

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ADDENDUM**

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Board Chambers

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Chris Thompson
5095 Longview Dr
Bowser BC V0R 1G0

September 12, 2019

Board of Variance
Regional District of Nanaimo
6300 Hammond Bay Rd
Nanaimo BC V9T 6N2

Attn: Board of Variance

RE: Development Permit with Variance Application No. PL2019-057
Lot 31, Seaview Dr
Lot 31, District Lot 28, Newcastle District, Plan 22249

I am one of the adjacent property owners to the above property on Seaview Dr. I'd like to wish our future neighbours a warm welcome to the neighbourhood. I do not oppose the items listed in the variance request, as the Setbacks for Watercourses and Off-street Parking restrictions generally limit building on this lot. I would, however, like to bring to attention that to the best of my knowledge there is still a restrictive covenant on the land title for this lot. Amongst a number of building restrictions in the covenant (see attached), there is a building height limit of 15 feet (4.6m). RDN Bylaw 500 permits a building height of 8.0m. While the restrictive covenant doesn't seem to have been incorporated on newer builds in the neighbourhood, it should be noted that many of the neighbours in this area bought homes with the general understanding that the height restriction in the covenant would be honored to maintain views as well as the general character of the neighbourhood. Any effort to incorporate the building height restriction into this build would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Chris Thompson

GDS 42418

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This Indenture

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made in duplicate this 24th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four

Between **SUBSTITUTE FORM "A"**

Insert full name, address and occupation of parties

PARTICULARS

30,948.00

Vendor's Assignment of Agreement for Sale

Released

Other

12:21

AS XXXXXX of XXXXXX

KOPINA ESTATE LTD., a body corporate duly incorporated under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, having its registered office at 709-744 West Hastings Street, in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, Incorporation No. 55335

hereinafter called the "Assignor" of the First Part

AND

hereinafter called the "Purchaser" of the Third Part

Whereas, by Agreement for Sale dated the _____ day of _____ A. D. 19 _____, and made between the above-named Assignor and the above-named Purchaser, the said Assignor agreed to sell and convey unto the said Purchaser, who therein agreed to purchase from the said Assignor, the lands therein and hereinafter described, for the sum of _____ Dollars

subject to the conditions and covenants in said Agreement for Sale contained:

And whereas, there is still owing and unpaid under the said Agreement for Sale the sum of _____ Dollars together with interest at the rate of _____ per cent. per annum from the _____ day of _____ A. D. 19 _____, which moneys and interest are under said Agreement for Sale payable to the Assignor in addition to all sums payable under said Agreement.

And whereas, the said Assignor has agreed to grant and assign the said Agreement for Sale, and all his interests therein and in the said lands, and all moneys still owing and unpaid under the said Agreement for Sale unto the Assignee herein

From "C" Land Registry Act (Sec. 50)
BOOK OF REGISTRATION
This day of 5 1974
received at the time
for the registration
of the Vendor's
Assignment of Agreement for Sale

Now, therefore, this Indenture Witnesseth, that in consideration of the premises, and of the sum of ~~-----~~ One ~~-----~~ Dollars lawful money of Canada now paid by the Assignee to the Assignor (the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged), he, the Assignor, doth hereby grant, assign and set over unto the Assignee the said Agreement for Sale together with all moneys due, owing or payable thereunder, and all the right, title and interest of him the Assignor thereunder and therein.

And this Indenture further Witnesseth, that for the consideration aforesaid, he, the Assignor, by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the Assignee forever, all and singular ~~xxxxxx parcels xxxxxx lands xxx premises xxxxxx by xxx xxxxxx~~ those lands and premises particularly described in the Schedule hereto.

To have and to hold the said lands and premises unto and to the use of the Assignee forever, subject to the terms, covenants and conditions contained in the said Agreements for Sale.

