CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 12 2006

TO: City Manager

FROM: Planning & Corporate Services Department

SUBJECT:

APPLICATION NO. DVP06-0069 **OWNER:** City of Kelowna

LOCATION: 375 Hartman Rd. APPLICANT: YMCA/YWCA of Central Okanagan

PURPOSE: TO VARY THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT FOR A FREE-STANDING SIGN IN THE P1 – MAJOR INSTITUTIONAL ZONE FROM A MAXIMUM OF 4.0M PERMITTED TO 6.5M PROPOSED

EXISTING ZONE: P1 – MAJOR INSTITUTIONAL

REPORT PREPARED BY: RYAN SMITH

1.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council <u>not</u> authorize the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. DVP06-0069; Lot A, Section 26, Township 26, ODYD Plan 21551, located on Hartman Road, Kelowna, B.C.;

AND THAT variances to the following sections of Sign Bylaw No. 8235 not be granted:

Section 6.1: Specific Zone Regulations:

Vary the maximum height for a free standing sign from 4.0m permitted to 6.5m proposed.

3.0 <u>SUMMARY</u>

The applicant has indicated that the proposed sign is to identify the building as the Kelowna Family YMCA/YWCA from both the north entrance off Hartman Road and the south entrance off of Bach Road, and to bring greater awareness to the recreational offerings available in the Rutland Community. The applicant is seeking a height variance for the free standing sign from 4.0m permitted to 6.5m proposed in order to deter potential vandals and achieve maximum visibility for the sign.

This application compares to the requirements of the City of Kelowna Sign Bylaw No.8235 as follows:

CRITERIA	PROPOSAL	SIGN BYLAW No.8235 REQUIREMENTS
Sign Height (free- standing)	6.5m 0	4.0m
Sign Area	2.78m ²	4.0m ²

•Note: The applicant is seeking a height variance for the free standing sign from 4.0m permitted to 6.5m proposed.

Site Context

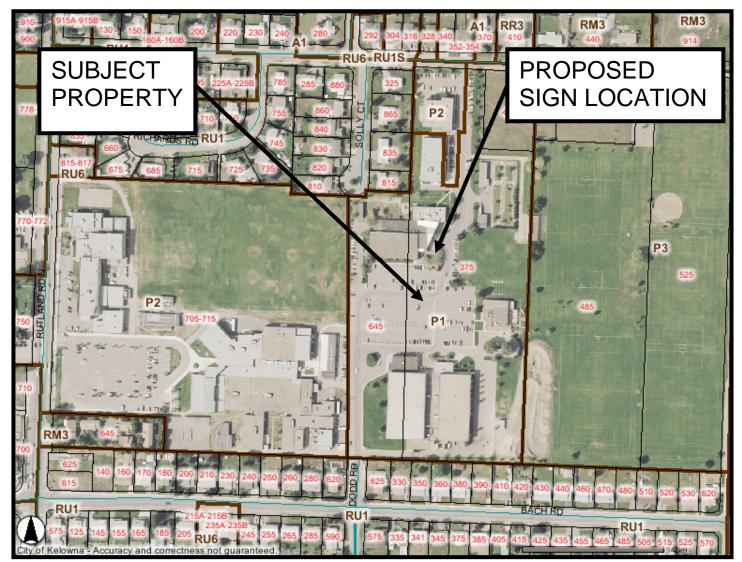
The subject property is located between Hartman Road and Bach Road with road frontage on Hartman Road and Dodd Road.

Adjacent zoning and existing land uses are to the:

- North P2 Education and Minor Institutional/RU1 Large Lot Housing
- East P3 Parks and Open Space Playing Fields South RU1 Large Lot Housing
- West P2 Education and Minor Institutional Secondary School

Site Map

Subject Property: 375 Hartman Road



4.0 <u>TECHNICAL COMMENTS</u>

4.1 Parks Department

Check with Parks Department to coordinate the installation of the sign with the existing planting bed and irrigation.

4.2 Inspection Services Division

No concerns on change of height. Building permit complete with engineering required.

5.0 PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMENTS

The Planning and Corporate Services Department has concerns with proposed sign variance. Staff had amended this section of the Sign Bylaw during 2005 to allow a greater maximum height for free-standing signs. At this point staff feels that the allowable height of 4 meters is more than adequate to accommodate a sign in the P1 – Major Educational zone and therefore it is recommended that Council not support this variance. Furthermore, due to the location of the proposed sign, the additional height will not likely improve visibility form Hartman Road.

Should Council choose to support this development variance permit application, an alternate recommendation is provided below.

6.0 ALTERNATE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council authorize the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. DVP06-0069; Lot A, Section 26, Township 26, ODYD Plan 21551, located on Hartman Road, Kelowna, B.C.;

AND THAT variances to the following sections of Sign Bylaw No. 8235 be granted:

Section 6.1: Specific Zone Regulations:

Vary the maximum height for a free standing sign from 4.0m permitted to 6.5m proposed.

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Andrew Bruce	
Manager of Development Services	

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ATTACHMENTS (not attached to the electronic version of the report)

- Subject Property Map
- Site Plan
- Signage Plan