

DATE OF MEETING | December 14, 2023

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SUBJECT **OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION NO. OCP103 – 502 HOWARD AVENUE – OCP BYLAW NO. 6600.001**

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report:

To present Council with the referral responses received in accordance with Section 475 of the *Local Government Act* for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. OCP103 (502 Howard Avenue) and associated Bylaw No. 6600.001.

BACKGROUND

Bylaw No. 6600.001 was introduced to Council on 2023-AUG-28 (the “Te’Tuxwtun Project”) where it received first and second reading.

In accordance with Section 475 of the *Local Government Act*, when considering an amendment to an Official Community Plan, local governments must provide one or more opportunities for consultation with organizations or authorities that it considers may be affected by the amendment. The following table summarizes the responses received:

Referral Sent	Comments
Snuneymuxw First Nation	<i>As a Knowledge Partner, it is understood that SFN is supportive of the application.</i>
Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public School District 68	<i>As a Knowledge Partner, the School District has confirmed its support of the application.</i>
Regional District of Nanaimo	<i>Supports the proposed amendment, which is consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy.</i>
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure	<i>No objections.</i>
Island Health	<i>The proposed amendment will support a number of positive community health outcomes.</i>
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy	<i>Staff determined a referral was not required (no watercourse or previous commercial/industrial use).</i>

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Nanaimo-Ladysmith Public School District 68 OCP referral response
 ATTACHMENT B: Regional District of Nanaimo OCP referral response
 ATTACHMENT C: Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure OCP referral response
 ATTACHMENT D: Island Health OCP referral response
 ATTACHMENT E: Staff Report dated 28-AUG-2023
 “City Plan Amendment Bylaw 2023 No. 6600.001”

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