

Staff Report

File Number: RA000365

DATE OF MEETING May 2, 2016

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SUBJECT REZONING APPLICATION NO. RA365 – 1515 DUFFERIN CRESCENT AND 69 LORNE PLACE

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To present Council with a rezoning application to rezone a portion of the lands at 1515 Dufferin Crescent from Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) to Hospital Urban Centre (CC5); and a portion of the lands at 69 Lorne Place from CC5 to PRC2 in order to facilitate a land exchange and development of 1515 Dufferin Crescent.

Recommendation

That Council receive the report pertaining to the City of Nanaimo "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2016 No. 4500.098".

BACKGROUND

The City has received a rezoning application (RA365) from Canadian Cache Development Corporation (Ms. Donna Hais) to rezone a portion of 69 Lorne Place from Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) to Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) and to rezone a portion of 1515 Dufferin Crescent from Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) to Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2). The purpose of the rezoning application is to facilitate a land exchange in order to construct a parking garage and medical facility.

The applicant also submitted an application for a land exchange requesting to swap a portion of Beaufort Park (69 Lorne Place) with 1515 Dufferin Crescent. The exchange will reconfigure the owner's property facilitating the construction of the proposed development. During its meeting of 2016-MAR-07, Council gave first, second and third reading to the "Beaufort Park Dedication Removal and Disposal Bylaw 2016 No. 7225". Council also determined that disposal of park land would be subject to an Alternate Approval Process (AAP). The deadline for receiving elector responses to the AAP was 2016-APR-25, and the results of that process are included in a separate staff report on this evenings agenda.

Subject Properties

Location:	The subject properties are located south of the Nanaimo Regional	
	General Hospital	
Total Lot Size:	1515 Dufferin Crescent: 2,874m ²	
	69 Lorne Place (Beaufort Park): 39,260m ²	
Subject Area Size:	Jbiect Area Size: 1515 Dufferin Crescent: 82.7m ²	
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Current Zones:	1515 Dufferin Crescent: Hospital Urban Centre (CC5)	
	69 Lorne Place: Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2)	

1515 Dufferin Crescent and 69 Lorne Place

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Proposed Zone	1515 Dufferin Crescent: Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2)
(area to be rezoned):	69 Lorne Place: Hospital Urban Centre (CC5)
Official Community Plan	1515 Dufferin Crescent: Hospital Urban Node
Designation:	69 Lorne Place: Parks and Open Space

1515 Dufferin Crescent is the site of a recently demolished medical office complex located behind the Beaufort Centre and Beaufort Park (69 Lorne Place). Beaufort Park borders 1515 Dufferin Crescent to the rear. The areas to be rezoned are each 82.7m² in area and are located to the rear of 1515 Dufferin Crescent.

DISCUSSION

Proposed Development

The application is to rezone an 82.7m² portion of the subject property from Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) to Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) and from Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) to Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) which will facilitate a land exchange, allow for development of a five-storey medical office building and a four-storey 177-space parking garage. The office building and majority of the parking garage will be constructed within the existing boundaries for 1515 Dufferin Crescent. An 82.7m² area of the existing park is required to accommodate the parking garage as the rear lot line is not straight. The rezoning is required to allow this small portion of land to be included in the larger redevelopment of the site.

Staff Review

Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) designates 1515 Dufferin Crescent as 'Hospital Urban Node'. The Hospital Urban Node provides for "city-wide and regional centre for health services, seniors housing, professional offices, and higher density residential". The OCP recognizes "parking and traffic issues in the Hospital Urban Node", however, it encourages new development or redevelopment of lands within the Hospital Urban Node to contain measures to minimize traffic impact on neighbourhoods and local roads.

In addition to accommodating parking for the medical office onsite, the proposed parking garage will provide additional parking for surrounding offices and other commercial uses. The addition of a four-storey parking garage will help address the high level of parking demand in the neighbourhood and reduce the need for on-street parking. Staff is of the opinion that the proposed rezoning complies with the intent of the OCP.

