



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: General Purposes Committee

Date: November 4, 2022

From: Mark Corrado
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Re: **Business regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10430 –
4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 106**

Staff Recommendation

That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10430, which amends Schedule A of Bylaw No. 7538, to add the address of 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 106 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate, be given first, second and third readings.

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Att. 1

REPORT CONCURRENCE		
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SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 	APPROVED BY CAO

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 Axon Driver Solutions Ltd., doing business as: Axon Driver Solutions (Axon Driver Solutions) to operate 10 driver simulator machines from the premises situated at 4411 No 3 Road, Unit 106. This premises is not listed as an approved address on Schedule A.

Axon Driver Solutions has been licenced and operating as an Amusement Centre since 2019 without incident at premises situated at 4151 Hazelbridge Way, Unit 3430 with eight driver simulator machines. The applicant has applied for a change of address to move to the proposed premises at 4411 No 3 Road, Unit 106.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #7 A Supported Economic Sector:

Facilitate diversified economic growth through innovative and sustainable policies, practices and partnerships.

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 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 three 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

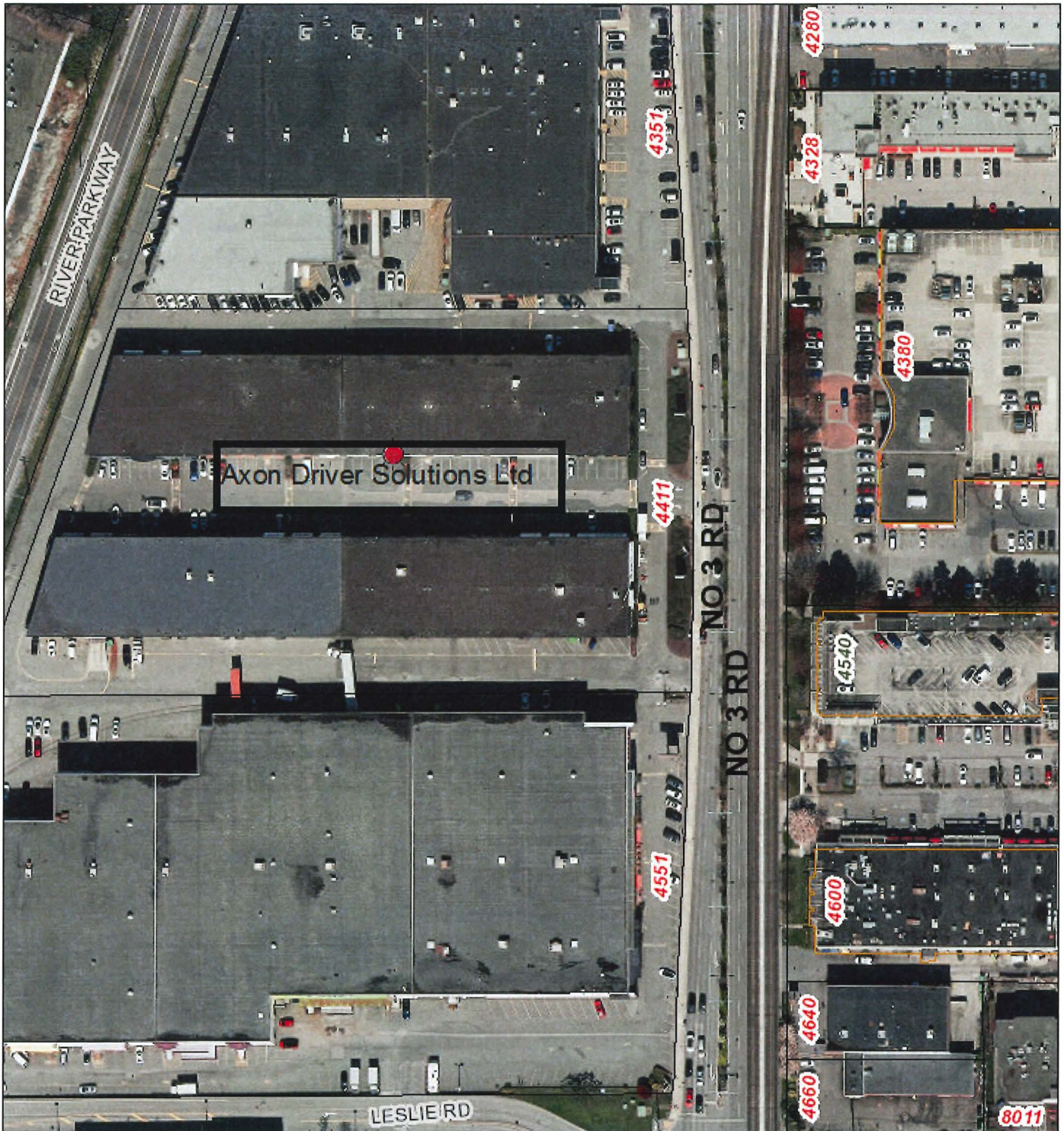
Amusement Centres are regulated under the City's Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538 and staff are recommending that the applicant's request for 4411 No. 3 Road, Unit 106, be added to Schedule A of the bylaw to allow more than four amusement machines to be operated.



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Att. 1: Aerial View Map



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Areas

Override 1



Street Names

Property (black line)



Strata



Air Parcels

Points



Override 1



City Hall

Property Address



Safety Hazard Areas



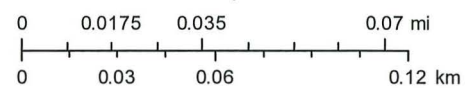
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Green: Band_2



Blue: Band_3





Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10430

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 as new item 16, and renumbering the remaining items in numerical order:

“16. No 3 Road 4411 Unit 106 10430”.

2. This Bylaw is cited as “**Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10430**”.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED

ADOPTED



MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER