

# **Staff Report for Decision**

File Number: RA000433

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SUBJECT REZONING APPLICATION NO. RA433 – 4271 JINGLE POT ROAD

#### **OVERVIEW**

# **Purpose of Report**

To present Council with an application to rezone portions of the subject property at 4271 Jingle Pot Road from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) and Duplex Residential (R4) to Low Density Residential (R6), R1, and R4, to allow for a multi-family residential development and to align existing zone boundaries with a proposed subdivision.

#### Recommendation

#### That:

- 1. "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.168" (To rezone portions of 4271 Jingle Pot Road from Single Dwelling Residential [R1] and Duplex Residential [R4] to Low Density Residential [R6], R1, and R4) pass first reading;
- 2. "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.168" pass second reading; and
- 3. Council direct Staff to secure the community amenity contribution should Council support the bylaw at third reading.

#### **BACKGROUND**

A rezoning application, RA433, was received from Seward Developments Inc., on behalf of Wayne Garner and Cindy-Lou Garner. The applicant proposes to amend "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 2011 No. 4500" (the "Zoning Bylaw") to rezone:

- a) a portion of the subject property from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) to Low Density Residential (R6);
- b) a portion of the subject property from R1 to Duplex Residential (R4); and
- c) a portion of the subject property from R4 to R1.

The proposed rezoning will facilitate an eight-lot subdivision (SUB01289) of the subject property including a multi-family residential development. This subdivision is occurring concurrently with another eight-lot subdivision at neighbouring 4285 Jingle Pot Road. Road dedication to create a new cul-de-sac from Jingle Pot Road is being secured through the subdivision.

#### **Subject Property and Site Context**

Location	The subject property is on the north side of Jingle Pot Road, between Yon Place and the intersection with Labieux Road.
Total Lot Area	9.13ha



Area of Portions to be Rezoned	3.39ha
Current Zoning	R1 – Single Dwelling Residential; and
	R4 – Duplex Residential
Proposed Zoning	R1 – Single Dwelling Residential;
	R4 – Duplex Residential; and
	R6 – Low Density Residential
Official Community Plan	Neighbourhood
Future Land Use Designation	
Neighbourhood Plan	n/a
Land Use Designation	

The subject property currently contains a duplex and a single residential dwelling, and is split-zoned between the R1 and R4 zones. The duplex will be retained on proposed Lot 15, but the single residential dwelling will be removed prior to final subdivision approval. The proposed rezoning will allow for a ground-oriented multi-family development on proposed Lot 9, in addition to amending the zone boundaries for the R4 zone to align with the lot boundaries of proposed Lot 15.

The site is generally flat with a slight rise uphill at the north of the property. Surrounding land uses include a townhouse development to the north, Island ConnectED K-12 school (formerly Wellington Public School) to the east, and single residential dwellings to the south and west. A 23-lot single dwelling residential subdivision creating Yon Place, to the west, was completed in 2011.

#### **DISCUSSION**

#### **Proposed Development**

The applicant is proposing to rezone a portion of the subject property to R6 in order to allow for a ground-oriented multi-family townhouse development. The R6 zoning would apply to proposed Lot 9, the northernmost lot of the proposed subdivision at the end of the new cul-desac street. This new street will be accessed from Jingle Pot Road, opposite Sloan Road. The conceptual plans for Lot 9 include 12 townhouse units in four two-storey buildings, accessed via a common access driveway. The multi-family development is envisioned to have a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 0.45, in accordance with the R6 zone.

In addition to the R6 rezoning, the proposed rezoning will amend the zone boundaries of the R1 and R4 zones to align with the lot boundaries of proposed Lot 15 where the existing duplex will be retained.

#### **Policy Context**

#### Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) identifies the subject property as within the Neighbourhood future land use designation. Development in Neighbourhoods is characterized by a mix of low-density residential uses. Residential densities from 10 to 50 units per hectare (uph) in two- to four-storey building forms are generally supported by the OCP. The proposed density of the eight-lot subdivision will equal 31 uph and the proposed density of the multi-family lot, proposed



Lot 9, will equal 35 uph. The proposed rezoning meets the intent of the OCP future land use designation.

#### Transportation Master Plan

The subject property is not within a Mobility Hub as identified by the Nanaimo Transportation Master Plan (NTMP). However, Jingle Pot Road, approximately 120m away from proposed Lot 9, is identified as a major road and is also identified as a cycling route in the medium-long-term bicycle network plan in the NTMP. Bus Route #30 currently runs along this section of Jingle Pot Road.

## **Community Consultation**

The subject property lies within the area of the Wellington Community Association and was referred for comment. The association responded they were in favour of increased residential density at this location, particularly due to its proximity to a public school site.

The applicant hosted a Neighbourhood Information Meeting on 2019-OCT-16 at the Beban Park Social Centre. Some neighbours raised concerns regarding traffic, parking, and building height associated with increased density. Staff note the maximum permitted building height in the R6 zone (9m) is the same as under the existing R1 zone. Parking along Jingle Pot Road will be formalized as part of the proposed subdivision. Vehicle movement modelling at the intersection of Jingle Pot Road and the new street does anticipate negative impacts.

#### **Community Amenity Contribution**

As outlined in Section 7.3 of the OCP, in exchange for value conferred on the lands through a rezoning, the applicant is encouraged to provide a Community Amenity Contribution (CAC). The applicant is proposing a CAC towards Loudon Park with a value of \$1,000 per proposed residential unit within proposed Lot 9. A CAC is proposed where an increase in density is proposed, but no CAC is expected for the zone boundary adjustment as this does not increase density. Based on the conceptual plans for the site, the contribution would equal \$12,000. Staff support the proposed Community Amenity Contribution.

#### **Conditions of Rezoning**

Should Council support the application and pass third reading of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.168", Staff recommend the following item be secured prior to final adoption of the bylaw:

1. *Community Amenity Contribution* – A monetary contribution, equal to \$1,000 per residential unit within proposed Lot 9, towards parks improvements at Loudon Park.



## **SUMMARY POINTS**

- The application is to rezone portions of the subject property at 4271 Jingle Pot Road from Single Dwelling Residential (R1) and Duplex Residential (R4) to Low Density Residential (R6), R1, and R4, to allow for a multi-family residential development and to align existing zone boundaries with a proposed subdivision.
- The proposed rezoning will facilitate an eight-lot subdivision.
- A Community Amenity Contribution towards parks improvements at Loudon Park is proposed, with a value of \$1,000 per unit within Lot 9.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A: Location Plan

ATTACHMENT B: Subdivision Plan with Proposed Zoning

ATTACHMENT C: Conceptual Site Plan

ATTACHMENT D: Aerial Photo

"Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.168"

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