

Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Agenda

Monday, July 14, 2025, 7:00 PM

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Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Minutes

April 14, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers & Electronic Meeting

PRESENT: Councillor K. Guiry - Chair

Councillor M. Wagner - Vice-Chair

Councillor L. Szpak

S. Cotter

B. Gordon - Remote

M. McNaughton

K. Nentwig

M. Rodgers

ABSENT: V. Dumitru

ATTENDING: M. Baldwin, Director of Development

Services

K. Balzer, Director of Engineering and

Public Works

M. Miles, Manager of Legislative

Services

L. Zetaruk, Analyst

N. Johnston, Legislative Services

Administrative Coordinator

Meeting available by teleconference.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Committee Member K. Nentwig read the City of Langford's Territorial Acknowledgment.

3. MEETING CONDUCT RULES

M. Miles, Manager of Legislative Services, read the City of Langford's meeting conduct rules.

The Chair noted that Committee Member B. Gordon was attending the meeting remotely.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED BY: SZPAK

SECONDED: MCNAUGHTON

THAT the Committee approve the agenda as amended by reordering item 6.2 to become item

6.1.

Motion CARRIED.

5. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

5.1 Minutes of the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee - March 10, 2025

MOVED BY: NENTWIG SECONDED: COTTER

THAT the minutes of the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee meeting held March 10, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

Motion CARRIED.

6. REPORTS

- 6.1 Rezoning Application 893 Klahanie Drive
 - M. Baldwin, Director of Development Services provided an overview of the application.
 - R. Sansom, Applicant Representative provided a presentation to the Committee.

The Chair opened the floor to question and comments from the Committee.

MOVED BY: NENTWIG SECONDED: MCNAUGHTON

That the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee recommend that Council:

- Consider bringing forward Bylaw No. 2216 for First, Second, and Third Reading in order to amend the zoning designation of the property located at 893 Klahanie Drive from RR2 to RT1, subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - a. That the applicant provides, as a bonus for increased density, the following contributions per dwelling unit, prior to the issuance of a building permit:
 - i. \$610 towards the Affordable Housing Reserve Fund; and
 - ii. \$3,660 towards the General Amenity Reserve Fund;
 - b. That the applicant, **prior to Bylaw Adoption**, registers a Section 219 covenant in priority of all other charges on title, that agrees to the following:
 - i. That the following will be provided and implemented to Bylaw No. 1000 standards to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering, prior to the issuance of a building permit:
 - Full frontage improvements, inclusive of a paved 3-meter-wide multi-use path behind anchored split rail fencing with street lighting; and
 - 2. A storm water management plan.
 - ii. That the following will be provided and implemented to Bylaw No. 1000 standards to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering prior to any land alteration:
 - 1. A construction parking management plan; and

- 2. A mitigation plan.
- iii. That a separate covenant be registered prior to issuance of a building permit for the proposed development agreeing that the garages are to be used for the parking of vehicles and not the storage of items preventing the parking of vehicles therein;
- iv. That the project shall be constructed with electric heat pumps, to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Inspector;
- v. That tree protection measures, inclusive of tree protection fencing, are implemented prior to commencement of work to protect the trees identified for retention in the arborist report throughout the construction period, to the satisfaction of the Director of Development Services;
- vi. Acknowledge that the site is in proximity to agricultural uses the South Vancouver Island gun range, and that these uses may create general noise, odour, and other nuisances, and agree that the owner and all future owners assume all risk and annoyance of such nuisances;
- vii. That the lot provides at least 30% open space as strata common property, to be protected in a non-disturbance covenant, prior to the issuance of a building permit, to the satisfaction of the Director of Development Services; and
- viii. That all concrete used on-site will utilize ready-mix concrete that meets or exceeds the weighted average Global Warming Potential targets based on Concrete BC Baseline (average) mix data, and that prior to the issuance of a Building Permit the applicant shall provide a Type III Environmental Product Declaration that is 3rd party verified specifying the total Global Warming Potential value and confirming that the proposed development meets the requirements of Low Carbon Concrete Policy POL-0167-PLAN.

Prior to consideration of the Main Motion:

Amendment:

MOVED BY: WAGNER SECONDED: COTTER

THAT the main motion be amended with the addition of the following as item 1(b)(ix):

THAT the project be designed to be electric vehicle charging ready.

