



Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes

Date:	Thursday, June 13, 2024
Time:	4:00 pm
Location:	Meeting Room 5
Members Present	John Janmaat (Chair), Domenic Rampone (Vice Chair), Barbara Hall, Chris Zabek (non-voting)
Members Participating Remotely	Binny Boparai
Members Absent	Nick Ibuki, Harsh Khela
Staff Present	Celeste Barlow, Planner Specialist, Tyler Caswell, Planner II; Dean Strachan, Community Planning & Development Manager Clint McKenzie, Legislative Coordinator (Confidential)

* Denotes partial attendance

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and reviewed the criteria of the Committee from the terms of reference.

2. Minutes

Moved by Domenic Rampone/Seconded by Barbara Hall

THAT the Minutes of the May 9, 2024 Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

Carried

3. Applications for Consideration

3.1 KLO Rd 1758-1760 - A24-0006 - Various Owners

Staff displayed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the application and responded to questions from the Committee.

Sunny Bhangu, Applicant

– Confirmed the structure is a temporary ATCO trailer on cement blocks.

Moved by Domenic Rampone/Seconded by Nick Ibuki

THAT the Committee recommends that Council support an application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) for a non-adhering residential use permit to allow for temporary farm help housing to accommodate four (4) seasonal farm workers on the subject property

Carried

Anecdotal Comments:

- The Committee encourages the City ensure the landscape buffer is planted by the applicant within a reasonable time frame. The permit was reactionary and done after the structure was installed.

3.2 Glenmore Rd 1875-2255 - A24-0007 - The City of Kelowna

Staff displayed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the application and responded to questions from the Committee.

Moved by Barbara Hall/Seconded by Domenic Rampone

THAT the Committee recommends that Council support an application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) for a road closure, consolidation and subdivision at the City of Kelowna landfill.

Carried

Anecdotal Comments:

- Committee thanked the City for the ongoing environmental protection of adjacent agricultural land to the landfill.

3.3 4150 Swamp Rd - A23-0008 - Alexander Allan Rezansoff

Staff displayed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the application and responded to questions.

Leonard & Patricia Ritchie, Michael Cohen, Carl Withler Applicant and Applicant's Agent

- Confirmed the ALC has the ability to apply bonding for agricultural requirements. Described the 500 square metre home.
- Spoke to other festivals already being hosted on ALC land, such as the Salmon Arm Roots and Blues Festival and the Pemberton Music Festival.
- The festival would be in the shoulder season for crop production in late September/early October.
- Spoke to how surface damages are mitigated and provided examples of other productions they have hosted over seven years without issues. (Kings Stadium)
- Spoke to the local businesses that would be contracted for supplies and services, including local food and beverage.
- October is the dormant season for the crop and there would be minimal impact of any vegetation onsite.
- Spoke to the history of the site including the increased yield of the site agriculturally due to the importation of soil.
- Spoke to soil testing and two shovel pits tested with no concerns regarding compaction
- Responded to questions from the Committee.

Moved by Domenic Rampone/Seconded by Barbara Hall

THAT the Committee recommends Council NOT support an application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to consider a Non-Farm Use application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to allow for a 2-3 day music festival for up to 15,000 people.

Carried

Anecdotal Comments

- The Committee would like to express that there are no obvious benefits to agriculture and the application does not adhere to the criteria and scope of the Committee.

4. ALC Decisions - Update

There were no updates.

5. **Next Meeting**

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2024.

8. **Termination of Meeting**

The Chair declared the meeting terminated at 5:03 p.m.

Chair

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