And the Assignor hereby covenants with the Assignee that there is now due or accruing due and unpaid under the said Agreement for Sale to the Assignor in addition to all other sums payable thereunder the sum ~~of~~ set forth in the schedule hereto, ~~xxxxxx~~ together with interest thereon at ~~the rates~~ per cent. per annum ~~xxxxxx~~ set forth in said Schedule from the day of A. D. 19 73, and that he has done no act nor permitted any act to encumber the said lands save and except as mentioned in said Agreement for Sale and has not done nor permitted any act, and has been guilty of no omission or laches whereby the said Agreements for Sale or any of them ~~has~~ become in part or entirely in anywise impaired or invalid, and he has not released, assigned, hypothecated or discharged the same, nor has any covenant, condition or proviso contained therein, been discharged or waived, nor any breach or non-performance thereof been waived or condoned, and that he will upon request to, perform and execute every act necessary to enforce the full performance of the covenants and other matters contained in the said Agreement for Sale and for the purpose of enforcing all rights of the Assignor in said Agreement for Sale the Assignor hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints the Assignee his true and lawful attorney irrevocable, to use the name of the Assignor in securing the enforcement of all such rights, and doth hereby authorize the Assignee to convey the said lands or the interest of the Assignor therein named, to the Purchaser or such other person, including the Assignee, as may become entitled to a conveyance thereof.

~~And the Assignor doth further covenant, promise and agree with the Assignee that in case of default by the Purchaser in payment of any sum or sums of money which shall become due or owing under the said Agreement for Sale that he will forthwith on demand ~~xxxxxx~~ and truly pay or cause to be paid, to the Assignee any sum or sums so in default ~~xxxxxx~~~~

And the Assignor doth further covenant and agree that the giving or extending of time for the payment of ~~any sum or sums of money payable under the said Agreement for Sale or for the performance of any condition or covenant contained therein, by the Assignee to the Purchaser or any ~~xxxxxx~~~~

~~And the Purchaser doth further Covenant, Promise and Agree~~ retained and doth acknowledge and admit that the amount owing by him under the said Agreement for Sale is as hereinbefore set out.

~~And the Purchaser doth further Covenant, Promise and Agree~~ to and with the Assignee, that he will pay or cause to be paid to the Assignee, the said sum of money still owing and unpaid under the said Agreement for Sale on the days and times and in the manner therein set forth, and that he will keep, observe and perform all covenants, promises and agreements therein contained.

Wherever the singular or masculine are used throughout this Indenture, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural or feminine or the body politic or corporate where the context or the parties hereto so require.

And it is further agreed that the words "Assignor, Assignee, or Purchaser" wherever used in this Indenture shall include and be binding on, and enure to the benefit of not only the said parties hereto, but also on and to their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Corporate Seal of KOPINA ESTATE LTD. was hereunto affixed in the presence of its proper officers duly authorized in that behalf the day and year first above written.

THE CORPORATE SEAL of)
KOPINA ESTATE LTD. was)
hereunto affixed in the)
presence of:)

John Henry
Secretary

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Corporate Seal of PREMIER FINANCE LIMITED was hereunto affixed in the presence of its proper officers duly authorized in that behalf the day and year first above written.

THE CORPORATE SEAL of)
PREMIER FINANCE LIMITED was)
hereunto affixed in the)
presence of:)

