

# WHISTLER

### MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017 STARTING AT 6:02 P.M.

In the Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre – Formerly Millennium Place 4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4

#### PRESENT

Mayor: N. Wilhelm-Morden

Councillors: S. Anderson, J. Crompton, J. Ford, J. Grills, S. Maxwell

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, N. McPhail General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Jansen Municipal Clerk, L. Schimek Manager of Communications, M. Comeau Director of Finance, K. Roggeman Director of Corporate, Economic and Environmental Services, T. Battiston Manager Resort Parks Planning, M. Pardoe Senior Planner, J. Belobaba Acting Manager of Protective Services, L. Debou Parks Planner, K. McFarland Recording Secretary, M. Kish

**ABSENT:** Councillor A. Janyk

This Public Hearing is convened pursuant to *Section 464* of the *Local Government Act* R.S.B.C. 2015, c.1 to allow the public to make representations to Council respecting matters contained in "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Maury Young Arts Centre and Institution and Assembly Uses in the LNI Zone) No. 2129, 2017"(the "proposed Bylaw").

Everyone present shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw. No one will be discouraged or prevented from making their views known. However, it is important that remarks be restricted to matters contained in the proposed Bylaw.

When speaking, please commence your remarks by clearly stating your name and address.

Members of Council may ask questions following presentations however, the function of Council at a Public Hearing is to listen rather than to debate the merits of the proposed Bylaw.

As stated in the Notice of Public Hearing,

## The PURPOSE OF ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW (Maury Young Arts Centre and Institution and Assembly Uses in the LNI Zone) No. 2129, 2017

In general terms, the purpose of the proposed Bylaw is to amend the Lands North Institutional Zone to add "assembly" and "institution" as permitted uses in the LNI zone and to limit the scale of auxiliary retail in conjunction with a recreation and arts facility to 165 square meters.

Submissions Mayor Wilhelm-Morden called for submissions by the public.

Mark Simpson – 4360 Lorimer Road

Mr. Simpson stated that he is an employee of Whistler Blackcomb and a staff manager for Vancouver Affordable Housing Agency (VAHA).

Mr. Simpson stated that he has been trying to get a bit more information around the Bylaw amendment proposed primarily for the adjacent zones 4365 Blackcomb Way and 4380 Lorimer Road which is connected around the side of the property that he resides in.

Mr. Simpson asked that Council consider the green space surrounding these areas if any development were to take place in the future.

Is Council aware of the future plans and development agendas for these zones and do these areas have anything to do with Zoning and Parking Bylaw 303, 2015 which talks to zoning for churches, bus transit areas, recreation facilities and safety buildings, Municipal fire hall and auxillary buildings and health and medical centres.

Jan Jansen, General Manger of Resort Experience commented that the areas in question were included in the presentation to Council for the LNI 1 zoned properties which include the Medical Centre in Lot 1, Olympic Plaza, Florence Peterson Park - Lot 21 which may have been included in the original plans for Village North, a potential church, Maurice Young Arts Centre, Municipal Hall which includes the Public Safety Building, Fire Hall. Mr. Jansen continued that this bylaw legitimizes the existing uses for the sites and is not associated with any development plans for those sites beyond what you already see out there.

Mr. Simpson wanted clarification as to what the amendment is then referring to and if there is any future design for a transit facility or bus parking bay.

Mr. Jansen commented that the particular zoning has to do with the uses read out by the Mayor at the beginning of the Public Hearing speaking to

assembly and institutions and that there is no correlation between those uses and any development and is simply legitimizing the uses of the LNI 1 zones.

Mr. Simpson commented he understood that but wanted to clarify that once these amendments are approved that the potential is there to develop in the future.

Mr. Simpson asked that whatever decisions are made for one of the last green spaces left in the village that it be considered for its value to the community before any development is considered.

#### Kim Maitland – 6304 Lorimer Road

Ms. Maitland informed that she works for Arts Whistler as the Marketing Manager and is an artist that provides art to the gift shop in the facility at Maury Young Arts Centre (MYAC). Ms. Maitland informed that MYAC is one of the only places in town that she can sell her art.

#### Cheryl Massey – 8605 Forest Ridge Drive

Ms. Massey commented that she is delighted to see this bylaw put forth. Ms. Massey commented that she finds it very important to support local artists and to provide venues that are accessible for artists to be able to sell their work locally.

#### Andrea Mueller – 3044 St. Anton Way

Ms. Mueller commented that she works for Arts Whistler at MYAC and displays her work in the gallery and the gift shop at MYAC. Ms. Mueller informed that she has worked for Arts Whistler for almost nine years running the gift shop and gallery and informed that they have put on almost 80 community art exhibits and have brought in shows from international artists and showcase over 190 local artists a year. Ms. Mueller commented that she was happy to see the bylaw proposed so that they can continue to program and showcase local artists work.

Mayor Wilhelm-Morden called three times for submissions from the public.

Correspondence Laurie-Anne Schimek, Municipal Clerk, indicated that there were two letters of correspondence received in support of the proposed Bylaw.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further comments, the Public Hearing adjourned at 6:13 p.m.