

Report to Committee

То:	General Purposes Committee
From:	W. Glenn McLaughlin Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager
Re:	Business Licence Regulation Bylaw 7538 Amendment Bylaw No. 9142

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Staff Recommendation

That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9142 which amends Schedule A of Bylaw 7538 to include the premises at Unit 118 - 4411 No. 3 Road 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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REPORT CONCURRENCE				
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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.

On April 15, 2014, Jun Hao Du, the owner (Applicant) of Q1 Billiards, located at Unit 118 – 4411 No. 3 Road, applied to the City for consideration that his location be permitted to add an additional 4 amusement machines to his existing Business Licence to enable him to operate a total of 8 amusement machines.

This report recommends that the Applicant's establishment be included among those locations specified in the bylaw where more than 4 amusement machines would be permitted.

Analysis

The subject property is zoned Automobile-Oriented District (CA). One of the permitted uses in this zoning district is an Amusement Centre with a billiard/pool hall included within the scope of the Amusement Centre definition.

DMD Enterprise Ltd., doing business as Q1 Billiards, currently operates a billiard/pool hall; refreshment stand; retail accessories and 4 amusement machines from the premises. There has been a billiard/pool hall operating from this location since 2004. The Applicant was approved for a transfer of the then current business licence and has been operating this business since June of 2013.

Billiard/Pool Halls are a regulated business with operator obligations and prohibitions; age restrictions, hours of operations and other regulations. If approved, this establishment will also be regulated by the Amusement Centre regulations in the Business Regulation Bylaw, with the more restrictive regulations applying to the common premises.

All Amusement Centres are inspected from time to time by the Richmond Joint Inspection Team to ensure compliance with the City's regulations. There have been no violations or infractions noted against this business or the operator. The RCMP was contacted with details of the proposal and did not have any concerns regarding the request to add additional amusement machines.

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Financial Impact

None

Conclusion

Amusement Centres are regulated under the City's Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538 and staff are recommending that Unit 118 - 4411 No 3 Road 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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Bylaw 9142

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APPROVED for content by originating

dept.

APPROVED for legality by Solicitor



Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9142

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 35:

	Civic address	Civic Number	Original Bylaw Reference
35A.	No. 3 Road	4411 – Unit 118	9142

2. This Bylaw is cited as "Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9142".

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER