

**Minutes of a Public Hearing,
held in d’Esterre House on Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

Present: Acting Mayor H. MacKinnon

 Councillors R. Arnott, K. Grant, M. Grant,
 B. Price, M. Swift

Absent: P. Ives

Call to Order:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

There were approximately 3 members of the public in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING STATEMENT

Mayor Ives made the following statement:

This Public Hearing is hereby convened pursuant to Section 464 of the *Local Government Act* for the purpose of hearing representations from those persons who believe that their interest is affected by the proposed:

1. Rezoning Application RZ 18-8 (215 Port Augusta Street):

a. Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1896

The proposed bylaw has received first and second readings, but has not passed third reading or been adopted by Council. Notices of this Public Hearing have been published in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act*. Also, a copy of the proposed bylaw, supporting documentation and any submissions to Council received from the public have been available for inspection at Comox Town Hall as required by the *Local Government Act*. Copies are also available for review at the desk of the clerk.

To maintain order and to ensure everyone a reasonable opportunity to be heard, I ask that each person wishing to speak first sign the Speaker’s List, located at the desk of the Clerk. Once called by the Chair, please begin your presentation to Council by clearly stating your name and address. Please make your presentation as brief as

possible. After all have had an opportunity to be heard, anyone wishing to have further input may once again sign the Speaker's List.

Council will not debate with each other or members of the public. Council will not answer questions; we are here to hear from you. Technical questions may be directed by the Chair to the staff.

Everyone will be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at this meeting. No one will be, or should feel, discouraged or prevented from making his or her views heard. Please refrain from any conduct that would intimidate others or discourage them from speaking.

1. Rezoning Application RZ 18-8 (215 Port Augusta Street)

a. Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1896

a) Application Summary:

In general terms, the purpose of Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1896 is to:

- Define Recreational Cannabis Retail Store;
- Establish specific locations in the Town where recreational cannabis retail stores will be permitted;
- Prohibit recreational cannabis retail stores within a certain distance of another recreational cannabis retail store;
- Delete recently adopted amendments under Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1890 that established regulations for recreational cannabis sales in order to re-advertise the cannabis regulations of recently adopted Bylaw 1890; and
- Enable recreational cannabis retail sales on the same parcel that contains a liquor store at the Comox Centre Mall site at 215 Port Augusta Street (Lot A, Section 56, Comox District Plan VIP75741) provided that there is a minimum of 50 metres between a recreational cannabis retail store and a liquor store.

The Application Summary was received for information.

b) Public Hearing Submissions

Acting Mayor MacKinnon made the following statement:

Written – To ensure that written submissions are included in the minutes of the meeting, please ensure that all are submitted to the desk of the Clerk before the end of the meeting.

Verbal – The proposed bylaw is now open for discussion.

There being no speakers on the speaker's list, Acting Mayor MacKinnon made the following statement:

I would remind those present that legal considerations prevent the members of Council from considering any representation made after the close of this Public Hearing.

Before closing the Public Hearing, I am going to call three times for any further speakers on any of the matters contained in the proposed bylaw.

For the second time, is there anyone who wishes to make any further representation?

For the third time, is there anyone who wishes to make any further representation?

There being no further speakers, I declare this Public Hearing closed.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:07 p.m.

2. Other Items:

a) Rezoning Application RZ 18-8 (215 Port Augusta Street)

215 Port Augusta Street

1. *That Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1896 be given Third Reading.*

(2018.245 -- CARRIED)

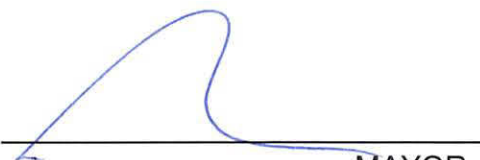
2. *That Comox Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1896 be Adopted.*

(2018.246 -- CARRIED)

Adjournment:

Regularly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 7:08 pm

Certified correct pursuant to Section 97(1)(b) of the *Community Charter*.




MAYOR



CORPORATE OFFICER

Certified fair and accurate pursuant to Section 465(6) of the Local Government Act.



DEPUTY CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR