

Staff Report for Decision

File Number: RA454

DATE OF MEETING August 31, 2020

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SUBJECT REZONING APPLICATION NO. RA454 – 5485 AND 5495 GODFREY ROAD

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To present Council with an application to rezone the property located at 5485 and 5495 Godfrey Road, from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6), to allow a multiple-family development.

Recommendation

That:

- 1. "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020 No. 4500.181" (To rezone 5485 and 5495 Godfrey Road from Single Dwelling Residential [R1] to Low Density Residential [R6]) pass first reading;
- 2. "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020 No. 4500.181" pass second reading; and
- 3. Council direct Staff to secure the road dedication Section 219 covenant with condition of one driveway access and lot consolidation and a community contribution prior to the adoption of the bylaw, should Council support the bylaw at third reading.

BACKGROUND

A rezoning application (RA454) for 5485 and 5495 Godfrey Road was received from Townsite Planning Inc., on behalf of Harry and Tamara Law. The applicant proposes to rezone the subject properties from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6) to allow a multiple family-development.

Subject Property and Site Context

Location	The two subject properties are located southeast of the roundabout
	on Godfrey Road in the Pleasant Valley/Rutherford neighbourhood.
Total Combined Area	0.24ha
Current Zone	R1 – Single Dwelling Residential
Proposed Zone	R6 – Low Density Residential
Official Community	Neighbourhood
Plan Designation	

The subject properties are located in a residential neighbourhood with single family and duplex dwellings that is bounded by Metral Drive, Mostar Road, and the Nanaimo Parkway. A light industrial area is located approximately 1km to the east on Mostar Road, and the Nanaimo North Town Centre is located approximately 1km to the north. Noye Park is located approximately 250m from the subject properties.



The two existing single family dwellings and accessory buildings on the subject properties shall be removed for the proposed development.

DISCUSSION

Proposed Development

The applicant is proposing to rezone the subject properties from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6) to allow the development of approximately ten townhouse units. The development concept anticipates a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 0.45, which is the allowable base density in the R6 zone. The two parcels are required to be consolidated into one parcel for the townhouse development.

To allow for an upgrade to the existing Godfrey Road roundabout, in keeping with the City's Complete Streets standard, Staff are recommending that up to 2.5m of road dedication be required along the parcel frontage of 5495 Godfrey Road. Furthermore, Godfrey Road is classified as a collector road and access points are to be minimized on this route. Thus, Staff are recommending a Section 219 covenant be required with a condition to restrict access to a single driveway for any multiple-family development on the two parcels.

Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) designates the two subject properties as 'Neighbourhood', which supports residential infill and a mix of housing types, including ground-oriented multiplefamily units two to four storeys in height, with a maximum density of 10-50 dwelling units per hectare (uph). The development concept proposes a density of 42 uph in a ground-oriented housing form, envisioned to be two stories in height, which is consistent with the Neighbourhood designation policies. The development also increases housing choice in the area, consistent with the Neighbourhood designation policies. The proposed development meets the policy objectives of the OCP and offers an infill development in a neighbourhood near public transit, commercial services, and Noye Park.

Transportation Master Plan

The subject properties are located in the 600m buffer area of the North Nanaimo mobility hub, with transit, sidewalks and bicycle routes nearby. Two bus stops are located near the corner of Metral Drive and Godfrey Road, 135m from the subject properties. These bus stops are connected to the VIU/Woodgrove bus loop and the NRGH bus loop. The proposed location for this development supports City policies to direct growth where there are existing services and employment nearby.



Community Consultation

A rezoning sign was posted on the property in May 2020, and the applicant held a neighbourhood information meeting on 2020-JUN-25. In general, the comments received at the meeting were the neighbourhood had concerns regarding the proposed density and building design. The design of the development may be addressed at the development permit stage. The neighbourhood also expressed concerns regarding traffic through the roundabout, and that the approach to the roundabout may be improved with the recommended road dedication, limit to one driveway access, and parcel frontage improvements at the time of development.

Community Contribution

As outlined in Section 7.3 of the OCP, applicants are encouraged to provide an amenity contribution as part of their rezoning proposal. The current practice is to secure the rate by covenant - \$1000 per residential unit – with payment at the building permit stage. The applicant is proposing an amenity contribution of \$10,000 towards park improvements in the Pleasant Valley/Rutherford Neighbourhood area.

Conditions of Rezoning

Should Council support this application and pass third reading of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020 No. 4500.181", Staff recommend the following items be secured prior to final adoption of the bylaw:

1. Road Dedication

Registration of a road dedication plan for a width of up to 2.5m from the frontage of the parcel at 5495 Godfrey Road.

2. Section 219 Covenant

That a Section 219 covenant be registered on the title of the two parcels to restrict access to a single shared driveway for a multiple-family development, and to require lot consolidation of the two parcels prior to issuance of a development permit for a multiple-family development.

3. Community Contribution

That a Section 219 covenant be registered on the title of the two parcels to secure a monetary contribution of \$1000 per residential unit to be directed towards park improvements in the Pleasant Valley/Rutherford Neighbourhood area.



SUMMARY POINTS

- The application is to rezone the subject properties from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6) to allow for a multiple-family development.
- The proposed development meets the policy objectives of the OCP and offers an infill development in a neighbourhood near public transit, commercial services, and Noye Park.
- A \$10,000 community contribution is proposed to be directed towards park improvements in the Pleasant Valley/Rutherford Neighbourhood.

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Context Map ATTACHMENT B: Location Plan ATTACHMENT C: Conceptual Site Plan ATTACHMENT D: Conceptual Rendering ATTACHMENT E: Aerial Photo "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020 No. 4500.181"

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ATTACHMENT B LOCATION PLAN



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ATTACHMENT C CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

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ATTACHMENT D CONCEPTUAL RENDERING

5484/5495 GODFREY ROAD NANAIMO





SITE & PROJECT DATA

CIVIC: 5484 GODFREY ROAD LEGAL: LOT 41, SEC 4, R. 4, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 21691 PID: 003-456-813 AREA: 0.12 HA (0.29 ACRES)/ 1174 M2

CIVIC: 5495 GODFREY ROAD LEGAL: LOT 42, SEC 4, R. 4, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 21691

GODFREY TOWNHOMES

5484/5495 GODFREY F WELLINGTON DISTRIC CITY OF NANAIMO CLIENT: LAW HOLDINGS LTD

PID: 003-450-821 AREA: 0.12 HA (0.29 ACRES)/ 1214 M2 JURISDICTION: CITY OF NANAIMO EXISTING ZONING: R1 - SINGLE DWELLING RESIDENTIAL PROPOSED ZONING: R6 - TOWNHOUSE RESIDENTIAL MIN PARCEL SIZE: 1500 M2 (PROVIDED: 2386 M2)

MIN PARCEL SIZE: 1500 MZ (PROVIDED: 2388 MZ) MIN. PARCEL FRONTAGE: 15.0 M (PROVIDED: 70.8 M) FLOOR AREA RATIO: 0.45 (PROPOSED: 0.45) TEN (10) 3-50 PM. EXCL. GARGE AREA.

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MAX. LOT COVERAGE: 40% (PROPOSED 29.75%) MAX. PRINCIPAL BUILDING HEIGHT 7.0M9.0M

PARKING REQUIREMENT:

REQUIRED: 21 STALLS 3 BEDRAI, UNITS REQUIRE 2.0 STALLS PER UNIT, 1 VISITOR STALL PROPOSED: 22 STALLS

(2 VISITOR, INCL. 1 ACCESSIBLE STALL)

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GENERAL INFO DATA

DATE: DECEMBER 2, 2019 DRAWN BY: JOYCE TROOST

ATTACHMENT E AERIAL PHOTO





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CITY OF NANAIMO

ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW 2020 NO. 4500.181

A BYLAW TO AMEND THE "CITY OF NANAIMO ZONING BYLAW 2011 NO. 4500"

WHEREAS the Council may zone land, by bylaw, pursuant to Sections 464, 465, 469, 477, 479, 480, 481, 482, and 548 of the *Local Government Act*;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Municipal Council of the City of Nanaimo, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020 No. 4500.181".
- 2. The "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 2011 No. 4500" is hereby amended as follows:
 - (A) By rezoning the lands legally described as LOT 41, SECTION 4, RANGE 4, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 21691 (5485 Godfrey Road) and LOT 42, SECTION 4, RANGE 4, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 21691 (5495 Godfrey Road) from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6) as shown on Schedule A.

PASSED FIRST READING: _____ PASSED SECOND READING: _____ PUBLIC HEARING HELD: _____ PASSED THIRD READING: _____ MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE: _____ ADOPTED: _____

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

File:RA000454Address:5485 and 5495 Godfrey Road



'Schedule A'



CIVIC:5485 & 5495 GODFREY ROAD LEGAL: LOT 41 & 42, SECTION 4, RANGE 4 WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 21691