### **Minutes**



### Development Permit Panel Wednesday, September 29, 2021

Time:

3:30 p.m.

Place:

Remote (Zoom) Meeting

Present:

Peter Russell, Director, Sustainability and District Energy, Acting Chair

Milton Chan, Director, Engineering

Jason Kita, Director, Corporate Programs Management Group

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

### **Minutes**

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Development Permit Panel held on September 15, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

### 1. DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE 21-930954

(REDMS No. 6738415)

APPLICANT:

Rogers Communications Inc. c/o Cypress Land Services Inc.

PROPERTY LOCATION:

5300 No. 3 Road

### INTENT OF DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT:

- 1. Vary the provisions of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500 to allow building mounted telecommunication antenna to be located on the roof of the existing building at 5300 No. 3 Road; and
- 2. Grant of concurrence by the Richmond City Council to the proposed building mounted telecommunication installation for the site located at 5300 No. 3 Road.

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### **Applicant's Comments**

Chad Marlatt, Cypress Land Services Inc., with the aid of a visual presentation (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as <u>Schedule 1</u>), provided background information on the subject development variance permit application, highlighting the following:

- the existing Rogers telecommunication antenna at 5400 Minoru Boulevard needs to be relocated as their lease is expiring and the site may be redeveloped in the future;
- the existing telecommunications antenna needs to be replaced to maintain and improve Rogers' cellular coverage and network in the area;
- the subject application is for the temporary installation of building mounted telecommunication antennas at the north western portion of the Lansdowne Mall building roof; and
- the antennas will be screened with slatted fiberglass material and will match the existing colour of the building roof.

### **Staff Comments**

Wayne Craig, Director, Development, noted that (i) the application for the installation of telecommunication antennas is supported by staff as it is consistent with City objectives, and (ii) the proposed variance is a technical variance as the Lansdowne Mall building roof height is lower than the required 20 meters for antenna installations in the "Auto-Oriented Commercial (CA)" zoned subject site.

### **Gallery Comments**

None.

### Correspondence

None.

### **Panel Discussion**

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed material and texture for screening of the telecommunication antennas.

As a result of the discussion, staff was directed to work with the applicant to ensure that the final proposal for the screening material and texture should be consistent with existing building roof materials and texture and duly noted in the drawings prior to the application moving forward for Council consideration.

The Panel then expressed support for the project, noting that the proposal is a good temporary solution for the replacement of an existing telecommunication tower that will be removed.

### Development Permit Panel Wednesday, September 29, 2021

### **Panel Decision**

It was moved and seconded

- 1. That a Development Variance Permit be issued which would vary the provisions of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500 to allow building mounted telecommunication antenna to be located on the roof of the existing building at 5300 No. 3 Road; and
- 2. That Richmond City Council grant concurrence to the proposed building mounted telecommunication installation for the site located at 5300 No. 3 Road.

**CARRIED** 

### 2. New Business

It was moved and seconded

That the Development Permit Panel meeting tentatively scheduled on Thursday, October 14, 2021 be cancelled.

**CARRIED** 

### 3. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting be adjourned at 3:43 p.m.* 

**CARRIED** 

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Development Permit Panel of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, September 29, 2021.

Peter Russell	Rustico Agawin	
Acting Chair	Committee Clerk	

Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, September 29, 2021

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# **Development Permit Panel Meeting**

Rooftop Antenna Installation 5300 No. 3 Road (W4315)



Rogers Communications Inc. c/o Cypress Land Services Suite 1051 - 409 Granville Street Vancouver, BC V6C 1T2

# Wireless Trends







- In many areas, 80% or more are from wireless devices.
- Improved service gives better access to emergency responders (fire, ambulance, police etc.)



- There are more wireless users than ever before residents, business and visitors are utilizing wireless data at unprecedented levels
- One smartphone creates as much data traffic as 35 basic-feature phones



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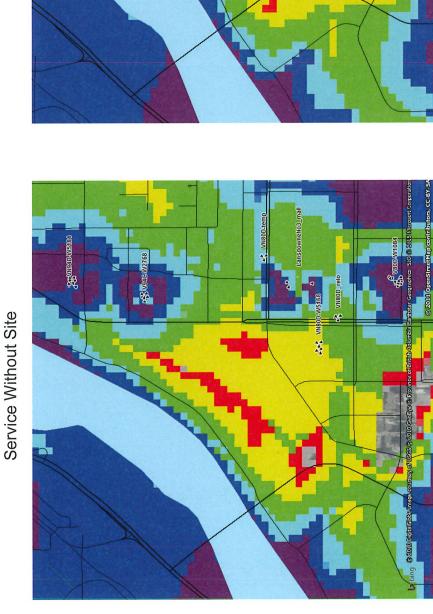
households owned on average 1.6 mobile phones. Over the last decade, either mobile or landline service in 2016 (Table 1.1 on Open Data), and the percentage of households with landlines has decreased, while the requirement. Nearly all Canadian households (99.3%) subscribed to People have come to expect wireless service as a basic utility percentage with mobile phones has increased.

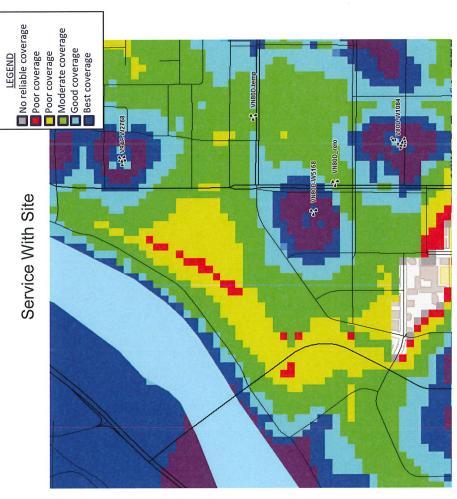


- People have come to expect high quality wireless coverage and data speeds within their communities
- connection will generate 4.2 gigabytes of mobile data traffic per month by 2022, up from 1.3 gigabytes in 2017. a compound annual growth rate of 34%. ... In Canada, the average mobile In Canada, mobile data traffic will grow 4-fold from 2017 to 2022,

# Coverage Objectives





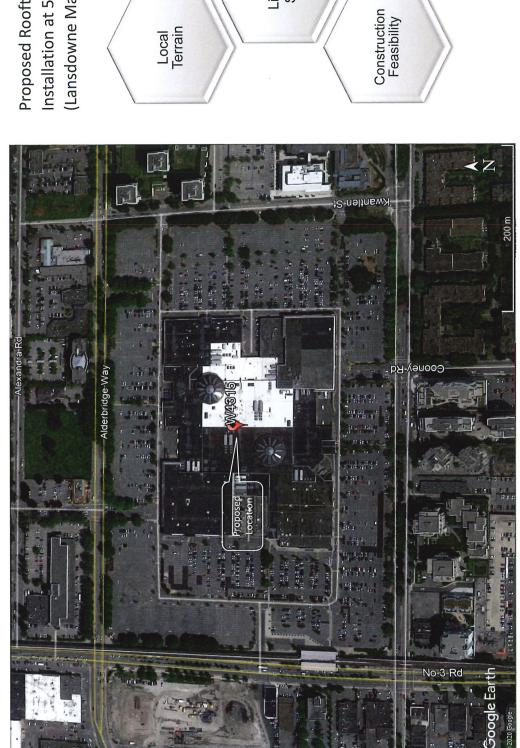


Rogers intends to deliver continuous network coverage to Salt Spring Island by the end of 2021

# Site Selection Factors



Installation at 5300 No. 3 Rd Proposed Rooftop Antenna (Lansdowne Mall)



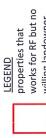
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Line of Sight

