

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2008-JUN-19 at 7:00 pm

Notice is hereby given that a Special Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, **2008-JUN-19**, commencing at **1900 hours (7:00 pm)** in the **Shaw Auditorium, Port of Nanaimo Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC** to consider the City of Nanaimo "OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW 2008 NO. 6500".

## 1. BYLAW NO. 6500

Purpose: To repeal the existing Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 6000 (Plan Nanaimo) and adopt a new Official Community Plan for the entire City within its jurisdictional boundary.

File No.: 6480-20-1996-F01

This bylaw, if adopted, will repeal the City of Nanaimo "OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW 1996 NO. 6000" and implement a new City of Nanaimo "OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW 2008 NO. 6500".

The new Official Community Plan (OCP) has been organized to outline contextual background information, the vision and guiding principle, seven goals and related policies, land use designations and development permit areas, mapping related to land use, mobility and development permit areas, and other content including but not limited to:

- 1) Part A Introduction includes defining the purpose of a community plan, outlining the planning process, and providing the planning framework and background to the OCP.
- 2) Part B Vision and Guiding Principle includes outlining the vision of the OCP, establishing sustainability as the guiding principle, and outlining the Regional Context Statement.
- 3) Part C Plan Goals, Objectives and Policies includes identifying the seven goals together with objectives and policies, establishes land use planning designations, and outlining implementation measures including neighbourhood planning, community involvement, development permit and heritage conservation areas and guidelines. The seven goals are:
  - Goal One Manage Urban Growth
  - Goal Two Build A More Sustainable Community
  - Goal Three Encourage Social Enrichment
  - Goal Four Promote A Thriving Economy
  - Goal Five Protect and Enhance Our Environment
  - Goal Six Improve Mobility and Servicing
  - Goal Seven Work Towards A Sustainable Nanaimo
- 4) Mapping provides three maps: Future Land Use Plan, Mobility, and Development Permit and Heritage Conservation Areas.

- 5) Incorporation, by reference, existing Neighbourhood and Area Plans and Design Guidelines, including:
  - Old City Neighbourhood Concept Plan
  - Chase River Neighbourhood Plan
  - Rocky Point-Hammond Bay-Stephenson Point Neighbourhood Plan
  - Departure Bay Neighbourhood Plan
  - Nanaimo Downtown Plan
  - Nanaimo's Old City Multiple Family Residential Design Guidelines
  - City of Nanaimo General Development Permit Area Design Guidelines
  - Downtown Urban Design Plan and Guidelines
  - Innovative Housing for Neighbourhoods: Triplex and Quadruplex Infill Design Guidelines
  - Design Guide: Chase River Town Centre
  - Departure Bay Design Guidelines for Village Core of the Departure Bay Neighbourhood Plan
  - Mainstreet Design Guidelines
  - Nanaimo Parkway Design Guidelines
  - Nanaimo Heritage Building Design Guidelines
  - Steep Slope Development Permit Area Guidelines

PLEASE NOTE full details of the above-noted bylaw are available at the City of Nanaimo Development Services Department, located at 238 Franklyn Street.

The above bylaw, relevant staff reports, and other background information may be inspected from 2008-JUN-06 to 2008-JUN-19, between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding statutory holidays, in the offices of the Development Services Department, 238 Franklyn Street, Nanaimo, BC.

All persons who believe their interest in property is affected by the proposed OCP bylaw shall be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person, by a representative or by written submission, on the matters contained within OCP Bylaw 2008 No. 6500 at the Public Hearing.

## Please note the following:

Written submissions may be sent to the City of Nanaimo, Development Services Department, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6.

Electronic submissions (email) should be sent to **public.hearing@nanaimo.ca**, or submitted online at **www.nanaimo.ca**. These submissions must be received no later than 4:00 pm, 2008-JUN-19, to ensure their availability to Council at the public hearing.

Following the close of a public hearing, no further submissions or comments from the public or interested persons can be accepted by members of City Council, as established by provincial case law. This is necessary to ensure a fair public hearing process and provide a reasonable opportunity for people to respond.

## For more information, please contact the City of Nanaimo Development Services Department Phone: (250) 755-4429 **\*** Fax: (250) 755-4439 **\*** Website www.nanaimo.ca 238 Franklyn Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6

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