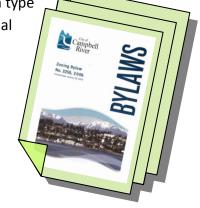
Q & A: HOW DOES A ZONING BYLAW AFFECT YOU?



The City is preparing to revamp and update the City's Zoning Bylaw. As a citizen, property owner or business within the City of Campbell Campbell River the zoning Bylaw affects you everyday and you may not even be aware of it. The following is a list of some of the ways the zoning bylaw may affect you:

- The zoning bylaw provides the rules on what types of uses and activities can occur on a property, generally speaking residential, commercial, industrial or public institutional uses. Then specifically the more detailed types of uses within the zone; restaurants, offices or stores in a commercial zone.
- When you build a new house or renovate your existing home the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how close to your property line with your neighbours' or to the street you can build.
- When you build a new house or renovate your existing home the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how tall your house or ancillary building can be; maximum height.
- When you build a new house or renovate your existing home the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how much of your lot can be covered by the house and ancillary building; in other word 'maximum site coverage'.
- If you build a garage, shed or workshop the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how big your building or structure can be.
- If you build a fence the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how high your fence can be.
- If you build a retaining wall the zoning bylaw provides the rules on how high your retaining wall can be.
- If you would like to add a secondary suite to your home the zoning bylaw provides the rules on which Land Use Zones permit them (R-1A for example).
- If you would like to raise hens in your backyard the zoning bylaw provides the details and rules about when, where and how this can be done.
- When you have questions on how many parking stalls are required for each type of use, such as low density residential, high density residential or commercial uses like offices or restaurants, the zoning bylaw provides the rules on the number of stalls required.

For more information the City's website contains full details of the zoning bylaw review. Alternatively, you can come in and speak to Land Use Services staff on the 2nd floor at City Hall.



Q & A: WHAT A ZONING BYLAW 'IS NOT'



It is important to understand and be aware of the limitations of the limitations of the zoning bylaw. The following is a list of some what the zoning bylaw cannot regulate or control.

A zoning bylaw does not control:

- Noise, such as from your neighbours' dog, neighbours' stereo or a construction site.
- Trees or hedges, such as the height, size or type.
- Colour of a building.
- Drainage, such as directing water from one property to another.

Many of these issues are dealt with in other City bylaws or policies or provincial legislation.

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