

# NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF NANAIMO OF AN ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

# "PARKS DEDICATION AMENDMENT BYLAW 2025 NO. 2255.01" A Bylaw to remove dedication as public park from a portion of "Elaine Hamilton Park" (formerly known as Trofton Park) at 1631 Naylor Crescent for road dedication purposes

**Notice is Hereby Given That**, pursuant to the *Community Charter*, the Council of the City of Nanaimo intends to adopt "Parks Dedication Amendment Bylaw 2025 No. 2255.01". If adopted, the bylaw will remove the dedication for park purposes from a portion of Elaine Hamilton Park (formerly known as Trofton Park), located at 1631 Naylor Crescent for road dedication purposes.

A copy of the "Parks Dedication Amendment Bylaw 2025 No. 2255.01" and other background information are available for viewing on the City website at <u>www.nanaimo.ca</u> or at the Legislative Services Department at City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC, during regular office hours: Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. excluding statutory holidays.

**Further Notice is Hereby Given That** City Council may proceed with the adoption of "Parks Dedication Amendment Bylaw 2025 No. 2255.01" unless, by the deadline, at least 10% of the electors of the City of Nanaimo sign and submit an elector response form indicating that Council must obtain the assent of the electors before proceeding. This approval process applies to the whole of the City of Nanaimo.

For the purpose of this Alternative Approval Process (AAP), the number of elector responses required to prevent City Council from proceeding with the adoption of "Parks Dedication Amendment Bylaw 2025 No. 2255.01" without the assent of electors is determined to be at least 7,672. A report respecting the basis on which this determination was made is available upon request.

## **Elector Response Forms**

Every eligible elector is entitled to submit one (1) elector response form in response to this AAP. The response of the elector must be in the form established by Council. Elector response forms are available from Legislative Services at City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC, V9R 5J6, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. excluding statutory holidays. The form can also be downloaded from the City of Nanaimo website at <a href="http://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/aap">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/aap</a> beginning at 8:30 a.m. on June 18, 2025.

In accordance with Council Policy "COU-242 Alternative Approval Process (AAP) Policy" a maximum of ten (10) printed copies of an elector response form will be provided per individual throughout the AAP process.

### **Elector Response Form Deadline**

Completed and signed elector response forms must be received by the Corporate Officer (or designate) at the Legislative Services Department, City Hall (455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo BC) no later than <u>4:30 p.m. on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025.</u>

In accordance with Council Policy "COU-242 Alternative Approval Process (AAP) Policy" completed forms may be submitted:

- 1. In person at the Legislative Services Department, City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC (Monday to Friday during regular business hours, excluding statutory holidays);
- 2. Via mail to: Legislative Services Department, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC, V9R 5J6; or
- 3. Through electronic submission on the City of Nanaimo's website: https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/AAP-submissions

If submitting an elector response form by mail, please note post marks are not accepted as the date of submission. It is the responsibility of the elector to ensure the response form is received by the deadline. Elector response forms being submitted electronically through the submission webpage must be uploaded as either a scanned copy or a photo of an original hand-written (physically) signed form. Electronic signatures will not be accepted, and elector response forms will <u>NOT</u> be accepted via email or fax.

#### **Eligible Electors**

The only persons entitled to sign an elector response form are the electors within the municipal boundaries of the City of Nanaimo, which as indicated above is the area to which the approval process applies. There are two types of electors – resident electors and non-resident property electors.

**Resident Elector:** When signing an elector response form during an AAP, a resident elector must: be 18 years of age or older; be a Canadian citizen; have been a resident in British Columbia for at least six months; live in the area defined for the AAP; and, not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment from voting in a local election, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

Resident electors signing the elector response form must provide their full name and residential address.

**Non-resident Property Elector:** When signing an elector response form during an AAP, a non-resident property elector must: be at least 18 years of age; be a Canadian citizen; have been a resident in British Columbia for at least six months; have owned real property in the City of Nanaimo for at least 30 days; and, not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment from voting in a local election, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

**Note (Non-resident Property Elector):** If there is more than one registered owner of the property (either as joint tenants or tenants in common), only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector. A copy of the written consent provided by the majority of owners must accompany the elector response form when submitted by the non-resident property elector. A person may only register as a non-resident property elector in relation to one parcel of real property in a jurisdiction.

Non-resident property electors must provide their name and the address of the property in relation to which they are entitled to register as a non-resident property elector.

The City of Nanaimo will not share the information on the elector response form with anyone other than the Corporate Officer, or other persons designated by the Corporate Officer.

More information may be obtained on the Alternative Approval Process by contacting the Legislative Services Department at the City of Nanaimo, City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6, or by telephone at (250) 755-4405.

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