Community Contribution

As outlined in Section 7.3 of the OCP, in exchange for value conferred on land through a rezoning, the applicant should provide a community contribution. Given the area to be rezoned for development is 87.2m² and equal in size to the park area acquired, a community contribution was not requested. In addition to dedicating an equal portion of the property back as new park area, the applicant/owner will construct the undeveloped park access between 1515 Dufferin Crescent and 1275 Dufferin Crescent. Paving of the path, lighting, and improvements to the landscaping will be constructed by the owner.



SUMMARY POINTS

- The application is to rezone an 87.2m² portion of each of the subject properties.
- The rezoning is required in order to facilitate a land exchange and construct a parking garage.
- The proposed development meets the policy objectives of the OCP.

ATTACHMENTS

- ATTACHMENT A: Location Plan
- ATTACHMENT B: Park Land Exchange Area
- ATTACHMENT C: Aerial Photo
- ATTACHMENT D: Site Plan
- ATTACHMENT E: Elevations
- ATTACHMENT F: Building Section
- ATTACHMENT G: Applicant's Letter of Rationale
- ATTACHMENT H: "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2016 No. 4500.098"

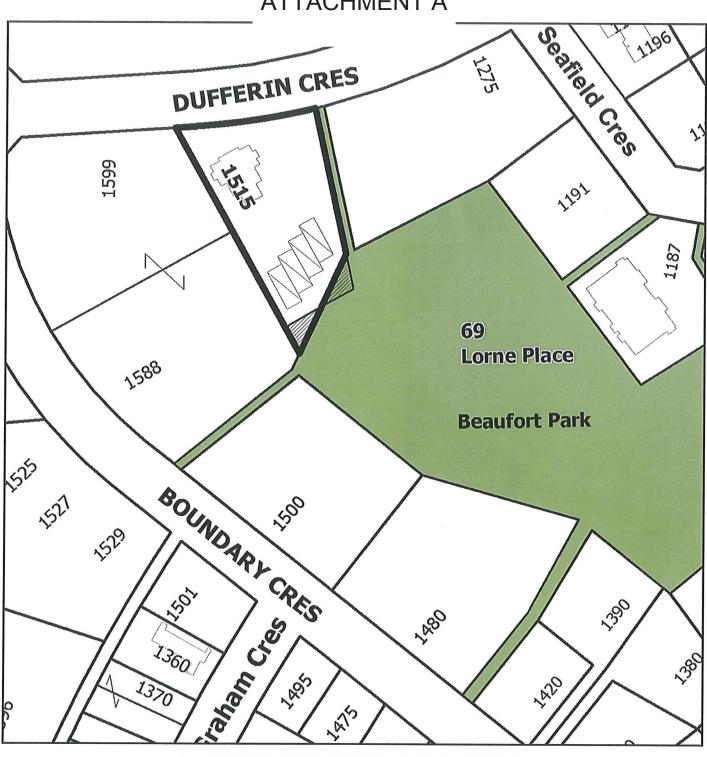
Submitted by:

