



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

Zoning Bylaw Comprehensive Review Project

Proposed Amendments to Sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10 and the Zoning Map

Description

A Comprehensive Review of the Zoning Bylaw Project (Project) is being undertaken to align the Zoning Bylaw with identified strategic priorities, current trends, changes to provincial legislation and to make minor amendments. This report is the seventh package of proposed amendments being undertaken as part of the Project. The proposed amendments address a range of topics identified during the information gathering and subsequent phases of the Project.

What We Did

The text amendments contained in this package address issues that have arisen and need to be addressed prior the final stage of the project which is anticipated in Quarter 1, 2024. Engagement was limited to affected stakeholders. Notification was provided to the general public through the e-newsletter and on the City's Engage Page.

The amendments to the Zoning Map are to City owned sites that contain more than one Zoning District (split-zoned). The amendments proposed are to ensure the Zoning Map is clear as possible. The amendments have no effect on the future use of the site as the sites are public right-of way and municipal reserve.

Who we had conversations with	How we gathered input
Internal City Stakeholders (Planning and Development, Solicitors, Transportation, Saskatoon Land, Communications and Engagement)	Relevant internal divisions were contacted for input on, review and comment for proposed amendments. No comments were received that would preclude these amendments from proceeding.
Review Committee on B4MX – Integrated Commercial Mixed-Use District	A review committee consisting of commercial real estate agents, developers, representatives of Saskatoon Land, and design professionals was formed to meet to discuss the B4MX – Integrated Commercial Mixed-Use District. The amendment regarding the B4MX District was provided to the committee.
Saskatoon and Region Homebuilders Association (SHRBA)	Information was provided to SHRBA to forward onto their members.
General Public	Information was provided on the Zoning Bylaw Review Engage Page. Visitors to the website were able to provide comment and contact the Project team. An e-newsletter was used to promote the information in August 2023. Twitter, Facebook and Next Door were used to promote the information in August 2023.

What We Heard

We organized what we heard into themes and summaries below. These comments were received through email inquiries.

Note: The language below is not word for word comments provided by stakeholders.

Amendment	Theme	Summarized Comments	Response
Garden and Garage Suites in New Neighbourhoods	Challenging to understand	Unclear which regulations apply to where for the new category 3 neighbourhoods. A definition needs to be added for category 3 neighbourhoods	This proposed amendment will more clearly state where each set of regulations apply.
Waste Container Enclosures	Regulation needed	A structure to screen waste containers is needed as they need to be stored in the front yard where pick-up occurs.	A proposed amendment will allow screening of waste containers in the required front yard.

What Went Well

- Working to make our engagement report more accessible to the public.
- Working with the building industry to address emerging concerns.

What We Can Do Better

- Existing engagement methods may not be reaching stakeholders as few responses were received from webmail or the website.

What's Next

- Work is currently underway on the final phases of the project that will commence with a repeal and replace of the existing zoning bylaw.

