PUBLIC HEARING

The proposed bylaw affects all parcels of land zoned INS-I Institutional through Zoning Bylaw No. 2470, 2019 as shown highlighted on the map.

The City's Housing Needs Assessment has identified gaps that exist in the housing market, potential opportunities to fill those needs and the future housing needs of the City. Through multiple past inquiries and discussions with community members, First Nations, Developers and Seniors groups, staff have identified that amending the Institutional Zone could provide an opening for development of these deficient housing needs and provide opportunities for development and co-location of uses that are being sought by community stakeholders, developers and members of the community.

Therefore, the City, as Applicant, is seeking to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 2470, 2019 to permit the following uses on all properties within the INS-I Institutional Zone: Assisted Living, Independent Living - Senior, Seniors care Facility, Senior Housing, Seniors Lifestyle Building, Supportive Living, and Respite Housing. This proposed zoning amendment will allow, in part, for the City to implement recommendations of the Housing Strategy to assist in meeting the current and future housing needs of Fort St. John residents, specifically for our Seniors, People with Disabilities and our Indigenous Peoples.

A copy of the proposed bylaw and related documents may be inspected at City Hall – 10631 100 Street, Fort St. John, BC between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm from June 22 to June 26, 2023.

Your comments are important and residents who wish to make comments on this proposed application can submit them in one of the following ways, by 4:30 pm on Friday, June 22, 2023:

- Mailing or hand delivering a letter to City Hall: 10631 - 100 Street, Fort St. John, BC V1J 3Z5 Attention: Bonnie McCue, Corporate officer
- by email to legislativeservices@fortstjohn.ca

Written comments received will be distributed to Council for their consideration at the meeting.

At the hearing, the public will be also allowed to make presentations to Council or present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

Residents can watch the Public Hearing live or as a recording on the City's Youtube channel (www.youtube. com/citvfsi).

For more information about this bylaw amendment, please contact the Planning Manager at cjackson@ fortstjohn.ca or by telephone at (250)787-8188.



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