

# City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7915-0416-00

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#### PROPOSAL:

• Terminate Land Use Contract No. 159

to permit the existing underlying RM-30 Zone to come into effect.

**LOCATION:** 9264 – 122 Street

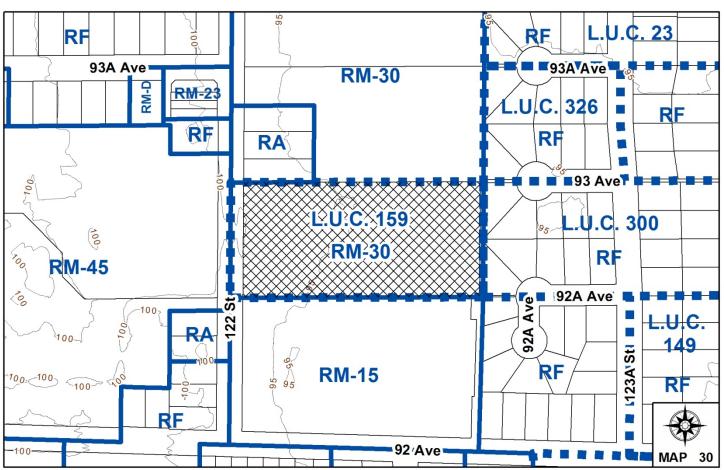
LUC NO. AND LUC No. 159 (RM-30 Zone

UNDERLYING underlying)

**ZONING:** 

**OCP** Urban

**DESIGNATION:** 



#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

• By-law Introduction and set date for Public Hearing to terminate LUC No. 159.

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

None

#### **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- In 2014, the Provincial Government adopted changes to the *Local Government Act* that terminate all Land Use Contracts (LUCs) in the Province on June 30, 2024. However, the legislation also permits municipalities to undertake early termination of LUCs in advance of 2024.
- On June 15, 2015, City Council endorsed the recommendations in Corporate Report No. R122, which outlined a process with respect to the early termination of LUCs in Surrey.
- In accordance with recent legislative changes, the LUC Termination By-law must include an effective date that is no less than one year from adoption of the by-law, resulting in a grace period.
- City staff are now moving forward with the first group of LUCs to be terminated, in accordance with the approved process described in Corporate Report No. R122, which prioritizes based on business development or the simplicity of the termination.
- LUC No. 159 was adopted by By-law No. 4721 on August 23, 1976.
- LUC No. 159 permits low-rise residential (townhouse), multifamily uses and ancillary uses.
- Once LUC No. 159 is terminated and the one-year grace period ends, the current underlying RM-30 Zone will come into effect and will regulate the subject lot.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Planning & Development Department recommends that a By-law be introduced to terminate Land Use Contract No. 159 and a date be set for Public Hearing.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- In the early 1970s the Provincial Government adopted changes to the *Municipal Act* (now called the *Local Government Act*) that allowed local governments to enter into Land Use Contracts (LUCs) with land owners and/or developers that incorporated zoning, development control and servicing issues into one document. As a result, on lands within an LUC, the LUC became the governing land use control and, in some instances, the subdivision and development control as well.
- Although LUCs are an agreement between the City and land owners/and developers, all LUCs were adopted by By-law. The first LUC in Surrey was adopted by City Council by By-law on August 7, 1972.
- In the late 1970s the Provincial Government adopted changes to the *Municipal Act* (now called the *Local Government Act*), eliminating the ability of municipalities to enter into LUCs.
- Approximately 370 LUCs were adopted in Surrey, most of which remain in effect.
- In 2014, the Provincial Government adopted changes to the *Local Government Act* that terminate all Land Use Contracts (LUCs) in the Province on June 30, 2024. However, the legislation also permits municipalities to undertake early termination of LUCs in advance of 2024, should they choose to do so.
- On June 15, 2015, Council approved the recommendations in Corporate Report No. R122, which outlined a proposed process with respect to the early termination of LUCs in Surrey, which prioritizes based on business development or the simplicity of the termination.
- As a result, City staff are moving forward with the termination of LUC No. 159 in accordance with the approved process.

#### PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

Early termination of LUCs is a Council-initiated project that does not require the consent of landowners within the LUC being terminated. A Development Proposal Sign has not been installed and no prenotification letters have been mailed.

However, the LUC Termination By-law is required to have its own Public Hearing. As a result, the Public Hearing Notice will be delivered to all owners and tenants of properties within LUC No. 159, informing them that Council is considering terminating the LUC. Notice of the Public Hearing will also be delivered to adjoining property owners and tenants within 100 metres (or 3-lot depth, whichever is greater) of the boundaries of LUC No. 159. In addition, the Public Hearing notice will be published in two consecutive issues of the Surrey Now newspaper.

