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Zoning and Development Bylaw Amendment 2000.122 City-owned Jensen Avenue Properties Public Hearing – March 4

Direction to proceed with a zoning amendment bylaw on the Jensen Avenue West properties was given by Council in February 2018. In December 2018, Parksville Council received a summary report about the properties and with first and second reading, advanced Zoning and Development Bylaw Amendment 2000.122 to a public hearing on March 4.

The purpose of the zoning amendment bylaw is to generate public interest in the future of this site and to encourage interested residents to inform themselves of the proposed bylaw change. Residents are encouraged to review the bylaw with respect to proposed uses. The comments received during this process will inform Council on what the public would like to see as the future for this site.

It is important to note there is no specific project in mind for these properties nor is staff or Council aware of any specific proposal. The amendment bylaw was initiated as a result of Council's interest in engaging the public on the future of these properties. Any further public engagement, in addition to the public hearing scheduled for 6 pm on March 4 would be at the direction of Council.

Going back as far as 2010, the City has considered a number of options for this block of properties and extensive public consultation was conducted as part of the Official Community Plan update in 2013.

Additional information is available on the City's website at http://www.parksville.ca/cms/wpattachments/wpID111atID8560.pdf

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