



City of Richmond

Report to Committee


To: General Purposes Committee **Date:** October 30, 2019
From: Carli Williams, P.Eng. **File:** 12-8275-01/2019-Vol
 Manager, Community Bylaws and Licencing 01
Re: **Approval for Amusement Centres at 3430 - 4151 Hazelbridge Way and 180 - 4551 No 3 Road**

Staff Recommendation

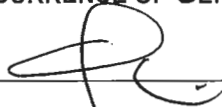

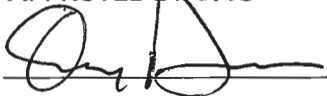
That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10103, which adds,

- 1) The address of 4151 Hazelbridge Way Unit 3430 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate, and;
- 2) The address of 4551 No. 3 Road Unit 180 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate,

be given first, second and third readings.


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Att. 2

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Staff Report

Origin

One of the categories of regulated businesses in Richmond is Amusement Centre which contains Amusement Machines, defined in the Business Regulation Bylaw No. 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 No. 7538 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 two applications:

1. Axon Driver Solution Ltd., doing business as, Axon Driver Solutions to operate eight driving simulator machines from premises situated at 4151 Hazelbridge Way Unit 3430; and
2. Min Hang Happy World Ltd. to operate 30 amusement machines from 4551 No. 3 Road Unit 180.

These premises are not listed as approved addresses on Schedule A.

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

Axon Driver Solution Ltd. recently reapplied for a Business Licence to operate a driver training school under the business name of Axon Driver School. As well as using the simulators for driver training, Axon Driver Solution will also be using the simulators for entertainment. As a result, any more than four machines requires that they are approved as an Amusement Centre and hold a valid Business Licence for both uses. Axon Driver Solution Ltd. has recently received building final approval for renovations and should have no issues which would prevent this Business Licence from being issued.

Min Hang Happy World Ltd. is a new business and has never operated in Richmond. This company plans on operating an Amusement Centre with 30 amusement machines and will also be applying for a second Business Licence for a pool hall with four pool tables and two ping pong tables for entertainment.

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 Cafes and traditional arcades. Simulator games when used for entertainment are captured under

this category and must be licenced as an Amusement Arcade as well. Amusement Centres are a regulated business because of their historic potential to impact the community and attraction of problematic activities. The City has imposed these regulations to minimize this risk including restricted operating hours and rules prohibiting gambling, fighting and consumption of alcohol. These businesses may be inspected from time to time to ensure regulatory compliance of the regulations.

Axon Driver Solution Ltd.

The first applicant, Axon Driver Solution Ltd., will be operating eight simulators both as driver training simulators and also for entertainment use at 4151 Hazelbridge Way Unit 3430. This business is also going through a licencing program with the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (“ICBC”) to be an accredited driver training program. In consideration of the low relative number of amusement machines and overall business model providing driver training, staff feel that this business will create little or no negative impact on the community.

The location of this business is zoned Residential Mixed Use Commercial (ZMU9) – Aberdeen Village (City Centre), which permits among other uses, Amusement Centre. The unit is situated on the 3rd floor of Aberdeen Centre Mall. The zone provides for medium density, transit-supportive, mixed use development in an area affected by aircraft noise. Aberdeen Centre Mall has three floors of commercial units mainly providing retail, general; different services; and various restaurant uses with currently 148 issued licences. This property is situated on Hazelbridge Way, south of Cambie Road. (Attachment 1)

Min Hang Happy World Ltd.

The second applicant, Min Hang Happy World Ltd., is a new company which has never operated in the City of Richmond. The operator is intending on operating an Amusement Centre with 30 amusement machines as well as a pool hall with four pool tables and two ping pong tables. The location of this business is zoned Auto-Oriented Commercial (CA) which provides for a mix of commercial and related uses oriented to vehicular access. Among other uses, Amusement Centre is one of the permitted uses in this zone. The unit is situated in a one level building with 10 units. There are currently 18 businesses operating on this parcel. This property is situated on No. 3 Road, north of Leslie Road (Attachment 2).

RCMP Review

As part of the application process, staff check with Richmond R.C.M.P to determine if there is any history or concerns with a business or operator which may affect the compliance of a business once, and if a licence is approved and issued. For both these operators, it has been determined that there are no issues which would concern City staff in the issuance of the business licence.

Building Review

Further to the bylaw amendment, each applicant is required to ensure that their premises meets all building regulations before a Business Licence would be issued. Staff ensure that the premises have no outstanding permits or that the operator has not conducted renovations without

permits prior to the issuance of the business licence. Currently, there are no outstanding or open permits on either premises which would affect the issuance of these licences.

Health Review

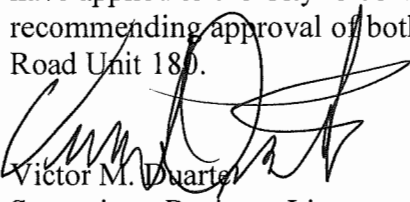
In addition to the RCMP and Building Review, if the business requests to add food service to the business, staff ensure that the premises meet the Vancouver Coastal Health regulations and requirements prior to the issuance of the business licence.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Amusement Centres are regulated under Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538. Two businesses have applied to the City to be added to the list of approved Amusement Centres and staff are recommending approval of both requests for 4151 Hazelbridge Way Unit 3430, and 4551 No. 3 Road Unit 180.



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Att. 1: Aerial View Map

Att. 2: Aerial View Map




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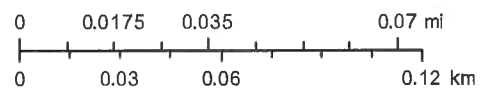
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 City Hall

Street Names

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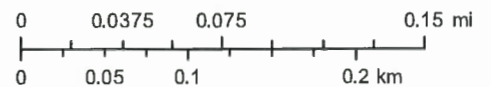


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Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10103

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. **Business Regulation Bylaw No.7538**, as amended, is further amended by deleting Schedule A thereto and replacing it with Schedule A attached to this bylaw.
2. This Bylaw is cited as “**Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10103**”.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED

ADOPTED

CITY OF RICHMOND
APPROVED for content by originating dept <i>[Signature]</i>
APPROVED for legality by Solicitor LB

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

**SCHEDULE A to BYLAW No. 7538
AMUSEMENT CENTRES**

Civic Address	Civic Number	Original Bylaw Reference
1. Alderbridge Way	7951 Unit 160	9798
2. Cambie Rd	8181 Unit 1000	9743
3. Entertainment Boulevard	14200 Unit 150	6810
4. Entertainment Boulevard	14211	6856
5. Garden City Rd	4731 Unit 140	6829
6. Hazelbridge Way	4151 Unit 3430	10103
7. No. 3 Road	3411 Unit 170	9191
8. No. 3 Road	3700	6044
9. No. 3 Road	4211	9961
10. No. 3 Road	4280 Unit 120	10029
11. No. 3 Road	4351 Unit 110	8546
12. No. 3 Road	4351 Unit 120	6833
13. No. 3 Road	4351 Unit 160	9639
14. No. 3 Road	4351 Unit 175	8474
15. No. 3 Road	4411 Unit 101	7316
16. No. 3 Road	4551 Unit 180	10103
17. No. 3 Road	5300	4540
18. No. 3 Road	5300 Unit 323	4540
19. Park Road	8160 Unit 105	9639
20. Sea Island Way	8555 Unit 120	9289
21. Viceroy Place	2100	7172
22. Westminster Highway	8260	6199

**6631 Sidaway Road – exempted from Zoning Bylaw