

# City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7915-0171-00

Planning Report Date: September 14, 2015

#### **PROPOSAL:**

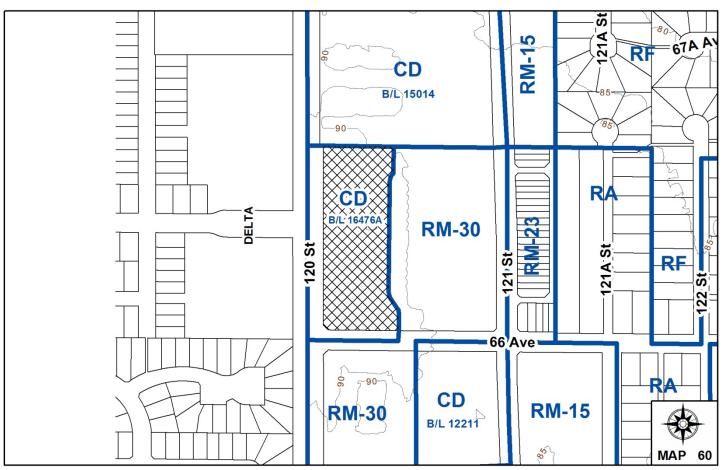
### • Development Variance Permit

In order to reduce the minimum on-site visitor parking requirement from 48 to 46 spaces.

LOCATION: 6628 and 6688 - 120 Street

OWNER: BCS3422 Salus Corporation
c/o Baywest Management Corp.

**ZONING:** CD (By-law No. 16476A) **OCP DESIGNATION:** Multiple Residential



#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

• Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

#### **DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS**

• The applicant is requesting a Development Variance Permit (DVP) to reduce the minimum number of off-street visitor parking spaces required for a *Non-Ground-Oriented Multiple Unit Residential Building*.

### **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- The two (2) parking spaces requested to be removed are visitor parking spaces from the
  underground parkade for the placement of a garbage compactor, and will have minimal
  impact on residents of the building.
- The proposed variance resolves a garbage collection issue on private property without
  obstruction to the free and safe movement of traffic on public roads and provides
  unobstructed access to the fire lane. The proposed variance places minimal increased demand
  on public street parking.
- All owners have been notified by the Strata Council of the decision to apply for this Development Variance Permit.
- No objections to the proposal have been received.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0171-00 (Appendix II) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:

(a) to reduce the minimum number of off-street visitor parking spaces from 48 to 46.

### **REFERRALS**

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project.

# SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Multiple Residential

### Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP	<b>Existing Zone</b>
		Designation	_
North	Apartment and	Multiple	CD By-law
	Townhouse development	Residential	No. 15014 (based
			on RM-30)
East	Townhouse development	Multiple	RM-30
		Residential	
South (Across 66 Avenue):	Townhouse development	Multiple	RM-30
		Residential	
West (Across 120 Street	Multi-family apartment	n/a	n/a
within Corporation of	and townhouse		
Delta):	development		

### **DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

# **Background**:

- The subject property is designated Multiple Residential in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is currently zoned "Comprehensive Development Zone (CD)" (By-law No. 16476A) based on the RM-45 Zone.
- Under Development Application No. 7907-0070-00, the subject site was developed into two (2) four-storey apartment buildings containing 238 apartment units and 7 townhouse units.

• Parking provided for the apartment units included 338 resident spaces and 48 visitor spaces located in the underground parkade. Parking was calculated at a rate of 1.3 spaces for every 1 or less bedroom dwelling unit, 1.5 spaces for every 2 or more bedroom dwelling unit, and 0.2 spaces for every dwelling unit for visitors, which meets the minimum requirement of the Zoning By-law.

