

# City of Richmond

**Planning Committee** 

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## **Report to Committee**

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Manager, Development Applications

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APPLICATION BY RALPH MAY FOR REZONING AT 4880 NO. 6 ROAD TO ALTER THE ZONING BOUNDARIES OF THE AG1 (AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT)

ZONE AND THE AG2 (GOLF COURSE DISTRICT) ZONE

#### Staff Recommendation

That Bylaw No. 7331, to rezone portions of 4880 No. 6 Road to alter the zoning boundaries of the "AG1 (Agricultural District)" zone and the "AG2 (Golf Course District)" zone, be introduced and given first reading.

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## **Staff Report**

#### Origin

Ralph May has submitted an application on behalf of Mikasa Golf Centre to rezone portions of 4880 No. 6 Road from AG1 (Agricultural District) to AG2 (Golf Course District) and vice versa.

The golf centre currently occupies an 8.4 ha (20.8 acres) leasehold lot at 4880 No. 6 Road that is zoned AG2. This application is to realign the zoning boundary so that it corresponds to the actual boundary of the driving range. Under the current zoning boundary, the supporting structures for the northerly fence of the driving range encroach onto lands that were not originally approved for non-farm use.

## **Findings of Fact**

Item	Existing	Proposed
Owner	Kepland Homes Ltd.	No change
Applicant	Ralph May	No change
Site Size	28.2 ha (69.7 acres)	No change
Land Uses	Golf driving range and agriculture	No change
OCP Designation	Agriculture	No change
ALR Designation	In the ALR	No change
Zoning	19.8 ha (48.9 acres) zoned AG1;	21.4 ha (52.9 acres) zoned AG1;
	8.4 ha (20.8 acres) zoned AG2	6.8 ha (16.8 acres) zoned AG2

## **Project Description**

The applicant proposes to extend the AG2 zoning boundary 15 m (49.2 feet) north of its current boundary so that approximately 0.5 ha (1.2 acres) of land is incorporated in the lease area boundary of the driving range. This will enable all structures associated with the driving range to be located entirely within the leased area that has been approved for non-farm use.

Approximately 2.2 ha (5.4 acres) of land immediately east of the driving range that is now zoned AG2 will be rezoned to AG1 and used for farm purposes (See **Attachment 1**).

## **Related Applications**

A previous owner and applicant applied to the Land Reserve Commission (LRC) for expansion of the leased area for non-farm use and for subdivision (Application #AG 98-142417). The LRC did not approve subdivision of the golf driving range from the parent parcel.

It did, however, approve expansion of the leased area for the golf driving range by 15 m (49.2 feet)to the north (about 0.5 ha (1.2 acres)) subject to:

- (i) submission of a detailed survey of the lease area boundaries; and
- (ii) rehabilitation and lease of 2.2 ha (5.4 acres) of land immediately east of the driving range for agricultural uses.

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#### **Staff Comments**

No comments were expressed by City Staff.

#### **Analysis**

This application does not alter any of the buildings, structures or fencing that is now in place. It is essentially a housekeeping amendment to ensure that the boundary of the leased area conforms to the actual fenced boundaries of the golf driving range.

With respect to the LRC conditions associated with the previous application:

- 1. A detailed survey of the lease area boundaries has been submitted and approved by the Approving Officer (see Attachment 2);
- 2. The 2.2 ha (5.4 acres) located east of the driving range has been rehabilitated and enhanced for agricultural use by:
  - Creating a ditch around the new lease area boundaries of the driving range to improve drainage of the farmlands;
  - Filling in an old ditch that was aligned with the old eastern boundary of the lease area in order to facilitate farming;
- 3. The property owners have indicated that the farmer who leases the north portions of the site will be farming the 2.2 ha (5.4 acres) portion east of the driving range which is being rezoned to AG1.

Staff support this application as the minor changes result in a net gain of 1.7 ha (4.2 acres) of farmland.

#### **Financial Impact**

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None.

#### Conclusion

This application is generally of a housekeeping nature and will result in a net gain of farmland. Therefore, it is recommended that this application be approved.

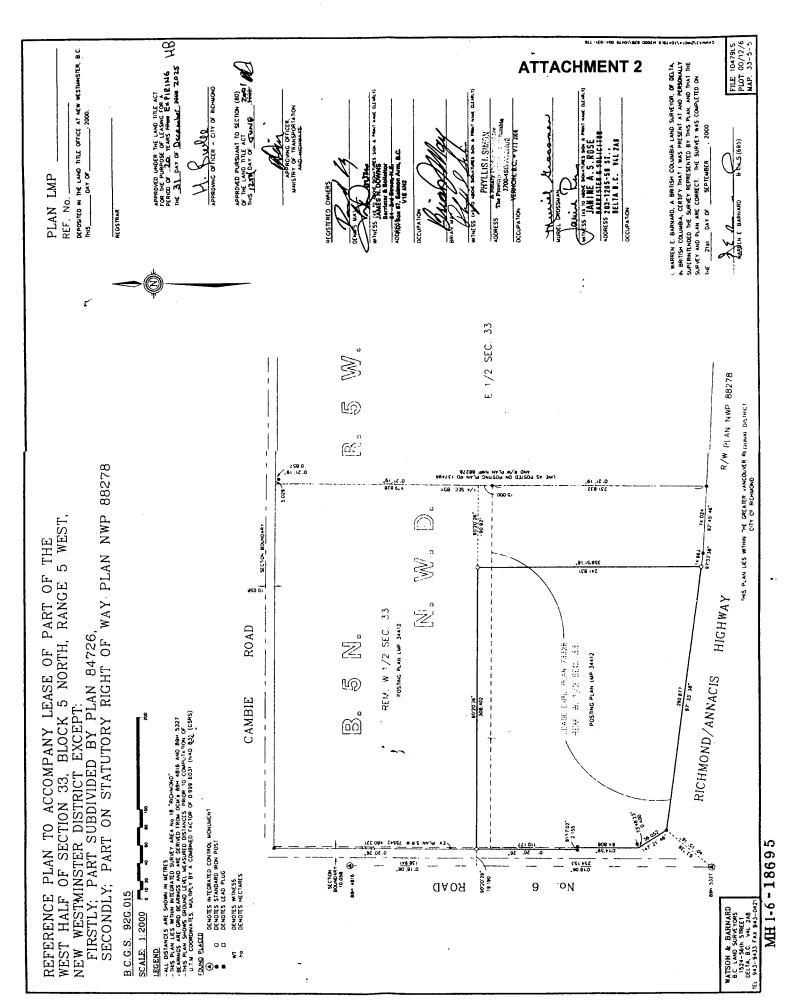
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There are requirements to be dealt with prior to final adoption:

- Ministry of Transportation approval required.



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## Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300 Amendment Bylaw 7331 (RZ 01-191961) 4880 NO. 6 ROAD

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The Zoning Map of the City of Richmond, which accompanies and forms part of Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300, is amended by repealing the existing zoning designation of the following area and by designating it GOLF COURSE DISTRICT (AG2).

That area identified as "Area A" shown cross-hatched on "Schedule A attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 7331".

2. The Zoning Map of the City of Richmond, which accompanies and forms part of Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300, is amended by repealing the existing zoning designation of the following area and by designating it AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (AG1).

That area identified as "Area B" shown cross-hatched on "Schedule A attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 7331"

3. This Bylaw may be cited as "Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300, Amendment Bylaw 7331".

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A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON	
SECOND READING	
THIRD READING	
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION APPROVAL	
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MAYOR	CITY CLERK

