

Report to Committee Fast Track Application

To:

Planning Committee

Date:

February 3, 2005

From:

Raul Allueva

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RZ 05-288407

Director of Development

Re:

Application by Gurinder Bath for the Rezoning of a Portion of

23960 Thompson Gate from Local Commercial District (C1) to Single-Family

Housing District, Subdivision Area F (R1/F)

Staff Recommendation

That Bylaw No. 7901, for the rezoning of a portion of 23960 Thompson Gate from "Local Commercial District (C1)" to "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area F (R1/F)", be introduced and given first reading.

Raul Allueva

Director of Development

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CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER

Prior to Final Adoption of the Rezoning Bylaw, the following is required.

• Ministry of Transportation approval.

Item	Details	
Application	RZ 05-288407	
Location	A portion of 23960 Thompson Gate	
Owner	P. Dhanda; J. Sidhu	
Applicant	Gurinder Bath	
Date Received	January 10, 2005	
Acknowledgement Letter	January 19, 2005	
Fast Track Compliance	February 2, 2005	
Staff Report	February 3, 2005	
Planning Committee	February 22, 2005	
Site Size	Entire Parcel – 3,260 m ² (35,090 ft ²)	
	Portion zoned Local Commercial District (C1) – 1,964 m ² (21,140 ft ²)	
Land Uses	Existing – Vacant	
	Proposed – 3 proposed single-family lots	
Zoning	Existing – R1/F for western portion	
	C1 for eastern portion	
	Proposed – R1/F for entire parcel	
Planning Designations	General OCP - Neighbourhood Residential	
	Hamilton Sub Area – Residential (Mixed multi-family and single-family)	
	Proposal complies with planning designations	
Surrounding Development	The subject site is surrounded by single-family dwellings zoned R1/F to the north, south and west. Boundary Road and single-family dwellings within the City of New Westminster are positioned east of the site.	
Staff Comments	Staff note that the site can be serviced by potable water and drainage. As there is no sanitary sewer service in this area, the proposal is to rezone to R1/F. This zoning district is intended to be use in un-sewered areas as it requires a larger lot area and depth to implement an adequate septic field.	

Analysis

- All 3 proposed lots comply with minimum lot size requirements in the R1/F zone, which requires a larger lot area to provide space for a septic system that can adequately service the dwelling.
- At subdivision stage, Richmond Health approval will be required for the proposed septic system servicing the dwellings on future subdivided lots. The forthcoming Building Permits for any proposed dwellings will examine the design and adequacy of the septic system, which is circulated to Richmond Health for review. The applicant has been informed of these future requirements and will correspond with Richmond Health to ensure that the septic systems are adequately designed to service the proposed dwellings.
- The applicant intends to construct single-family dwellings on the 2 proposed westerly lots and leave the larger easterly lot vacant for future construction of a single-family residential dwelling.
- The applicant is wishing to remove the Local Commercial District (C1) zoning and replace it with the R1/F residential zone. Staff support the removal of the C1 zone, as commercial uses permitted in this zoning district are not consistent with the low-density residential character of the area. Furthermore, the Land Use Map within the Hamilton Sub Area Plan also designates the site and surrounding area for residential land uses, which is not consistent with the C1 zoning currently in place on the subject site.
- The rezoning application is consistent with the direction set forth in the Hamilton Sub Area Plan, which designates the site for residential (mixed multi-family and singlefamily).
- The Hamilton Area Plan includes a phasing plan for 3 sub-areas that have development potential. The subject site is located in Phase 2 (Boundary Road/Thompson Gate area). Most redevelopment activity involving compact single-family lots and townhouses is occurring in the Phase 1 area (Lower Westminster area) where full services are available.
 - To date, the City has not processed any development applications in the Phase 2 area.
 - Although identified as Phase 2, the proposal is consistent with current development policies applicable to the area as the applied for zoning district is intended for lots without sanitary sewer service.

Analysis (con't)	o The proposal to rezone the commercial zoning (C1) and replace it with a single-family residential zone (R1/F) is consistent with the character of the neighbourhood and does not introduce a more intensive residential land use or density to the
	area.

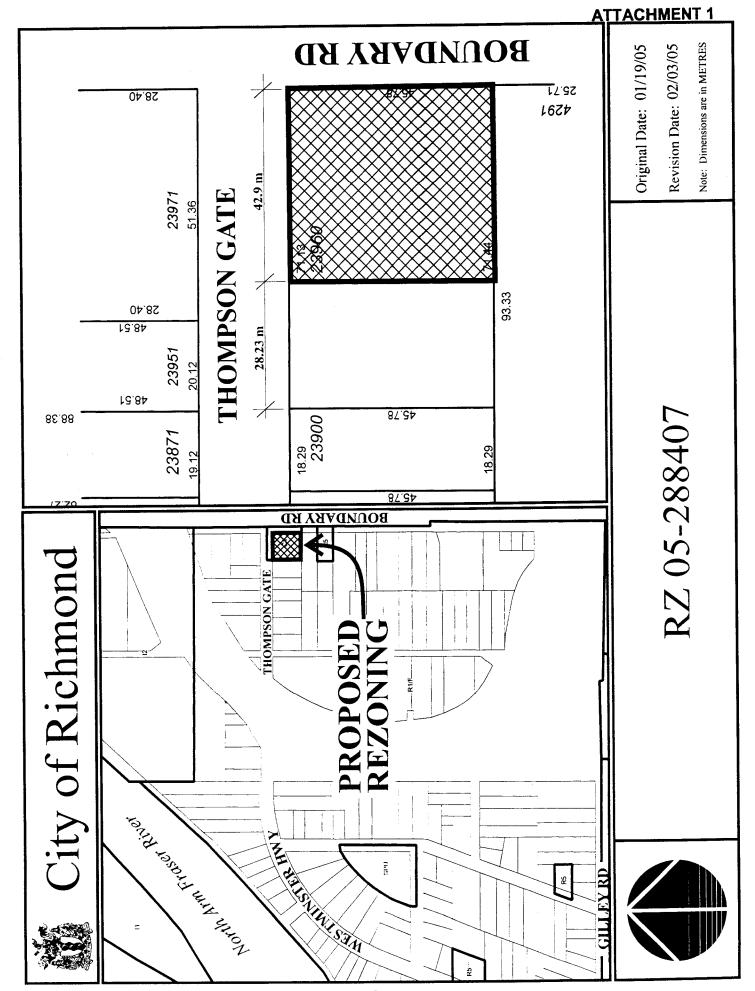
Attachments	Attachment 1 – Location Map; Attachment 2 – Proposed Subdivision and Site Plan; Attachment 3 – Hamilton Sub Area Land Use Map
Recommendation	Staff support the rezoning application that would allow the applicant to implement the R1/F zoning district across the entire parcel (westerly portion already zoned R1/F) in order to enable the future subdivision of 3 residential lots.