Motion DEFEATED.

OPPOSED: Councillors Guiry and Szpak and Committee Members Gordon, Nentwig, and McNaughton

Voting resumed on the Main Motion:

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Motion CARRIED.

6.2 Zoning Bylaw No. 300 Omnibus Amendment No. 67

M. Baldwin, Director of Development Services provided an overview of the proposed bylaw amendment.

The Chair opened the floor to questions and comments from the Committee.

MOVED BY: NENTWIG SECONDED: RODGERS

THAT Sustainable Development Advisory Committee recommend that Council consider bringing forward Bylaw No. 2213 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings at a future Council meeting in order to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 300 in accordance with Omnibus No. 67.

Motion CARRIED.

Motion CARRIED.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: MCNAUGHTON

SECONDED: COTTER

THAT the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee meeting adjourn at 8:28 pm.

Presiding Council Member Certified Correct - Corporate Officer



Staff Report to Sustainable Development Advisory Committee

DATE: Monday, July 14, 2025 DEPARTMENT: Planning

APPLICATION NO.: TUP25-0001

SUBJECT: Application for a Temporary Use Permit to allow for a non-medical cannabis retail

store at #105-693 Hoffman Avenue.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Michael Forbes of Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. has submitted an application for a new Temporary Use Permit (TUP) to continue operating a non-medical cannabis retail store at Unit #105–693 Hoffman Avenue. This application follows the expiration timeline of the previously granted TUP and its one-time extension, which is set to conclude on September 6, 2025.

The current application seeks to maintain operations at the existing location. The site meets the City's preferred siting criteria for cannabis retail, including appropriate distance from schools, parks, daycares, and residential zones. The business has demonstrated ongoing adherence to regulatory standards, including security, public safety, and community impact mitigation.

Given the applicant's proven record of compliance with all relevant bylaws, and the strategic location of the store, the application for a new TUP is consistent with the City's approach to managing cannabis retail through controlled, case-by-case approvals.

In 2022, Clarity Cannabis was granted an extension to TUP19-0001, allowing continued operation at Unit #105–693 Hoffman Avenue for an additional three years. This extension is set to expire on September 6, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

Following the federal government's decision to legalize non-medical cannabis, the City of Langford launched a pilot project in 2018, initiating a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. This process led to the selection of several applicants to operate non-medical cannabis retail stores within the city.



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Section 3.02.02(5) of Zoning Bylaw No. 300 prohibits the retail sale of non-medical cannabis in Langford. Rather than amending this Section to broadly permit cannabis retailing, the City determined that the preferred approach would be to issue Temporary Use Permits (TUPs) on a case-by-case basis. Clarity Cannabis was the first successful applicant in this process to also receive the necessary provincial approvals. They were issued Temporary Use Permit TUP19-0001, valid for a three-year term.

Upon the Permit's expiration, Clarity Cannabis applied for and was granted a one-time extension for an additional three years. As noted, this extension is set to expire on September 6, 2025. Under the Local Government Act, only one extension of a Temporary Use Permit is permitted. As a result, Clarity Cannabis must now apply for a new TUP to continue operating at their current location.

The Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) of British Columbia completed the required financial integrity checks and security screenings for Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. and all individuals associated with the original TUP application.

To issue a Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store (CRS) licence under the Cannabis Control and Licensing Act, the Province requires a positive recommendation from the local government. This recommendation was provided by the City of Langford for Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. under TUP19-0001.

Previous Applications:

In 2019, the City received a Temporary Use Permit application (TUP19-0001) for the operation of a non-medical cannabis retail store. The permit was issued on March 19, 2019, authorizing the use for a period of up to three years.

A subsequent Temporary Use Permit (TUP21-0004) was issued in August 2021 to amend the operating hours and increase the permitted signage.

COMMENTARY:

The location is currently zoned Community Town Centre Pedestrian (C8) and is designated as City Centre in the Official Community Plan. Premises licensed under the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* are a permitted use within the C8 zone, which is the closest comparable permitted use to the cannabis retail store.

The site is a commercial building located on the same property as Boston Pizza and several other businesses, flanked to the west by Veterans Memorial Parkway. The West Shore RCMP Detachment is situated directly south of the location. The site offers ample parking, with access available from both Hoffman Avenue and Winster Road.



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As part of the RFP process, several guiding principles were established to help determine acceptable locations for non-medical cannabis retail stores and to inform the issuance of Temporary Use Permits. The preferred siting criteria specify that cannabis retail stores should not be located within:

- 1. 500 metres of another authorized non-medical cannabis retail location;
- 2. 300 metres of any school;
- 3. 300 metres of any group daycare;
- 4. 150 metres of Centennial Park, Veterans Memorial Park, City Centre Park, Westhills YMCA, any regional or provincial park, or Langford, Glen, or Florence Lakes; and
- 5. 50 metres of any land zoned R1 (One-Family Residential) or R2 (One- and Two-Family Residential), except within the designated City Centre.

Applicants were required to submit a detailed business plan outlining how they intended to undertake the retail sale of non-medical cannabis within the City. Proposals were expected to address compliance with several key factors, including:

- Adherence to the regulatory framework and all applicable City bylaws;
- Implementation of appropriate security measures for the premises;
- Minimization of neighbourhood impacts;
- Management of public nuisance issues related to cannabis use;
- Mitigation of public impairment concerns; and
- Provision of educational initiatives and materials addressing the above impacts and related social concerns.

These requirements are also outlined in the *Cannabis Retail Store Terms and Conditions* handbook, which reflects the provisions of the *Cannabis Control and Licensing Act* of British Columbia.

- Clarity Cannabis submitted a proposal in response to the RFP. Their location at 693 Hoffman Avenue is approximately 850 metres from Savory Elementary School (the nearest school),
- 150 metres from Veterans Memorial Park,
- 160 metres from the nearest daycare (2780 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Unit #105),
- 100 metres from the closest R1 or R2 zoned land (though this is exempt due to its location within the City Centre).

The applicant's original proposal demonstrated how they would meet all the criteria outlined in the RFP. Compliance with these criteria was a condition of the original Temporary Use Permit (TUP19-0001).

Following Council's approval of TUP19-0001, a Business Licence was issued under the Permit and remains valid.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications associated with this application.



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LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Under Section 497 of the *Local Government Act*, the City may issue a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) for a period of up to three years. The Act also allows for one extension of the Permit, for a maximum of an additional three years. If the Permit holder wishes to continue the temporary use beyond this six-year period, they must submit a new application to Council for a TUP or apply for rezoning.

Council regulates Temporary Use Permits through Part 3 of Zoning Bylaw No. 300, specifically Sections 3.27.03(1) and 3.27.04. These sections authorize Council to require that the form and character of the building align with commercial property guidelines. Council may also request additional information related to the property, such as a stormwater management plan or parking plan, as part of the application process.

Both the Official Community Plan and the General Commercial Development Permit Area provide guidance to Council in making decisions about appropriate land use and design for the subject property.

The West Shore RCMP have indicated that they have no concerns with the continued operation of Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd., provided the business continues to operate as it has over the past six years.

There are no records of regulatory bylaw violations, and no bylaw enforcement actions have been required since the business began operations.

OPTIONS:

Option 1

THAT the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee recommend that Council direct staff to provide notice that Council will consider issuing a Temporary Use Permit to allow Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. to continue to operate a non-medical cannabis retail store at #105 693 Hoffman Avenue.

OR Option 2

THAT the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee recommend that Council take no action with respect to this application for a Temporary Use Permit at #105 693 Hoffman Avenue until such a time as the following items are addressed and reviewed by the Sustainable Development Advisory Committee:

a.	 ;
b.	 ;
c.	_

SUBMITTED BY: Kory Elliott, Planning and Land Development Technician

Concurrence: Matthew Baldwin, RPP, MCIP, Director of Development Services

Concurrence: Leah Stohmann, RPP, MCIP, Director of Community Planning and Climate Change

Concurrence: Melisa Miles, Manager of Legislative Services



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Concurrence: Donna Petrie, Senior Manager of Communications & Economic Development **Concurrence:** Wolfgang Schoenefuhs, Acting Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities

Concurrence: Katelyn Balzer, P.Eng., Director of Engineering and Public Works

Concurrence: Michael Dillabaugh, CPA, CA, Director of Finance

Concurrence: Marie Watmough, Director of Legislative & Protective Services

Concurrence: Braden Hutchins, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Concurrence: Darren Kiedyk, Chief Administrative Officer

