

# **Staff Report**

File Number: DP001047

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**SUBJECT** 

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NO. DP1047 - 1825 AND

**1805 SUMMERHILL PLACE** 

#### **OVERVIEW**

## **Purpose of Report**

To present for Council's consideration a development permit application to amend a previously approved parking variance for a multi-family rental development at 1825 and 1805 Summerhill Place.

#### Recommendation

That Council consider the applicant's request to further reduce the required number of parking spaces from 188 to 168 for a multi-family development at 1825 and 1805 Summerhill Place and provide direction to Staff regarding the proposed variance.

### **BACKGROUND**

The development permit amendment application, DP1047, was received from Wensley Architecture Ltd. (Mr. David Echaiz-McGrath) on behalf of Eagle Crescent Developments Nominee Ltd., to reduce the parking requirements for a multi-family rental development at 1805 and 1825 Summerhill Place, which was previously approved by Council through DP992 on 2016-JUN-20.

Council's consideration of the parking requirements for this development, and a similar development at 1820 Summerhill Place (formerly owned by the applicant), included three previous milestones:

- On 2014-JUN-23, Council approved a reduction in the required number of parking spaces on a neighbouring property located at 1820 Summerhill Place (Summerhill I) to allow a parking rate of 1.06 spaces per unit for a constructed rental apartment (103 units). The applicant provided two onsite vehicles for Nanaimo CarShare Cooperative.
- On 2016-JUN-13, Council denied a reduction in the required number of parking spaces to a rate of 0.93 spaces per unit for Summerhill II and III located at 1805 and 1825 Summerhill Place.
- On 2016-JUN-20, Council approved a reduction in the required number of parking spaces to Summerhill II and III to a rate of 1.06 spaces per unit.



### **Subject Property**

Zoning	COR2 – Mixed Use Corridor				
Location 1:	1825 Summerhill Place – A through-lot which fronts Summerhill Place				
	cul-de-sac on the north property line and Townsite Road on the south				
	property line. The subject property is to the west of 1820 Summerhill				
	Place, a rental apartment. Total Area = 5,829.5m <sup>2</sup>				
Location 2:	1805 Summerhill Place is located on the southwest corner of Dufferin				
	Crescent and Summerhill Place. Total Area = 4,641.6m <sup>2</sup>				
Official Community Plan	Map 1 – Future Land Use Plans – Cooridor/Hospital Urban Node; Map 3 – Development Permit Area No. 9 – Commercial, Industrial, Institutional, Multiple Family and Mixed Use Commercial/Residential development.				
Relevant Design Guidelines	General Development Design Guidelines				

#### **DISCUSSION**

The proposed development, which includes two rental apartments and a common parking court is currently under construction:

- 1825 Summerhill Place, Summerhill II, is framed with the roof structure being completed.
- 1805 Summerhill Place, Summerhill III, is now underway with the foundation in place.

The unit composition for each building is as follows:

	Building A	Building B			
	(Summerhill II)	(Summerhill III)			
	1825 Summerhill Place	1805 Summerhill Place			
Gross Floor Area	5,829.5m <sup>2</sup>	4,641.6m <sup>2</sup>			
	Apartment Composition				
Micro Units	8	4			
Studio	20	32			
1 Bedroom	49	35			
2 Bedroom	20	9			
Total	97	80			

The total number of parking spaces provided within the common parking court is 188 parking spaces for 177 residential units, resulting in a parking ratio of 1.06 space/unit. To accommodate the Council-approved parking requirement, 32 parking spaces were proposed to be included within an underground parking structure (969m²) located between the two buildings.

### Staff Review of Approved Parking Variance

To better understand the current parking demands in this location, Staff conducted onsite investigations of the existing development, Summerhill I, located at 1820 Summerhill Place. It was observed that with a parking ratio of 1.06 spaces per unit, fifteen to twenty vehicles used on-street parking. It was also noted that tenants in the rental units pay a fee to rent a parking space onsite. Staff further understands that the two CarShare Cooperative vehicles are no longer located on the Summerhill I site.



The City's transportation manager suggested a parking rate of 1.11 spaces per unit to minimize on-street parking spillover. Staff concluded that on-street parking can provide some relief on individual sites where parking demand exceeds projections; however, if demand for all sites cumulatively exceeds neighbourhood supply, demand will shift to adjacent areas.

Under the City of Nanaimo "Development Parking Regulations Bylaw 2005 No. 7013", the required number of parking spaces for the proposed development is 294 spaces. Through DP992, the required parking was reduced to 188 spaces (1.06 parking spaces/unit). The applicant proposes to further reduce the parking requirement to 168 parking spaces (0.95 parking spaces/unit), a proposed variance of 126 parking spaces. The applicant has advised that the underground parking structure is a costly parking solution; however, the structure is still proposed to reduce surface parking. The parking structure is proposed to be reduced in size from 32 parking spaces to 20 parking spaces.

## Staff Review of the Parking Bylaw

Planning and Transportation Staff are currently reviewing the City's Parking Bylaw including the requirements for multi-family residential use. Consideration is being given to reduced parking ratios within commercial centres and urban nodes. The hospital urban node has a number of attributes that reduce vehicle trips and vehicle ownership, including:

- Access to transit;
- Access to commercial services;
- Access to a major employment centre Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (NRGH);
- Official Community Plan designation (Corridor/Urban Node); and,
- Increased density and unit mix in multiple family developments.

The unit type and unit square footage in a multi-family residential rental development is also taken into consideration. The proposed unit composition in Summerhill II and III combined includes 36% of the total units as micro/studio units which reduces the parking demand. Based on the draft Parking Bylaw numbers, the proposed development would require 158 parking spaces or 0.89 parking spaces/unit. These parking numbers are in draft and require further review by Staff and approval by Council.

The applicant's proposal is to reduce the parking requirement from 188 parking spaces (1.06 parking spaces/unit) to 168 parking spaces (0.95 parking spaces/unit). The proposed parking reduction to require 168 spaces (0.95 parking spaces/unit) would result in more onsite parking than the parking ratios being discussed in the draft Parking Bylaw for Council's consideration.

Council recently approved a parking study of the hospital precinct which should be completed within a few weeks and will also be used to inform the Parking Bylaw review. Staff has apprised the applicant of the bylaw review and the applicant has had discussions with Staff and provided input.



#### PROPOSED VARIANCES

The applicant proposes to reduce the current bylaw requirement for parking from 294 parking spaces (1.66 parking spaces/unit) to 168 parking spaces (0.95 parking space/unit), a proposed variance of 126 parking spaces.

Given that Council has not yet received the draft Parking Bylaw for consideration, and the applicant is requesting a variance based on the draft bylaw numbers, Staff are seeking Council's direction regarding the applicant's requested variance.

## **SUMMARY POINTS**

- Council approved DP992 on 2016-JUN-20 for the subject properties with a parking reduction from 294 spaces to 188, including 32 spaces within an underground parking structure.
- The applicant is requesting a further variance to reduce the current parking requirement from 294 spaces to 168 spaces, including 20 spaces within an underground parking structure.
- Staff are seeking Council's direction regarding its consideration of the requested variance.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A: Location Plan

ATTACHMENT B: Site Plan / Parking Layout ATTACHMENT C: Overall Project Data

ATTACHMENT D: Aerial Photo

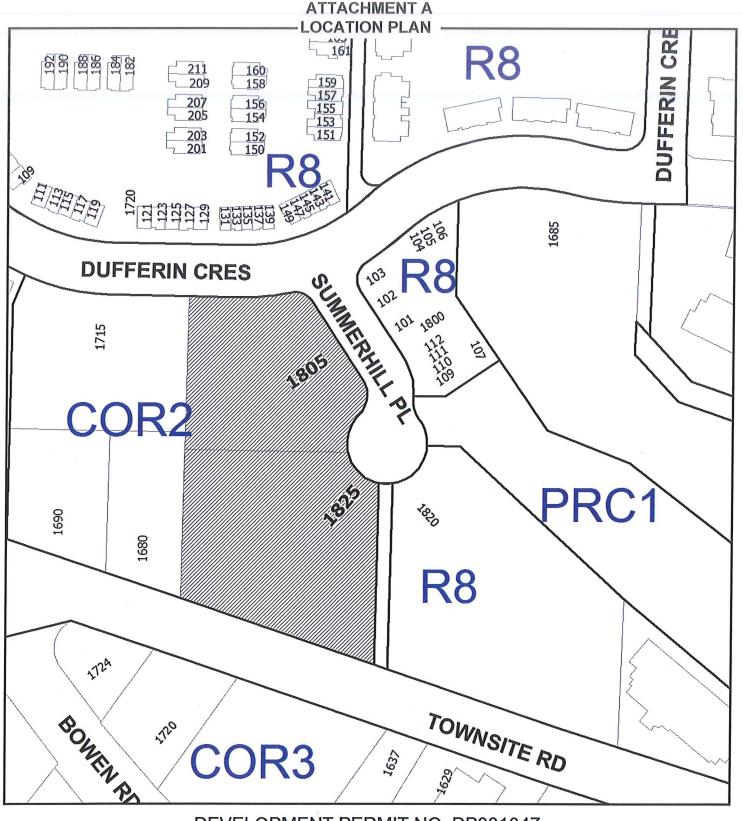
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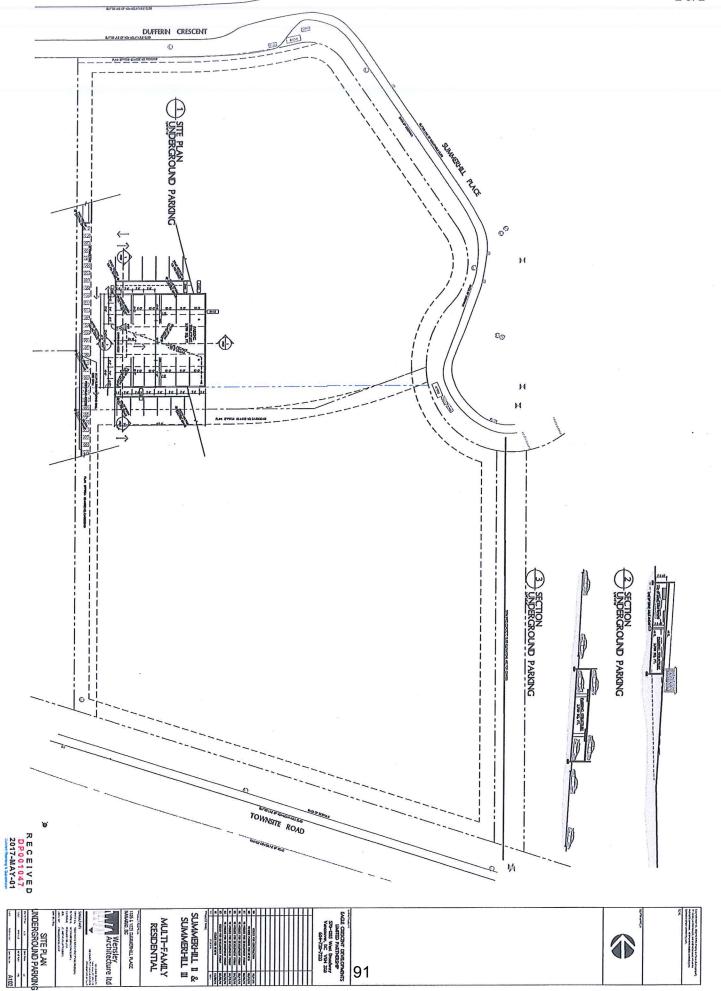


## **LOCATION PLAN**

Civic: 1805 and 1825 Summerhill Place Lot A and B, Section 15, Range 8, Mountain District, Plan EPP65099



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## **ATTACHMENT C OVERALL PROJECT DATA**



## SUMMERHILL II & III MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

WENSLEY ARC	UTCCTURE LTD		MULTI-FAN	ILY RESIDENTIA
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PROJECT STATISTICS	C	(REVISION NO. 34)	CISIAIS	March 5, 2
		(REVISION NO. 34)		Profession &
SITE INFORMATION		AE Barra & Marratala Bla	Ariah Bisa EBBOO33	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION CIVIC ADDRESS		15, Range 8, Mountain Dist Il Place, Nanaimo, B.C. V98		
ZONING	EXISTING		OPOSED	COR2
SITE AREA (ft²)	120,287			
SITE DATA			ALLOWED	PROPOSED
F.S.R.			1.25	1.15
SITE COVERAGE			60.00%	28.88%
BUILDING HEIGHT			45'-11" (14m)	Bldg A 52'-2"/Bldg B = 52'-2 1/
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SUMMERHILL II	FRONT	South (Townsite)	min. 9'-10" (3m)	19'-7" (5.97m) 15'-6 1/2" (4.74m)
	SIDE - INTERIOR SIDE - INTERIOR	West (Lot 9) East (Lot 5)	min. 9'-10" (3m) min. 9'-10" (3m)	10'-7" (3.23m)
	SIDE - INTERIOR	East (Lot 5)	11111. 5 -10 (SIII)	10 7 (3.2311)
SUMMERHILL III	FRONT	North (Dufferin)	min. 9'-10" (3m)	19'-1" (5.82m)
	SIDE - INTERIOR	West (Lot 8)	min. 9'-10" (3m)	10'-1" (3.07m)
	SIDE - EXTERIOR	East (Summerhill)	min. 9'-10" (3m)	15'-11 1/2" (4.86m)
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INIT MIX	DESCRIPTION	NET AREA (ft²)	# OF UNITS	COMBINED (ft²)
UMMERHILL II		Sandrian control of the control		
2	18R + 18ATH	574	8	4,592
2-bay 3	1BR + 1BATH STUDIO + 1BATH	584 517	8 20	4,672 10,340
i	1BR + 1BATH	665	6	3,990
1-bay	1BR + 1BATH	675	6	4,050
2	1BR + 1BATH 1BR + 1BATH	660 659	1 2	660 1,318
3 3-bay	18R + 1BATH	669	2	1,338
4	1BR + 1BATH	656	8	5,248
l I-bay	2BR + 2BATH 2BR + 2BATH	962 974	4	3,848 3,896
-bay !	2BR + 2BATH	961	2	1,922
-bay	28R + 28ATH	972	4	3,888
	28R + 28ATH 28R + 28ATH	897 911	3 3	2,691 2,733
!	18R + 18ATH	634	4	2,536
	1BR + 1BATH	611	4	2,444
	MICRO + 1BATH	323	8	2,584
TNESS CENTRE	GND FLOOR	737		
KE ROOM	GND FLOOR	550		
UMMERHILL II SUBTOTAL (EX		)	97	62,750
UMMERHILL II UNIT BREAKDO	OV MICRO STUDIO		8 (8.2%) 20 (20.6%)	2584 (4.1%) 10340 (16.5%)
	1BR		49 (50.5%)	30848 (49.2%)
	2BR		20 (20.6%)	18978 (30.2%)
UMMERHILL III			22	10.004
1	STUDIO + 1BATH 1BR + 1BATH	527 632	32 1	16,864 632
5	1BR + 1BATH	679	6	4,074
5-bay	1BR + 1BATH	687	6	4,122
6 6∙bay	18R + 18ATH 18R + 18ATH	671 681	4	2,684 2,724
,	1BR + 1BATH	658	4	2,632
-bay	1BR + 1BATH	669	4	2,676
bay	1BR + 1BATH 1BR + 1BATH	647 658	2	1,294 2,632
l	2BR + 2BATH	979	1	979
-bay	2BR + 2BATH	989	2	1,978
l -bay	2BR + 2BATH 2BR + 2BATH	882 892	1 2	892 1,784
1-Day 2	2BR + 2BATH	898	i	898
-bay	2BR + 2BATH	908	2	1,816
	MICRO + 1BATH	323	. 4	1,292
TNESS ROOM	GND FLOOR	897		
KE ROOM	GND FLOOR	703		
MMERHILL III SUBTOTAL (EX		1)	4 (5%)	49,963 1292 (2.6%)
MMERHILL III UNIT BREAKD	STUDIO		32 (40%)	16864 (33.8%)
	1BR		35 (43.8%)	23470 (47%)
	2BR		9 (11.3%)	8337 (16.7%)
TAL UNITS (SALEABLE AR	EA)		177	112,713
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OSS RESIDENTIAL AREA	81.5%		SUMMERHILL II	76,960
TAL GROSS AREA	82.0% 81.8%		SUMMERHILL III	60,908 137,868
TAL UNUSS AREA	01.0%			
ILDING AREA (Horizontal Pro	jection)		SUMMERHILL II	19,375
TAL BUTLDING ADEA			SUMMERHILL III	15,362 34,737
TAL BUILDING AREA	1000			24,737
ARKING DATA				
OPOSED PARKING	LARGE CAR PARKING SMALL CAR PARKING		posed parking	156 12
TAL PROPOSED PARKING	SPIALL CAR PARKING		oposed parking welling unit	12 168
The out Francisco	ACCESSIBLE PARKING	per u	manage state.	Ś
	VISITOR PARKING			8
QUIRED PARKING	1.52 per 3+ bedroom units			0
R NEW PARKING STALL GH REQUIREMENTS	1.26 per 2 bedroom units 0.88 per 1 bedroom units			37 74
on mayormentally	0.75 per studio units			48
		2 per 100 required spaces or part 1 additional space for every 22 res	thereof (included in unit requirements)	4
TAL REQUIRED PARKING	HALLAN LOUNING		or person market	167
	1.66 per dwelling unit as	per current parking requirer	ments	294