R. Lou-Poy
Attorney-in-fact for
PREMIER FINANCE LIMITED p/a No. B 79474

~~In Witness Whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals~~

~~Signed, Sealed and Delivered~~
~~in the presence of:~~

Signature of Witness
Street Address
City
Occupation

56764

SCHEDULE

BUILDING RESTRICTIONS

1. No dwelling house constructed on the said lands shall be designed and constructed except for single family use and occupation, and shall contain a living area floor plan of not less than 1000 sq. ft., such measurement shall exclude the area of all basements, garages, patios and carports, covered passageways and other construction of a similar nature being outside the normal living area of a dwelling house.
2. No building shall be erected on any lot unless the plans of the exterior design of such dwelling house and the colour of the exterior painting have first been approved by Kopina Estate Ltd. before commencement of construction or painting.
3. No buildings to be erected on Lots 1 to 27 and 29 to 45 of Plan 22249 shall have a height of more than 15 feet.
4. No buildings to be constructed on Lots 22 to 59 of said Plan 22249 shall be constructed without the consent of Kopina Estate Ltd. on said lots unless they have the following set-backs, viz:
 - Front Yard 30 feet
 - Rear Yard 30 feet
 - Side Yard minimum 5 feet, with
minimum total side yard of 17 feet
5. The exterior of all buildings to be constructed on the said lands shall be completed within 12 months of commencement of construction.
6. It is the intention of the Grantor that the property contained in this Subdivision Plan shall be for residential purposes only and to this end no business, trade or profession shall be carried on upon the lands hereby conveyed, nor shall anything be done or maintained thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the said lands or to any lot or the owners thereof. Furthermore, no commercially licensed vehicle required by law to have the owner/operator's name thereon shall be permitted to operate from any lot in the said Subdivision Plan unless the said vehicle is kept in a closed-in garage whilst on the premises.
7. No sign, billboard or advertising matter of any kind (except the ordinary signs offering the said lands or buildings thereon for sale or rent) shall be placed upon the said lands without the written consent of Kopina Estate Ltd.
8. Trailers or other temporary living accommodation shall not be placed on the said lands at any time except during the course of construction of a dwelling house on the lot on which such trailer or other temporary living accommodation may be situated.

With respect to the lands and premises described in the Schedule hereto, the Assignee acknowledges that a Building Scheme has been set out applicable to those lands inter alia, which building restrictions are set out in the Schedule annexed hereto headed Building Restrictions, and it is intended that each owner of Lots 1 - 59 inclusive, Newcastle District, Plan 22249, shall also have the benefit of the covenants contained in said Building Restrictions and that the same shall run with the land.

NOW THEREFORE the Assignee hereby covenants with the Assignor and all persons claiming under them of any lot or lots in the said Plan, to the intent that the burden of these covenants may run with and bind the land hereby conveyed and every part thereof, and to the intent that the benefit thereof may be annexed to and devolve with each and every part of the said plan other than the lots hereby conveyed, to observe those stipulations and building restrictions contained in the Schedule hereto annexed headed Building Restrictions so far as the same relate to the land hereby conveyed.

AND THIS INDENTURE FURTHER WITNESSETH that in consideration of the premises the Assignee for itself, its successor and assigns, covenants with the Assignor and the person or persons deriving title under him will at all times duly perform and observe all and singular the stipulations and building restrictions set out in the Schedule annexed hereto headed Building Restrictions, and the person or persons deriving title under them during the period of their respective ownership of any interest in the land hereby transferred.

With respect to Lot 12, Plan 24584, it is acknowledged that the Assignors interest in said lands is assigned subject to and with the benefit of the restrictions enumerated in the Declaration of Creation of Building Scheme registered under # 427103-G.



Dear Mayors, Councillors and Regional District Board Members,

September 3, 2019

Re: Joint Local Government Submission regarding Provincial Plastics Action Plan

Municipalities and Regional Districts are often at the forefront of environmental issues that affect our citizens and local environments. As local governments who are taking steps to reduce single-use items in our communities, we write to you asking you to join us in a response to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy’s call for submissions regarding proposed amendments to the *Recycling Regulation* of the *Environmental Management Act* to address plastic waste. In this way, it is our hope that the voices of local governments will be stronger together.

In reviewing the “[Plastics Action Plan Policy Consultation Paper](#)”, the following five topic areas were determined as matters requiring specific feedback from the local government sector, and they form the basis of our joint letter:

1. Prioritization of Reduction and Reuse over Recycling and Disposal
2. Clarification of Local Government Authority
3. A “Stepped” Or Phased Approach to Regulation
4. Improvement of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Programs
5. Adequate Consultation (including with other Ministries)

To be clear, there is no reason why your organization cannot submit its own specific feedback to the proposals laid out in the Consultation Paper in addition to this joint submission. However, if you are in alignment with the five broad themes as outlined above, we encourage you to consider passing the following resolution at your next meeting:

“THAT the [insert jurisdiction] Council/Board supports and wishes to join the submission from the Districts of Squamish and Tofino in response to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy’s proposed amendments to the *Recycling Regulation* of the *Environmental Management Act*.”

In order to jointly submit our feedback by the deadline of 4PM on September 30th, 2019, we ask that your staff please contact Elyse Goatcher-Bergmann, Manager of Corporate Services for the District of Tofino, at egoatcher-bergmann@tofino.ca by **noon on Wednesday, September 25th, 2019** in order to add your local government’s name to the letter.

