaw
- Interpretation Act
- Definitions, working with precedents

How the Bylaw Enforcement Process Drives Bylaw Content – Tom Zworski, City of Victoria

- Creating offences, avoiding federal criminal jurisdiction
- Fines and penalties
- Setting up for prosecutions
- Including MTI and bylaw adjudication process phraseology

The Perspective of the Corporate Officer / Corporate Secretary – Lorna Dysart, Village of Belcarra

- A uniform style for bylaws
- Bylaw drafting teams
- Council/board direction
- Public participation
- Some thoughts on consolidation and revision
- Following the “Clerk’s critical path and deadlines”

This workshop is open to anyone interested in bylaw drafting and interpretation in local government.

[Register online](#) before **Friday, September 6, 2019.**

Workshop Fee: \$305 +GST LGMA Member; \$345 +GST Non-Member

Book your hotel accommodations by August 12.



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