

Staff Report for Delegated Approval

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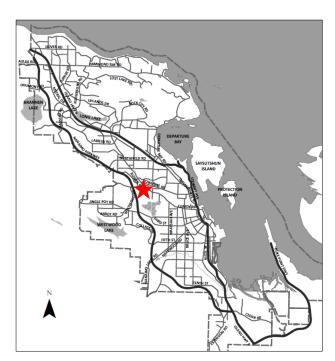
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DATE OF MEETING October 17, 2023

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SUBJECT DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NO. DP1285 – 200

HANSEN ROAD



Proposal:

An 84-unit multi-family development.

Zoning:

R8 - Medium Density Residential

City Plan Land Use Designation:

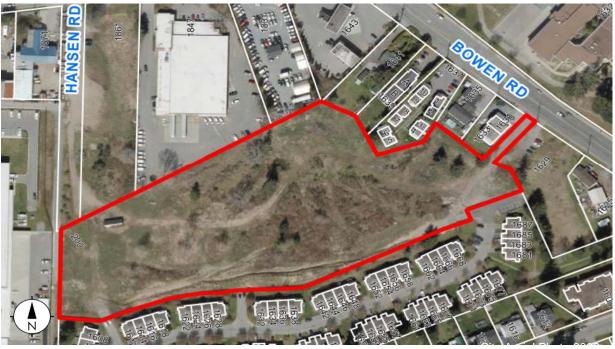
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Development Permit Areas:

DPA8 – Form and Character

Lot Area:

2.64ha



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OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To present for delegated approval, a development permit application for a multi-family development at 200 Hansen Road.

Recommendation

To issue Development Permit No. DP1285 to permit a multi-family development at 200 Hansen with a variance as outlined in the "Proposed Variance" section of the Staff Report dated 2023-OCT-17.

BACKGROUND

A development permit application, DP1285 was received from Joyce Reid Troost Architecture, on behalf of 1303320 BC LTD., to permit a multi-family development consisting of 84 units combined over two buildings at 200 Hansen Road. This application is Phase 2 of the development. Phase 1 (DP1233) included 15 buildings with a total of 49 townhouse units.

Subject Property and Site Context

The subject property is gradually sloped from north to south. The property is irregularly shaped with the west property line abutting Hansen Road, to be fully constructed as part of the phased development. The Off-Bowen Bikeway also abuts the property to the west. A 7.5m-wide panhandle extends to Bowen Road on the eastern side of the property. Phase 1 of the development is located across the central drive aisle, facing the southern face of the proposed buildings.

The surrounding neighbourhood includes industrial lands and existing commercial uses including a gas station, an automobile sales / service business, and a BC Hydro facility to the north and west of the property. An adjacent townhouse development that includes a private strata road is located south of the subject property.

DISCUSSION

Proposed Development

The applicant is proposing to construct the second phase of the multi-family residential development. This phase includes two four-storey buildings with a combined total of 84 dwelling units. The unit composition is comprised of 36 one-bedroom units and 48 two-bedroom units that will range in size from 61m² to 84m².

The total proposed Gross Floor Area (GFA) for Phase 2 is 7,059m² and the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) is 0.27. Phases 1 and 2 provide a combined FAR of 0.55 and 19% lot coverage, less than the maximum permitted FAR of 1.25 and 40% lot coverage within the R8 zone.

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Site Design

The proposed development is located north of the central private drive aisle, which was previously approved in Phase 1. A branch of the drive aisle extends into the Phase 2 area, which provides access to the Phase 2 parking area and buildings. An additional access is proposed on the west side of the property from the public turnaround, located at the south end of Hansen Road. The public turnout will be secured via Statutory Right-of-Way (SRW) prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.

In addition to the required public walkway connecting Bowen Road to the south end of Hansen Road, the construction of a recreational multi-use trail within Hansen Road and through the adjacent strata development at 1601 Creekside Drive to connect to Caspers Way will be required prior to final occupancy. The construction of this trail is required as per a specific SRW already registered on the property title, which will remain on title after construction to protect the trail.

All required parking will be provided onsite, including three accessible parking stalls and six visitor parking stalls. The required long-term bicycle storage is located on the ground level of each building and the short-term bicycle parking is located at the main entry for each building.

The refuse enclosure for both buildings is located across the parking area from Building 1 and is screened using wood fencing. A timber trellis also forms part of the enclosure.

Building Design

Each proposed building has a contemporary style with slopped roofs and a central gable roof that runs the length of the building. The development has a neutral colour palette, generous glazing, and balconies with glass railings for each unit. The upper storey units contain partially recessed balconies, and the ground floor units contain ground-level patios. The main entrances to each building face the parking area and are identified using timber arbours and stone veneer. Façade materials include board and batten siding, lap siding, and shakes. The proposed design elements are consistent with those used in the first phase of the development.

The building design substantially meets the intent of the General Development Permit Area Design Guidelines by utilizing recessed balconies and changes in materials used to reduce the apparent mass of the building. The varying roof lines add visual interest to the development.

Landscape Design

The proposed landscaping includes robust planting along the front of each building as well between the internal drive aisle and the proposed buildings. Green space is provided throughout the site and with additional green space located between the buildings, which is proposed as the stormwater retention area. This area includes a pedestrian path with shade trees and bench seating overlooking the water retention area. The surface parking area is broken up with landscape islands that include existing and proposed trees.

A number of pedestrian connections, including stairways, are proposed between the south facing ground-level units and the adjacent sidewalk. An additional pedestrian connection is located from the entrance of the Building 1 to the outdoor refuse area and to Hansen Road. Two pedestrian connections are located from Building 2 to the outdoor amenity area, located at the northeast

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portion of the lot. The outdoor amenity area is equipped with an asphalt ball court, green space, accessible seating, and short-term bicycle parking. The pedestrian connections and amenity area are lit with a series of pole lights and bollard lights, located through the parking area. Wall mounted recessed lighting is also located along the stairways leading to the sidewalk.

Design Advisory Panel

The Design Advisory Panel (DAP), at its meeting held on 2022-OCT-27, accepted DP1284 as presented with support for the proposed variance and provided the following recommendations:

- Consider ways to enhance the architectural form of the building to emphasize building entries:
- Consider increasing tree canopy coverage throughout the site;
- Consider adding landscaping features to the stormwater collection area to make it a more usable space;
- Consider adding landscaping features, such as islands and permeable paving to break up the surface of the parking lot;
- Consider reducing the number of parking spaces. The Panel would support a parking variance in favour of accommodating more green space;
- Consider green features such as a community garden, solar panels and green roofs;
- Look at ways to enhance the main entrance from the street (south of Buildings 1 and 2) to give it more prominence and to improve accessibility;
- Consider including more conifers to the landscape palette;
- Add a pedestrian link to the refuse enclosure and to Hansen Road;
- Reconfigure the amenity space so the ball court is not adjacent to the neighbouring residential property/units;
- Provide enclosure details for the refuse collection area; and,
- Provide a site lighting plan.

The applicant subsequently submitted revised plans in response to the DAP recommendations, including the following key design revisions:

- Enhanced the architectural form of the building to emphasize building entries through the addition of stone veneer:
- Addition of landscape islands to break up surface parking;
- Relocation of outdoor amenity space to be a further distance from residential units.
- Provided details of outdoor refuse enclosure; and,
- Addition of site lighting.

Proposed Variance

Building Height

The maximum allowable height for a principal building in the R8 zone is 14.0m. The proposed building height is 14.8m, a requested variance of 0.8m.

The applicant has requested the variance to accommodate the top of the gable roof. This allows for the incorporation of varying roof lines. The proposed variance is not anticipated to impact adjacent properties or be visible from the street.

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Staff support the proposed variance as the building form is consistent with City Plan policies for up to four storeys, and the additional height allows varying roof lines intended to add visual interest to the development and to meet the design guidelines.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development Permit Application No. DP1285 is for an 84-unit multi-family development.
- The building design substantially meets the intent of the General Development Permit Area Design Guidelines.
- A variance is requested to increase the maximum allowable building height.
- Staff support the proposed variance.

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Permit Terms and Conditions

ATTACHMENT B: Subject Property Map ATTACHMENT C: Site and Parking Plan Parking Schedule

ATTACHMENT E: Building Elevations and Details

ATTACHMENT F: Building Perspectives

ATTACHMENT G: Landscape Plan and Details

ATTACHMENT A PERMIT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PERMIT TERMS

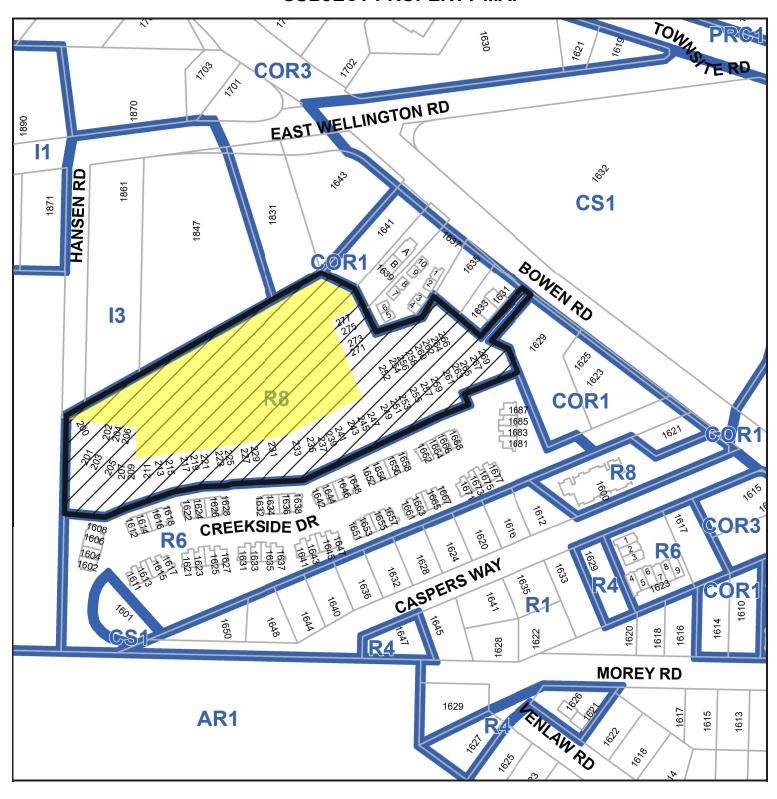
The "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 2011 No. 4500" is varied as follows:

1. Section 7.6.1 Size of Buildings – to increase the maximum permitted building height for a principal building from 14.0m to 14.8m.

CONDITIONS OF PERMIT

- 1. The subject property shall be developed substantially in accordance with the Site and Parking Plan, prepared by Joyce Reid Troost Architecture, dated 2022-JUL-22, as shown on Attachment C.
- 2. The subject property shall be developed in substantial compliance with the Building Elevations and Details, prepared Joyce Reid Troost Architecture, dated 2022-JUL-22, as shown on Attachment E.
- 3. The subject property shall be developed in substantial compliance with the Landscape Plan and Details prepared by Small & Rossell Landscape Architects Inc., dated 2023-AUG-29, as shown on Attachment G.
- 4. The registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way to secure a public vehicle turnaround at the south end of Hansen Road prior to Building Permit issuance.
- The construction of the trail within Hansen Road and through the adjacent strata development at 1601 Creekside Drive to connect to Caspers Way will be required prior to Final Building Occupancy.

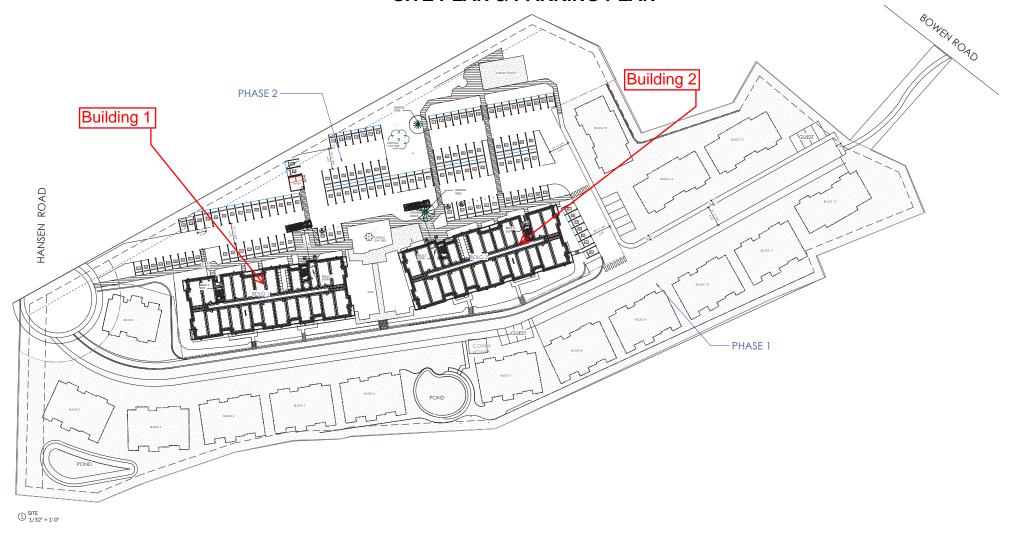
ATTACHMENT B SUBJECT PROPERTY MAP







ATTACHMENT C SITE PLAN & PARKING PLAN



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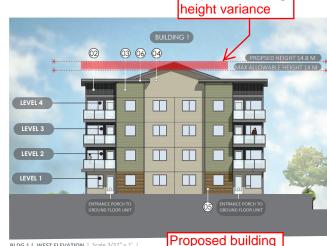
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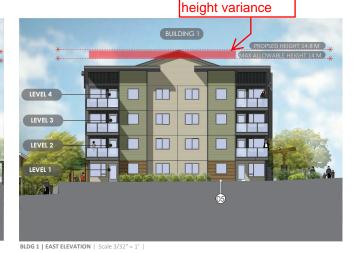
ATTACHMENT E BUILDING ELEVATIONS AND DETAILS





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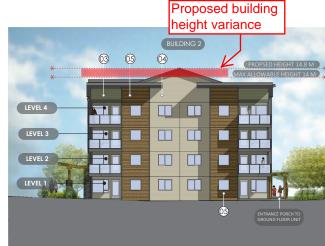
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PERSPECTIVE OF TRELLIS AND STAIRS BETWEEN BUILDINGS

PERSPECTIVE LOOKING WEST ALONG ACCESS ROAD

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PERSPECTIVE LOOKING SOUTH FROM PARKING





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