We understand the tight timeline for consideration of this submission, and thank you and your staff for your attention in advance. We look forward to working together on this and other important matters in the future.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Karen Elliott in black ink.

Karen Elliott
Mayor of Squamish

Handwritten signature of Josie Osborne in blue ink.

Josie Osborne
Mayor of Tofino



Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Recycling Regulation Amendments
PO Box 9341 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9M1

Dear Minister Heyman,

September 3, 2019

Joint Local Government Response to Provincial Plastics Action Plan

As local governments who have taken steps to reduce single-use items in our communities, we write together in response to the Ministry of Environment & Climate Change Strategy's (the Ministry) call for submissions regarding proposed amendments to the *Recycling Regulation* of the *Environmental Management Act* to address plastic waste.

In reviewing the "Plastics Action Plan Policy Consultation Paper" (Consultation Paper), the following five topic areas were collectively determined as matters requiring specific feedback from the local government sector. In addition to this letter, local governments may also be submitting individual feedback relevant to their communities. We thank you for your time and consideration, and we look forward to continuing the conversation on these important matters.

1. FOCUS ON REDUCTION AND REUSE

The pollution prevention hierarchy emphasizes reduction and reuse over recycling and disposal. These priorities are also apparent in the Ministry's Consultation Paper, which discusses reducing plastic consumption through the use of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs and bans on single-use items. However, local governments feel that these programs can only be considered successful if any unintended shift to excessive consumption of damaging single use alternatives is avoided. To avoid this shift, we recommend that EPR policies be accompanied by incentives to encourage the use of sustainable, reusable options.

In addition, the Consultation Paper frames reuse in terms of recyclability, "ensuring recycled plastic is re-used effectively" through standards on recycled content. We agree that this approach can help reduce emissions and support EPR programs, but there is also an opportunity to consider reuse in terms of behaviour. We urge the Ministry to adopt a policy which supports and enables practices of reuse outside of recycling, with the ultimate goal being reduction of single-use items. This includes encouraging refillable containers (e.g. growlers, wine bottles, soap bottles, etc.), allowing patrons to bring their own container (e.g. takeout food, restaurant leftovers, bulk food shopping, etc.), enabling the right to repair (e.g. repair

cafes, requirements for the provision of spare parts and services, online publication of manuals, etc.), and promoting zero waste shopping (e.g. zero waste stores, farmers' markets, etc.). This added focus on reduction and reuse will help move the Plastics Action Plan forward in accordance with pollution prevention best practices.

2. CLARIFY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY

We appreciate that the Ministry has acknowledged the actions being taken by local governments to address the local impacts of single-use items in BC communities. Indeed, more than 23 communities in B.C. have been actively developing bans, fees and levies, to address single-use items. However, as noted in the Consultation Paper, the B.C. Court of Appeal ruling regarding the City of Victoria's business licence regulation bylaw is of major concern to local governments as its implications for municipal authority to adopt bylaws under sections 8 and 9 of the *Community Charter* are potentially significant.

Until the Court of Appeal decision was issued, it has been the view of many municipalities that the nature of concurrent powers expressly described by statute in sections 8 and 9 of the *Community Charter* allowed for the regulation of unsustainable business practices. To be certain, there are numerous examples of municipal business regulations which already include one or more provisions intended to protect the environment, including imposing requirements or prohibitions on the pollution of waterways, drains and sewers.

As the Province reviews the Court of Appeal's decision, we urge the Minister to consult with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to provide clarity on the limits and intent of the general concurrent authorities shared by local governments and the Province in relation to the protection of the natural environment, and specifically as it applies to single use items. Moreover, we request that a clear, timely and uniform process be developed for local governments who choose to act on those matters which fall under section 9(1) [*spheres of concurrent authority*] of the *Community Charter*.

