#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**TO:** Board of Directors

FROM: J. Zaffino, Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** September 5, 2024

**RE:** Temporary Use Permit Application – Electoral Area "E" (E2024.013-TUP)



#### **Administrative Recommendation:**

THAT Temporary Use Permit No. E2024.013-TUP, to allow vacation rental use at 1135 McPhee Road be approved.

Legal: Lot 2, Plan KAP17934, District Lot 207, SDYD Folio: E-02093.010

OCP: Low Density Residential (LR) Zone: Low Density Residential Three (RS3)

### **Proposed Development:**

This application is seeking to allow for a vacation rental use to take place within the principal dwelling on the subject property through the issuance of a Temporary Use Permit (TUP).

In support of this proposal, the applicant has stated that "For the first time in more than 30 years we don't have kids or pets as dependents... so we plan to travel more... As hosts ourselves, we have 4 years of experience (2015-2019) as Superhosts on AirBnB and have found when guests arrive and have been physically introduced to a rental property they are likely to be considerate neighbours."

#### **Site Context:**

The subject property is approximately 1,103 m<sup>2</sup> in area and is situated on the north side of McPhee Road, approximately 2.5 km north from the boundary with the City of Penticton. It is understood that the parcel is comprised of a single detached dwelling.

The surrounding pattern of development is generally characterised by similarly sized residential parcels that have been development with single detached dwellings and agriculturally developed properties.

## **Background:**

The current boundaries of the subject property were created by a Plan of Subdivision deposited with the Land Titles Office in Kamloops on March 15, 1968, while available Regional District records indicate that a building permit for an addition (1982) has previously been issued for this property.

Under the Electoral Area "E" Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 3010, 2023, the subject property is currently designated Low Density Residential (LR).

Section 22.3.4 of Electoral Area "E" OCP Bylaw contains criteria in evaluating a Temporary Use Permit application. Sections 22.3.6 and 11.6.2 specify conditions for temporary use permits and short-term vacation rentals respectively.

Under the Okanagan Valley Zoning Bylaw No. 2800, 2022, the property is currently zoned Low Density Residential Three (RS3) which includes single detached dwelling as a permitted use.

The property is within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). Despite this, Section 23(1) (Exceptions) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*, states that restrictions on the use of agricultural land do not apply to land that, on December 21, 1972, was, by separate certificate of title issued under the *Land Registry Act* (1960), less than 2.0 acres (0.81 ha) in area.

BC Assessment has classified the property as "Residential" (Class 01).

#### **Public Process:**

Adjacent property owners will have received notification of this application with written comments being accepted up until one (1) week prior to the Board's regular meeting at which the application is to be considered. All comments received are included as a separate item on the Board's Agenda.

#### **Analysis:**

In considering this proposal, Administration notes that the proposed vacation rental renewal is to be temporary and seasonal, as it will operate between the months of July 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>.

The vacation rental use is to take place on the property and will allow for a maximum of two (2) bedrooms to be rented out and a maximum of four (4) guests per visit. As the proposed use is limited to the property, it is not expected to negatively impact the environment. Moreover the property is not within an Environmentally Sensitive or Watercourse Development Permit Area; therefore, impacts on the environment are limited.

The applicant has provided a parking plan confirming that the two required parking spaces are available on the property. They have also provided confirmation from a Professional Engineer that the existing sewerage system is sufficient for the proposed vacation rental use.

A Temporary Use Permit (TUP) was previously issued in 2023 for a vacation rental and during the period it was operating no bylaw enforcement issues or complaints were recorded.

A Health and Safety Inspection was completed on May 16, 2023, and indicated that no concerns were noted.

It has been noted that the vacation rental use will be managed by a neighbour while the owners are away. This will include meeting and greeting guests and making themselves available in the event of an emergency.

The property is almost entirely surrounded by trees and has a fence on the eastern property line, providing screening and privacy both for potential guests and neighbouring property owners.

