

City of Surrey
PLANNING \& DEVELOPMENT REPORT
File: 7915-0444-00

Planning Report Date: May 2, 2016

## PROPOSAL:

## - Development Variance Permit

to relax the parking requirements for a proposed fitness facility (cross-fit gym).
LOCATION: 10439-173 Street, Unit 102
OWNERS:
G. Cal Holdings Inc.

Owners of Strata Plan BCS443
ZONING:
I-P(2)
OCP DESIGNATION: Mixed Employment


## RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

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


## DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

- Seeking to reduce the number of required on-site parking spaces from 31 to 10 for a proposed fitness facility (cross-fit gym) under Surrey Zoning By-law, 1979, No. 5942.


## RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- Complies with the "Mixed Employment" designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and with the regulations of the I-P(2) Zone (Zoning By-law No. 5942), with the exception of parking.
- The occupant load of the proposed fitness facility (cross-fit gym) will be limited to 10 people at any one time (including employees), and thus the variance to reduce the required number of parking spaces from 31 to 10 is supportable.
- As a condition of issuance of the subject Development Variance Permit, a restrictive covenant limiting the maximum occupancy of the facility to no more than 10 people at any given time (including employees) will be registered on title of the subject unit (Unit 102). A sign indicating the maximum occupant load will also be mounted near the entrance of the unit. The maximum occupant load will be written in the Tenant Improvement Permit and the business license, both of which have been applied for in order to permit the operation of a cross-fit gym in the subject unit.


## RECOMMENDATION

The Planning \& Development Department recommends that:

1. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0444-oo (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
(a) to vary the Surrey Zoning By-law, 1979, No. 5942 to reduce the minimum required number of on-site parking spaces for a fitness facility (cross-fit gym) use from 31 to 10 .
2. Council instruct staff to resolve the following issue prior to final approval:
(a) registration of a restrictive covenant limiting the occupant load for the proposed cross-fit gym in Unit 102 to a maximum of 10 people at any given time.

## REFERRALS

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

## SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Multi-tenant warehouse building.

## Adjacent Area:

| Direction | Existing Use | OCP Designation | Existing Zone |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| North: | Truck facility with <br> industrial building | Mixed <br> Employment | I-P(2) |
| East (Across 173 Street): | Vacant industrial lot <br> (approved proposal to <br> develop an industrial <br> building, Application No. <br> 7915-0236-oo) | Mixed <br> Employment | I-P(2) |
| South: | Warehouse building | Mixed <br> Employment | I-P(2) |
| West: | Vacant treed lot | Suburban | I-P(2) |

## DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- The 5,019-square metre (1.2 ac.) subject lot is located at $10439-173$ Street.
- The subject lot is designated "Mixed Employment" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is zoned "I-P(2) Industrial Park Zone (Two)" (Zoning By-law No. 5942). Since the lot is zoned I-P(2), the parking provisions of Surrey Zoning By-law No. 5942 are applicable.
- The subject lot was created in 2000 under Application No. 7999-0071-oo and on March 10, 2003 Council approved Development Permit No. 7902-0385-oo to permit a 2,147 -square metre ( $23,100 \mathrm{sq}$. ft.) multi-tenant warehouse building. The building was subsequently stratified in 2003 under Strata Plan BCS 443.
- The existing warehouse building contains 9 units, 5 of which are vacant and the remaining 4 occupied by recycling, manufacturing, and catering businesses.
- The owner of vacant Unit 102 has applied for a Tenant Improvement Permit to accommodate a proposed cross-fit gym facility and Surrey CrossFit has applied for a business license to operate in the subject unit.
- The BC Building Code restricts the occupant load for Group D uses (business and personal services) to 30 people maximum at one time when two washrooms are provided. The proposed Tenant Improvement Permit work would include the construction of two washrooms in Unit 102, and thus the occupant load for the subject unit as dictated by the BC Building Code will be 30 people at any one time. However, the applicant is proposing to limit the occupant load to 10 people to support the requested parking relaxation (see By-law Variance section).
- Based on the parking requirements of Zoning By-law No. 5942, the proposed cross-fit gym use requires one ( 1 ) parking space for every nine ( 9 ) square metres ( 97 sq . ft.) of floor area. The 276 -square metre ( $2,968 \mathrm{sq}$. ft.) Unit 102 therefore requires 31 parking spaces to accommodate the use. According to the applicant and the site plan provided (see Appendix II), there are 10 parking spaces available to the subject unit in the existing parking lot.
- The applicant has advised that the proposed cross-fit facility will not be able to accommodate more than 10 people at one time. The applicant has therefore requested a variance to reduce the number of required parking spaces from 31 to 10 for the subject unit (see By-law Variance Section).


## BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

- To reduce the minimum required number of on-site parking spaces under Surrey Zoning By-law, 1979, No. 5942 from 31 to 10 for a proposed fitness facility (cross-fit gym).


## Applicant's Reasons:

- The proposed cross-fit gym will not be able to accommodate more than 10 people at a time, and so 10 spaces is adequate (based on the assumption of one vehicle per person).
- There are 9 parking spaces in the existing parking lot allocated to Unit 102 and 1 additional parking space that can be shared with the adjacent Unit 101 so that 10 spaces could be accessed for Unit 102. The applicant is the owner of both Units 101 and 102, and has provided a letter supporting this parking stall sharing agreement (Appendix III).


