

DATE OF MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2018

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SUBJECT "HOUSING AGREEMENT BYLAW 2018 NO. 7278" –
10 BUTTERTUBS DRIVE (NANAIMO AFFORDABLE HOUSING
SOCIETY)

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council approval for a housing agreement to secure affordable housing and permit a 50% reduction in the Development Cost Charges for a project at 10 Buttertubs Drive.

Recommendation

That:

1. "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" (To authorize a housing agreement between the City of Nanaimo and the Nanaimo Affordable Housing Society pertaining to 10 Buttertubs Drive) pass first reading;
2. "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" pass second reading; and
3. "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" pass third reading.

BACKGROUND

Nanaimo Affordable Housing Society (NAHS) is a local not-for-profit society that provides affordable housing to a range of Nanaimo residents. The society intends to develop the lands at 10 Buttertubs Drive to provide 159 units of affordable housing for adults 55 years and older.

"Development Cost Charge Bylaw 2017 No. 7252" (Bylaw No. 7252) sets out the conditions under which a development is eligible for a 50% reduction in Development Cost Charges (DCCs), including entering into a housing agreement with the City of Nanaimo. NAHS is an "eligible owner" and the proposed development is an "eligible development" as defined in Bylaw No. 7252.

OPTIONS

A. That:

- 1) "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" (To authorize a housing agreement between the City of Nanaimo and the Nanaimo Affordable Housing Society pertaining to 10 Buttertubs Drive) pass first reading;
- 2) "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" pass second reading; and
- 3) "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278" pass third reading.
 - **Budget Implication:** The 50% reduction being sought is equivalent to \$476,862.
 - **Policy Implication:** This is consistent with established policy of providing DCC relief to not-for-profit residential developments.
 - **Strategic Priorities Implication:** Supports the Community Value of Social Equity.

B. That Council provide alternative direction to Staff. |

SUMMARY POINTS

- NAHS is a not-for-profit society providing affordable housing to a range of Nanaimo residents.
- NAHS is seeking a 50% reduction in DCCs for a proposed 159 units of affordable seniors' rental housing at 10 Buttertubs Drive.
- NAHS is an "eligible owner" and the proposed development is an "eligible development" as defined in Bylaw No. 7252. |

ATTACHMENTS

"Housing Agreement Bylaw 2018 No. 7278"

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