

# ATTACHMENT B

## City of Nanaimo Siting Guidelines for Supervised Consumption Sites

It is a policy of the City of Nanaimo to ask that any proponent of a supervised consumption site (SCS) to use the following location, design and engagement guidelines in the process of selecting a site for the proposed facility:

### 1.1. Location Criteria to Benefit Those Who Use SCS

For the benefit of those who use supervised consumption sites, they should be sited in a location that is:

- Within close proximity to, or near, communities where substance use; consumption is prevalent and/or overdose incidents have been documented;
- Considerate of opportunities to integrate with other substance use support services or other complementary health or social services; and
- Considers locations that have the ability to increase scope of SCS offered in the future.

### 1.2. Location Considerations to Avoid Land Use Conflicts

In addition to those criteria listed in Part 1, above, to avoid land use conflicts, supervised consumption facilities should be sited in a location that is:

- Considerate of pedestrian commercial areas or active public spaces that could generate conflicts between those leaving these facilities after consuming and other residents;
- Considerate of areas where children congregate, such as schools and parks; and
- Considerate of impacts on residential neighbourhoods.

### 1.3. Site Design Criteria

In addition to those location criteria listed in Part 1 and Part 2 of this policy, supervised consumption facilities should be designed to:

- Incorporate Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles;
- Orient building entrances to allow for reasonably discrete entry and exit;
- Ensure that building waiting areas and vestibules are adequately sized as so to accommodate the supervised consumption site operations inside the building; and
- Avoid opportunities for loitering, such as the installation of seating areas or landscape features that can be used for seating.

*More details on the operations guidelines for Supervised Consumption Services can be found in the British Columbia Centre for Substance Use document "Supervised Consumption Services: Operational Guidance" which is available through the Province of British Columbia Ministry of Health.*

## 1.4 Engagement Measures

Any proposed facility must comply with the community engagement exemption requirements of S56.1 of the Controlled Substances Act. This may include some or all of the following application examples:

- Open house
- Online survey
- General email account
- Supervised consumption site website
- Information meetings
- Presenting at community association meetings
- Flyers
- Door to door canvassing
- Letter of opinion from the provincial Minister of Health

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