



# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** General Purposes Committee **Date:** April 18, 2023  
**From:** Mark Corrado **File:** 12-8275-01/2023-Vol  
 Director, Community Bylaws and Licencing 01  
**Re:** **Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10444 - 4411 No. 3 Road Unit 111**

### Staff Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10444”, which amends Schedule A of Bylaw No. 7538, to: 1) add the address of 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 111 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate, and 2) remove “\*\*6631 Sidaway Road – exempted from Zoning Bylaw”, be given first, second and third readings.

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Att. 1

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<b>SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW</b>	<b>INITIALS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY CAO</b>

## Staff Report

### Origin

One of the categories of regulated businesses in Richmond is Amusement Centre, which contains Amusement Machines, defined in Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538 (Business Regulation Bylaw) 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.*

The Business Regulation Bylaw restricts a business from operating with more than four amusement machines unless the location is listed in Schedule A of the bylaw. This report deals with an application received from Nu-Zone Entertainment Ltd., to operate up to 30 amusement machines in conjunction with a laser tag businesses at 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 111. This premises is not listed as an approved address on Schedule A, where more than four amusement machines can operate.

Nu-Zone Entertainment Ltd. has been licenced and is operating as an Indoor Recreation business for laser tag with an Ancillary Licence for four amusement machines since 2017 without incident at premises situated at 11480 River Road, Unit 100. The applicant is applying for a change of address to move to the proposed premises to 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 111.

This amendment also deals with removing 6631 Sidaway Road from Schedule A as this Amusement Centre closed more than six months ago and the zone for this location no longer permits an Amusement Centre. The permitted timeframe for grandfathering this use is no longer applicable for this site.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #2 Strategic and Sustainable Community Growth:

*Strategic and sustainable growth that supports long-term community needs and a well-planned and prosperous city.*

### Analysis

Amusement Centre regulations and definitions cover different types of amusement machines such as 3D virtual reality computerized games, console gaming, computer games in the Internet Café and traditional arcades. Amusement Centres do not include gambling machines which are only permitted within casinos. Amusement Centres are a regulated business because of their potential to impact the community, including their historic role of attracting problematic activities. The City has imposed regulations to minimize this risk including restricted operating hours, prohibition on children under 15 to be present during school hours and rules prohibiting gambling, fighting and the consumption of alcohol. These businesses may be inspected from time to time to ensure regulatory compliance of the regulations.

The location the applicant is intending to operate is zoned Auto-Oriented Commercial (CA), which permits, among other uses, an Amusement Centre. The unit is situated on a parcel with a single-level commercial building with six units. This zone provides for a mix of commercial and related uses oriented to vehicular access. There are currently four commercial businesses operating on this property under permitted uses. This property is situated on No. 3 Road, North of Leslie Road (Attachment1).

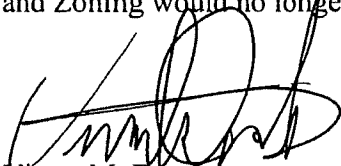
In addition to the bylaw amendment, the applicant will be required to ensure that the premises meets all building and health regulations before a Business Licence would be issued. Richmond RCMP have conducted due diligence checks and have no issues with this business and its operator.

**Financial Impact**

None.

