

Public Hearing Report

To:

Town of Osoyoos Municipal Council

From:

Amy Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Date:

May 28, 2024

Subject:

Public Hearing Report - Request to Exclude Lands from the Agricultural

Land Reserve

4704 Main Street, Osoyoos, BC

Tracker No: AI-621

Purpose of Request:

The purpose of the proposal to exclude the approximately 0.2 ha property at 4704 Main Street from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) is to facilitate the development of the property for multifamily residential use.

Public Hearing Overview:

The Public Hearing for the proposed exclusion was convened on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 2:01 pm, in the Town of Osoyoos Council Chambers, 8707 Main Street, Osoyoos, BC.

Members of Council present were:

Mayor Sue McKortoff

Councillor Myers Bennett

Councillor Zachary Poturica

Councillor Jim King

Members of the Town of Osoyoos staff present were:

- Rod Risling, Chief Administrative Officer
- Amy Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer
- Christopher Garrish, Planner
- · Shannon Duong, Planner

There were two (2) members of the public present.

In accordance with Section 466 of the *Local Government Act*, Section 94(1)(b) of the *Community Charter*, Section 29(2) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*, and Section 15 of the Agricultural Land Reserve General Regulation, notice of the public hearing was given as follows:

- Publishing the notice in two consecutive editions of the Times Chronicle on May 16, 2024 and May 23, 2024;
- Placing the notice at a public notice posting place at 8707 Main Street, Osoyoos, BC V0H 1V7 on May 16, 2024;
- Posting the notice on the Town's website on May 16, 2024 and distributing the notice via eNews on May 16, 2024; and,



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 Mailing out notices to property owners and tenants within a 60 metre radius on May 16, 2024.

A sign was posted on the subject property notifying of an application to exclude lands from the ALR on May 21, 2024.

A copy of the application was also provided to the Osoyoos Indian Band (OIB) on May 16, 2024, as the subject property is adjacent to OIB Reserve lands.

Copies of the report and application were available for viewing at the Town office and on the Town's website during the required posting period.

Pursuant to Section 464 and 465 of the *Local Government Act*, Mayor McKortoff called the Public Hearing to order at 2:01 pm in order to consider the proposed exclusion.

Summary of Representations:

There were no written briefs submitted at the public hearing.

Mayor McKortoff outlined the proceedings of the public hearing.

A. Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer provided confirmation of the advertising which was undertaken in relation to the public hearing.

A. Robinson further provided a summary of the associated staff report.

Mayor McKortoff indicated that one written submission was received in relation to the proposed exclusion prior to the public hearing.

Mayor McKortoff further invited staff to provide a presentation in relation to the proposed exclusion.

S. Duong, Planner presented on the proposed exclusion.

Mayor McKortoff invited the applicant to speak to the proposed exclusion.

B. Elenko, Representative of the Property Owner provided commentary on the proposed exclusion, and responded to the written submission which was received by noting that the value of the property for agricultural purposes is limited due to its size.

Mayor McKortoff asked if anyone wished to speak to the proposed exclusion.

Mayor McKortoff asked a second time if there was anyone who wished to speak further to the proposed exclusion.

Mayor McKortoff asked for a third and final time if there was anyone who wished to speak further to the proposed exclusion, and hearing none, moved the adjournment of the public hearing.

A motion to adjourn the public hearing was moved by **Councillor King** and seconded by **Councillor Poturica**, and was subsequently unanimously carried.

Mayor McKortoff declared the public hearing closed at 2:12 pm.



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Recorded by:

Confirmed:

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Shannon Duong Planner

Amy Robinson Deputy Corporate Officer

Sue McKortoff

Mayor