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DATE: May 7, 2019

TO: Advisory Planning Commission

Lazo North (Electoral Area B)

FROM: Planning and Development Services Branch

RE: Development Variance Permit – 1719 Cloudcroft Road (Lawrence)

Lot 29, Block 1 of Block 71, Comox District, Plan 9815, PID 001-009-737

The attached development proposal is for commission members' review and comment.

An application has been received to consider a Development Variance Permit to increase the maximum height of an accessory building from 6.0 metres to 7.0 metres. The oceanfront property is 0.4 hectares in size and is bound by a residential property to the northwest, Strait of Georgia to the northeast, Cloudcroft Road to the southeast and Seabank Road to the southwest (Figures 1 and 2). The owner would like to build an accessory building up to 7.0 metres in height to accommodate a workshop, car hoist and personal storage (Figure 3).

Regional Growth Strategy and Official Community Plan Analysis

The subject property is designated Settlement Expansion Area in both the Regional Growth Strategy, being the "Comox Valley Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 120, 2010" and the Official Community Plan, being the "Rural Comox Valley Official Community Plan Bylaw, No. 337, 2014". The proposed accessory building does not conflict with the residential policies established in these documents.

Zoning Bylaw Analysis

The property is zoned Residential Rural (R-RU) in Bylaw No. 2781, being the "Comox Valley Zoning Bylaw, 2005" (Appendix A). The R-RU zone permits an accessory building up to 6.0 metres in height. The variance would provide relief from Section 309 (3) and 706 (4) allowing the accessory building to be a maximum of 7.0 metres in height.

Sincerely,

T. Trieu

Ton Trieu, MCIP, RPP Manager of Planning Services Planning and Development Services Branch

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Attachments Appendix A – "Copy of R-RU zone"

