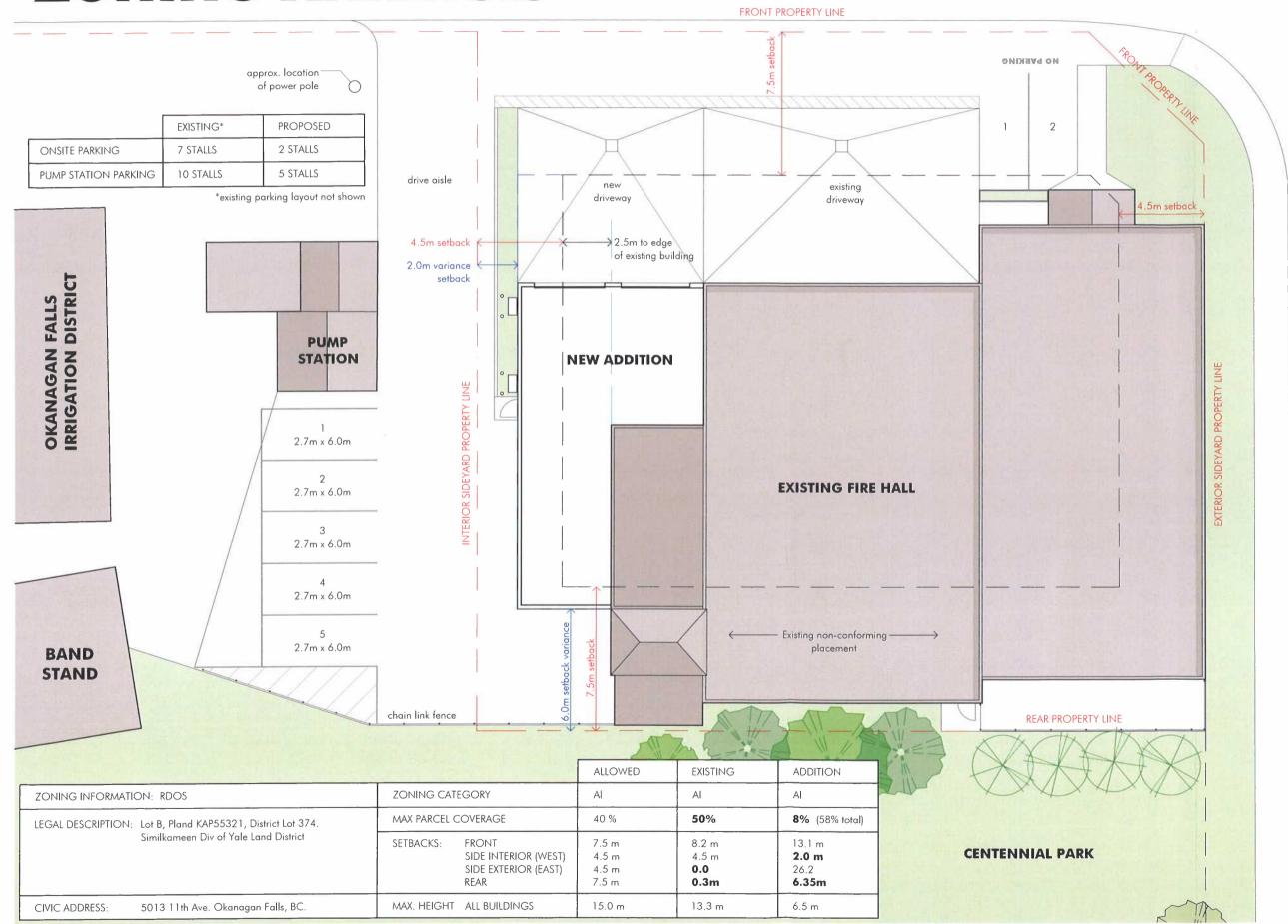
ZONING ANALYSIS

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Background

The Okanagan Falls Firehall was constructed in 1994, with a later addition of a shed to the rear of the building. The current proposal looks to add two additional truck bays to the building, as well as a mezzanine space in the original truck bay for gym and storage use. The addition is necessary to service the growing community.

Most of the buildings located on the site were built on Irrigation District land, before the plot was subdivided to separate the buildings from Centennial Park. Therefore, several aspects of the original buildings are non-compliant with the current zoning bylaw. These include the side and rear yard setbacks, and the maximum parcel coverage.

Due to the constraints of the existing building, and the stringent size requirements of fire truck parking bays, it is not possible to construct a functional addition within the current zoning setbacks.

The proposed variance would reduce the interior side yard setback from 4.5m to 2.0m, to allow enough horizontal width for two truck bays. The rear yard setback will be reduced from 7.5m to 6.0m to match the existing form of the building. This is significantly larger than the setback of the existing building. Finally, the existing building already surpasses the maximum parcel coverage, so the addition will not conform to this limit.

Due to the lack of space, the addition will also remove most onsite parking. Parking was already below the required 10 stalls if using the office parking requirements from table 9.2 of bylaw No. 2455 (278.4m² /28m²=9.9 stalls). However, because the surrounding site is publicly owned, and is already functions a soverflow parking for the firehall, there is adequate parking provided on the larger property.



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