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City of Kelowna 1435 Water Street Kelowna, BC V1Y 1J4

Via E-mail: planninginfo@kelowna.ca

Dear City of Kelowna:

Re: Non- Farm Use Application for 2062 Morrison Road (PID: 012-394-360; ALC Application ID: 69789)

Thank you for providing B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Food staff the opportunity to comment on the proposed Non-Farm Use application to convert seasonal RV sites to year-round use. Ministry staff offer the following comments:

- Although the parcel is purported to be in apple production, the current RV sites do not appear to have any agritourism connection to the apple orchard.
- The proposal is to provide long-term housing options for people in need and does not appear to be related to an agricultural need.
- While affordable housing is in short supply, extra density in the ALR was allowed through amendments to the ALR Use Regulation in December 2021. The current Bill 44 - Housing Statutes (Residential Amendments) Act, 2023 is proposing that local governments allow only an additional dwelling in the form of a secondary suite or additional detached dwelling. It is not proposing to allow year-round RV parks in the ALR for affordable housing.
- The proposal does not appear to have a benefit to agriculture on this parcel.

If you have any questions regarding our comments, please feel free to contact me via phone or email.

Sincerely,

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