



June 17, 2025

Capital Regional District Board
Attn: Kevin Lorette
General Manager, Housing, Planning and Protective Services 625 Fisgard Street
Victoria, BC V8W 1 R7

Dear Kevin Lorette:

RE: District of North Saanich Official Community Bylaw No. 1587

For consideration of acceptance by the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board, please find attached a copy of the proposed North Saanich Official Community Plan Bylaw 1587 including a Regional Context Statement (see pages 11-17).

The Capital Regional District's (CRD) RGS Bylaw No. 4017 sets out a 20-year vision for the future of the capital region, guiding decisions on regional issues such as transportation, population growth, and settlement patterns. North Saanich's role in the region as outlined by the CRD's RGS is to:

- Maintain working landscapes including agriculture, forestry and outdoor recreation activities that contribute to the region's economy;
- Avoid the creation of future urban areas through development patterns that complement rural form, density and character;
- Minimize impacts to the natural environment and surrounding working landscapes; and
- Accommodate a slow to moderate rate of growth

North Saanich OCP's regional context statement identifies the alignment between the OCP and the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy objectives pertaining to managing and balancing growth, protecting the integrity of rural communities, environment and infrastructure, housing and community, transportation, food systems, and climate action.

At the regular Council meeting held June 16, 2025, North Saanich Council gave second reading to Bylaw No. 1587. A certified copy of the resolution and the North Saanich OCP Bylaw 1587 are attached. It is our understanding that the CRD Board will consider the updated Regional Context Statement and provide a decision to accept or refuse within 120 days of receiving it, in accordance with Section 448 of the Local Government Act.

If you require any further information, please contact Felice Mazzoni, Director of Planning and Community Services at fmazzoni@northsaanich.ca, 250-655-5470.

Sincerely,

Felice Mazzoni
Director of Planning and Community Services



DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

RE: Proposed North Saanich Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587 (2025)

At the Special meeting held June 16, 2025, Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 252

"That Council:

- 1. give second reading to the proposed North Saanich Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587 (2025) as amended and attached as Appendix A of Staff Report PCS-25-015, amendments which include:*
 - a. that 10485 West Saanich Rd. be removed from the Commercial, Industrial, and Multi-Family Development Permit Area no. 5;*
 - b. that a new "Economic Development" section be added to the Regional Context Statement as new section 2.5;*
 - c. that "including protecting wildlife nesting and spawning sites" be added to the end of section "5.1.12 Protect Shoal Harbour Migratory Bird Sanctuary and coordinate with Sidney on a joint management approach";*
 - d. that a new part be added to the Housing Targets section of Section 5.4, that explicitly explains how the OCP meets the LGA requirements regarding housing (i.e., (LGA s.473(1)(a); (LGA s.473.1(4)); (LGA s.473.1(3)); and*
- 2. refer the proposed North Saanich Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1587 (2025) to the Capital Regional District for review and acceptance."*

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT RESOLUTION.

Signed at North Saanich, Province of British Columbia, and dated this 17th day of June, 2025.

DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER