

## The Regional District is updating the Thornhill Zoning Bylaw and Subdivision and Development Control Bylaw!

In 2020, the Regional District Board adopted a new Official Community Plan (OCP) for Thornhill. The new OCP describes the community's vision for the future and sets the course for how Thornhill wishes to evolve. To help implement the OCP's goals and objectives, **the 1983 Zoning Bylaw and 1983 Subdivision and Development Control Bylaw for Thornhill are now being updated**. The intent of this process is to prepare modern, user–friendly documents that incorporate contemporary standards and respond to community needs and values as identified in the OCP.

This project is being funded by a grant from Northern Development Initiative Trust. The Regional District has retained the services of WSP Canada Inc. to provide consulting support throughout the bylaw updates process.

## What is a Zoning Bylaw?

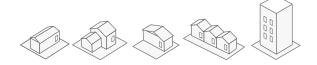
Zoning is a tool used by local governments to regulate the use and development of land and buildings. A zoning bylaw divides lands into distinct areas called zones, with each zone having its own list of rules and regulations. There are also general regulations and permissions that apply across multiple zones or the entire community. Zoning bylaws are one of the most important tools a local government can use to work towards achieving the community's vision articulated in the Official Community Plan.

# What is a Subdivision and Development Control (SDC) Bylaw?

An SDC Bylaw is a document that contains infrastructure servicing standards and regulations for new subdivisions and other types of development. The bylaw identifies the specific infrastructure required to service development within the community, which can vary from zone to zone. Infrastructure standards can range from rural to urban depending on the context and the needs of the community and local government.







### We want to hear from you!

Over the coming months, there will be **multiple opportunities for you to get involved** in this round of community engagement for the Zoning Bylaw and SDC Bylaw Updates:

#### **Public open houses**



Join us in-person where you can learn more about the Zoning Bylaw and SDC Bylaw updates, share your opinions and ask questions.

**Date:** Wednesday, June 22 **Time:** 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Thornhill Community Centre,

3091 Century St.

**Date:** Thursday, June 23 **Time:** 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Thornhill Community Centre,

3091 Century St.



#### **Public survey**

Fill out our survey to share your opinions on opportunities and challenges for growth and development in Thornhill. Pick up a paper copy at the Open Houses on June 22 and 23 (see details above) or stop by the Regional District Office after June 23. The survey will also be available online on our new engagement portal (see below).



#### **Upcoming online engagement portal**

We are preparing to launch a new community engagement portal called "Get Involved RDKS". This will be a place where you can learn about and provide input on Regional District projects and initiatives, including the Thornhill Zoning Bylaw and SDC Bylaw Updates. More details will be released in the coming weeks.



#### Pop up events throughout the summer

We will be holding pop up booths at special events around the community in the coming months. Dates and times will be posted on our Website and Social Media pages.

For more information about this project or the upcoming engagement opportunities identified above, please contact:

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