

# MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

November 24, 2021

Development Permit DV21-057

## **THOSE PRESENT:**

Mayor Dodds  
Councillor Clarke  
Councillor Evans  
Councillor Gammana  
Deputy Mayor McGee  
Councillor Sherriffs  
Robert Osmond, Interim CAO  
Elvera Thomson, General Manager of Finance  
Ken Woitt, General Manager of Planning and Development  
Owen Olynyk, General Manager of Infrastructure  
Victor Bujor, General Manager of Enterprise and Growth  
Lowani Mubanga, Planning and Development Officer  
Derek Starnes, Recreation and Omniplex Manager  
Tom Thomson, Fire Chief

Annette Driessen, Special Projects Coordinator  
Bree Mastre, Executive Assistant  
Nathan Palovcik, Manager of Information Services  
Sabine Landmark, Administrative Assistant  
Jenn Carter, Economic Development Coordinator  
S/Sgt. Erin Matthews, RCMP  
Graham Long, Drayton Valley and District Free Press (Call-In)  
Cathy Weetman, Drayton Valley Western Review (Call-In)  
Mark Cappis, Big West Country (Call-In)  
Members of the Public

## **ABSENT:**

Councillor Ballas

## **ITEM**

Development Permit DV21-057 – Discretionary Use at 5621 58 Avenue

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dodds declared the Public Hearing open at 9:12 a.m.

## **PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING**

To receive comments, concerns, and questions from the public regarding the proposed Discretionary Micro Cultivation of Cannabis.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Town of Drayton Valley received a Development Permit application DV21-057 for the Micro Cultivation of Cannabis in two 40'x8' Grow Pods. The Grow Pods will be in an existing building located at 5621 58 Ave. In accordance with the Town of Drayton Valley Land Use Bylaw 2020/12/D, Micro Cultivation of Cannabis is defined as Cannabis Processing (Micro). The subject parcel is located within the C-GEN (Commercial, General District) of the Land Use Bylaw, in which 'Cannabis Processing (Micro)' is listed as Discretionary. Cannabis Processing (Micro) means a use, as licenced by Health Canada where:

- a) Cannabis is grown or harvested, and the surface of the plant canopy does not exceed 200 m<sup>2</sup>, but does not include Cannabis (Retail), or
- b) A maximum of 600 kilograms of dried cannabis product per year is processed, manufactured, packaged, and labelled or stored on-site, but does not include Cannabis (Retail).

A decision to approve or deny this application will be made by Council, depending upon the comments received at this Public Hearing. Notification of the Discretionary Use, requesting comments from the public, and advising them of the Public Hearing, has been provided in accordance with Town of Drayton Valley Bylaw 2018/07/A (Electronic Advertising Bylaw). To facilitate the Public Hearing process, any comments received (written or verbal) will be presented as a package at the time of the Public Hearing.

**CALL FOR COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Mrs. Fayrell Wheeler expressed the support of the application on behalf of Noble Growth Corp.

**CALL FOR COMMENTS OR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS**

There was no written submission received.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Dodds declared the Public Hearing closed at 9:15 a.m.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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