

November 10, 2022

Residents Invited to Provide Input on Draft Zoning Bylaw

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) is updating its Land Use and Subdivision Bylaw No. 500, 1987 (Bylaw 500). Bylaw 500 is a planning document that regulates the use of land, buildings and structures in five of the seven RDN electoral areas. Residents are invited to review and provide feedback on the draft zoning bylaw via an online [survey](#) until December 31, 2022, and through three upcoming [virtual public meetings](#) as follows:

November 21 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Topic: All bylaw focus areas

Who: Opportunity for community members to learn about, ask questions, and provide comments on any of the proposed changes.

November 24 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Topic: Building Heights

Who: Primarily for stakeholders who use the bylaw frequently and those who wish to focus more on building heights. All community members are welcome.

November 28 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Topic: Setbacks and Structures

Who: Primarily for stakeholders who use the bylaw frequently and those who wish to focus more on setbacks and structures. All community members are welcome.

The feedback collected through the survey and virtual public meetings will be used to recommend changes to the draft zoning bylaw prior to presenting it to the RDN Board for first and second reading.

Bylaw 500 covers a wide range of rules that all property owners must follow when developing or using private lands. This includes land and building use, building heights, home-based businesses, secondary suites and more. At more than 36 years old, Bylaw 500 is outdated in many areas. When the update is complete, the bylaw will better reflect the range of land uses and building types that are in demand today in the following five electoral areas:

- Electoral Area A (Cedar, Yellow Point, Cassidy, South Wellington)
- Electoral Area C (Extension, Nanaimo Lakes, Jingle Pot)
- Electoral Area E (Nanoose, Fairwinds, Red Gap)
- Electoral Area G (Englishman River, San Pareil, French Creek, Little Qualicum, Dashwood)
- Electoral Area H (Bowser, Horne Lake, Deep Bay, Qualicum Bay)

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To learn more about the project, read the draft bylaw and for links to the survey and public meetings, visit getinvolved.rdn.ca/bylaw-500-review. Complete the survey by December 31, 2022, to be entered for a chance to win a \$50 gift card.


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