

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**RECORD OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, JULY 29, 2019 COUNCIL CHAMBERS
3400 – 30 STREET, VERNON, B.C.**

PRESENT: Acting Mayor Brian Quiring
(Mayor V. Cumming, absent)

Councillors: K. Fehr, K. Gares, A. Mund, S. Anderson,
D. Nahal

Staff: W. Pearce, CAO
P. Bridal, DCAO / Director, Corporate Services
S. Blakely, Manager, Legislative Services
E. Croy, Transportation Planner
A. Watson, Manager, Transportation
K. Flick, Director, Community Infrastructure & Development
K. Poole, Manager, Economic Development & Tourism

Others: Members of the Public

Acting Mayor Quiring called the Public Hearing to order at 5:30 p.m.

Acting Mayor Quiring outlined the procedures to be followed.

Corporate Officer, Patti Bridal advised that Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the **Friday, July 19, 2019, and Wednesday, July 24, 2019** issues of the Morning Star Newspaper, as required by the *Local Government Act*.

Administration provided a brief overview of the application.

Acting Mayor Quiring called a first time for representation from the public in attendance with regard to:

A. “Zoning Text (Parking & Loading) Amendment Bylaw Number 5719, 2018”

Prior to the Public Hearing no written submissions were received.

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“Zoning Text (Parking & Loading) Amendment Bylaw Number 5719, 2018”

SPEAKER NAME	COMMENTS
Deb White, on behalf of Vernon Greater Chamber of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grateful to work with the City on this bylaw• Noted several new businesses in the downtown core• Question is whether they would be downtown if they were required to pay for parking• Needs reassurances

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs answer to questions • Admin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What are the current parking availability on all lots? A. in Surface Lots: 2018 93% sold out and 98% March 2019 sold out – 72% of Parkade sold out March 2019. Short Term lots 95% occupied lot 31st Avenue mid-day and 71% occupied at 29th Street mid-day (morning and evenings lower) ○ Generally industry standard is that 85% is considered full ○ Has there been research done on User Pay Models? A. Needs clarification (unsure) once more data is received COV can examine other methods ○ What is Parkade Occupancy? A. 72% of monthly passes sold out ○ When would parking be available (ie. immediately or at a later date)? A. Depends on costs at the time and the funding available ○ Noted User Pay – outside of C7 and C8 businesses all businesses must pay for parking on private land – the businesses in downtown would still pay less than these districts for the provision of parking ○ Q. Council: If a Business creates a patio – is that added square footage? A. Patios are seasonal, so no additional parking is required. ○ Q. Council: Can people still park at the Civic Arena? A. That parking has been eliminated ○ Q. Council: How many people parked at the Civic Arena? A. Do not have that number currently available
<p>Richard Rolke, on behalf of Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looked at Bylaw and still not completely clear – does the bylaw only apply to new construction or renovations or change or use? • A. Admin: Commercial parking requirements in C7 and C8 are not tied to Change of Use, however if additional square footage is added they would be required to provide additional off street parking • Q. Would the parking bylaw only apply to the building as a whole or just the additional square footage? A. Admin: Just the additional added square footage.

Acting Mayor Quiring called a second, third and final time for representation from the public. There being none, Acting Mayor Quiring closed the Public Hearing for:

“Zoning Text (Parking & Loading) Amendment Bylaw Number 5719, 2018”

CLOSE:

The Public Hearing closed at 5:51 pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Victor Cumming
Mayor



~~Patti Bridal~~ Susan Siskely
Dp. Corporate Officer