



News Release

Rezoning Application Deferred by Council

ABBOTSFORD February 4, 2014 – As standard practice following a public hearing with a lot of public input, Abbotsford City Council has deferred their decision on the rezoning application for 2408 Montvue Avenue until the next meeting of Council on February 17th, announced Mayor Bruce Banman this morning.

The property is presently zoned Downtown Abbotsford Commercial Zone (C7). The C7 zone allows for residential use on upper floors only in conjunction with another permitted use. Abbotsford Community Services had requested a site specific text amendment that would amend the zoning to allow for Community Service uses.

“Council has to ensure that any changes made to our land use bylaws are made for the greater benefit of the entire community,” said Mayor Banman. “Land use decisions are extremely important for the entire community, and these applications do require time to ensure the right decision is made.”

Public input is a major part of the rezoning process. Public Hearings allow for residents and businesses to have their opinions heard in zoning decisions.

“It was very important for us to hear directly from the community at the Public Hearing last evening,” said Banman. “Council is committed to finding the right solution for Abbotsford and the deferral of the decision on the rezoning application is so we can ensure we take the time to address all concerns.”

90 delegates provided feedback to Council at the Public Hearing last night. The application will be brought back to Council at the February 17, 2014 Regular Council meeting.

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