#### **DISCUSSION**

- It is now in order for LUC No. 159 to be considered for early termination.
- LUC No. 159 was adopted by LUC Authorization By-law, 1976, No. 4121 on August 23, 1976.
- LUC No. 159 regulates one large lot (9264 122 Street), along 122 Street, just north of 92 Avenue. The subject lot is occupied by a townhouse development that consists of 52 townhouse units.
- The subject site is designated "Urban" under the Official Community Plan (OCP) and has an underlying Multiple Residential 30 Zone (RM-30) under Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended.
- The subject site is bordered to the north, west and south by townhouse developments, and to the east by single family dwellings.
- The subject site was stratified in 1977 under Strata Plan NW833.
- LUC No. 159 permits low-rise residential (townhouse), multifamily uses and permitted ancillary uses thereto.
- In accordance with the recent legislative changes, the LUC Termination By-law must include an effective date that is no less than one year from adoption of the by-law, resulting in a grace period. The subject Termination By-law has a one-year grace period.
- Once LUC No. 159 is terminated and the one-year grace period ends, the current underlying RM-30 Zone will come into effect and will regulate the use of the land.
- The RM-30 Zone permits multiple unit residential buildings, ground-oriented multiple unit residential buildings, and child care centres as an accessory use, at a maximum density of 30 dwelling units per acre (UPA).
- The 1.76-hectare (4.35 ac.) subject site consists of 52, 2-storey townhouse units (some with basements) in 9 multiple unit residential buildings, resulting in a total density of 12 UPA.

#### **INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT**

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Copy of Part 22 Multiple Residential 30 Zone (RM-30) of Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended

## **INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON FILE**

• Land Use Contract No. 159.

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# Multiple Residential 30 Zone

Part 22 - RM-30, Multiple Residential 30 Zone

Part 22 RM-30

#### A. Intent

This Zone is intended to accommodate and regulate the development of medium *density*, *multiple unit residential buildings*, *ground-oriented multiple residential buildings* and related *amenity spaces* which are to be developed in accordance with a *comprehensive design*.

#### **B.** Permitted Uses

Amendments: 13774, 07/26/99; 17574, 02/06/12

Land and *structures* shall be used for the following uses only, or for a combination of such uses, provided such combined uses are part of a *comprehensive design*:

- 1. Multiple unit residential buildings and ground-oriented multiple unit residential buildings
- 2. *Child care centres*, provided that such centres:
  - (a) Do not constitute a singular use on the *lot*; and
  - (b) Do not exceed a total area of 3.0 square metres [32 sq.ft.] per *dwelling unit*.

#### C. Lot Area

Refer to Sections D and E of this Zone.

## D. Density

Amendments: 13155, 02/09/98; 07574, 02/06/12; 17704, 07/23/12; 18414, 03/23/15

For the purpose of *building* construction:

1. In Neighbourhood Concept Plan and Infill Areas as described and outlined on the maps attached as Schedule F attached to this By-law, the maximum *density* shall not exceed a *floor area ratio* of 0.1 or *building* area of 300 square metres [3,230 sq. ft.] whichever is smaller. The maximum *density* of development may be increased to that prescribed in Sub-sections D.3 and D.4 of this Zone if amenities are provided in accordance with Schedule G of this By-law.

- 2. In areas other than the ones in Sub-section D.1 of this Zone, the maximum *density* shall not exceed that prescribed in Sub-sections D.3 and D.4 of this Zone.
- 3. <u>Multiple Unit Residential Buildings</u> and <u>Ground-Oriented Multiple Unit Residential Buildings</u>: The <u>density</u> shall not exceed a <u>floor area ratio</u> of 0.9 and 75 <u>dwelling units</u> per hectare [30 u.p.a].
- 4. <u>Indoor Amenity Space</u>: The space required in Sub-section J.1(b) of this Zone, is excluded from the calculation of the *floor area ratio*.

#### E. Lot Coverage

The maximum *lot coverage* shall be 45%.

#### F. Yards and Setbacks

*Buildings* and *structures* shall be sited not less than 7.5 metres [25 ft.] from all *lot lines* (measurements to be determined as per Part 1 Definitions, of this By-law).

#### G. Height of Buildings

Amendments: 13540, 10/19/98

Measurements to be determined as per Part 1 Definitions, of this By-law:

1. *Principal buildings*: The *height* shall not exceed 13 metres [43 ft.]

# 2. *Accessory buildings* and *structures*:

(a) Indoor *amenity space buildings*: The *height* shall not exceed 11 metres [36 ft.]; and

(b) Other *accessory buildings* and *structures*: The *height* shall not exceed 4.5 metres [15 ft.].