**Conclusion**

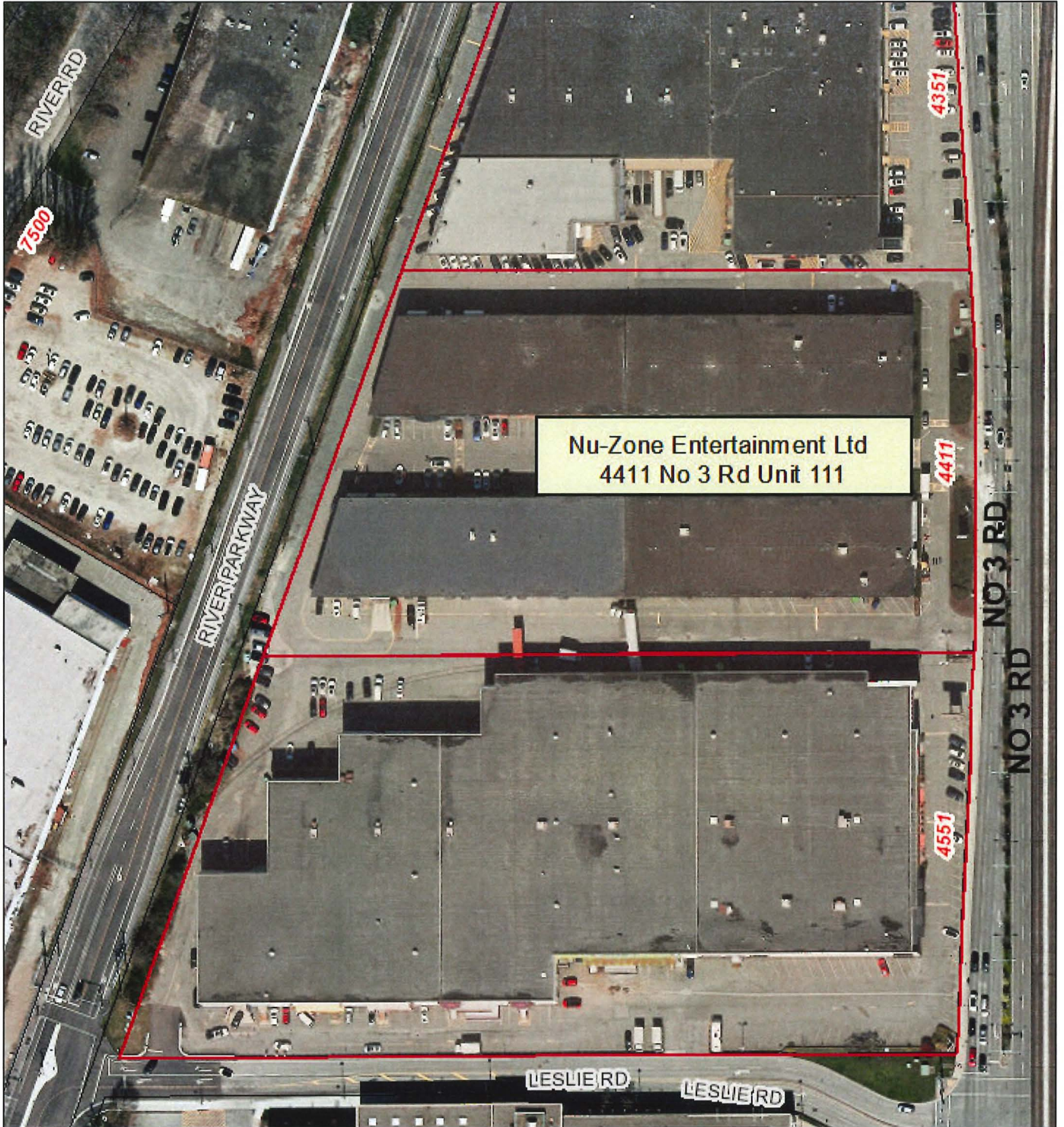
Amusement Centres are regulated under the City's Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538 and staff are recommending that the applicant's request for 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 111, be added to Schedule A of the bylaw to allow more than four amusement machines to be operated. Further, staff are requesting a removal of 6631 Sidaway Road from the Schedule A as the operating business at that location closed in 2020. The grandfathering provision has elapsed for this site and Zoning would no longer permit this use in this location.



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Att. 1: Aerial View Map

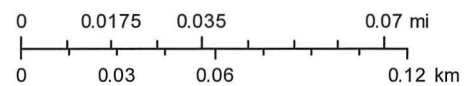


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- 4411 No 3 Rd Unit 111
- City Hall
- Street Names
- Property (black line)



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**Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10444**

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 address in Schedule A item 17:

Civic Address	Civic Number	Original Bylaw Reference
16. No 3 Road	4411 Unit 111	10444

And renumbering the rest of the remaining items in Schedule A in numerical order, and;

- 2. Remove "\*\*\*6631 Sidaway Road – exempted from Zoning Bylaw” from Schedule A.
- 3. This Bylaw is cited as **“Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10444”**.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED

ADOPTED

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