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Minutes of Council Meeting September 23, 2024 6:30 PM

Town Hall, Council Chambers – 105 Elgin St. W. Arnprior, ON.

Council and Staff Attendance

Council Members Present (In-Person):

Mayor Lisa McGee
County Councillor Dan Lynch
Councillor Tom Burnette
Councillor Chris Toner
Councillor Chris Couper
Councillor Billy Denault

Council Members Present (Electronic):

None

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Lynn Cloutier

Town Staff Present:

Robin Paquette, CAO
Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager Client Services/Treasurer
John Steckly, General Manager Operations
Alix Jolicoeur, Manager of Community Services / Planner
Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation
Lucas Power, Program and Events Supervisor
Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk
Oliver Jacob, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lisa McGee called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called, with all Members of Council being present except Councillor Lynn Cloutier.

3. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Lisa McGee asked everyone to take a moment to acknowledge and show respect for the Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land we operate on, by stating:

“I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we work, and gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Anishinaabe People. This Algonquin Nation have lived on this land for thousands of years, long before the arrival of the European settlers, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory.”

4. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution Number 303-24
Moved by Chris Couper
Seconded by Dan Lynch

Be It Resolved That the amended agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, September 23, 2024 be adopted, with an updated recommendation for item number 12(a).

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None

6. Question Period

None

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 304-24

Moved by Billy Denault

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under Item 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – September 9, 2024).

Resolution Carried

8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

Delegations:

i. Marina Parking and Access to Marina Slips – Cheryl Grenier

Cheryl Grenier provided information regarding her concerns about Marina Parking and Access to Marina Slips, particularly for those who have accessibility-related needs, with the following being a summary of the comments/requests received:

- Her main concern is related to the access to the boat slips being restricted with the segregation of the slips from the parking area alongside the Gillies Trail revitalization last year. The accessible loading area closest to the boat slips is too small and it is difficult for those with mobility challenges to access with walkers/wheelchairs due to the gravel surface.
- Her secondary concern is the limited parking for vehicles with trailers (10-12 spaces) and the placement of the parking area along the hill which is often difficult to maneuver with a vehicle and trailer. Due to the limited parking, vehicles often have to park on Ottawa Street and Albert Street and walk back down to the Marina which can be difficult for young families with kids, seniors and those with mobility challenges.
- She also inquired as to how emergency vehicles can access the boat slips or Gillies Trail should an emergency circumstance arise if the gates are locked.
- She also further inquired if there can be additional options created for visitors to dock at daily slips to increase tourism.
- She requested that Council and Town staff engage with those who have shared their concerns to date and work together to find appropriate solutions.

Mayor McGee thanked Ms. Grenier for her comments and concerns and noted that she looks forward to engaging and discussing options where possible, in the near future.

ii. 2024 Santa Claus Parade – Bill Greise

Bill Greise from the 2024 Santa Claus Parade Organizing Committee provided information to Council regarding this year's Santa Claus Parade, with the following being a summary of the comments / requests received:

- This year's parade will take place on Saturday, November 23rd, 2024 and it is being hosted in honour of the late Glenn Arthur who championed the project following Theresa Carron's passing.
- The organizing committee has already met with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Town's Operations Department to finalize the 2024 route. The parade will follow the same route as last year and it will include the customary visit with Santa Claus at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 174.
- They expect that there will be around sixty-five (65) floats which will be one of the largest contingents for a community of our size in Eastern Ontario. They are working with numerous sponsors and community partners.
- The event is going to support the Arnprior and District Food Bank.
- They are currently working to recruit more volunteers to walk with the floats; however, participants on floats will be required to remain on the float, at all times, throughout the parade.
- The organizing committee would like to request that the Town of Arnprior participate in the event with three floats (Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and Council) and contribute through the in-kind inclusion of event literature in the September/October 2024 water bills (to be delivered in early November 2024).

Mayor McGee thanked Mr. Greise for his update and it was noted that their Municipal Grants Application will be brought forward to the October 15th, 2024 meeting for Council consideration.

9. Public Meetings

a) Zoning By-law Amendment 3/24 (150 Staye Court Drive)

Resolution Number 305-24 (6:44 PM)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council move into a public meeting regarding an application for Zoning By-Law Amendment 3/24 for 150 Staye Court Drive.

Resolution Carried

The public meeting was opened at 6:44 PM. Alix Jolicoeur, Manager of Community Services and Planner, provided an overview presentation, attached as Appendix A and

forming part of these minutes, outlining the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment No. 3/24 for the subject property located at 150 Staye Court Drive.

It was noted that the applicant has withdrawn part of their proposal, with respect to the reduction of the front yard setback from 6 metres to 0 metres.

Following the presentation, the meeting was opened to the public for comment. No members of the public provided any comment.

Resolution Number 306-24 (6:47 PM)

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council resume to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution Carried

10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

11. Notice of Motions

None

12. Staff Reports

a) Zoning By-law Amendment 3/24 (150 Staye Court Drive) – Town Planner

Resolution Number 307-24

Moved by Billy Denault

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council adopts a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 6875-18 to amend the zoning for 150 Staye Court Drive, known legally as Concession 12, Part of Lot 4, RP49R1457 Part of Part 8, Town of Arnprior, from Mixed Use Commercial/Employment Zone to Mixed Use Commercial/Employment Zone Exception 47 (MU-CE*47) to reduce the minimum required setback from a Provincial Highway right-of-way for a structure without a foundation from 14 m to 8 m; and

Further That Council acknowledge the withdrawal of the requested amendment to Zoning By-law 6875-18, for 150 Staye Court Drive, known legally as Concession 12, Part of Lot 4, RP49R1457 Part of Part 8, Town of Arnprior, to reduce the front yard setback from 6 m to 0 m; and

Further That Council has considered all written and oral submissions received on this application, the effect of which has helped Council make an informed decision.

Resolution Carried

b) WFP Filter #1 and #3 Media and Underdrain Replacement – General Manager, Operations

Resolution Number 308-24
Moved by Billy Denault
Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council authorize a by-law to award a project to Anthratech Western Inc. (AWI) for refurbishment of Filter #1 and #3 at the Water Filtration Plant (WFP), including supply and installation of new Phoenix Underdrain Laterals, feedboxes and optimized filter media in the amount of \$443,000 (plus applicable taxes), to be funded from the Water Reserve Fund.

Further That Council authorize the CAO to execute the agreements, and related documents with AWI to implement the defined scope of work.

Resolution Carried

c) Recreation and Parks Master Plan – Director of Recreation

Resolution Number 309-24
Moved by Billy Denault
Seconded by Chris Couper

That Council adopt the Recreation and Parks Master Plan, prepared by Stantec Consulting Limited, for use as a long-range planning tool and strategy to guide and inform future decisions with respect to the Town's recreational services that includes facilities, programming, trails and parks; and

Further That Council direct staff to incorporate the master plan recommendations into the long-range capital forecast (LRCF) and operations lines as part of the 2025 budget deliberations.

Resolution Carried

d) Proclamation for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30th, 2024) – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 310-24
Moved by Chris Couper
Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council proclaim September 30th, 2024 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas each year, September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, an opportunity to honour residential school survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process; and

Whereas this day builds on Orange Shirt Day, an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the clarion call that “Every Child Matters”. The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations; and

Whereas as a first step, a commemorative bench was installed and painted orange in Fall 2022 to honour lost Indigenous children, provide a space for healing and reflection, and provide a permanent commemoration for the history and legacy of residential schools and the resilience of residential school survivors as a vital component of the reconciliation process; and

Whereas the Town of Arnprior is humbly engaged in a learning path through building relationships with local Indigenous Nations and organizations in order to better understand the history of Indigenous-settler relationships, the enduring impacts of colonization and how we can best serve Indigenous community members while working together on the path of reconciliation and decolonization; and

Whereas community members are invited to join us on our learning path to share in the understanding of generations impacted by residential schools, and

Whereas a Flag Raising Ceremony will be held on Monday, September 30th, 2024, to raise awareness for the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation; and

Whereas the Arnprior and District Museum will be hosting a Truth and Reconciliation film screening of Beans, a 2020 film by Mohawk-Canadian filmmaker Tracey Deer which explores the 1990 Oka Crisis through the eyes of a young Mohawk girl, on September 30th, 2024 starting at 2:00 PM;