Zoning

Coverage Objectives

# Map of Other Locations Explored ROGERS



willing landowner



Proposed location at 5300 No. 3 Rd



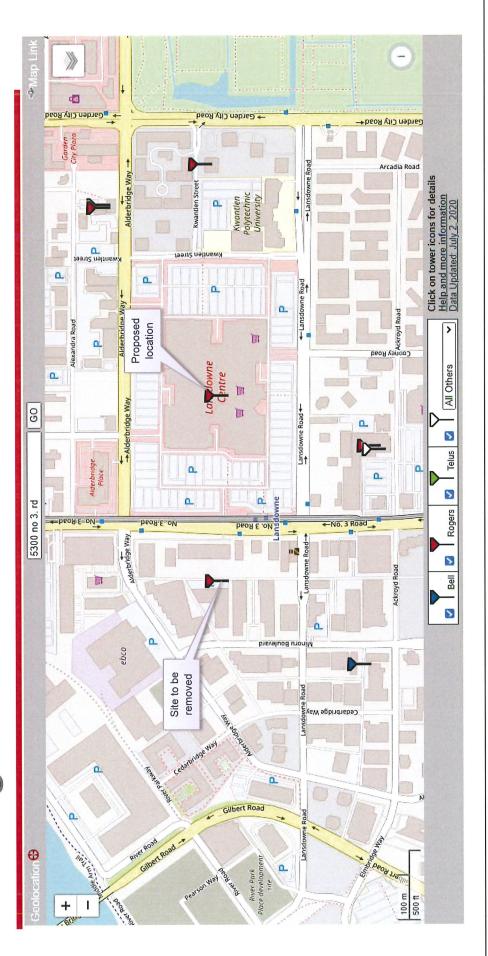
- Proposed Location at 5300 No. 3 Rd (Lansdowne
- Rogers has approached nearly every property in the area and has been unsuccessful finding a willing landlord.
- There are no co-location opportunities that will work.
- from the Lansdowne area to make a difference for As per the City's suggestion that Rogers explore 6733 Buswell, unfortunately this is too far away coverage purposes in this area.

Proposed location

landowner to for an additional site at that location to support upgrading their network further to the However, Rogers is in conversation with the



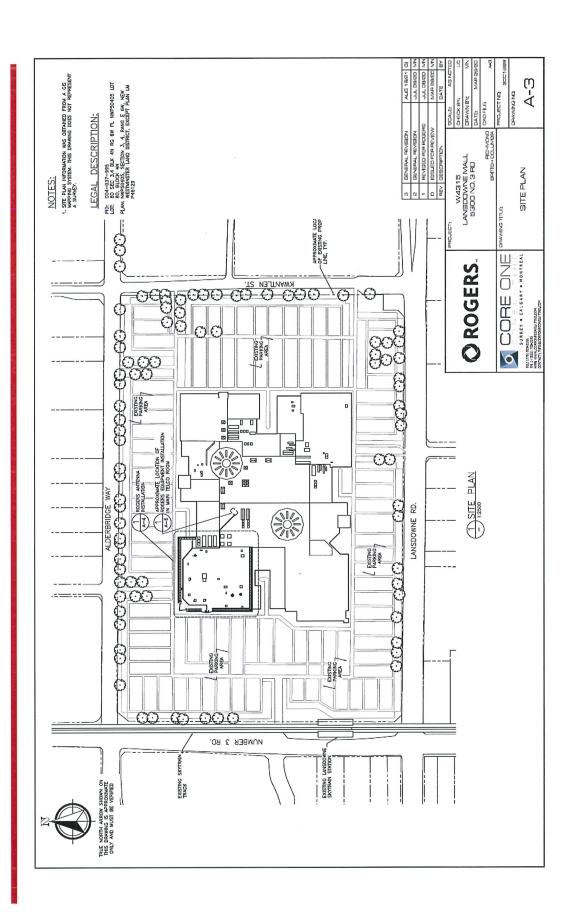
# Existing Site Locations



Rogers is proposing a rooftop antenna installation at Lansdowne Mall to service the immediate area because the installation that is currently servicing the area in up for renewal in November, and it is doubtful that current landowner will renew their agreement with Rogers based on terms that Rogers can accept. In order to maintain service, Rogers is proposing this new installation at 5530 No. 3 Rd.

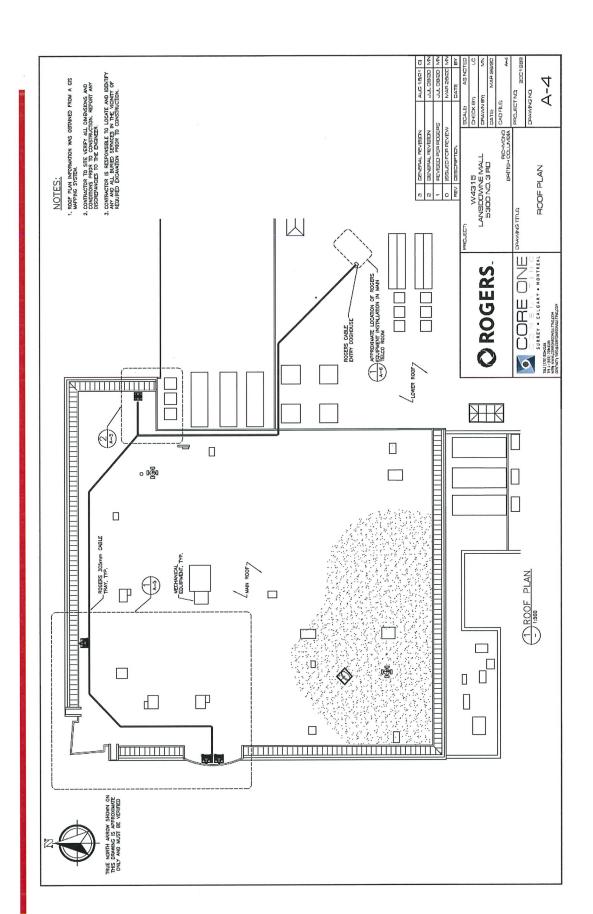
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Site Plan



