

OPENING STATEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING PURPOSE AND CONDUCT

A Public Hearing has been called to consider the following proposed bylaw with respect to:

BYLAW 2429: WHITE ROCK ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2012 NO. 2000, AMENDMENT (RS-4 15916 RUSSELL AVENUE) BYLAW 2022, NO. 2429

Bylaw 2429 proposes to rezone the property from the “RS-1 One-Unit Residential Zone” to the “RS-4 One-Unit (12.1 m Lot Width) Residential Zone” at 15916 Russell Avenue. If approved, it would enable a two-lot subdivision and the construction of two single detached dwellings

The purpose of this evening’s public hearing shall be to give a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting the bylaw/proposal. There is a speakers list available. Please print your name and city of residence on the list in order to appear as a speaker before Council. Individuals will be called in the order that their name appears on the speakers’ list. For those wishing to speak by phone, registration for the hearing took place earlier today from 12 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Those wishing to speak to the bylaw/proposal called into Corporate Administration providing their contact information, and an email was provided with instructions on how to participate this evening. Members of the public who did not register to speak (by phone or in person) will still be given an opportunity to speak at the end of the speakers/ registration list. Opportunities to speak before Council will alternate between those on the speakers list and those who have registered to speak by phone. The speaker will begin by clearly stating their name and City of residence and then providing their comments concerning the bylaw/proposal.

If you have a petition with you, please read out the information at the top of the petition and it may be submitted to staff either at the hearing for those in attendance, or via email directly following the hearing.

Those that have a submission to read on behalf of another individual may do so however the written submission must be signed and include a City of residence and must be submitted to staff to be maintained as part of the public record.

Each speaker will be **given a maximum of five (5) minutes to speak**. Decorum must be maintained at all times, we ask the public to listen and respect each person’s right to voice their opinion.

Anyone wishing to speak at this hearing must be acknowledged by the Chairperson.

Anyone speaking by telephone is requested to follow instructions provided by staff:

- You will be put on hold in a queue for the respective item, and you will be connected when it is your turn to speak. **If you hang up during this time, you will lose your place in the queue.** You may watch the Council meeting through the City's Live Stream while you are on hold.
- Your comments must be relevant to the application (bylaw) being considered at the Public Hearing
- Each speaker will be given a maximum of **five (5) minutes to speak**
- **Turn off all audio of the meeting. Note:** There is a **1-minute delay** in the live stream so please listen to the cues given over the phone
- **Do not put your phone on speaker phone**
- Once you make your comments to Council, the call will end quickly so that the next speaker can join the meeting

Once all in attendance have had the opportunity to speak the Chairperson will ask for anyone wishing to speak to come forward. For those viewing at home the telephone number will be shown so you are able to call in at that specific time.

A person speaking an additional time is requested to add additional information from what they said previously.

Members of Council may, if they wish, ask questions of you following your presentation. However, the main function of Council members this evening is to listen to the views of the public. It is not the function of Council at this time to debate the merits of the proposal with individual citizens. It is also not the time for the speaker to be asking questions of staff regarding the application.

All written submissions will be retained by staff and copies will be available upon request.

Everyone shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at this Public Hearing. No one will be or should feel discouraged or prevented from making their views heard.

Note: *The meeting will be streamed live and archived through the City's web-streaming service.*