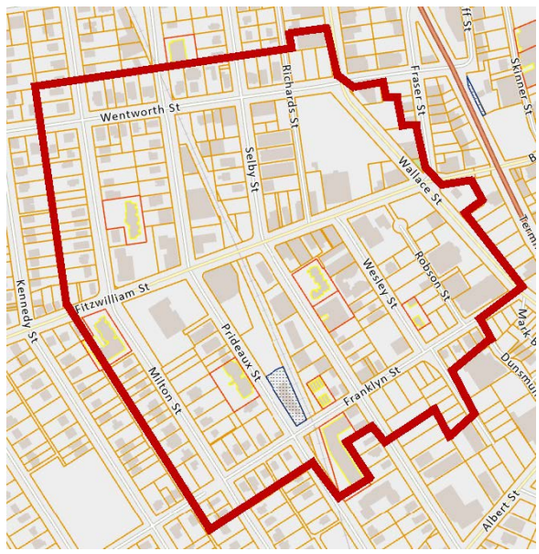
CITY OF NANAIMO
THE HARBOUR CITY

NOTICE OF INTENTION
OLD CITY QUARTER BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA

The City of Nanaimo Council intends to initiate the establishment of the Business Improvement Area within the Old City Quarter area pursuant to the provisions of section 215 of the *Community Charter* by means of the **Old City Quarter Business Improvement Area Bylaw 2026, No. 7461.**

This Bylaw will authorize the City of Nanaimo to charge the Class 5 (Light Industry) and Class 6 (Business/Other) property owners in the Old City Quarter area a local service tax on behalf of the Old City Quarter Association for the purpose of conducting a five-year business promotion scheme. The business promotion scheme includes various programs and projects that improve and promote the Old City Quarter area, such as marketing, hosting events and beautification. The properties to be included in the Old City Quarter BIA are within the red boundary below:



The annual cost of the business promotion scheme shall be recovered from the owners of the taxable Class 5 and 6 properties located within the business improvement area. The total annual cost of the scheme and the levy rate per parcel are as follows:

Year	Annual Requisition (Total)	Fixed Minimum Amount/Parcel	Maximum Variable Amount/Parcel
2027	$56,846.36	$290.16	$6,963.79
2028	$57,414.82	$293.06	$7,033.43
2029	$57,988.97	$295.99	$7,103.76
2030	$58,568.86	$298.95	$7,174.80
2031	$59,154.55	$301.94	$7,246.55

Both the minimum and maximum values above increase by 1% annually after 2027.

The method for calculating the tax is such that each property owner pays a minimum amount per property, plus a rate on every $1,000 of assessment over $275,000 of assessed value, to a maximum tax amount per property.

Unless a petition against is signed by the owners of at least 50% of the parcels that would be subject to the local service tax representing at least 50% of the assessed value of land and improvements that would be subject to the local service tax, City Council may proceed with adoption of the Bylaw.

Notices as required under section 213 (1)(b) of the *Community Charter* have been mailed to all owners of property that would be impacted by this initiative.

Affected property owners against the adoption of the Bylaw must submit original copies of their signed petition to City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6 during the 30-day petition period, starting at 8:30 am on Thursday, November 26, 2026, and ending at 4:30 pm Tuesday, December 29, 2026.

Petition forms and copies of the Bylaw are available at City Hall (455 Wallace Street), Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, excluding statutory holidays.

Questions pertaining to the business promotion scheme or to the establishment of this Business Improvement Area should be directed to the Old City Quarter Association at info@oldcityquarter.com.

For questions regarding the Bylaw please contact Ana Francisco, Manager, Revenue Services at Ana.Francisco@nanaimo.ca or 250-755-4413.