



# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** General Purposes Committee

**From:** W. Glenn McLaughlin  
Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager

**Re:** **Business Regulation Bylaw 7538  
Amendment Bylaw 9171**

**Date:** August 15, 2014

**File:** 12-8275-01/2014-Vol  
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### Staff Recommendation

That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171, which amends Schedule A of Bylaw 7538 to include the premises at 7992 Alderbridge Way among the sites which permit an Amusement Centre to operate with more than 4 amusement machines, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

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Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager  
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## **Staff Report**

### **Origin**

Amongst the regulated businesses in Richmond are Amusement Centres, which contain Amusement Machines, which are defined in the Business Regulation Bylaw 7538 as:

*a machine on which mechanical, electrical, automatic or computerized games are played for amusement or entertainment, and for which a coin or token must be inserted or a fee charged for use, and includes machines used for the purposes of gambling.*

Business Regulation Bylaw 7538 restricts a business premises to only 4 amusement machines unless the location is listed in Schedule A of the bylaw.

This report deals with a business licence application by Cheng Yu Entertainment Inc. (the Applicant), to operate an internet café with 55 computer machines and food services, under the business name Lulu Internet Cafe, from their premise located at 7992 Alderbridge Way. This premise is not on the list of approved addresses which allows an operation to have more than 4 amusement machines.

### **Finding of Fact**

By definition, Internet Cafes are recognized as Amusement Centres. These businesses generally use computer stations, which are on the Internet and networked to each other for the purposes of playing games amongst a group of individuals.

The location at which the Applicant intends to operate is located in Auto-Oriented Commercial District (CA), which permits among other uses, Amusement Centres. The building is a single level structure in a strip mall setting (Attachment 1). Other businesses in the strip mall include retailers of antique and used furniture, a pawn shop, an optical store, auto and home glass replacement services and a retailer of baby supplies. The premises are surrounded to the north, south, east and west by commercial buildings. Directly across the street from the proposed location is a licenced Amusement Centre and a pool hall, which has been in operation since 2000.

The City has imposed regulations including restricted operating hours, which Amusement Centres must adhere to and this type of regulated use is one that the Richmond Special Task Force Team inspects from time to time to ensure compliance to the regulations.

The Applicant will be required to ensure that the premises meets all building, health and fire codes before a Business Licence would be issued.

### **Financial Impact**

None

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### **Conclusion**

Amusement Centres are regulated under the City's Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538 and staff are recommending that 7922 Alderbridge Way be added to Schedule A of the bylaw to enable the applicant to operate more than 4 amusement machines at this premises.

  
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Supervisor Business Licence  
(604-276-4155)

Att. 1: Site Plan

7960 CNCL - 271

Building 3

7960 Alderbridge Way  
10 units @ 2,560 sq. ft.  
Units: 24' x 106.8'

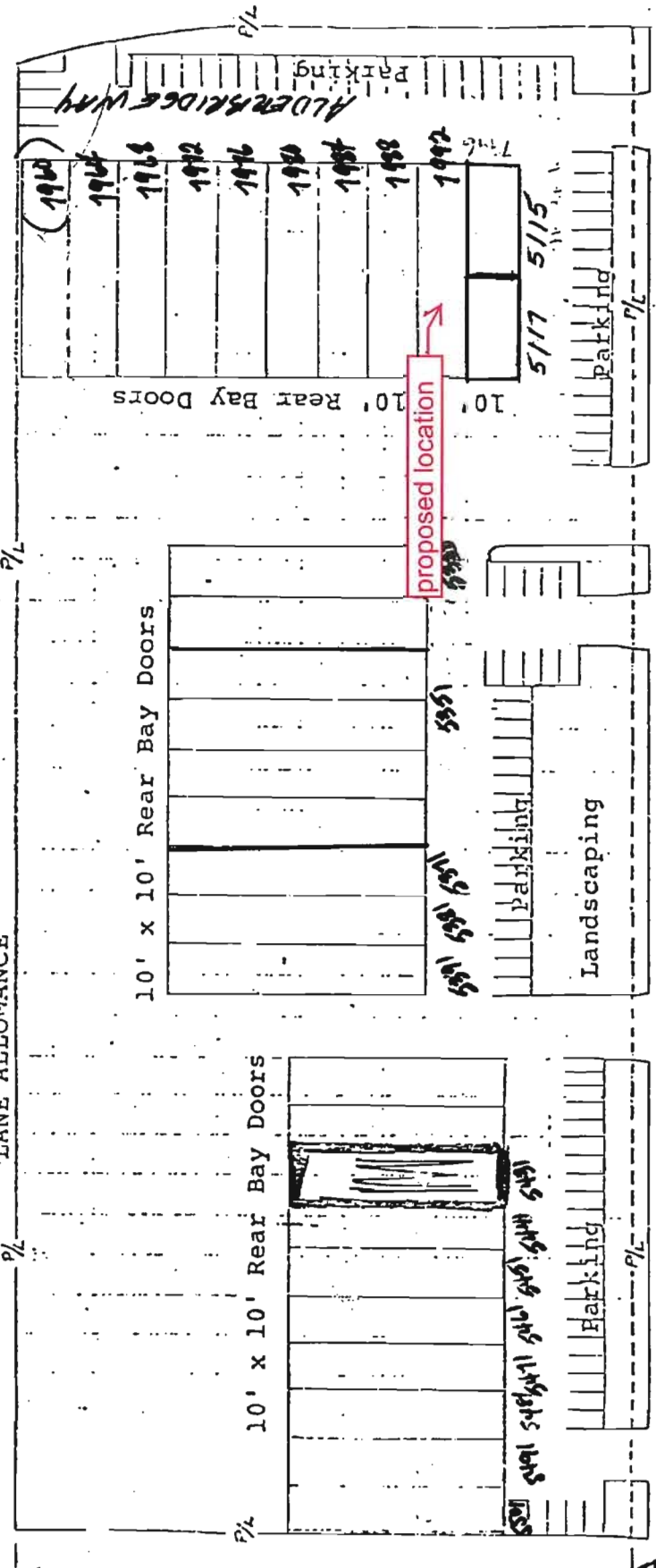
Building 2

5311 Number 3 Road  
9 units @ 3,000 sq. ft.  
Units: 24' x 125'

Building 1

5411 Number 3 Road  
10 units @ 2,560 sq. ft.  
Units: 24' x 106.8'

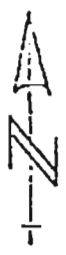
LANE ALLOWANCE



741.69'

NO. 3 ROAD

NUMBER 3 ROAD, RICHMOND, B.C.



Scale: 1/4"

1960 ALDER BRIDGE WAY



Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

- 1. That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, as amended, is further amended by adding the following in Schedule A after item 2:

Table with 3 columns: Civic address, Civic Number, Original Bylaw Reference. Row 1: 2A. Alderbridge Way, 7992, 9171

- 2. This Bylaw is cited as "Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171".

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

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