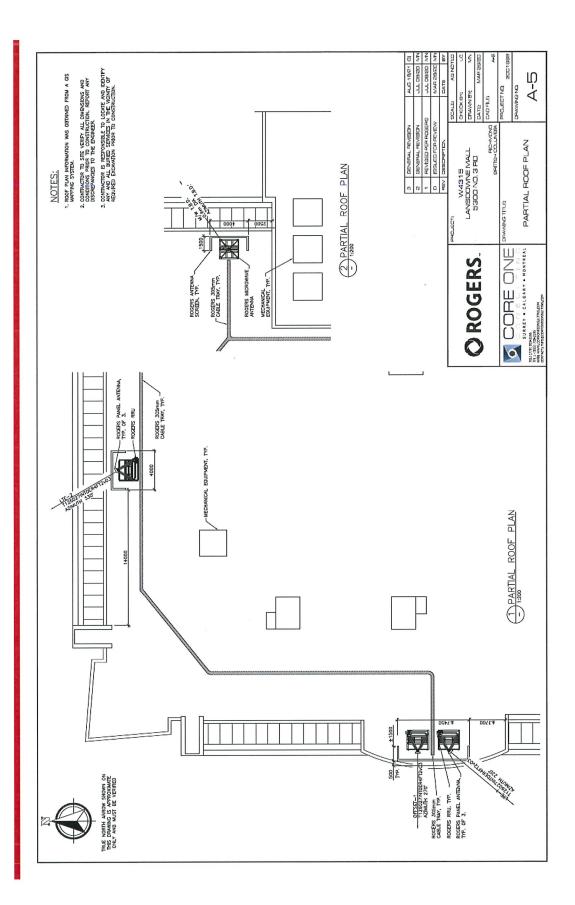
# Roof Plan





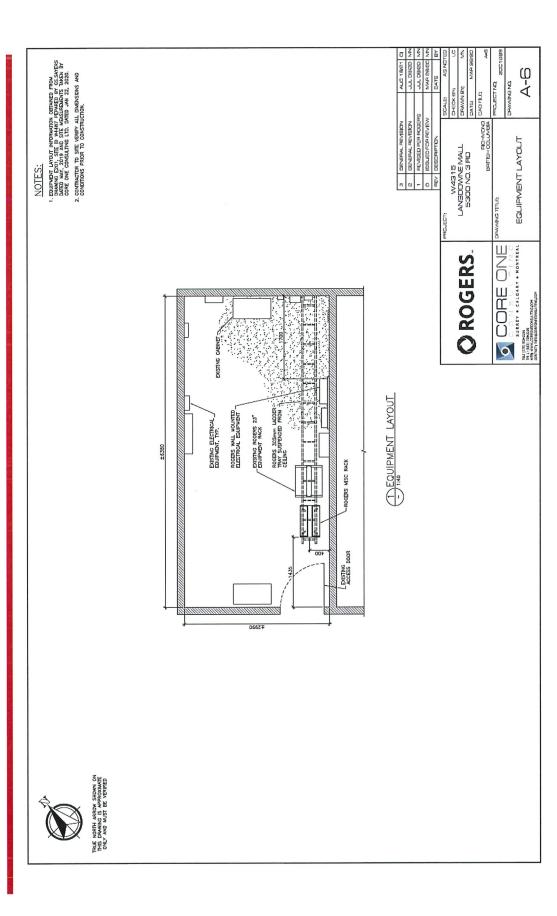


# Partial Roof Plan



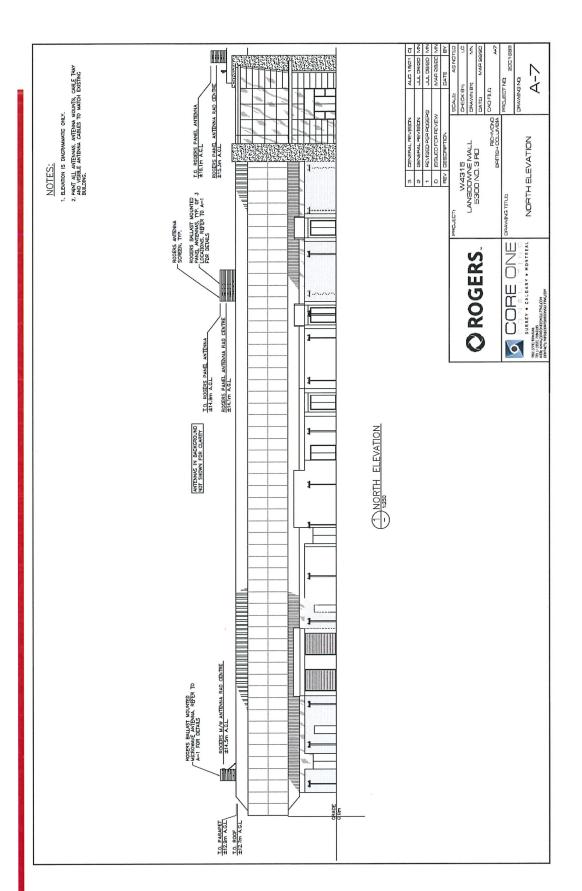






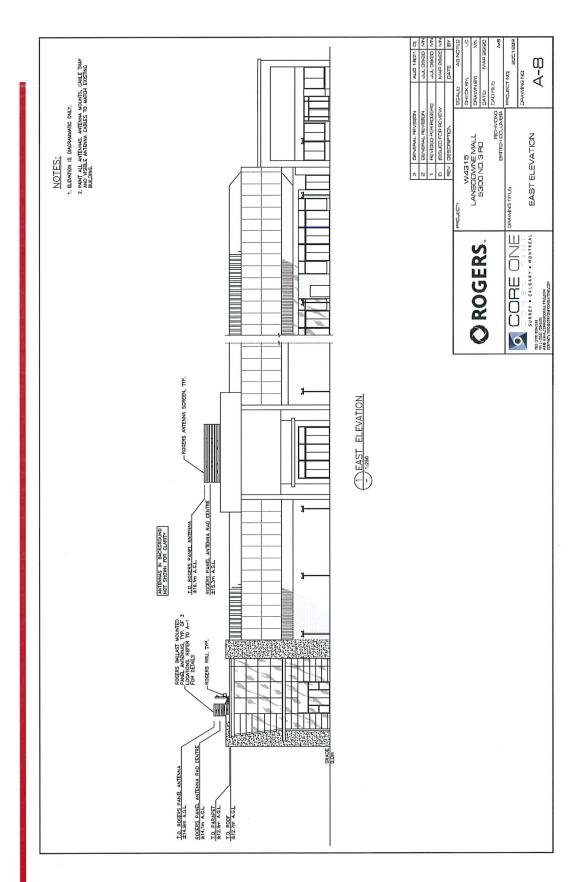


# North Elevation











# Photo-Simulation



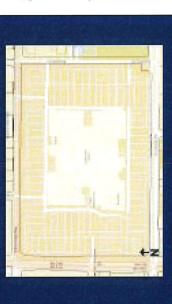
### **DVP Sign**



# Development Variance Permit Application Application No. DV 21-930954

### 5300 No. 3 Road

telecommunication antennas to be located The City of Richmond has received an application to allow building mounted on the roof of the existing building at 5300 No. 3 Road.



Applicant: Rogers Communications Inc. Contact:Cypress Land Services Inc (Tawny Verigin 604.657.8307)

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### Public input:

process up to and including the Development Permit Panel. Input on the application may be received throughout the

### Project milestones

Application Received: April 26, 2021

Staff Review

Development Permit Parral: September 29, 2021, Man 3:30pm City Hall

### For more information

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