Kevin Eng

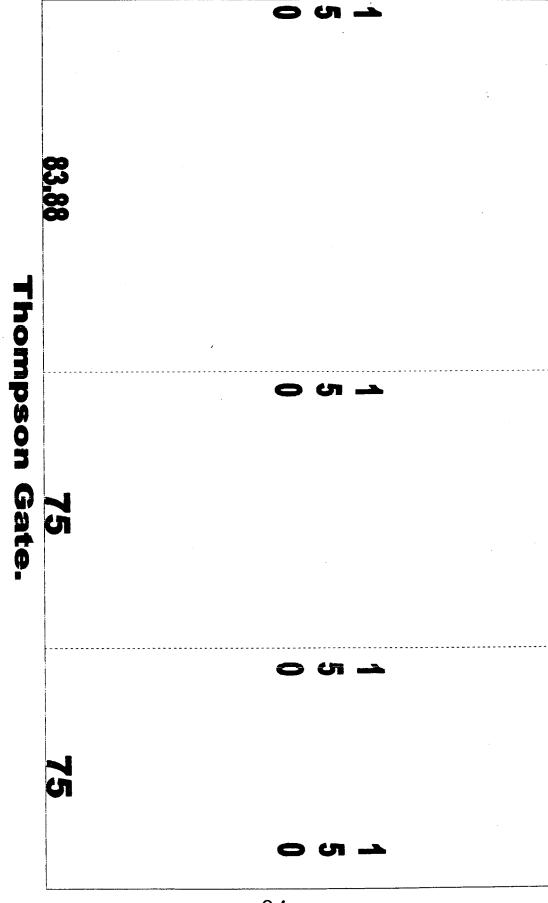
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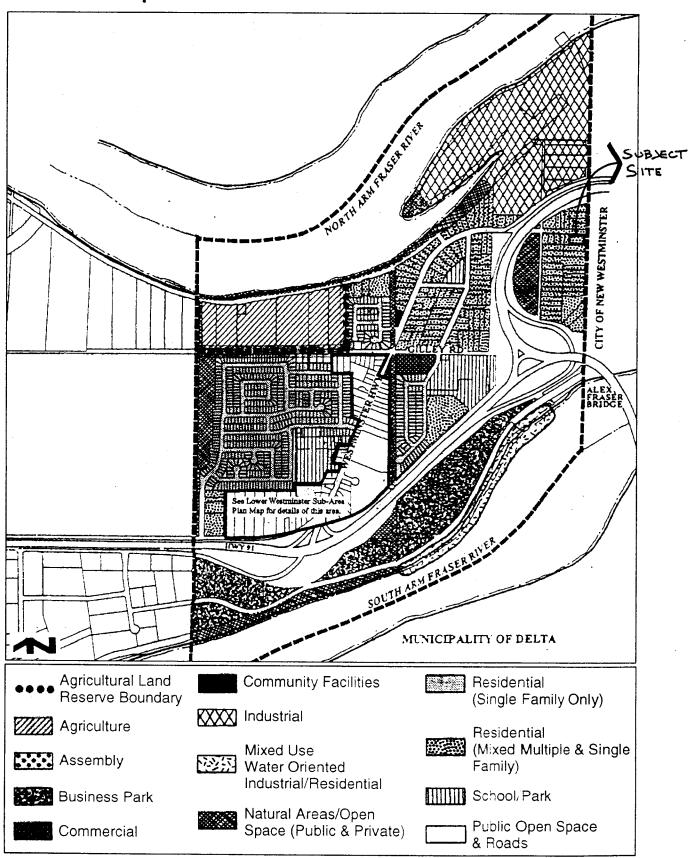
23960 Thompson

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Land Use Map



Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300 Amendment Bylaw 7901 (RZ 05-288407) A PORTION OF 23960 THOMPSON GATE

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The Zoning Map of the City of Richmond, which accompanies and forms part of Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300, is amended by repealing the existing zoning designation of the following area and by designating it SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA F (R1/F).

That area shown cross-hatched on "Schedule A attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 7901"

2. This Bylaw may be cited as "Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300, Amendment Bylaw 7901".

FIRST READING	CITY OF RICHMONI
A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON	
SECOND READING	APPROVE by Directo or Solicito
THIRD READING	
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION	
ADOPTED	
MAYOR	CITY CLERK