3. A "STEPPED" OR PHASED APPROACH

As each local government faces unique challenges with respect to recycling and solid waste management, a one-size-fits-all provincial regulation may not meet the needs or expectations of all communities. To this end, we recommend the Minister regulate single-use plastics through a "stepped" or "phased" approach akin to the *BC Energy Step Code Regulation*. A phased approach would allow local governments to move at a pace appropriate for their communities, while also providing industry with a set of consistent targets for waste reduction and recycling across British Columbia. This flexibility is particularly important for smaller rural communities while also enabling faster action to be taken by those local governments who are ready for more ambitious, multifaceted approaches to regulating waste and single-use items. In this way, communities can adopt these regulations gradually or more quickly depending on their ability and resources. Moreover, a consistent incremental framework that raises standards would ensure that, as the recycling and packaging industries innovate, we are able to avoid the current patchwork of disparate standards in each community.

The *BC Energy Step Code* is an excellent example of collaboration between the Province, local governments, industry, and other stakeholders. We encourage the Ministry to consider a similar approach to the regulation of single-use items to encourage innovation while respecting the capacity of all municipalities.

4. IMPROVING EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY (EPR)

BC is a leader in implementing EPR programs and moving ahead on its commitments to the Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment Canada-wide Action Plan on EPR. As the Ministry now has experience with these programs, it is important to foster continuous improvement, address problems that have arisen and push for programs to meet their full potential.

EPR programs are designed so that producers pay for their products' end of life management, but also so that products and packaging become better designed. The *Recycling Regulation* and the work of the Ministry have focused on collection for recycling or responsible handling, however few programs are achieving success in redesign, reduction or reuse. There needs to be a focus higher up the hierarchy, which would hold the business sector accountable. This could include exploring ways to redesign products, reduce the amount of packaging, or change the materials used. There are different ways to achieve this, including mandating differential fees based on environmental-impact or waste-creation (rather than fees set by operational costs only), implementing financial penalties for non-compliance, or requiring targets for reduction or redesign.

Another area for expansion within the EPR framework is the inclusion of industrial, commercial and institutional (ICI) materials. The main driver for participation by businesses in diversion is the cost of participation relative to disposal. As changes in global markets drive down the revenue potential of these diverted materials, and with high costs of hauling to recycling markets, the segregation and recycling of materials (e.g. plastic containers, plastic film and expanded polystyrene) are challenging to justify for many businesses. Thus, the segregated collection and diversion of materials from the ICI sector is cost prohibitive to the businesses, and in many cases is substantially subsidized by local governments and taxpayers. Inclusion of ICI materials (with a focus on packaging) into the *Recycling Regulation* would create efficiencies within the transportation network from remote communities and prevent landfilling of recyclables by the ICI sector. In this way, the expansion of regulated products captured by the *Recycling Regulation* is supported, including packaging-like products, mattresses, single-use household pressurized cylinders, and new and used gypsum drywall.

EPR programs also need to be structured to ensure that they are accountable and cover the full costs related to the product disposal. Often, many of the costs associated with the collection of EPR products are not covered by the stewardship programs, which results in fees or taxpayer subsidization of the collection, transportation, and responsible disposal of the materials (e.g. tires). In addition, local governments are subsidizing the collection and management of material that escapes the stewardship collection program (through streetscapes, litter collection, illegal dumping, etc.). On a final note, EPR programs should enhance accountability and transparency. This includes local government and public representation on boards, open access to information given to boards and to their decisions, and the inclusion of financial and material management information for all programs. These changes to EPR programs would greatly enhance their effectiveness in the reduction of plastic waste.

5. ENSURING INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CONSULTATION

Finally, it is unclear from the Consultation Paper how and when other Ministries and impacted stakeholders will be specifically consulted. When policy tools are evaluated, it is important to consider all impacts and to ensure that viable alternatives are available. To this end, we recommend that the Ministry of Health be specifically consulted regarding potential regulatory changes to allow restaurants to fill take-out orders in reusable containers brought in by customers. This measure is integral to the implementation

of bans on single-use containers and packaging, as the City of Vancouver found that nearly 50% of all garbage collected from public waste bins consists of take-out containers and disposable cups. Compostable and recyclable packaging materials often get mixed up when discarded, contaminating both streams and making them impossible to process.

In the development of exemptions, we support evidence-based policies that have been shown to be effective at reducing waste. Moreover, disability advocates, care facilities, local governments, and other provincial agencies (such as the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty) should be specifically consulted in the development of exemptions as a means to highlight and ensure accessibility.

