#### **CITY OF KELOWNA**

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** September 20, 2007

TO: City Manager

**FROM:** Planning and Development Services Department

**APPLICATION NO.** Z07-0060 **APPLICANT:** Gazelle Enterprises Inc.

**AT:** 601, 605, 609, 613 & 617 Horn **OWNERS:** Robert 0

Crescent

581, 583, 585, 587 & 589

South Crest Drive

OWNERS: Robert G. & Rena Mitchell; Mission Creek Homes Ltd., Inc. No. BC0747200; Simon G. & Corie J. Griffiths; Amandeep S. & Bimy Sandhu; Victor E. Loewen; Inc. No. 656169; Umberto & Amanda I.A. Cagnoni and Gazelle Enterprises Inc.,

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** 

Lots 5 – 15 District Lot 1688S Similkameen Division

Yale District Plan KAP82290

**PURPOSE**: TO REZONE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM THE RU2 - MEDIUM

LOT HOUSING ZONE TO THE RU2H – MEDIUM LOT HOUSING (HILLSIDE AREA) ZONE TO FACILITATE THE USE OF HILLSIDE

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH THE

SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURHOOD.

**EXISTING ZONE:** RU2 – MEDIUM LOT HOUSING

**PROPOSED ZONE** RU2h – MEDIUM LOT HOUSING (HILLSIDE AREA)

REPORT PREPARED BY: Corine (Cory) Gain, MCIP, CPT

#### 1.0 RECOMMENDATION

THAT Rezoning Application No. Z07-0060 to amend the City of Kelowna Zoning Bylaw No. 8000 by changing the zoning classification of Lots 5 – 15 District Lot 1688S Similkameen Division Yale District Plan KAP82290, located on Horn Crescent and South Crest Drive, Kelowna BC from RU2 – Medium Lot Housing Zone to RU2h – Medium Lot Housing (Hillside Area) Zone be considered by Council:

THAT the zone amending bylaw be forwarded to a Public Hearing for further consideration.

#### 2.0 SUMMARY

This rezoning application seeks to rezone the subject property from RU2 – Medium Lot Housing to RU2h – Medium Lot Housing (Hillside Area) Zone to facilitate the use of the Hillside Development Standards consistent with properties in the surrounding area affected by a steep slope in the rear yard. The original application contemplated rezoning for all 15 lots in the subdivision. The application has been modified to include only those lots that are affected by the slope to the south of South Crest Drive and Horn Crescent.

### 3.0 ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

At the regular meeting of September 11, 2007 it was resolved:

THAT the Advisory Planning Commission supports Rezoning Application No. Z07-0060, for Horn Crescent & South Crest Drive, Lots 1 to 15 inclusive, Plan 82290, by Gazelle Enterprises Inc (G. Gaucher), to rezone 15 lots from RU2 – Medium Lot Housing to RU2h – Medium Lot Housing (Hillside Area) to facilitate the use of Hillside Development Standards consistent with the surrounding neighbourhood.

## 3.0 BACKGROUND

# 3.1 The Proposal

The property is zoned RU2 – Medium Lot Housing. The purpose is to rezone the subject properties to allow for development that is consistent with the hillside development that has occurred to the south and east of these properties.

Since the parent property was rezoned from P2 – Education and Minor Institutional Zone in February 2006 and lots created by Subdivision Plan KAP82290 under S05-0024-01 the properties along the base of the slope (Lots 5 – 15) have been developed as if designated the Hillside Area Designation ("h"). To be consistent with the 2001 decision on the designation of neighbouring South Ridge properties to the "h" Hillside Area zoning designation the property could have been designated RU2h. This application seeks to resolve the inconsistency in the zoning designation.

The Surveyor Certificates for four lots (601, 605, 609 and 613 Horn Crescent) indicate that the homes on these properties were constructed on the assumption by builders that the properties were zoned RU2h. In fact, the building permit drawings showed the standard RU2 setbacks and were approved on that basis. A fifth home at 617 Horn Crescent was issued a building permit that approved the RU2h setbacks. Final Occupancy Permits for the houses completed are being withheld until the zoning is changed. When this issue was first discovered the builders were advised that they proceeded with construction at their own risk.

### 3.2 Site Context

The subject property is located in the South Ridge development at the western end of South Crest Drive. The surrounding area has been developed as a single-family neighbourhood. More specifically, the adjacent land uses are as follows:

North- P3 – Parks & Open Space & RU2 – Medium Lot Housing

East P3 - Parks & Open Space; RM2h - Low Density Housing (Hillside Area) and

RU1h Large Lot Housing (Hillside Area)

South RU1h – Large Lot Housing (Hillside Area)

West A1 – Agriculture (currently undeveloped)

## 4.0 Current Development Policy

The Kelowna Hillside Development Guidelines, October 2001 states that, "building setbacks should be varied to complement the character of hillside settings and to protect slopes, ridges, or special features" (p. 3-5). The hillside area zoning designations were designed to address this issue. The rear of the subject properties features a significant slope into a parks and open space area.

