

RGS EVALUATION TABLE – BYLAW 4254

2018 RGS Objective		Considerations for RGS Consistency
1.1	Keep Urban Settlement Compact	The 2018 RGS Policy 1.1.1 requires land uses to be consistent with the Growth Management Concept Plan depicted on Map 3(a). That map shows the subject parcel as being within the Urban Containment Boundary Policy Area. That Policy Area requires employment and population growth to be accommodated in complete communities (see RGS p. 29 for details). Complete communities are accessible with multiple modes of transportation; contain destinations easily accessed by a 10 minute walk or a 15 minute bike ride; include a range of housing types and tenures; and are demographically diverse. According to these criteria, the area surrounding the subject property cannot yet be defined as a complete community. Significant growth in this area that does not move the community towards becoming more “complete” would not be supportable. The scope and nature of the proposed amendment is, however, not such that it is considered at odds with the RGS policy objectives.
1.2	Protect the Integrity of Rural Communities	N/A
2.1	Protect, Conserve and Manage Ecosystem Health	N/A
2.2	Manage Regional Infrastructure Services Sustainably	N/A
3.1	Create Safe and Complete Communities	N/A
3.2	Improve Housing Affordability	The 2018 RGS Policy 3.2.1 aims for an adequate, accessible and diverse supply of housing across the housing spectrum. It is unclear whether the expansion of this business will generate an additional need for workforce housing. If additional workforce housing is needed it is unclear how this need will be met onsite or in the community.
4.1	Improve Multi Modal Connectivity and Mobility	N/A
5.1	Realize the Region’s Economic Potential	The RGS Policy 5.1.3 supports retention and growth of existing business and economic activities in the region. The proposed amendment allows for an existing business to expand, in alignment with RGS policy.
6.1	Foster a Resilient Food and Agriculture System	N/A
7.1	Significantly Reduce Community-Based Greenhouse Gas Emissions	N/A