B. Anderson Manager, Planning and Design

Concurrence by: D. Lindsay

Director, Community Development

ATTACHMENT A



REZONING APPLICATION NO. RA000365

LOCATION PLAN



Civic: 1515 Dufferin Crescent and **69 Lorne Place**



Subject Properties

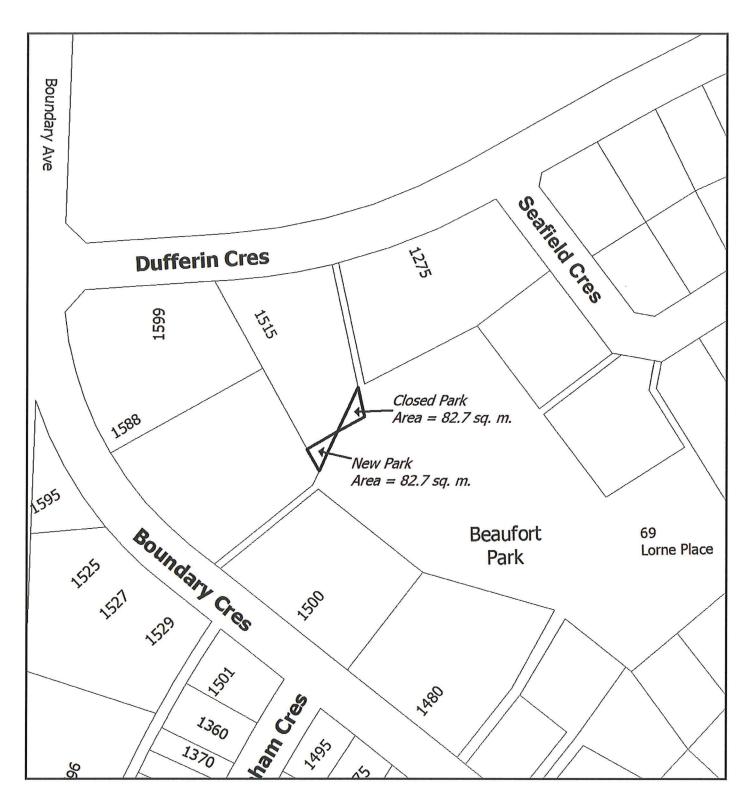


Portions to be Rezoned



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ATTACHMENT B





LOCATION PLAN

Civic: 1515 Dufferin Crescent and 69 Lorne Place

Park Land Exchange

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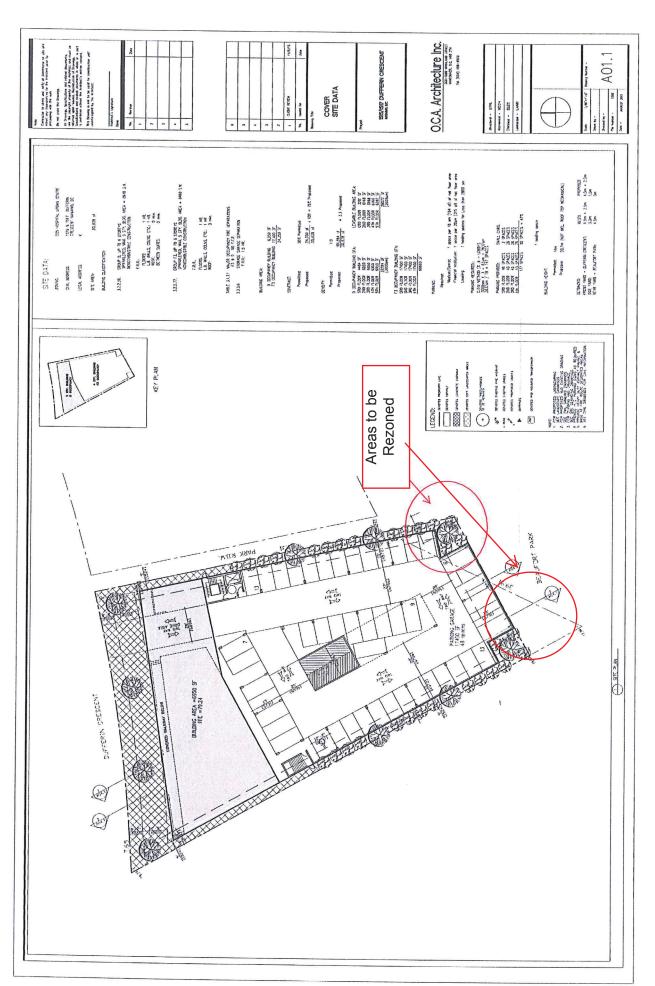
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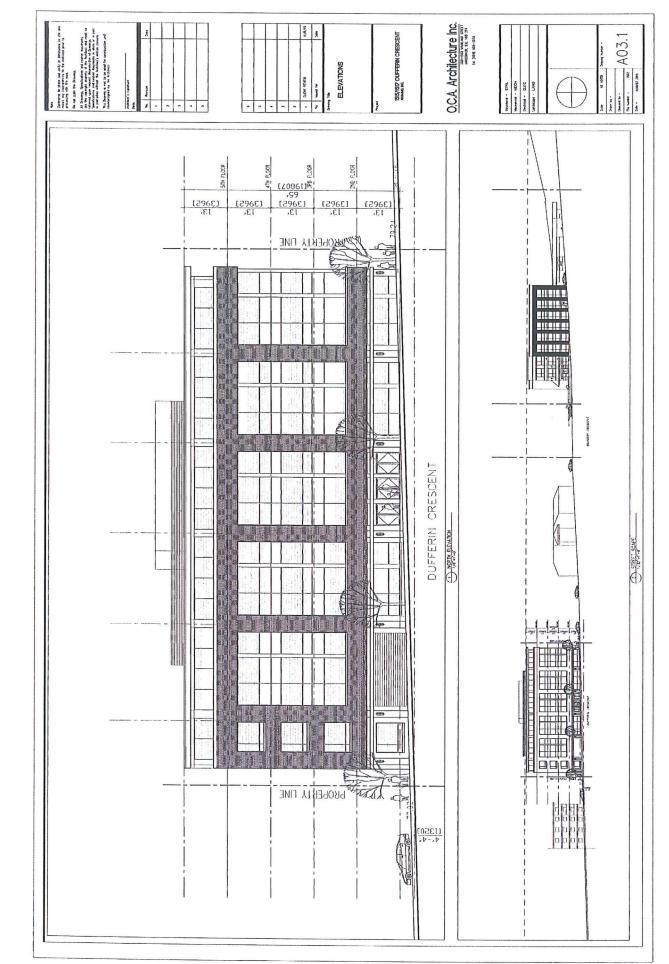


