NEIGHBOURHOOD OPEN HOUSE

APPLICATION TO REZONE 901 SELKIRK AVENUE

An Open House will be held to provide neighbourhood residents with information and an opportunity to provide comment on a current application to rezone this lot from RD-1 to a Comprehensive Development Zone in order to subdivide the property into three single family lots.

Tuesday July 24, 2018 from 7:00 - 8:30pm

Archie Browning Sports Centre – 2nd Floor - Crow's Nest Room 1151 Esquimalt Rd, Esquimalt, BC

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Proposed Rezoning and Subdivision of 901 Selkirk Ave

Open House Sign In Sheet – July 24, 2018

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901 Selkirk Ave, Victoria BC – Rezoning & Subdivision Applications Neighbourhood Consultation Summary – Updated April 2019

Initial Neighbour Review

In June 2018, the seven surrounding property owners were contacted by phone, email and mail to provide details of the proposed rezoning and subdivision. Copies of the proposed plan of subdivision and house designs were forwarded to the owners along with contact information to provide any comments or questions. There were three owners who responded to the initial information provided. Their feedback included concerns about retaining privacy, drainage, tree and hedge retention, whether the density was a good fit for the neighbourhood, concerns about the proposed roof-top decks and their impact on privacy, traffic and parking in the neighbourhood, concerns about suites and the required parking, request for a 6' privacy fence along one property line and concerns about whether this would be a multifamily building. In one case, a neighbour meet on the site to review specific concerns prior to the open house and in each case, a follow up email was sent to those who wrote in to address their concerns.

Open House Summary

A Neighbourhood Open House was scheduled for July 24, 2018 from 7pm to 8:30pm at the Archie Browning Sports Centre in Esquimalt. A total of 167 invitations were sent out by mail on July 12, 2018 by Development Services at the Township of Esquimalt. There were 15 attendees who signed the sign-in sheet representing 11 addresses on Selkirk, Arcadia and Agnes Street.

Information presented at the Open House included the proposed plan of subdivision, the house designs and the details of tree removal and protection. A comment sheet was handed out to the attendees with contact information and a deadline of August 7th to provide any comments. We received a number of comments at the open house which are summarized as follows;

- Concerns about traffic and particularly parking on surrounding roads resulting from the three
 new houses and in particular, the impact of suites. Some residents commented on difficulty
 finding street parking in the area and the impact of parked cars on narrowing the road width.
- Concerns about the height of the new homes, particularly in relation to the rise in grade in the area over surrounding homes.
- Concerns about the roof top decks proposed and the impact on privacy for surrounding homes.
- Concerns about the density of three homes on the site.
- Ensuring that the existing hedge is retained on one property line and providing a 6' privacy fence and tree retention on the other property line.
- A number of people indicated that they were pleased to see that this is a single family subdivision since higher density may have had an impact on some views and street parking.

Following the Open House, we received one email indicating disappointment that the proposed plans do not include a component of affordable housing and a request to consider higher density like a multifamily building for the site. Following the open house, an updated summary was sent to planning staff.

We understand that a number of emails were received by planning following the open house. In September 2018, a meeting was held with planning staff to review a number of concerns they received. This resulted in revisions to the plans and a parking study on the Selk rk and property and the selk rk and t

How We Addressed Neighbour Comments

Following phone discussions with the neighbours, site meetings and emails received throughout the process and both the comments received at the Open House and follow-up meeting with planning staff, the following is a list of how we addressed a number of comments we received.

- The rooftop decks have been removed from the plans for lots B and C.
- The owners have agreed to a covenant prohibiting suites in any of the proposed homes.
- The project arborist has confirmed that we can retain the hedge along west property line to preserve privacy to the existing adjacent duplex.
- The project arborist has confirmed that we can retain tree #515 which will provide screening for the existing deck on a neighbouring house.
- The owner has committed to provide a 6' privacy fence for the south property line.
- A Pest Control company in Victoria was contacted regarding the concerns of one neighbour
 that work on the vacant lot would result in rat movements to neighbouring lots. The Pest
 Control expert indicated that they were not permitted to assess a vacant lot and could only
 evaluate structures.
- An increased sideyard setback of 3.5m is proposed for the west property line and the upper storey windows have been minimized adjacent to existing homes to further protect privacy.
- The house designs for proposed lots B and C have flat roofs reducing the appearance of height and massing.
- It has been confirmed that there is room on each lot for two vehicles to park.
- We reviewed the required ROW width with Engineering who indicated in an email that a 3.5m ROW width along the west property line will be adequate (rather than 3.7m).
- A parking study was completed for both Selkirk Ave and Arcadia Street frontages to demonstrate the availability of street parking at a variety of days of the week and times of the day.





June 19, 2018

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- A set of house design drawings for the subdivision showing;
 - o a street view of the 3 houses; and
 - house designs for the new houses on the proposed lots.

We have recently submitted the application to Esquimalt and you can feel free to contact them as well for more information. My contact information is provided below. When you have had a chance to review the attached information, please feel free to let me know if you have any comments or questions now or in the future.

Yours truly,

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928 Arcadia Street Esquimalt, BC V9A 5X1

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