Now Therefore Council does hereby recognize September 30th, 2024, as the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day) in the Town of Arnprior and encourage all Members of Council, staff and residents wear orange as a sign of respect and to honour the thousands of survivors of residential schools.

e) Proclamation for Rett Syndrome Awareness Month (October 2024) – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 311-24
Moved by Billy Denault
Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council proclaim October 2024 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas Rett Syndrome is a rare genetic neurological disorder that occurs almost exclusively in girls and leads to severe impairments, affecting nearly every aspect of the individual's life; and

Whereas Rett Syndrome occurs worldwide in 1 of every 10,000 female births and it is usually recognized in children between 6-18 months of age as they begin to miss developmental milestones or lose abilities they had once gained; and

Whereas throughout their lives, these courageous individuals will need total care and constant support from their family as they will combat many medical challenges including seizures, osteoporosis, scoliosis, breath holding, hyperventilation, nutritional problems, apraxia and the loss of speech; and

Whereas in 1999, it was discovered that Rett Syndrome is primarily caused by a sporadic mutation in the MECP2 gene on the X chromosome, and since this discovery there are many research projects taking place across Ontario and Canada; and

Whereas as there is no Canadian Rett Syndrome Association, the Ontario Rett Syndrome Association has members across Canada and through donations and fundraising efforts have been able to fund the Canadian Rett Syndrome Registry and over \$678,000 in Canadian Rett syndrome research; and

Whereas Rett Syndrome clinics across the province provide direct critical support to the families and their loved ones on care and management issues, including at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO);

Now Therefore Council does hereby proclaim October 2024 as Rett Syndrome Awareness Month in the Town of Arnprior and urge all citizens to make an effort this month to learn more about Rett Syndrome, fight stigma, light Canada purple and wear a purple ribbon to show support.

13. Committee Reports and Minutes

a) Mayor's Report

Mayor McGee reported the following:

- She attended Men's Shed Grand Opening on Saturday, September 14th, 2024 with County Councillor Lynch and Councillors Denault and Couper. She noted that it was a beautiful day to celebrate their new space and that the event was very well attended.
- Later in the day, she brought greetings on behalf of Council and staff for the 100th birthday of Edward Czura and the event was also accompanied by a fire truck drive-by from the Arnprior Fire Department.
- On Sunday, September 15th, 2024, Mayor McGee attended the Terry Fox Run alongside County Councillor Lynch and Councillors Couper and Denault.
- Mayor McGee attended the Veterans' Dinner hosted by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 174. County Councillor Lynch was also in attendance as a veteran himself.
- She met with Lacey Smith from the Save The Grove Campaign to listen to her concerns, answer questions and provide details on the planning process. She also noted that she has had discussions with Pierre Dufresne, a representative of the developer involved.
- She attended a 2024 Santa Claus Parade organizing committee meeting which is being organized in Glenn Arthur's legacy before being transitioned to the Optimist Club of Arnprior for future years.
- This past weekend, she attended a regional meeting hosted by Habitat for Humanity and acted as a panelist for affordable housing. As part of the panel, she highlighted the Town's work on the Greater Arnprior Community Council on Poverty and Homelessness and the recent Housing Needs Study.
- Following the panel, she met with Christa Lowry, Mayor of the Town of Mississippi Mills.
- Mayor McGee attended the 2024 Knight in the Maritimes event hosted by the Arnprior Regional Health Foundation alongside Councillors Cloutier and Denault.
- On Monday, September 23rd, 2024, Mayor McGee and CAO Paquette met with the Chair of the Arnprior Airport Commission Board.

b) County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Lynch reported the following from the County of Renfrew:

- The next County Council meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 25th, 2024 and an update will be provided at the next Council meeting.

c) Committee Reports and Minutes

None

14. Correspondence & Petitions

a) Correspondence Package – I-24-SEPT-16

Resolution Number 312-24
Moved by Billy Denault
Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the Correspondence Package Number I-24-SEPT-16 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 3 – Natural Resources Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is now accepting applications from municipalities, Indigenous communities, planning authorities and conservation authorities to participate in the extension of the Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program (FHIMP), where up to 50% matched federal funding can be received for eligible flood mapping projects. County Councillor Lynch asked the CAO if the funding program might be beneficial to the Town.
 - CAO Paquette noted that the County of Renfrew is currently working on a County-wide floodplain mapping exercise in consultation with local municipalities, including the Town of Arnprior. The Town will continue to engage with the County as it works to finalize the project.
- Page 12 – The Government of Ontario is renaming the Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship (OMGC) to the Queen Elizabeth II Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship. Ontarians have received this honour, recognizing the many ways they have driven positive change in their communities and helped build a stronger province. Ontario Honours and Awards Portal. Applications are now open until 15 January 2025.
- Page 22 – The Government of Ontario is investing over \$910 million to increase the availability of ambulances across the province and to connect people and their families to emergency care faster and closer to home.
- Page 26 – The Government of Ontario is expanding its support for local emergency readiness with a second round of funding for the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant (CEPG) for 2024-25. This new \$5 million investment will help equip municipalities and organizations with essential resources, equipment and training to better prepare for natural disasters and emergencies. Applications are open until October 31, 2024. County Councillor Lynch asked the CAO if the Town will be applying for this grant opportunity.

- CAO Paquette noted that the Town is currently reviewing the grant program criteria and working to identify any emergency readiness projects that would be suitable for application.
- Page 39 – The Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure (CSRIF) will provide funding to municipalities, Indigenous communities, non-profit organizations and for-profit organizations (for new builds only) through two program streams for projects to repair or upgrade existing sport and recreation facilities (Stream 1) or build new and transformative sport and recreation facilities (Stream 2). County Councillor Lynch asked the CAO where the Town’s plan to submit an application stood at present.
 - CAO Paquette noted that Town staff are currently working on the submission for Stream 1 (including the collection of support letters from community groups) and it will be submitted by the grant deadline.

b) Correspondence Package – A-24-SEPT-12

Resolution Number 313-24
 Moved by Chris Couper
 Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the Correspondence Package Number A-24-SEPT-12 be received and the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council’s consideration.

Resolution Carried

15. By-laws & Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution Number 314-24
 Moved by Dan Lynch
 Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the following by-laws be and are hereby enacted and passed:

- i. By-Law No. 7522-24 – Award WFP Filter #1 and #3 Media and Underdrain Replacement
- ii. By-Law No. 7523-24 – Solid Waste Management
- iii. By-Law No. 7524-24 – Lift Reserve Blocks – Marshall’s Bay Meadows Subdivision – Phase 4
- iv. By-law No. 7525-24 – Zoning By-law Amendment (150 Stave Court Drive)

Resolution Carried

b) Resolutions

i. **Municipal Grants Application – Arnprior Special Olympics (2024 Annual General Meeting)**

Resolution Number 315-24
Moved by Chris Couper
Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the correspondence from Arnprior Special Olympics as information; and

Whereas Arnprior Special Olympics is an eligible organization under the Municipal Grants Policy and provides year-round sports training and athletic competition opportunities for individuals with intellectual disabilities;

Whereas Arnprior Special Olympics will be hosting their 2024 Annual General Meeting at the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall on Sunday, October 6th, 2024 between 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM; and

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the request for in-kind support through the waiving of rental fees for the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall (\$127.50) for the 2024 Arnprior Special Olympics' Annual General Meeting taking place on October 6th, 2024;

Further That Arnprior Special Olympics be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Arnprior added as an additional insured for the event.

Resolution Carried

16. Announcements

Councillor Chris Couper reported that he had met with Chandra Pasma, Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) for Ottawa West-Nepean, on Sunday, September 22nd, 2024 and discussed concerns related to the lack of school bus transportation in Renfrew County. They attended the Arnprior Sunday Market and walked John Street North to view the subject areas. She will be returning to the community on Tuesday, September 24th, 2024 to see the impacts during weekday dismissal time on John Street North and Ottawa Street. On the transportation issue, he also reported that negotiations are ongoing between the school boards, Renfrew County Joint Transportation Consortium and the bus companies.

Councillor Tom Burnette reported that he attended the Peace Pole Ceremony hosted by the Rotary Club of Arnprior as Deputy Mayor and brought greetings on behalf of Mayor

McGee and MPP John Yakabuski who were unable to attend. MP Cheryl Gallant and Councillors Cloutier, Toner and Denault were also in attendance.

