



## Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: Thursday, December 12, 2024  
 Time: 4:00 pm  
 Location: Meeting Room 5

Members Present John Janmaat (Chair), Domenic Rampone (Vice Chair), Barbara Hall, Harsh Khela, Nick Ibuki, Chris Zabek (non-voting)

Members Absent Binny Bopari

Staff Present Tyler Caswell, Planner II; Dean Strachan, Community Planning & Development Manager Michael Jud, Deputy City Clerk

Guests Present Dustin Andriasiak, Collin McMeeken, Carl Withler, Tricia Deers, Derrick Sabotka

\* Denotes partial attendance

### 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Opening remarks by the Chair regarding the conduct of the meeting were read.

### 2. Minutes

Moved By Dominic Rampone/Seconded By Barbara Hall

THAT the Minutes of the October 10, 2024, Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting be amended to remove John Janmaat from the Members Present and be adopted.

Carried

### 3. Applications for Consideration

#### 3.1 Brentwood Rd 1850 - A24-0010 - 1311485 B.C. LTD., INC. NO. BC1311485

- Staff displayed a PowerPoint summarizing the application and responded to questions from the Committee.

Applicant, Colli McMeeken

- Spoke to the application.
- Indicated that the fill material is good quality agricultural soil.
- Responded to questions from the Committee.

Moved By Nick Ibuki/Seconded By Harsh Khela

THAT the committee recommend that Council support the application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to allow a Soil and Fill Use application for placement of 35,000 cubic meters of topsoil to facilitate planting of a sweet cherry crop.

Carried

There were no anecdotal comments.

### 3.2 Saucier Rd 2360 - A24-0013 - Catspaw Management Co. Ltd. Inc.No. 155100

- Staff displayed a PowerPoint summarizing the application and responded to questions from the Committee.

Applicant, Derrick Sabotka

- Spoke to the application.
- Highlighted the architectural and landscaping features of the proposed accommodations for the temporary farm workers.
- Responded to questions from the Committee.

Moved By Domenic Rampone/Seconded By Barbara Hall

THAT the committee recommend that Council support the application to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to allow a non-adhering residential use permit to allow for temporary farm help housing to accommodate eighteen (18) seasonal farm workers on the subject property.

Carried

Anecdotal comments:

- The Committee noted the importance of ensuring the applicant follows through with building the landscaping works described in the application as it provides an important buffer between the farming activity and the housing.

#### 4. ALC Decisions – Update

There were no updates.

#### 5. New Business

##### 5.1 Bulletin - ALR Properties - Farm Retail Sales

The Committee received an update on a new advisory bulletin published by the City concerning retail sales on ALR properties.

##### 5.2 Bulletin - ALR Properties - Gathering for an Event

The Committee received an update on a new advisory bulletin published by the City concerning event hosting on ALR properties.

##### 5.3 Agricultural Signage Project

The Committee received an update on a project to install new signage at various locations throughout the City's highlighting the importance of agriculture. A design has been finalized, and the signs will be fully installed by spring 2025.

#### 6. Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting has been scheduled for January 9, 2025.

#### 7. Termination of Meeting

The Chair declared the meeting terminated 4:55 p.m.

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 Chair