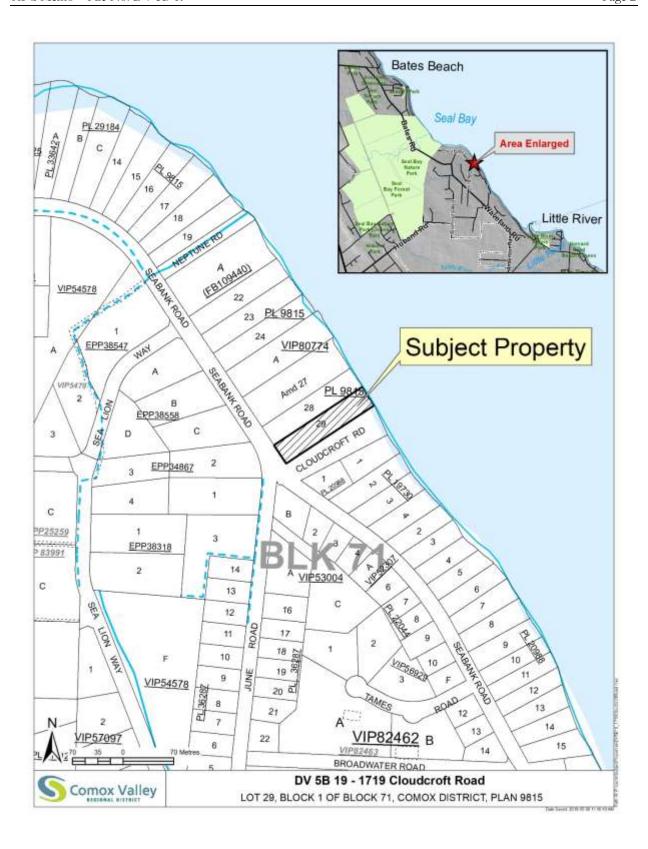


Figure 1: Subject Property Map



Figure 2: Aerial Photo

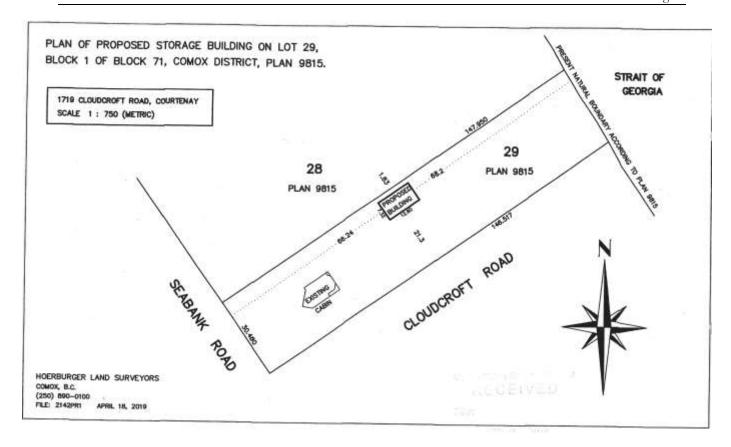


Figure 3: Site Plan

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Residential-Rural (R-RU)

1. PRINCIPAL USE

- i) On any lot:
 - a) Residential use.
- ii) On any lot over 4000 metres² (1.0 acre):
 - a) Agricultural use.

2. ACCESSORY USES

On any lot:

- i) Secondary suite;
- ii) Home occupation use;
- iii) Accessory buildings;
- iv) Bed and Breakfast.

3. <u>DENSITY</u>

Residential use is limited to:

i) On any lot: One single detached dwelling and secondary suite, or one single detached dwelling and one carriage house, or one single detached dwelling and one secondary dwelling limited in area to 90.0 metres² (968.8 feet²).

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4. SITING AND HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

The setbacks required for buildings and structures within the Residential Rural zone shall be as set out in the table below.

		Required Setback			
Type of Structure	Height	Front yard	Rear yard	Side yard Frontage <31m	
				1	Frontage >31m
Principal	10.0m (32.8 ft)	7.5m (24.6ft)	7.5m (24.6ft)	1.75m (5.8ft)	3.5m (11.5ft)
Accessory	4.5m-or less (14.8ft)	7.5m (24.6ft)	1.0m (3.3ft)	1.0m (3.3ft)	1.0m (3.3ft)
Accessory	6.0m-4.6m (19.7ft)	7.5m (24.6ft)	7.5m (24.6ft)	1.75m (5.8ft)	3.5m (11.5ft)

Except where otherwise specified in this bylaw, no building or structure shall be located in any required front and side yard setback areas. [Part 400, Siting Exceptions, of this bylaw and Bylaw No. 1836 being the "Floodplain Management Bylaw, 1997" may affect the siting of structures adjacent to major roads and the natural boundaries of watercourses and the sea, respectively.]

5. <u>LOT COVERAGE</u>

i) The maximum lot coverage of all buildings and structures shall not exceed 35% of the total lot area.

6. FLOOR AREA REQUIREMENTS

i) The maximum combined gross floor area of all accessory buildings shall not exceed 200.0 metres² (2152.9 feet²).

7. <u>SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS</u>

i) Despite any other provision of this bylaw, the minimum permitted lot area within areas designated as "settlement expansion areas" under "Comox Valley Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 120, 2010" is 4.0 hectares.

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- ii) Despite any other provision of this bylaw, for the purpose of subdivision, the following sections of this bylaw do not apply to lots within areas designated as "settlement expansion areas" under "Comox Valley Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 120, 2010":
 - a) Section 503 Subdivision Standards 1. <u>AREA AND FRONTAGE</u> <u>REQUIREMENTS</u> i);
 - b) Section 503 Subdivision Standards 2. <u>LOT SIZE EXCEPTIONS</u> i) a); and
 - c) Section 503 Subdivision Standards 2. <u>LOT SIZE EXCEPTIONS</u> iii).

iii) Lot Area

The minimum lot area permitted shall be 0.8 hectares (2.0 acres)

Despite (iii), a subdivision with lots smaller than identified above may be created by subdivision provided that the average lot area within the subdivision is equal to the minimum lot area permitted.