- In August 2013 Surrey Fire Services advised the Strata Council that they could not place garbage bins in the fire lane for pick-up, as it creates serious access problem in the event of an emergency. Consequently, the Strata Council was given permission from the strata council for the neighbouring property at 6671 121 Street to temporarily use one of their outdoor visitor parking stalls to place the garbage bins for twice weekly pick-up.
- 6671 121 Street and the subject property were both developed under Application No. 7907-0070-00; however, upon completion of the development, two separate strata councils were formed. The owners at 6671 121 Street only intended to allow temporary use of their visitor parking stall to place the garbage bins and no longer support garbage collection for both stratas on their property.
- The garbage bins currently in use must be picked up at street level, as the garbage truck is too large to enter the underground parking where the existing garbage room is located.
- After receiving notice from Fire Services that the garbage bins could not be placed in the fire lane, the Strata Council inquired with the City of Surrey Engineering Department about the possibility of placing the garbage bins on 66 Avenue near the entrance of the Salus Apartments. In a letter dated August 1, 2014, Engineering advised the Strata that the City could not support placing garbage bins on 66 Avenue because placing and operating garbage bins on the road will cause negative effects to on-street parking and will cause sightline obstructions to road users, creating safety concerns on the road. Furthermore, Engineering advised that streets are to be maintained for the free and safe movement of traffic and should not be considered as an option of any type of regular operations or storage for individuals or private organizations.
- Various alternate at-grade pick-up locations on the subject property were investigated but none were found to be suitable.
- The Strata Council has determined that the installation of a garbage compactor in the underground parkade is the best solution to resolve the garbage collection issues on site.

### **Current Proposal:**

• The applicant is requesting a Development Variance Permit (DVP) to reduce the minimum number of off-street visitor parking spaces required for *Non-Ground-Oriented Multiple Unit Residential Buildings* under Zoning By-law No. 12000 from 48 to 46 parking spaces in order to remove two (2) visitor parking spaces from the underground parkade for the placement of a garbage compactor.

# **BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION**

# (a) Requested Variance:

• To reduce the minimum number of off-street visitor parking spaces required for a Non-Ground-Oriented Multiple Unit Residential Building under Zoning By-law No. 12000 from 48 to 46 parking spaces

# Applicant's Reasons:

- The Strata Owners at 6671 121 Street no longer support the use of their visitor parking stall for garbage collection for the subject property and other arrangements must be made.
- Various alternate on-site pick-up locations were investigated but none were found to be suitable.
- The Strata Council determined that installation of a garbage compactor in the underground parkade is the best solution to the garbage collection issues on site.
- The location of the parking spaces to be removed is directly outside of the existing recycling and garbage room and is ideal for the purpose of garbage collection and convenience of residents.

#### **Staff Comments:**

- The two (2) parking spaces requested to be removed are from the visitor parking only. The proposal does not remove any parking spaces from the resident parking.
- The proposed variance resolves the garbage collection issue on private property without obstruction to the free and safe movement of traffic on public roads and provides unobstructed access to the fire lane. The proposed variance places minimal increased demand on public street parking.
- The parking spaces could be converted back to parking in the future, as needed, if other garbage collection arrangements were made.
- All owners have been notified by the Strata Council of the decision to apply for this Development Variance Permit.
- No objections to the proposal have been received.

# **INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT**

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary

Appendix II. Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0171-00

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Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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# <u>Information for City Clerk</u>

Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1. (a) Agent: Name: Elizabeth Westerveld

**Baywest Management Corporation** 

Address: 13468 - 77 Avenue

Surrey, BC V<sub>3</sub>W 6Y<sub>3</sub>

Tel: 604-595-8384 - Work

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 6628 and 6688 - 120 Street
Owner: BCS3422 Salus Corporation

PID: no PID

Lot: Lot A, Section 18, Township 2, Plan BCP35509,

Strata Plan BCS3422 - Phase 4

3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0171-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

#### **CITY OF SURREY**

(the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7915-0171-00

Issued To: SALUS CORPORATE BCS3422S IN TRUST

C/O BAYWEST MANAGEMENT CORPORATION

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 13468 - 77 Avenue

Surrey, BC V<sub>3</sub>W 6Y<sub>3</sub>

- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owner with all statutes, by-laws, orders, regulations or agreements, except as specifically varied by this development variance permit.
- 2. This development variance permit applies to that real property including land with or without improvements located within the City of Surrey, with the legal description and civic address as follows:

Legal Description: Lot A, Section 18, Township 2, Plan BCP35509, Strata Plan BCS3422 – Phase 4

6628 and 6688 - 120 Street

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
  - (a) In Table C.6 of Part 5, Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading, the minimum number of required off-street visitor parking spaces based on *Non-Ground-Oriented Multiple Unit Residential Buildings* is varied from 48 to 46 to permit installation of a garbage compactor in the underground parkade on the subject property.
- 4. This development variance permit applies to only that portion of the buildings and structures on the Land shown on Schedule A which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.
- 5. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.

6.	This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued.			
7.	The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.			
8.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.			
AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 . ISSUED THIS DAY OF , 20 .				
	M	ayor – Linda Hepner		
	Ci	ty Clerk – Jane Sullivan		