In summary, the proposed temporary use generally satisfies the evaluation criteria in the Area "E" OCP and is seen to be consistent with the Regional District Board's "Vacation Rental Temporary Use Policy". For these reasons, administration is recommending approval.

#### Alternatives:

1. THAT the Board of Directors deny Temporary Use Permit No. E2024.013-TUP.

# Respectfully submitted:

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Attachments: No. 1 – Agency Referral List

No. 2 – Applicant's Site Plan

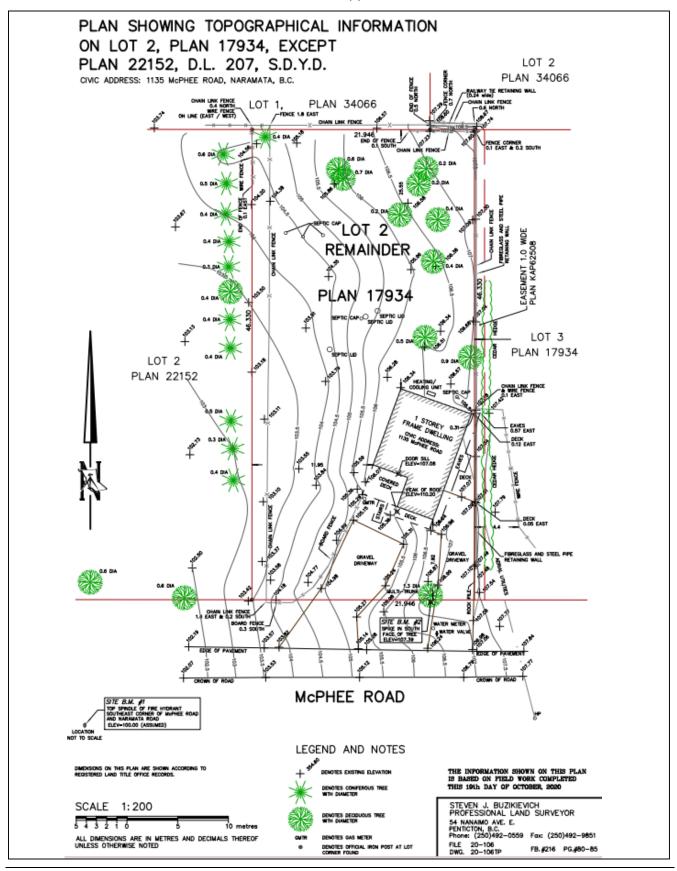
No. 3 – Site Photo

# Attachment No. 1 – Agency Referral List

Referrals to be sent to the following agencies as highlighted with a  $\square$ , prior to the Board considering adoption of Temporary Use Permit No. E2024.013-TUP.

V	Agricultural Land Commission (ALC)	V	Fortis
	Interior Health Authority (IHA)		City of Penticton
V	Ministry of Agriculture		District of Summerland
	Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources		Town of Oliver
	Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing		Town of Osoyoos
	Ministry of Forest, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development (Ecosystem Section)		Town of Princeton
	Ministry of Forest, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development (Archaeology Branch)		Village of Keremeos
	Ministry of Jobs, Trade & Technology		Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA)
	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure		Penticton Indian Band (PIB)
	Integrated Land Management Bureau		Osoyoos Indian Band (OIB)
	BC Parks		Upper Similkameen Indian Band (USIB)
	School District #53 (Areas A, B, C, D & G)		Lower Similkameen Indian Band (LSIB)
	School District #58 (Area H)		Environment Canada
	School District #67 (Areas D, E, F, I)		Fisheries and Oceans Canada
	Central Okanagan Regional District		Canadian Wildlife Services
	Kootenay Boundary Regional District		OK Falls Irrigation District
	Thompson Nicola Regional District		Kaleden Irrigation District
	Fraser Valley Regional District		Irrigation District / improvement Districts / etc.
V	Naramata Fire Department		

Attachment No. 2 – Applicant's Site Plan



# Attachment No. 3 – Site Photo (Google Earth, 2024)