## 5.0 TECHNICAL COMMENTS

- 5.1 <u>Environment Manager</u> No concerns.
- 5.2 <u>Fire Department</u> No objections.
- 5.3 <u>Inspections Department</u> No concerns.

## 5.4 Parks Department

- .1 To prevent private/public encroachment, the applicant will be required to delineate the private property lines adjacent to the parkland of Lots 5-10, and 13-15 with a minimum 1.2 m high (4ft.) black vinyl chain link fence with black powder coated posts, rails and hardware located 150 mm (6 ft.) within the private property.
- .2 The adjacent parkland shall not be disturbed during the building process, no debris or garbage, no tree cutting, damage to the natural ground cover, material or construction storage and/or equipment parking.
- 5.5 Works and Utilities Department

All Works & Utilities requirements were completed as part of S05-0024. Works were substantially completed on September 18, 2006.

# 6.0 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The proposed rezoning of the subject property to RU2h is consistent with Planning and Development Services Department policies.

Shelley Gambacort

Current Planning Supervisor

Approved for Inclusion

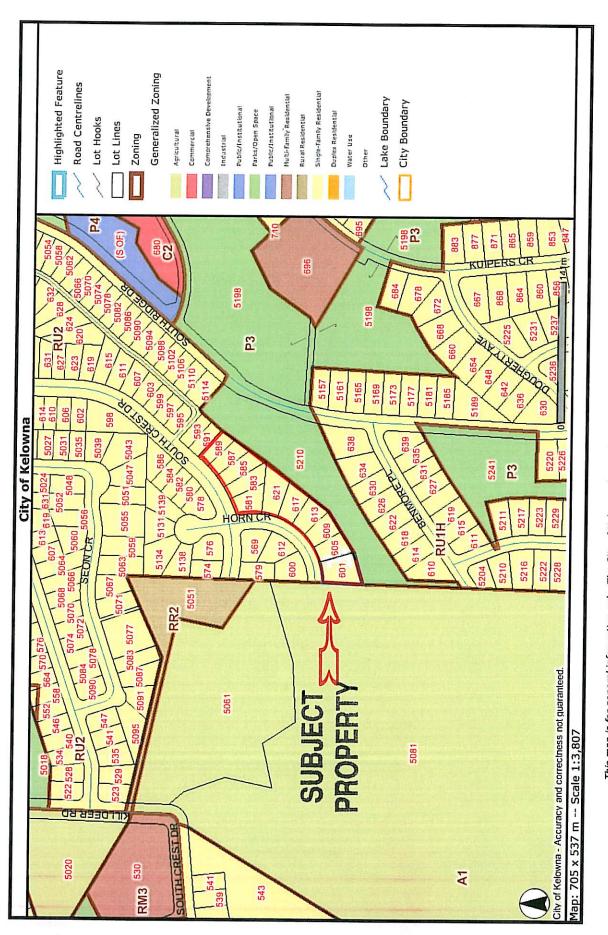
Ron Dickinson Inspection Services Manager

### **ATTACHMENTS**

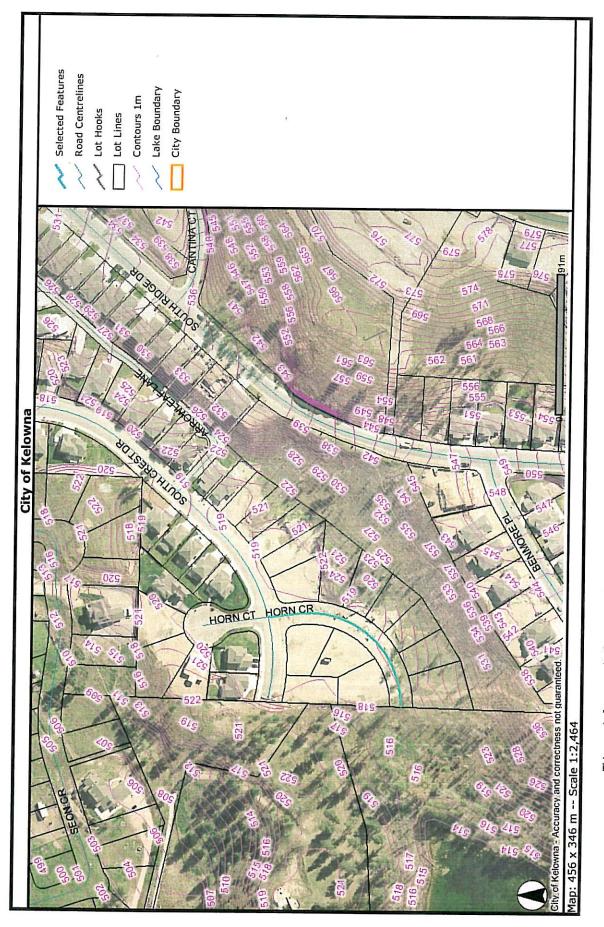
- A Subject Property Map with Zoning Designations
- B Orthophoto showing 1m Contours
- C Subdivision Plan KAP82290

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