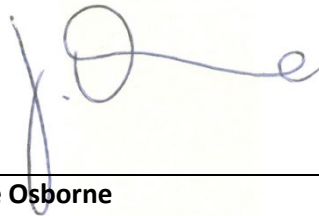
CONCLUSION

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comment and strongly encourage the Ministry to continue to consult with local governments in the upcoming regulatory process. In this letter, we have highlighted the need for a focus on reduction and reuse, clarification of local government authority, and further internal and external consultation. We have also made suggestions for the improvement of EPR programs and a community-led approach akin to the existing *BC Energy Step Code* adoption model. We hope that these concerns are taken into consideration and we look forward to further engagement with the Ministry.

Sincerely,



Karen Elliott
Mayor of Squamish



Josie Osborne
Mayor of Tofino

Additional signatories to be included upon final submission



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August 30, 2019

To: The Directors of the Regional District of Nanaimo

Re: Discussion Paper to Solicit Feedback from Local Governments about Class D Licences

The BC Association of Abattoirs represents livestock producers, abattoirs and butcher shops throughout the province. We actively encourage new entrants to the industry, provide guidance on regulatory issues, deliver training and other support services to ensure the meat industry remains viable. Our goal is to 'Keep BC Meat in BC'.

The BC Ministry of Agriculture recently released a discussion paper to solicit feedback from local governments about Class D licenses (uninspected meat). This is the third initiative that our current government has undertaken to increase uninspected meat sales in the province. Inspection was brought in to ensure national and international expectations of food safety and animal welfare are met. There is no reason to increase uninspected meat in this province since the impact to the consumer and inspected abattoirs will be damaging.

Uninspected Class D and E abattoirs are licensed by the regional Health Authorities. A one-day SlaughterSafe course is delivered by Environmental Health Officers (EHOs) for those interested in operating a Class D or E abattoir. This course does not cover slaughter methodology, reportable animal or zoonotic diseases, identification of meat not fit for human consumption, the National Farm Animal Care Council's Codes of Practice, or any of the federal and provincial mandatory reporting requirements. There is no assessment of knowledge or skills done during or after the SlaughterSafe course. Many of the existing facilities only receive a site visit upon licensing and are never visited again by their EHOs. The facility may be inspected on an ad-hoc basis, but there is never meat inspection.

Recently, a training program was held for existing Class D and E operators and their EHOs throughout BC. The training program was delivered by specialists in the subject matter of humane slaughter and food safety as it directly relates to slaughter. The results of the before-and-after workshop survey indicated that the level of knowledge of the operators and the EHOs was low, and the retention of the information was poor. It was expected that after attending the SlaughterSafe course, the operators would have better knowledge of ante-mortem inspection, proper removal of contaminated tissue, how to ensure a humane death and checking for insensibility before proceeding. Unfortunately, that was not the case.

Without assurance that the uninspected Class D and E operators have been properly trained or their skill level assessed, the consumer cannot be confident that proper animal welfare and slaughter food safety practices are being followed. While these operators may have the best of intentions, without oversight on the day of processing, there is no verification. **Trust but Verify.**

The Inspectors at Class A and B abattoirs ensure animal welfare and humane slaughter practices are in place, animal reportable and zoonotic diseases are identified and handled according to required protocols, the carcass shows no sign of systemic illness and meat not fit for human consumption is removed.

Within the RDN, the Class A operators are small-scale, family owned and operated. They hire workers, pay taxes, contribute to BC's economy and provide a safe product to BC consumers. By allowing uninspected plants, the impact on these businesses could be the difference between survival and closure. There will also be an impact on small producers who are not able or interested in doing the slaughter themselves.

The following are the Inspected Class A and B abattoirs within the RDN:

- Plecas Meats
- Somerset Farm
- The Cluck Stops Here

The BC Association of Abattoirs, after a two year delay from submitting the initial proposal, is undertaking a BC Meat Capacity Study to investigate the issues related to increasing both meat animal production and processing. The report will be available in early 2020, and without the results from this in-depth quantitative analysis, any decisions may cause irreparable harm to the industry.

Early results of this study indicate that slaughter capacity is not the issue. It is the cutting and wrapping that is the bottleneck. Increasing uninspected slaughter will not address this issue.

