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City of Kelowna, Planning 1435 Water Street Kelowna, BC V1Y 1J4

RE: Development Permit Application – 948-950 Ellis Street

We are pleased to propose an expansion to "Spacious Storage" on Ellis. This state of the art self-storage facility features gated access, 24-hour security, video surveillance, and the bright, modern & secure facility is ranked Kelowna's #1 self-storage provider (by Google Reviews). Conveniently located near downtown Kelowna, Spacious Storage provides a variety of unit sizes to fit every lifestyle, and the expansion of the facility will enable us to continue to best serve our commercial and individual clients, and keep more Okanagans belongings safe!

Project Description

The development proposal consists of the removal of the existing "Flagship Marine" boat storage building from the site to make way for an expansion to the existing 5 storey self-storage facility. The overall design and specifications of the addition are proposed match the existing building in terms of exterior materiality, colour, building height, floor to floor height, etc. No changes to the landscaping, site access, site services or general site circulation/parking layout are proposed as part of the proposed building expansion.

A unique feature of the site is its adjacency to Brandt Creek. As part of the original development of the self-storage facility extensive work was completed to enhance the riparian habitat area which included, restoring historic disturbances, planting restoration vegetation, and covenanting portions of the property as no-build and no-disturb zones to protect the restored riparian habitat. The proposed expansion of the self-storage facility has been planned to minimize disturbance to the existing landscaping and riparian restoration area, and Best Management Practices will be implemented to ensure any potential construction impacts to the riparian area are mitigated.

To facilitate this new development, the following is requested:

Development Variances

• The preliminary drawing package includes information on the following requested variances:

DVP 1 – Building Height

DVP 2 – Parking

DVP 3 – Bicycle Parking



Variance Rationale

DVP 1 – Building Height. With the recent adoption of the new zoning bylaw, this site was rezoned from I4 – Central Industrial to the new I2 – General Industrial district. One of the major differences between the respective zonings was the building height regulation which went from a maximum of 18.0m to 16.0m. As the building expansion is proposed to tie into the existing building in terms of floor elevation, building height, materiality, etc. we respectfully request a variance on this regulation. Also worthy of mention is that the adjacent properties directly to the south are slated for 12 storeys in the 2040 OCP (Map 4.1 – Downtown Building Heights).

DVP 2 – Parking. Operationally we have found vehicular parking spaces are underutilized at the storage facility. Patrons will commonly use the loading spaces at the front of the building when transporting items in/out of the facility, and there is typically a fairly quick turnaround time. Note that we are proposing 16 loading spaces (which is a surplus of 4 loading spaces over the bylaw requirement), as well as 6 additional smaller sized loading spaces for regular sized vehicles (SUV's, trucks, vans, etc.). Note that all of the proposed loading spaces are available to be used by all of the tenants (they are not dedicated to the 'exterior access units'). We are confident that the 58 parking stalls + 22 loading spaces proposed will assuredly meet the parking demands of the self-storage facility, and we respectfully request a variance on this regulation.

DVP 3 – Bicycle Parking. Self-storage is a business type that requires a limited amount staff on the premises. Many self storage unit facilities are even operated completely remotely without any staff on the premises at all. Given the business type we think a bicycle parking variance is reasonable. Note that under the original development (DP19-0216) 18 short term bicycle parking spaces are provided on site. The 18 short term bike parking spaces have proven to be a plentiful amount of bicycle parking to serve the needs of the facility, and we are confident that there is an adequate amount to meet the demands of the proposed expansion.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime if you have any questions regarding the application.

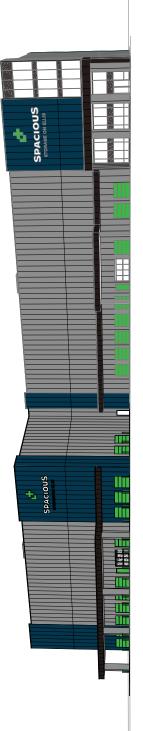
Sincerely,

Chris Joslin

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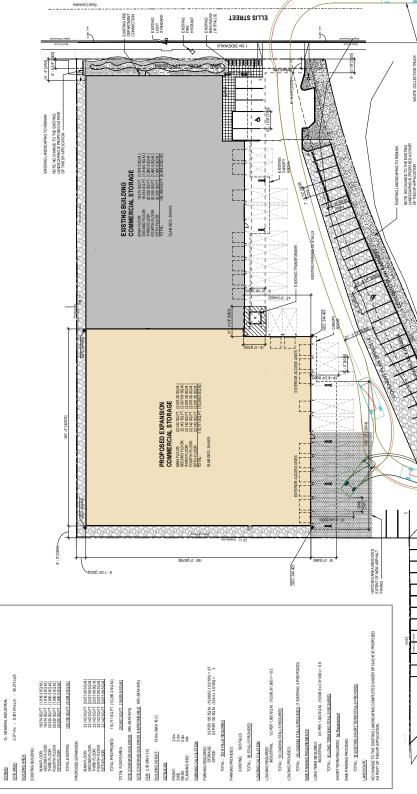
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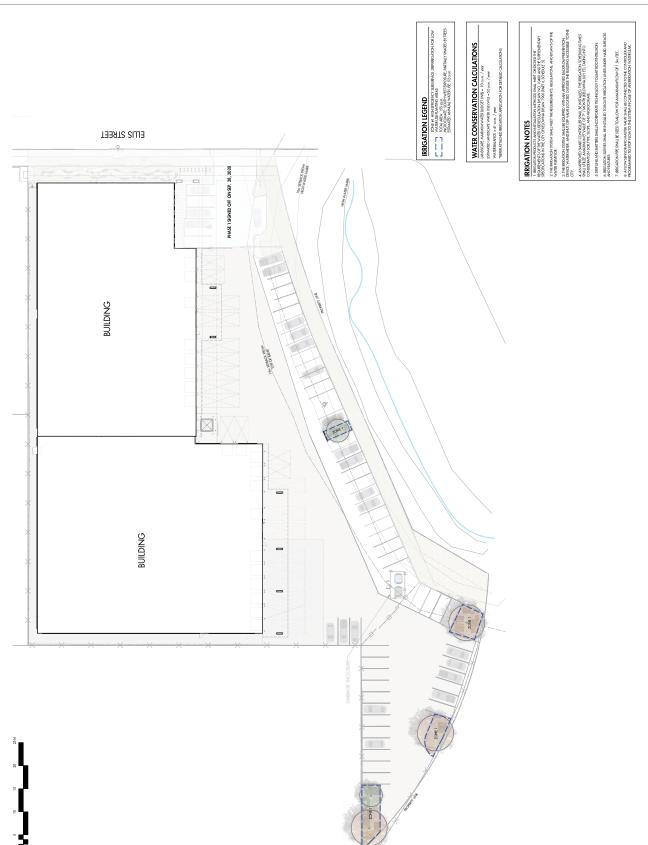
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