PUBLIC HEARING REPORT



TO: Regional Board of Directors

FROM: Director Pendergraft

DATE: April 21, 2021

RE: Public Hearing Report – Electoral Area "A" OCP Bylaw No. 2905, 2021

Purpose of Bylaw:

It is being proposed that a new Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw be enacted for Electoral Area "A" (Rural Osoyoos). The new OCP bylaw includes a general statement of objectives and policies of the Regional District Board respecting present and proposed land use and development, while some significant changes include:

- updated population projections based on recent Census data.
- Introduction of a new "Vision" statement and revised Board Goals;
- revised population projections;
- establishing "Rural Growth Area" boundaries at Willow Beach and Anarchist Mountain as required under the Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) Bylaw;
- removing policies that speak to "cluster" forms of development;
- introducing new Local Area Policies specific to North West Osoyoos Lake, Osoyoos Lake South, Anarchist Mountain and Kilpoola;
- introduction of a new policy related community watersheds protection through zoning;
- · revision of the Agricultural Protection Area (APA) policies;
- expanded policies related to flood, slope and wildfire hazards, including new mapping related to each type of hazard; and
- updated policies to reflect the new requirements found in the *Climate Change Accountability Act* (2019).

Public Hearing Overview:

The Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 2905, 2021, was convened electronically on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at 7:00 pm, at https://rdos.webex.com (Meeting number: 187 585 7662 / Meeting password: RD@S).

Members of the Regional District staff present were:

- Christopher Garrish, Manager of Planning; and
- Danny Francisco, Manager of Information Services.

There was <u>four (4)</u> members of the public present.

In accordance with Section 466, the time and place of the public hearing was advertised in the April 7, 2021 and April 14, 2021, editions of the Times-Chronicle.

The public hearing was further promoted on the Regional District's social media accounts and notified to residents who have registered in the Regional District's "CivicReady" Mass Notification System.

Copies of reports and correspondence received related to the Electoral Area "A" OCP Bylaw No. 2905, 2021, were available for viewing at the Regional District office during the required posting period.

Pursuant to Section 464, 465 & 468 of the Local Government Act, Director Pendergraft commenced proceeding at 7:01 and, following a presentation of the proposed OCP Bylaw by the Manager of Planning, called the Public Hearing to order at 7:20 p.m. in order to consider the Electoral Area "A" OCP Bylaw No. 2905, 2021.

Summary of Representations:

There were no written briefs submitted at the public hearing.

Director Pendergraft called a first time for briefs and comments from the floor.

Director Pendergraft asked if anyone wished to speak to the proposed bylaw.

Director Pendergraft asked a second time if there was anyone who wished to speak further to the proposed bylaw.

Director Pendergraft asked a third time if there was anyone who wished to speak further to the proposed bylaw and hearing none, declared the public hearing closed at 7:23 p.m.

Recorded by:

Christopher Garrish Planning Manager

Confirmed:

Mark Pendergraft

Electoral Area "A" Director

M. Pendergraft