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SUBJECT BYLAW CONTRAVENTION NOTICE - CONSTRUCTION STARTED WITHOUT A BUILDING PERMIT – 311 WOODHAVEN DRIVE

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council authorization to proceed with the registration of a Bylaw Contravention Notice on the property title of 311 Woodhaven Drive.

Recommendation

That Council direct the Corporate Officer to file a Bylaw Contravention Notice at the Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia under Section 57 of the *Community Charter* for the property located at 311 Woodhaven Drive for construction started without a building permit in contravention of “Building Bylaw 2016 No. 7224”.

BACKGROUND

An inspection was completed on 2019-JUN-03 in response to a complaint received regarding illegal construction. The inspection confirmed that work to enclose the upper deck to create living space was underway, and the front entry deck, including stairs, was being rebuilt without a building permit. A Stop Work Order was posted on the job site and correspondence was forwarded to the owner advising that the illegal work is to be deconstructed and a permit to rebuild would be required. A building permit was issued on 2020-DEC-07 to rectify the illegal work, however that permit has now expired without any of the required work being completed or inspections being undertaken.

Pursuant to Section 57 of the *Community Charter*, it is recommended that a notice be registered on the property title to reflect the work completed without a permit or inspections in contravention of “Building Bylaw 2016 No 7224”.

As the stairs are poorly constructed and constitute a hazard this matter will be forwarded to Bylaw Services for enforcement action.

DISCUSSION

The purpose of registering a Bylaw Contravention Notice (Section 57 of the *Community Charter*) on the title of the affected property is to advise those with an interest in the property of the regulations contravened, to provide disclosure to future owners and to protect taxpayers against potential claims with regard to the regulations contravened.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Construction requiring a building permit was undertaken without first obtaining a permit.
- A building permit was issued, however it has expired without the required work or inspections being completed.
- Registration of a Bylaw Contravention Notice is required on the title of the affected property to advise those with an interest in the property of the regulations contravened, to provide disclosure to future owners and to protect taxpayers against potential claims with regard to the regulations contravened.
- Further to the registration of the notice, this matter will be referred to Bylaw Services for further enforcement.

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