17. Media Questions

None

18. Closed Session

None

19. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 316-24
Moved by Chris Toner
Seconded by Billy Denault

That By-law No. 7526-24 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 23, 2024 be and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

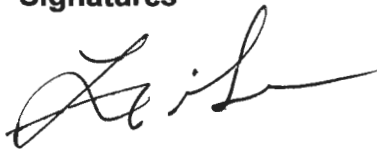
20. Adjournment

Resolution Number 317-24
Moved by Dan Lynch
Seconded by Tom Burnette

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Resolution Carried

Signatures



Lisa McGee, Mayor



Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk



Zoning By-law Amendment 3/24

150 Staye Court Drive

Alix Jolicoeur, Manager of
Community Services/Planner

September 23, 2024



General Public Meeting Information

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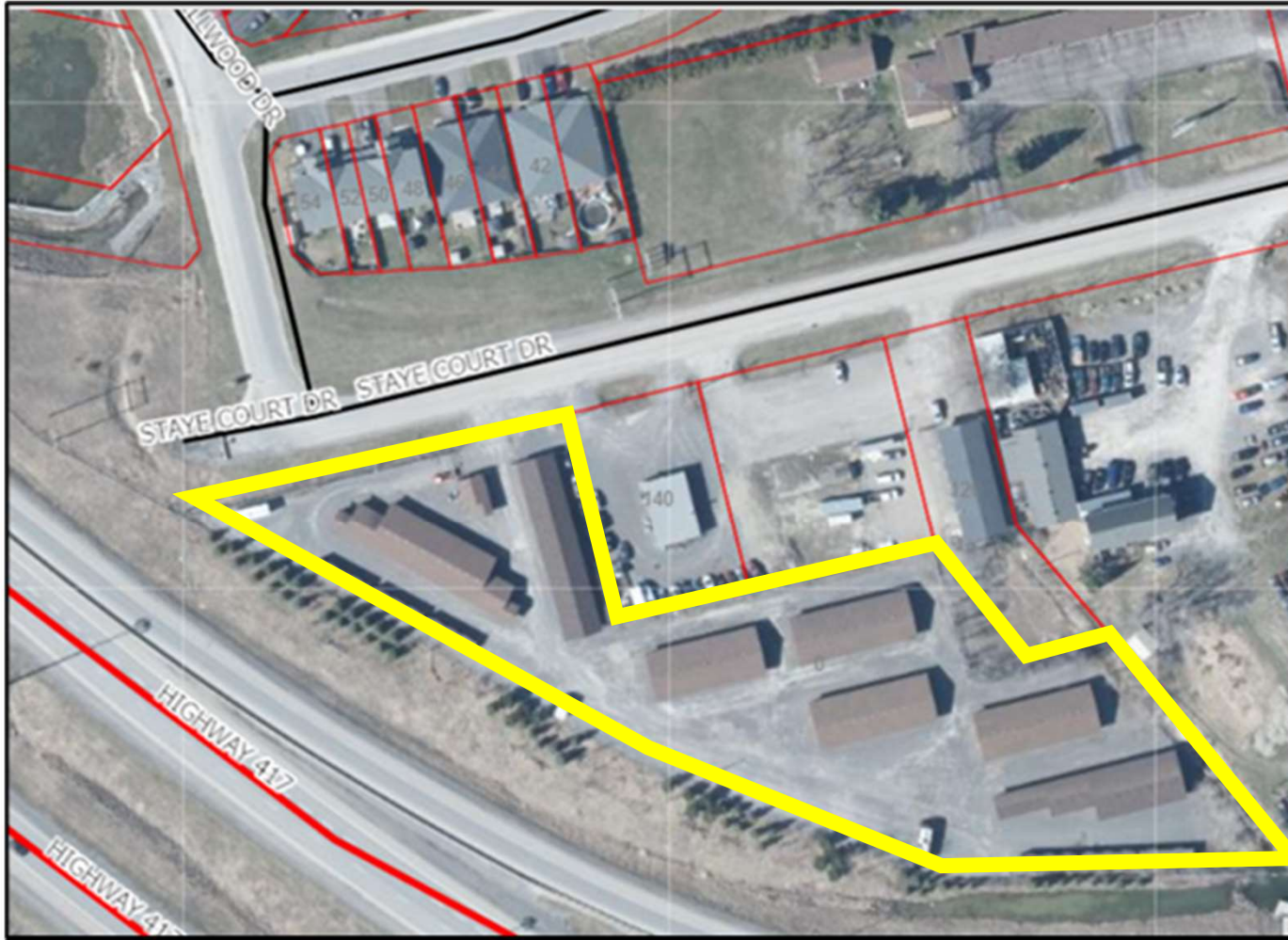
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Key Plan





