ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: J. Zaffino, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: June 13, 2024

RE: Official Community Plan (OCP) & Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Electoral Area "E"

(E2024.006-ZONE)

Administrative Recommendation:

THAT the Electoral Area "E" Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3010.01, 2024, and the Okanagan Valley Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2800.39, 2024, be read a third time and adopted.

Purpose: To allow for the construction of a single detached dwelling on each of the seven legal lots which

comprise the subject property.

Folio: E-00598.000 Legal: Lot 1-7, Block 12, District Lot 210, SDYD, Plan 519

<u>Civic</u>: 3325 3rd Street / Unaddressed Property at the NE Corner of 1st and Gwendoline Avenue

OCP: Administrative, Cultural and Institutional (AI) Zone: Naramata Centre (NC)

Proposed Development:

This application is seeking to amend the zoning of the subject property in order to allow for the construction of a single detached dwelling on each of the seven legal lots which comprise the subject properties.

In order to accomplish this, the following land use bylaw amendments are being proposed by the applicant:

- amend the land use designation under Schedule 'B' (OCP Map) of the Electoral Area "E" Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 3010, 2023, from Administrative, Cultural and Institutional (AI) to Low Density Residential (LR); and
- amend the zoning under Schedule '2' (Zoning Map) of the Okanagan Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 2800, 2022, from Naramata Centre (NC) to Low Density Residential One (RS1).

In support of the rezoning, the applicant has stated that:

These lands have been owned and operated by the Naramata Centre for decades and have now been identified as surplus to their needs. The intention now is for these lands to be re-purposed to allow for new housing support the sustainable growth and vibrancy of the Naramata Village. The proposed project utilises the existing legal lots to bring homes to Naramata as was originally planned for the village. The homes that will be constructed on these lots aim to fit in with the community and complement the surrounding primarily single-family homes.

Site Context:

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The subject properties are approximately 1,875 m² in area cumulatively and are situated on the north side of Gwendoline Avenue between 1st Street and 3rd Street. It is understood that the lots which make up the easterly property currently contain the Naramata Centre's Robson House, while the westerly property is vacant.

The surrounding pattern of development is generally characterised by low density residential development.

Background:

On April 23, 2024, a Public Information Meeting (PIM) was held by the applicant at the Naramata Centre Alberta Hall, 460 Ellis Avenue, Naramata, and was attended by an unknown number of members of the public, representing four households.

At its meeting of May 13, 2024, the Electoral Area "E" Advisory Planning Commission (APC) resolved to recommend to the RDOS Board that the subject development application be approved.

At its meeting of May 23, 2024, the Regional District Board resolved to approve first and second reading of the amendment bylaws and scheduled a public hearing ahead of its meeting of June 13, 2024.

All comments received to date in relation to this application are included with this report.

Approval from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) is not required prior to adoption as the proposed amendments involve lands beyond 800 metres of a controlled access highway (i.e. Highway 97/3).

Analysis:

In considering this proposal, it is understood that the lands under application have been deemed to be surplus to the needs of the Naramata Centre Society, and that the Society had undertaken a process in which the applicant was selected to re-purpose the properties for a residential development.

While the proposal would ultimately result in a reduction to the Administrative, Cultural and Institutional (AI) land base in the Electoral Area, Administration recognizes that the re-designation of Naramata Centre lands for mixed-density development is contemplated under the Electoral Area "E" OCP Bylaw.

Specifically, the OCP speaks to "re-designating Naramata Centre in order to allow mixed density development including townhouses, apartment buildings, duplexes, assisted living and special needs housing ..."

While the lands are understood to be surplus to the operational needs of Naramata Centre, given the remaining amount of AI designated lands within Naramata, the re-designation of these parcels will not adversely impact the provision of facilities such as schools, religious buildings, recreation facilities, community centres, public health facilities, etc. in future.

Additionally, Administration notes that increasing residential densities within the "Lower Naramata" ("townsite") area is generally consistent with the designation of Naramata as a Rural Growth Area under the RGS as well as various policies in the OCP Bylaw.

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The "Lower Naramata" area contains supportive amenities such as small-scale commercial businesses, elementary school, and parks and is serviced by the Naramata Water System, which makes the area suitable for supporting increased residential use.

Furthermore, the OCP Bylaw contains policy which directs the development of new housing to existing vacant lots (with servicing), and further encourages residential infill development.