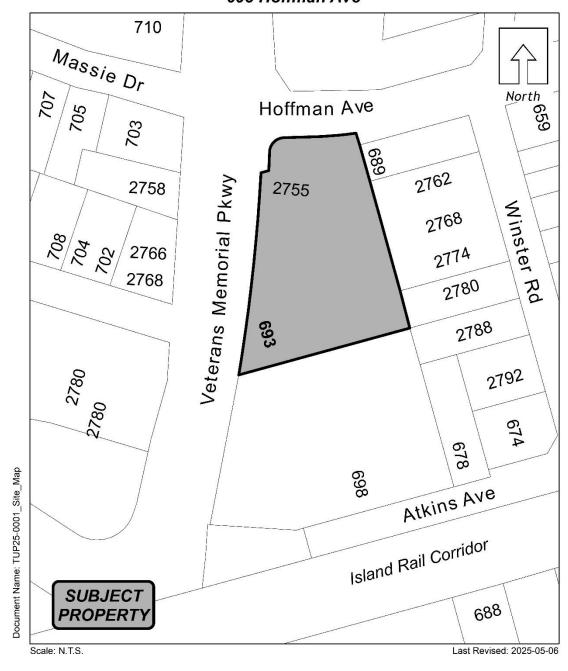
Attachments: Draft-TUP25-0001 for Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd.



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Annendix A - Site Man

TEMPORARY USE PERMIT (TUP25-0001) 693 Hoffman Ave

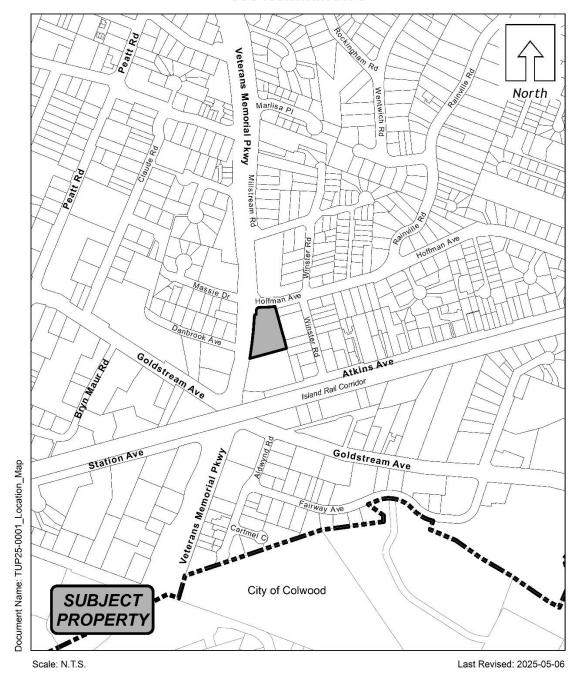




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Appendix B – Location Map

TEMPORARY USE PERMIT (TUP25-0001) 693 Hoffman Ave







Temporary Use Permit No. TUP25-0001

Temporary Use Permit No. TUP25-0001 is issued by the Council for the City of Langford to **Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd.** to operate a **non-medical cannabis retail store** on the property legally described as Lot A, Section 72, Esquimalt District, Plan VIP72210, PID No. 025-111-949 (**105-693 Hoffman Avenue**), in accordance with Section 493 of the *Local Government Act*, subject to the following terms and conditions, and notwithstanding Sec. 3.02.02(5) of Zoning Bylaw No. 300:

1. Conditions

- a) Exterior walls shall be treated in a manner and colour that is consistent with other parts of the building which the business occupies. If the non-medical cannabis retail store occupies a standalone building, then the exterior of the building will exhibit colours from a muted, earth tone palette with contrasting accent colours for windows, trim and doors. Bold or vivid colours that are intended to be distinctive and eye-catching (e.g.: lime green or fire engine red) may be used on signage, but not on the building façade or trim to the satisfaction of the Director of Development Services;
- a) All windows shall be opaque or constructed with spandrel panels behind. Windows and spandrels may not be embellished with any form of imagery;
- b) Security devices, such as window bars or roll shutters, shall be deployed on the inside of doors or windows so as to be unobtrusive and invisible from the street;
- c) The applicant shall provide security measures associated with the premises from which the non-medical cannabis retail store will operate in accordance with the applicant's proposal in response to the City of Langford Request for Proposal for the Retail Sales of Cannabis and Cannabis Related Products (RFP), as determined by the Chief Administrative Officer;
- d) The applicant shall address issues of nuisance with respect to odours, smoke and noise relating to public use of cannabis and cannabis products in accordance with the applicant's proposal in response to the RFP and the regulations, terms and conditions outlined in the *Cannabis Control and Licencing Act of B.C.*;
- e) The applicant shall address impairment issues relating to public use of cannabis and cannabis products for non-medical purposes in accordance with the applicant's proposal in response to the RFP and the regulations, terms and conditions outlined in the *Cannabis Control and Licencing Act of B.C.*;

- f) The non-medical cannabis retail store must be a stand-alone business;
- g) The hours of operation of the non-medical cannabis retail store shall be limited to 9am to 9pm Sunday through Wednesday and 9am to 10pm Thursday through Saturday;
- h) The applicant shall provide educational initiatives and materials associated with the impacts and related social concerns of the non-medical use of cannabis and cannabis products in accordance with the applicant's proposal in response to the RFP and as outlined in the *Cannabis Retail Store Terms and Conditions, a handbook for the sale of non-medical cannabis in British Columbia*;
- i) The applicant shall conform to the regulations stipulated in the *Cannabis Control and Licencing Act of British Columbia B.C. Reg.202/2018*;
- j) The Applicant shall ensure that the non-medical cannabis retail sale is in compliance with all applicable laws, including all City bylaws;

SIGNAGE

- All signage shall be subject to a subsequent Sign Development Permit application process and shall be constructed and placed in accordance with Langford Sign Bylaw No.1250 and to the satisfaction of the Director of Development Services;
- All signage shall be architecturally compatible with the style, composition, materials, colours, and details of the buildings within the development;
- m) The location and size of signs shall be architecturally integrated with the overall design of the buildings;
- n) As a condition of issuance of this permit, and notwithstanding what is permitted by Bylaw No. 1250, the business is limited to **three signs only**. This signage shall indicate the name of the business only, and shall not display company slogans, and may not employ any play on words with respect to cannabis or drug culture. This signage may be internally illuminated in accordance with City guidelines, but may not be animated in any way or have variable messaging;
- Notwithstanding article n), the business may have one illuminated sign which indicates that the business is open, provided that this signage is affixed to the interior of a door or window visible from the street and does not exceed an area of 0.2m² (2ft²);
- p) Sandwich board type signs are prohibited;

If a previous Development Permit has been issued with respect to Form and Character and no new buildings or exterior renovations are being proposed some of these conditions may be waived.

2. Whereas

- The non-medicinal use of cannabis and cannabis related products has historically been prohibited by federal law in Canada and, as a result, has historically been prohibited by the City under its Zoning Bylaw No. 300;
- b) On October 17, 2018, the Federal Government legalized the non-medicinal use of cannabis and cannabis products;
- c) The Federal Government and the Provincial Government have developed a regulatory framework for the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products for non-medicinal use;
- d) The City wishes to authorize the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products within its boundaries, but recognizes that there are challenges associated with it doing so;
- e) The City issued the Request for Proposals for the Retail Sales of Cannabis and Cannabis Related Products to seek proposals from individuals and organizations interested in undertaking the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products for non-medicinal use within the City's boundaries, and required that proposals include details as to how the challenges with the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products would be addressed;
- f) The City received and reviewed over 30 proposals in response to the Request for Proposals, and identified Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd.'s proposal as one that best addressed the challenges with the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products; and,
- g) Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. is committed to assisting the City and taking positive steps to address the challenges with the retail sale of cannabis and cannabis products;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council issue Temporary Use Permit TUP20-0001 to Clarity Cannabis BC Ltd. for it to operate a Cannabis Retail Store at 105-693 Hoffman Avenue for a three-year term subject to the terms and conditions listed within.

3. Expiry

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That the Temporary Use Permit be issued for a period of 36 months and will expire on August 19, 2028.

Authorized Resolution passed by the Council of the City of Langford on August 18, 2025.

Permit issued on August 19, 2025.

Marie Watmough, Corporate Officer