# H. Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading

Amendments: 12333, 07/25/94; 13094, 05/12/97; 13540, 10/19/98; 13774, 07/26/99; 14120, 10/16/00; 17471, 10/03/11; 18414, 03/23/15; 18434, 04/27/15

- 1. Resident, visitor and employee *parking spaces* shall be provided as stated in Table C. 6, Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading of this By-law.
- 2. Fifty percent (50%) of all required resident *parking spaces* shall be provided as *underground parking* or as parking within the *building* envelope.
- 3. Parking within the required *setbacks* is not permitted.
- 4. No parking shall be permitted in front of the main entrance of a non-ground-oriented multiple unit residential building, except for the purpose of short term drop-off or pick-up and parking for the disabled.
- 5. Tandem parking for ground-oriented multiple unit residential buildings shall be permitted as follows:
  - (a) A maximum of fifty percent (50%) of all required resident *parking spaces* may be provided as *tandem parking spaces*, excluding *parking spaces* provided as *underground parking*. For *underground parking*, a maximum of ten percent (10%) of all required resident *parking spaces* may be provided as *tandem parking spaces*;
  - (b) *Dwelling units* with *tandem parking spaces* shall not be permitted direct vehicular access to an adjacent *highway*;
  - (c) Tandem parking spaces must be attached to each dwelling unit, excluding parking spaces provided as underground parking; and
  - (d) Both *tandem parking spaces* must be held by the same owner.

# I. Landscaping

1. All developed portions of the *lot* not covered by *buildings*, *structures* or paved areas shall be landscaped including the retention of mature trees. This *landscaping* shall be maintained.

- 2. Along the developed sides of the *lot* which abut a *highway*, a continuous *landscaping* strip of not less than 1.5 metres [5 ft.] in width shall be provided within the *lot*.
- 3. The boulevard areas of *highways* abutting a *lot* shall be seeded or sodded with grass on the side of the *highway* abutting the *lot*, except at *driveways*.
- 4. Garbage containers and *passive recycling containers* shall be screened to a height of at least 2.5 metres [8 ft.] by *buildings*, a *landscaping* screen, a solid decorative fence, or a combination thereof.

#### J. Special Regulations

- 1. *Amenity space* shall be provided on the *lot* as follows:
  - (a) Outdoor *amenity space*, in the amount of 3.0 square metres [32 sq.ft.] per *dwelling unit* and shall not be located within the required *setbacks*; and
  - (b) Indoor *amenity space*, in the amount of 3.0 square metres [32 sq.ft.] per *dwelling unit*, of which a maximum of 1.5 square metres [16 sq.ft.] per *dwelling unit* may be devoted to a *child care centre*.
- 2. Child care centres shall be located on the *lot* such that these centres:
  - (a) Are accessed from a *highway*, independent from the access to the residential uses permitted in Section B of this Zone; and
  - (b) Have direct access to an *open space* and play area within the *lot*.
- 3. *Balconies* are required for all *dwelling units* which are not *ground-oriented* and shall be a minimum of 5% of the *dwelling unit* or 4.6 square metres [50 sq.ft.] per *dwelling unit*, whichever is greater.

#### K. Subdivision

Amendments: 13155, 02/09/98

1. For the purpose of subdivision in Neighbourhood Concept Plan and Infill Areas as described and outlined on the maps attached as Schedule F attached to this Bylaw:

- (a) Where amenities are not provided in accordance with Schedule G of this By-law, the *lots* created shall conform to the minimum standards prescribed in Section K of Part 12 One-Acre Residential Zone (RA) of this By-law.
- (b) Where amenities are provided in accordance with Schedule G of this By-law, the *lots* created shall conform to the minimum standards prescribed in Sub-section K.2 of this Zone.
- 2. Lots created through subdivision in this Zone shall conform to the following minimum standards:

Lot Size	Lot Width	Lot Depth
	30 metres [100 ft.]	30 metres [100 ft.]

Dimensions shall be measured in accordance with Section E.21, Part 4 General Provisions of this By-law.

#### L. Other Regulations

Amendments: 13657, 03/22/99; 13774, 07/26/99; 17181, 06/07/10

In addition, land use regulations including the following are applicable:

- 1. Prior to any use, lands must be serviced as set out in Part 2 Uses Limited, of this By-law and in accordance with the "Surrey Subdivision and Development By-law".
- 2. General provisions on use are as set out in Part 4 General Provisions, of this Bylaw.

3. Additional off-street parking and loading/unloading requirements are as set out in Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading of this By-law.

- 4. Sign regulations are as provided in Surrey Sign By-law No. 13656.
- 5. Special *building setbacks* are as set out in Part 7 Special Building Setbacks, of this By-law.
- 6. *Building* permits shall be subject to the "Surrey Building By-law" and the "Surrey Development Cost Charge By-law".
- 7. Development permits may be required in accordance with the *Official Community Plan*.
- 8. Provincial licensing of *child care centres* is regulated by the Community Care and Assisted Living Act, S.B.C., 2002, c.75, as amended and the Child Care Licensing Regulation set out under B.C. Reg. 95/2009, as amended.