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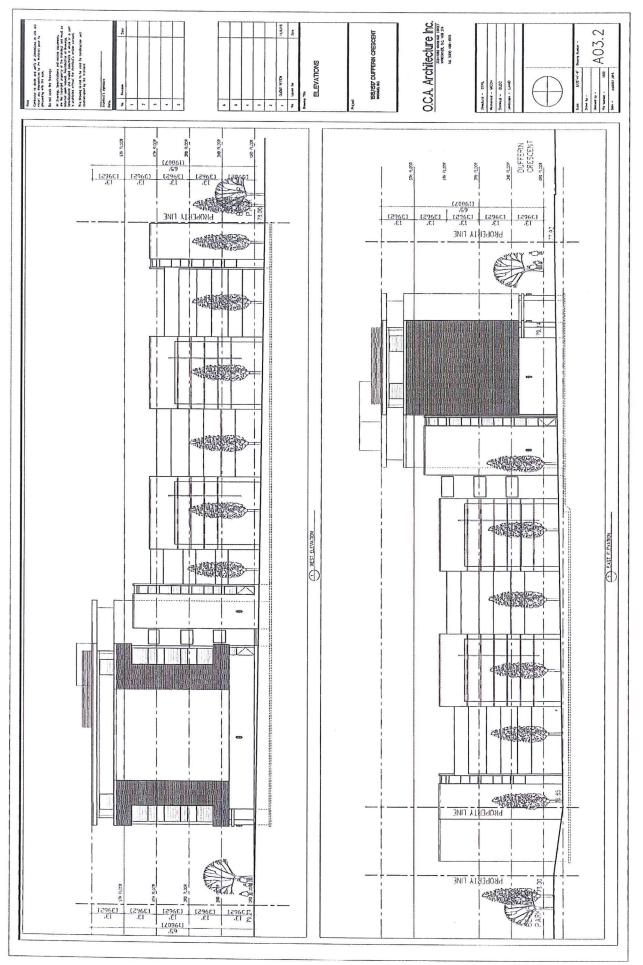








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6040 Hammond Bay Road Nanaimo, B.C. V9T 5M4 Telephone: (250) 756-9479

To:	City of Nanaimo
Attention:	Mr. Dave Stewart
Date:	March 17, 2016

Rezoning Rationale: 1515 Dufferin Crescent

This rezoning rationale is in support of our application to rezone a small portion of parkland that is the subject of a land exchange at 1515 Dufferin Crescent and Beaufort Park.