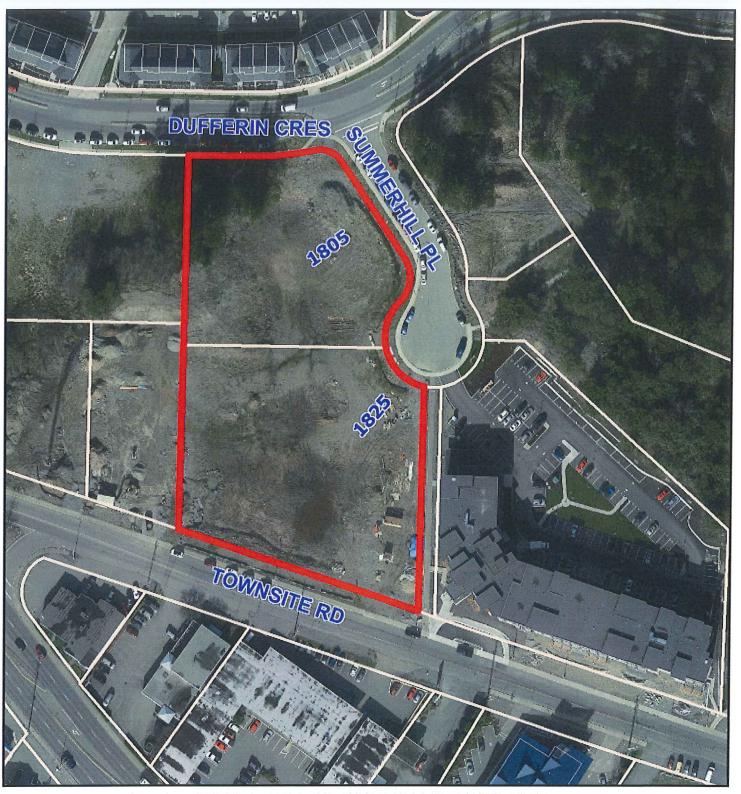
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<sup>1.66</sup> per dwelling unit as per current parking requirements

PROPOSED SECURE BIKE PARKING

\*SUITE AREAS HAVE EEFI CALCULATED BY USING THE CENTER LINE OF PARTY WALLS AND THE CUTSIDE FACE OF EXTERIOR WALL SHEATHING.
RESULTING AREAS HAVE BEEN COUNTED BY TO THE MEAREST WHOLE HUYSER. ALL AREAS ARE SHOWN IN SQUARE FEET (R\*)

\*LEGAL SURVEYS OF SUITE AREAS MAY DIFFER FROM WENSLEY ARCHITECTURE LTD. METHODOLOGY OF DETERMINING SALEABLE AREA.



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