Aerial Image, 2020



Background



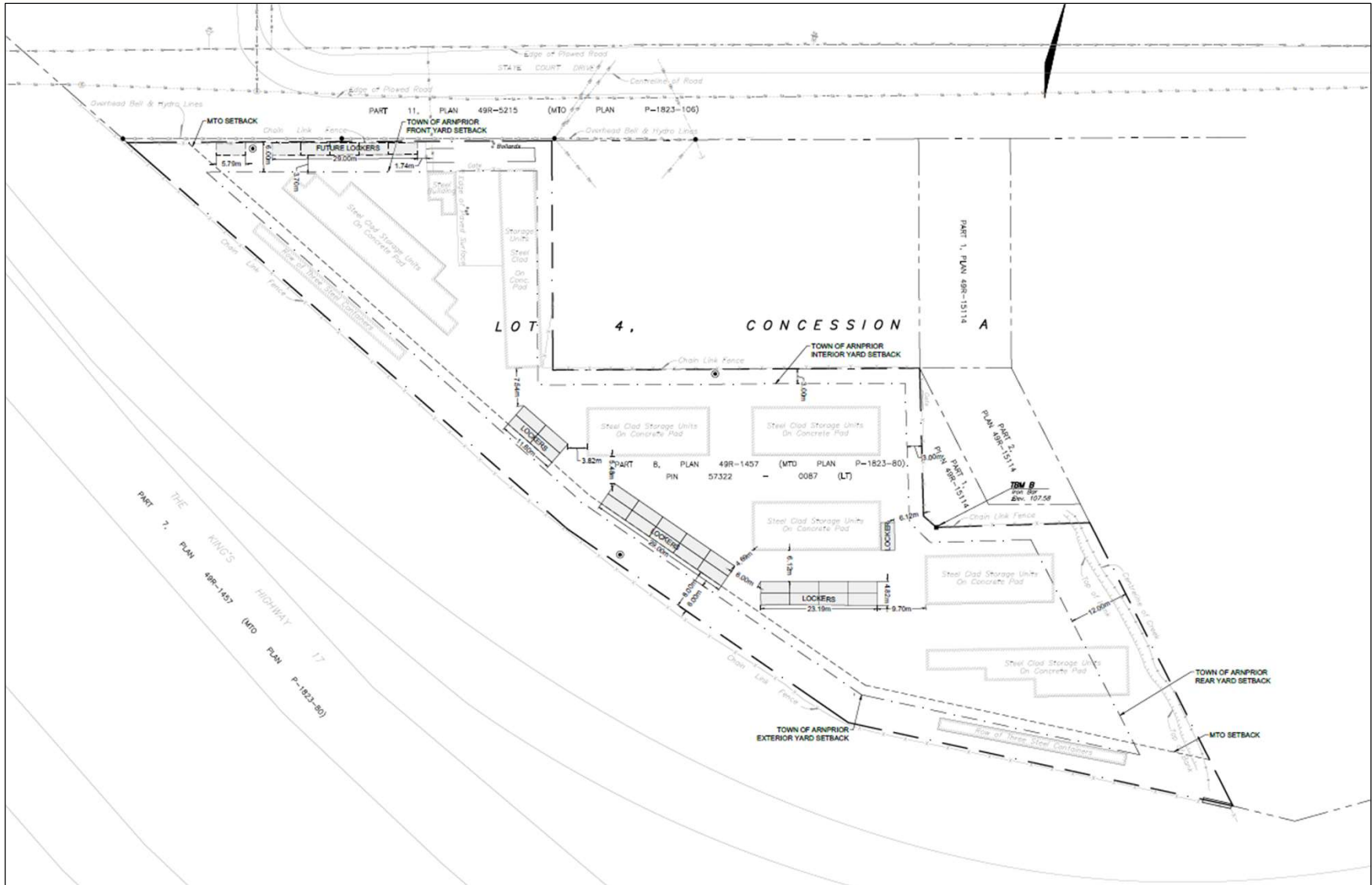
150 Staye Court Drive

- Existing Commercial Self Storage facility
- 0.94 ha lot
- 84.7 m of frontage on Staye Court Drive



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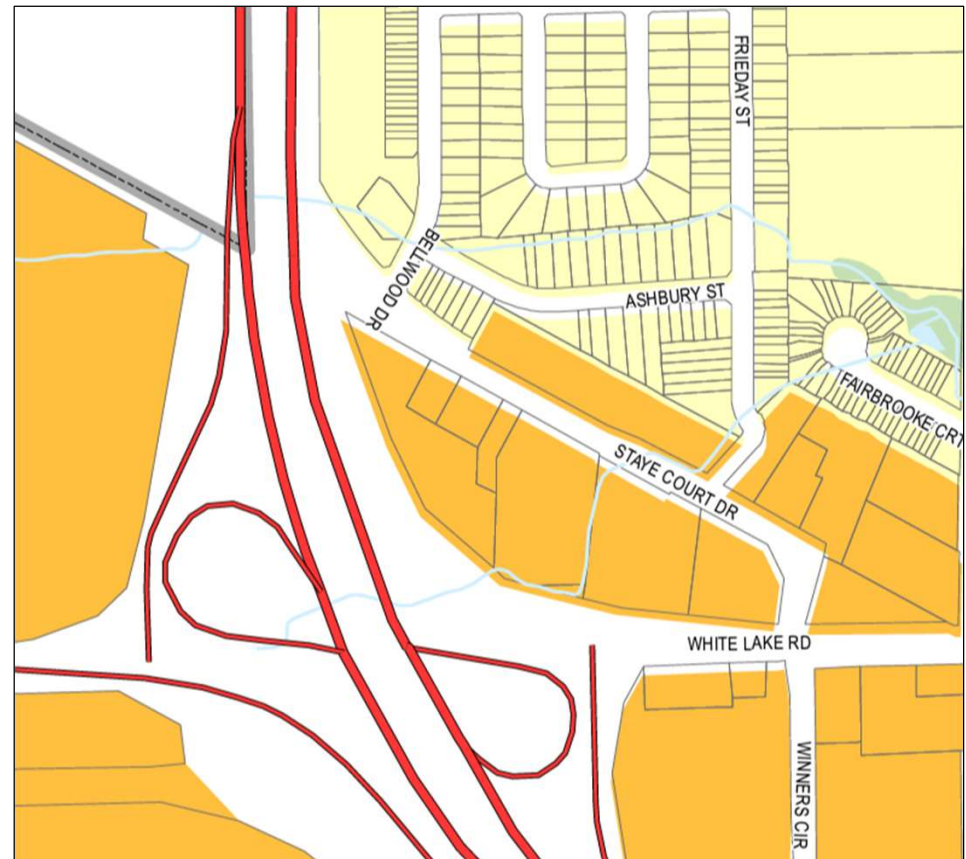
Site Plan





Official Plan

Mixed Use
Commercial /
Employment Area





Current Zoning

- Mixed Use Commercial/Employment





Proposed Zoning

Site Specific Amendment

From Mixed Use Commercial/Employment Zone

To Mixed Use Commercial/Employment Zone

Exception 47 (MU-CE*47)

- Reduce the minimum required setback from a Provincial Highway right-of-way for a structure without a foundation from 14 m to 8 m; and
- The request to reduce the front yard setback from 6 m to 0 m has been withdrawn.



Public Comments

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Next Steps

- Council will consider any comments from the public prior to the adoption of any amendments to the Zoning By-law.
- Council can defer a decision on the application to consider public comments received
- A 20-day appeal period will follow notice of the decision of Council on this application

Questions?



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