



City of Port Moody

Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: August 21, 2020
Submitted by: Planning and Development Department – Policy Planning Division
Subject: Request for Comments – Village of Belcarra Proposed OCP Amendment Bylaw to Enable Recreational Docks in the Highway Encroachment Area

Purpose

To bring forward a request from the Village of Belcarra for comments regarding proposed Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020, which enables recreational docks to be considered in the Highway Encroachment Area (HEA) on Marine Avenue and Senkler Road.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT proposed Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020 be supported as recommended in the report dated August 21, 2020 from the Planning and Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Request for Comments – Village of Belcarra Proposed OCP Amendment Bylaw to Enable Recreational Docks in the Highway Encroachment Area.

Background

At its July 20, 2020 meeting, Belcarra Council gave first and second reading to Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020 with a request that it be distributed to the City of Port Moody for comments. A related letter from the Village of Belcarra is included as **Attachment 1**. Proposed Village of Belcarra OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020 is included as **Attachment 2**. This bylaw has been referred to Public Hearing on September 14, 2020.

Discussion

On June 15, 2020 the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) lifted the moratorium on recreational docks which had been in place for a decade. This change necessitated an update to the Village of Belcarra OCP to remove those sections of the 2011 OCP that proposed policies for the use of lands and water in the jurisdiction of the VFPA. The proposed OCP amendment clarifies that the Village will be using the new VFPA Recreational Dock Guidelines for Burrard Inlet¹ to guide Village residents with property upland of Marine Avenue, who may wish to build

¹ <https://www.portvancouver.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Recreational-Dock-Guidelines-for-Burrard-Inlet.pdf>

or repair docks, with preference given to Group Wharfages, consistent with VFPA and Village regulations.

The map in **Attachment 3** identifies a stretch along the east side of Bedwell Bay where the Village of Belcarra is the upland owner (see purple hatched area). Access to recreational docks through this upland area will require a Village Highway Encroachment Agreement, as part of the VFPA approval process. This requirement is formalized in the proposed OCP amendment.

Other Option(s)

THAT proposed Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020 be received for information.

Financial Implications

There is no budgetary impact associated with the City of Port Moody reviewing proposed Village of Belcarra OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020.

Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Referral of proposed Village of Belcarra OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020 to Port Moody City Council for review is in keeping with the consultation requirements of section 475(b)(iii) of the *Local Government Act*.

Council Strategic Plan Objectives

The proposed Village of Belcarra OCP amendment to reflect VFPA's new regulatory program to manage recreational docks is consistent with the Port Moody Council Strategic Plan objective of forming effective relationships with stakeholders to improve service delivery.

Attachment(s)

1. Letter from the Village of Belcarra dated July 28, 2020 regarding Village of Belcarra proposed OCP Amendment Bylaw to enable Recreational Docks in the Highway Encroachment Area.
2. Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 566, 2020.
3. Map showing area where the Village of Belcarra is the upland owner.

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Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Request for Comments - Village of Belcarra Proposed OCP Amendment Bylaw Regarding Recreational Docks.docx
Attachments:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Attachment 1 - Letter to Tim Savoie, VOB Proposed OCP Amendment Bylaw HEA - letter.pdf- Attachment 2 - Village of Belcarra Bylaw 566, 2020 - Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011 Amendment Bylaw.pdf- Attachment 3 - Map showing area where the Village of Belcarra is the upland owner.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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