While infill development does not generally include proposals which require OCP amendments, Administration notes that the seven parcels already exist and that subdivision is not required to facilitate the proposed development.

Alternative:

Conversely, Administration recognises that the proposal to develop the properties to single detached dwellings is not consistent with the existing Administrative, Cultural and Institutional (AI) designation of the properties.

Summary:

In light of the comments above, Administration is supportive of the proposed amendments.

Alternatives:

1. THAT first and second readings of the Electoral Area "E" Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3010.01, 2024, and the Okanagan Valley Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2800.39, 2024, be rescinded and the bylaws abandoned.

Respectfully submitted:

Endorsed By:

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Attachments: No. 1 – Applicant's Context Plan

No. 2 – Applicant's Site Plan

No. 3 – Applicant's 3D Rendering

No. 4 – Applicant's Building Elevations (Lots 1-4)

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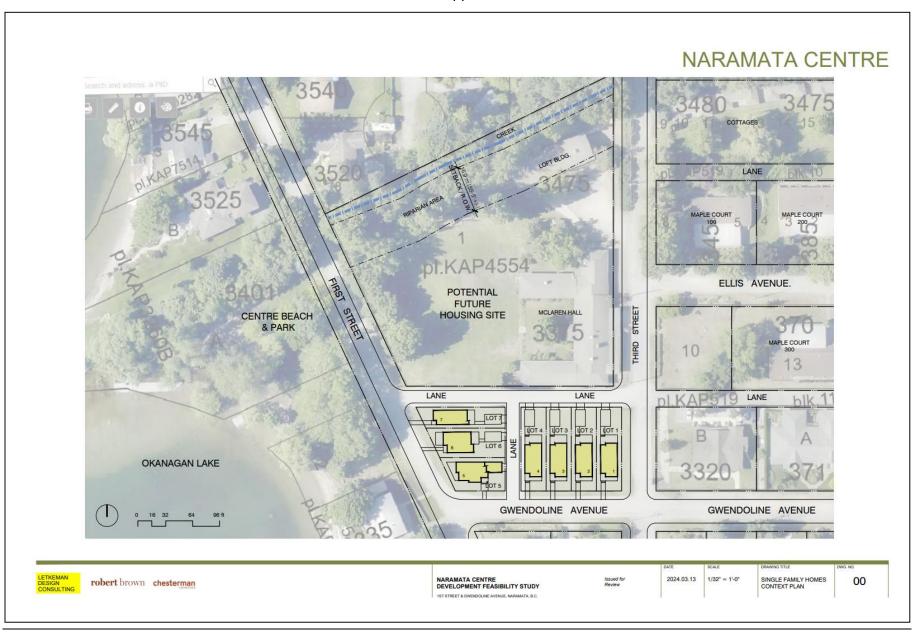
No. 8 – Aerial Imagery (2023)

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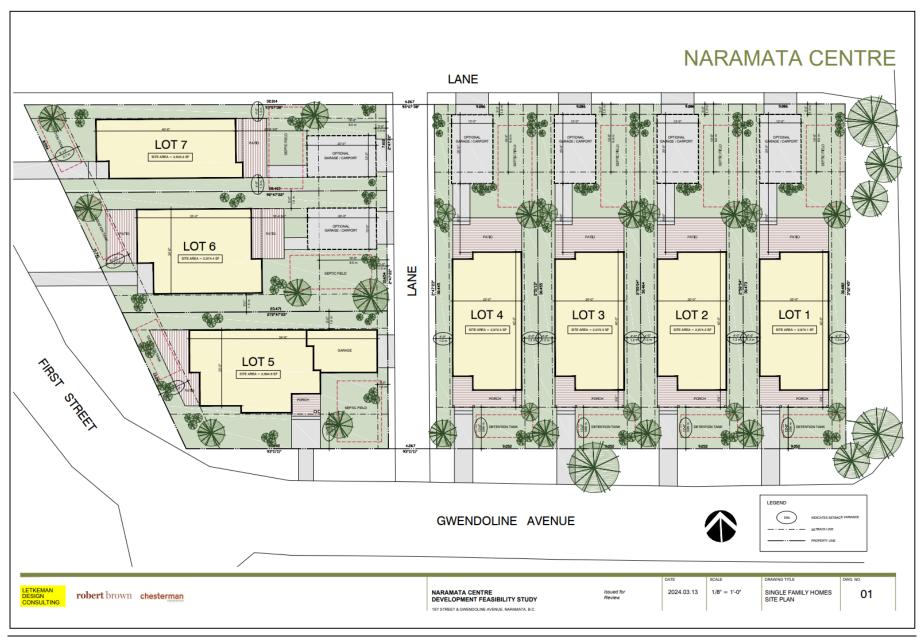
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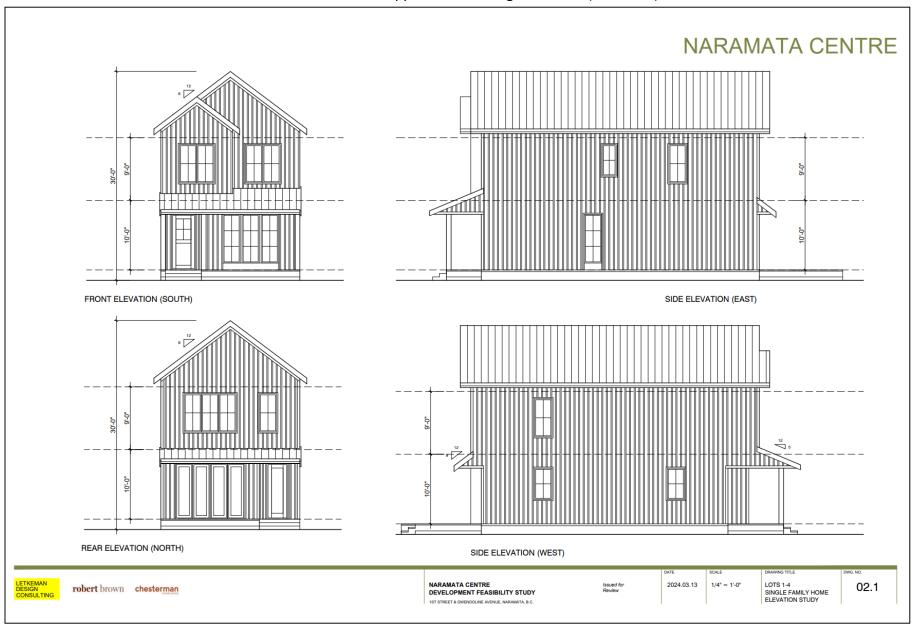
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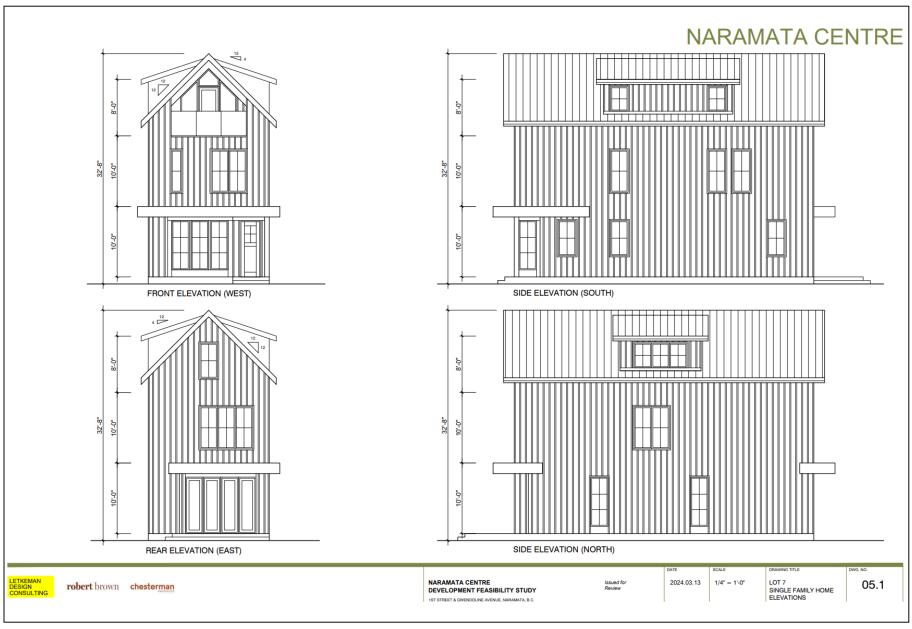
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Attachment No. 8 – Aerial Photo (2023)



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