## Staff Comments:

- Zoning By-law No. 5942 provisions require 1 parking space per 9 square metres ( $97 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$.) of gymnasium floor area, which equates to a requirement of 31 parking spaces for the proposed 276 -square metre ( $2,968 \mathrm{sq}$. ft.) cross-fit gym.
- According to the applicant and the site plan provided (Appendix II), 9 parking spaces are allocated to Unit 102. The applicant is proposing to share 1 additional space with the adjacent Unit 101, which is currently occupied by a machine recycling and repair business, so that 10 parking spaces are available for the subject Unit 102.
- For manufacturing and industrial uses, Zoning By-law No. 5942 provisions require 3 parking spaces for every 100 square metres ( $1,076 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{ft}$.) of display or retail sales area, plus 1 parking space for each 2 employees, plus 1 parking space for each vehicle owned, leased or operated by the company. The applicant (who is the owner of both the subject Unit 102 and the adjacent Unit 101) has advised staff that the existing machine recycling and repair shop operating in Unit 101 employs a maximum of 2 employees working at any one time. According to the applicant, there is no display or retail sales area in Unit 101, nor does the business operating in this unit use any company vehicles. This equates to a parking requirement of 1 space for the adjacent Unit 101. As per the site plan (Appendix II), there are currently 6 spaces allocated to Unit 101, which means that there is a surplus of 5 parking spaces for this unit.
- As per the letter provided by the applicant (Appendix III), the proposed cross-fit gym in Unit 102 would operate seven days a week from 6:00am - 9:oopm. The peak hours for the gym would be 6:00am -7:30am and 5:00pm - 9:00pm. The machine recycling and repair business in adjacent Unit 101 operates from Monday to Friday 7:30am-5:00pm.
- Given that the peak hours for the proposed cross-fit gym are outside of the hours of operation for the existing machine recycling and repair shop, the applicant's proposal to share 1 parking space between Units 101 and 102 is supportable.
- The BC Building Code restricts the occupant load for Group D uses (business and personal services) to thirty people maximum at any one time when two washrooms are provided, as is the case in the subject Unit 102. However, according to the applicant, the proposed cross-fit gym will not be able to accommodate more than 10 people at any one time.
- In order to ensure that the occupant load is limited to 10 people and to support the requested parking variance, staff are requiring that a restrictive covenant be registered on Title of the subject Unit 102. This restrictive covenant will indicate that, regardless of BC Building Code requirements, the occupant load for Unit 102 will be limited to no more than 10 people at any one time (including employees).
- In addition to the restrictive covenant, the maximum occupant load of 10 people will be indicated on a sign mounted near the entrance of Unit 102 and in the Tenant Improvement Permit (which has been applied for). It will also be written in the business license to be issued to Surrey CrossFit, which has applied for a business license to operate in the subject unit.
- The Engineering Transportation Division has reviewed this application, and has no objection to the variance.
- Staff support the proposed variance.


## INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:
Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary
Appendix II. Site Plan and Building Elevations
Appendix III. Parking Stall Sharing Letter from Owner of Units 101 and 102
Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0444-oo
original signed by Judith Robertson

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General Manager
Planning and Development
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## Information for City Clerk

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

1. (a) Agent: Name:

Address:

Tel: $\quad$ 604-880-4242-Cellular
2. Properties involved in the Application
(a) Civic Address: 10439-173 Street, Unit 102
(b) Civic Address: 10439-173 Street, Unit 102

Owner: G. Cal Holdings Inc. Owners of Strata Plan BCS443
PID: 025-697-081
Strata Lot 2 Section 7 Township 9 New Westminster District Strata Plan BCS443 Together With An Interest In The Common Property In Proportion To The Unit Entitlement Of The Strata Lot As Shown On Form V.
3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office
(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0444-oo and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for indication of support by Council. If supported, the Development Variance Permit will be brought forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk once all outstanding conditions are satisfied.


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S1 BUILDING SECTION


D1 WASHROOM DETAIL



D2 TACTLLE WARNING STRIP


D3 STAIR DETAIL (WOOD)

larry podhora / architect

TENANT IMPROVEMENT PROPOSED
TRANING
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PROPOSED MAIN FLOOR and mezzanine plan


## G.CAL HOLDINGS INC

March 16, 2016
Transportation Department
City of Surrey
C/O Rebecca Chaster
Planning and Development

## Dear Sir

As the owner of \#IOI we agree to share one additional parking stall to meet \#I02 requirements .
Machinex Recycling Equipment Unit I0I business hours are from 7:30 AM till 5:00 PM Monday thru Friday
The number of employees can vary from 2 to 4 depending on out of town work.
Hyack Athletics Gym Unit 102 business hours are from 6:00 Am till 9PM Monday thru Sunday
The number of employees can vary from I to 2

## Sincerely yours,



II $087-157$ St
Surrey ,B.C.
V4N IB9

# DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT 

NO.: 7915-0444-oo

| Issued To: | G. CAL HOLDINGS INC |
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|  | ("the Owner") |
| Address of Owner: | 11087-157 Street <br> Surrey, BC V4N1B9 |
| Issued To: | Owners of Strata Plan BCS443 |
|  | ("the Owner") |
| Address of Owner: | 10439-173 Street |
|  | Surrey, BC V4N $5 \mathrm{H}_{3}$ |

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:

Parcel Identifier: 025-697-o81
Strata Lot 2 Section 7 Township 9 New Westminster District Strata Plan BCS443 Together With An Interest In The Common Property In Proportion To The Unit Entitlement Of The Strata Lot As Shown On Form V.

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\text { 10439-173 Street, Unit } 102
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> (the "Land")
3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1979, No. 5942, as amended is varied as follows:
(a) In Section D. 5 of Part 5, Off-Street Parking, the number of required off-street parking spaces is reduced from 31 to 10 for a fitness facility (cross-fit gym) (see Schedule A).
4. This development variance permit applies to only the portion of 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 .

Mayor - Linda Hepner

City Clerk - Jane Sullivan

Schedule A



