

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 9th, 2023 (time sensitive)

To: Committee of the Whole **Date:** November 3rd, 2023

From: Councillor Gardiner

Subject: Short Term Rentals, Province of BC proposed Bill 35 and clause 36

BACKGROUND

Regarding Short Term Rentals:

- In anticipation of amending municipal bylaws to further regulate short-term rentals, Council discussed the matter at the July 27, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting (item F.2),
- On October 16, 2023, the Province of BC announced the introduction of Bill 35 the "Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act",
- Within Bill 35, Clause 36 "Authority to continue use does not apply" alters protections for non-conforming use of property.

While the proposed changes have been made in open discussion forums, public consultation and opportunity for input at an open forum has not occurred.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council direct staff to schedule a Public Hearing in 2023 and that at the Public Hearing:

- staff present details of Bill 35 with emphasis on Clause 36 and the discretion of the City with regards to municipal use of Clause 36, and
- the public be provided the opportunity to speak as per the usual Public Hearing rules.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Gardiner