The application is to rezone a small portion of land (89.7 sq m) which is part of a land exchange at the rear of the property to CC5, thus making this piece consistent zoning with the rest of the parcel. Currently 1515 Dufferin Crescent is zoned CC5 and we wish to retain that zoning.

The request to rezone this parcel is to allow it to become part of the larger development at this site. The purpose of the land exchange was to square up the property to allow for the development of a medical building and adjacent parkade structure.

The community contribution component of this project is the development of a new trail connection to Beaufort Park and the construction of the parkade itself. The Hospital area is in desperate need of additional parking and this development proposes some solutions to that problem.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact us for any further information or clarification.

Sincerely,

Donna Hais

CITY OF NANAIMO

BYLAW NO. 4500.098

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, 477, 480, 548, 469, 479, 481 and 482 of the *Local Government Act*;

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

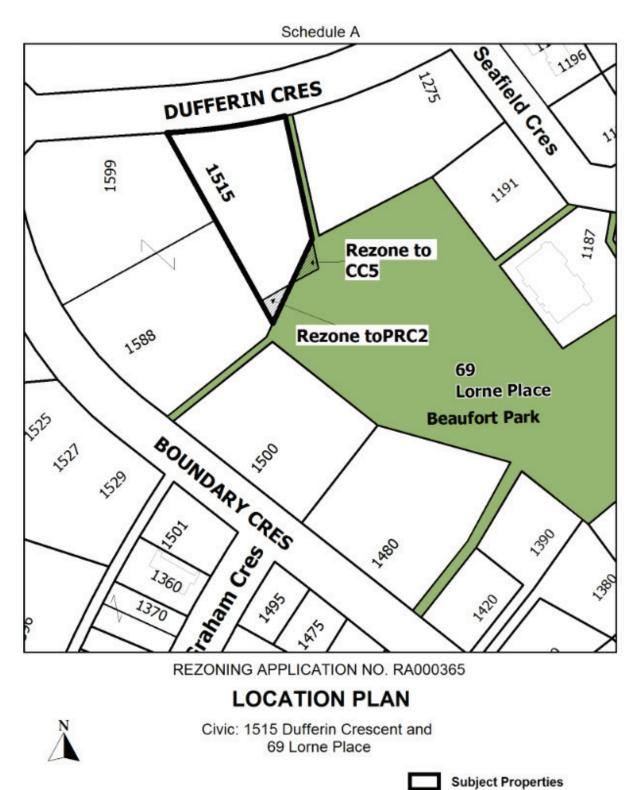
- 1. This Bylaw may be cited as the "ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW 2016 NO. 4500.098".
- 2. The City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW 2011 NO. 4500" is hereby amended as follows:

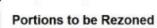
By rezoning a portion of the lands legally described as STRATA LOT 1 OF LOT 97-G, NEWCASTLE RESERVE, OF SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, STRATA PLAN 145, TOGETHER WITH AN INTEREST IN THE COMMON PROPERTY IN PROPORTION TO THE UNIT ENTITLEMENT OF THE STRATA LOT AS SHOWN ON FORM 1. (1515 Dufferin Crescent) from Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) to Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) and rezoning a portion of the lands legally described as PARCEL BETWEEN DUFFERIN AND BOUNDARY CRESCENT, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 18612 AND 18936, PARK (69 Lorne Place) from Parks, Recreation and Culture Two (PRC2) to Hospital Urban Centre (CC5) as shown on Schedule A.

PASSED FIRST READING ______ PASSED SECOND READING ______ PUBLIC HEARING HELD ______ PASSED THIRD READING ______ ADOPTED _____

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER





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