

# STAFF REPORT TO COMMITTEE

DATE OF REPORT	March 23, 2021
MEETING TYPE & DATE	Special Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting of July 7, 2021
FROM:	Community Planning Division Land Use Services Department
SUBJECT:	CVRD Modular and Mobile Homes Policy 2009
FILE:	6480 Community Planning – Official Community Plan

#### **PURPOSE/INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this report is to present and recommend that CVRD Modular and Mobiles Homes Policy 2009 be rescinded.

### **RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION**

That it be recommended to the Board that the CVRD Modular and Mobile Homes Policy 2009 be rescinded.

#### BACKGROUND

As part of ongoing improvement, existing land use planning policies were reviewed for consistency with the draft Official Community Plan for the Electoral Areas Bylaw 4270 and with the *Local Government Act*. The CVRD Modular and Mobile Homes Policy 2009 is recommended to be rescinded on the basis of being inconsistent or redundant.

#### ANALYSIS

There are *Building Act* limitations on what can be regulated by CVRD bylaws. If the CVRD wants to enforce compliance with these requirements then the content of this policy should be in a building regulation bylaw.

Building Inspection confirms:

The building bylaw would not require any amendments as section 2.3.5(3) already references modular homes with respect to complying with CSA standards, either A-277 for factory-built homes or Z-240 for mobile homes.

All structures require a foundation as per the *BC Building Code* and section 2.2.1(1) of the Building Bylaw requires that "all Work performed on the owner's land complies with the *BC Building Code*, this bylaw and all other enactments, codes and standards applicable to the Work".

Mobile homes can be on non-permanent foundations, provided they are installed in accordance with CSA Z240.10.1-08 *Site Preparation, Foundation and Anchorage of Mobile Homes.* Staff are not aware of any standard specific to A277 modular foundations; therefore, the *Building Code* would apply.

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

#### **COMMUNICATION CONSIDERATIONS**

#### STRATEGIC/BUSINESS PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

This responds to the Strategic Plan direction to review all existing land use bylaws to identify challenges and opportunities for improved consistency.

#### GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

Referred to (upon completion):

- □ Communications & Engagement
- Community Services (Cowichan Community Centre, Cowichan Lake Recreation, South Cowichan Recreation, Arts & Culture, Emergency Management, Facilities & Transit)
- Corporate Services (Finance, Human Resources, Legislative Services, Information Technology, Procurement)
- □ Engineering Services (Environmental Services, Recycling & Waste Management, Water Management)
- Land Use Services (Community Planning, Development Services, Inspection & Enforcement, Economic Development, Parks & Trails)

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Resolution:

⊠ Manager, Legislative Services

Financial Considerations:

🛛 Manager, Finance

**A**TTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – CVRD Modular and Mobile Homes Policy 2009

□ Not Applicable