In BC, there are 57 provincially inspected abattoirs, 111 uninspected abattoirs and 13 that are federally inspected. According to statistics collected by the BC Meat Inspection Branch, less than 26,000 beef animals are processed per year in total at all the Class A and B abattoirs throughout the province. For an indication of scale, one Cargill plant in southern Alberta can process 5,000 beef animals per day. This Cargill plant can process the entire BC volume in less than 6 days. None of the inspected BC Class A or B abattoirs are big or industrial.

Drinking water standards in BC are continually tightened, but meat standards are being relaxed.

While we sympathize with the plight of small livestock producers, allowing uninspected meat is not the solution. Instead, we would like the RDN to support the licensed and inspected abattoirs in your area and help them increase capacity, access skilled workers as well as help livestock producers finish their animals throughout the year to alleviate seasonal bottlenecks. The RDN should help livestock producers interested in becoming uninspected Class D or E abattoirs to become an inspected Class B since this will have more of a positive economic impact on the region and the abattoir.

Thank you very much for your consideration. If you require any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nova Woodbury
Executive Director
BC Association of Abattoirs and BC Meats
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Jonanco Hobby Workshop Association

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September 10, 2019

Via email: ithorpe@rdn.bc.ca

Regional District of Nanaimo
6300 Hammond Bay Road
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Attention Ian Thorpe, Chairperson

Dear Mr. Thorpe:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of Jonanco Hobby Workshop, thank you for the generous donation from the Community Works Fund of \$31,288. towards paving our parking lot.

The improvement is remarkable. We know have a safer parking lot especially for seniors and others coming to Jonanco. It has also provided a paved area for children in the area to ride their bikes or use their remote-control cars safely away from busy White Rapids Road.

This is our 45th year of operation and we would like to invite everyone to our Renovation Open House, Demo Day, Art & Craft Sale on Saturday September 28 from 10-3. We are proud of our newly updated facilities and would love to share it with you.

Again, we are so thankful that the RDN was able to help us. Also, a special thank you to the RDN staff who helped us navigate through the process of grant applications.

Sincerely,

Linda Addison, Chairperson

Attachment

Jonanco's

Renovation Open House

DEMO DAY, ART & CRAFT SALE

& Tailgater

Saturday, September 28, 2019

10 am to 3 pm Free!

Live Demonstrations at Jonanco's newly equipped
Lapidary & Silversmith Shop!
Unique Hand Crafted Items for Sale

*Lapidary *Quilting *Wirewrapping *Woodworking *Wood Turning
*Silversmithing *Crocheting *Watercolors *Machine Embroidery
and much, much more!!

Refreshments too!

Come see what we're all about! New members & drop-ins always welcome!

Tailgaters: contact jonanco@gmail.com

**2745 White Rapids Rd at Nanaimo River Road
(5 km south of Cinnabar or 5km west of Wild Play Zone)**

Jonanco is a registered non-profit society, operating since 1974.

Funds raised support Jonanco facilities & programs

Contact: Jonanco@gmail.com www.jonanco.org

Like us on Facebook: Jonanco Hobby Workshop Association

September 17, 2019

Attn: Jacquie Hill
Regional District of Nanaimo
6300 Hammond Bay Road
Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2

Dear Jacquie:

Re: Municipal Regional District Tax Increase

At the September 16, 2019 Council Meeting Council passed the following motions to increase the Municipal Regional District Tax from 2% to 3%:

1. "Accommodation Tax Request Bylaw 2019 No. 7294" (To increase the Municipal and Regional District Tax (MRDT) rate from two percent to three percent) pass first reading;
2. "Accommodation Tax Request Bylaw 2019 No. 7294" pass second reading;
3. "Accommodation Tax Request Bylaw 2019 No. 7294" pass third reading; and,
4. Council direct Staff to submit an application to Destination BC to request that the Municipal and Regional District Tax rate be increased to three percent."

It is requested that the Regional District Board approve a resolution of support for the City such as:

"That the Board supports the proposed 3% Municipal and Regional District Hotel Room Tax in the City of Nanaimo beginning April 1, 2020."

Please call me at 250-755-4494 or email at sheila.gurrie@nanaimo.ca if you require anything further.

Sincerely,



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