



REQUEST FOR DECISION

To: Board of Directors

From: Wendy Thomson, Manager of Administrative Services
& Teri Fong, Manager of Finance

Meeting Date: August 22, 2012

Subject: BYLAW E1055, WEST COAST MULTIPLEX LOCAL SERVICE AREA ESTABLISHMENT

Recommendation:

That the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors give three readings to Bylaw E1055, West Coast Multiplex Local Service Area Establishment, 2012.

Desired Outcome:

The West Coast Multiplex Society has requested the Regional District to conduct a referendum this fall on the proposal of the construction and operation of a Multiplex facility on the West Coast. An establishing bylaw is required to create a service and conduct a referendum.

Background:

As reported at the August 8th Board of Directors meeting, the Regional District is considering the establishment of a new service to enable the construction and operation of a multiplex facility on the West Coast. The proposed facility would include a regulation size ice surface and multipurpose room for fitness purposes. The proposed facility is to be located on land to be provided by the Regional District on the Long Beach Airport lands. The proposed site is in proximity to the Long Beach Golf Course, complementing existing facilities, leading to possible shared resources without compromising either operation.

The West Coast Multiplex Society proposes to raise all the funds required to construct the facility. The Society plans to commence fundraising for construction costs upon a successful referendum. The Regional District would own and operate the facility, therefore the referendum will be for the operating costs only.

The process for the ACRD Board to adopt the establishing bylaw for this service is as follows:

- a. Three readings of the bylaw by the ACRD Board;
- b. Forward the bylaw for approval by the Inspector of Municipalities;
- c. Once approved, the ACRD then must obtain assent of the electors by referendum (the ACRD must go to referendum within 80 days of inspector approval) – Proposed date for referendum in Saturday, November 17, 2012.
- d. If assent of the electors is received (referendum passes), the ACRD Board can adopt the Bylaw.

Bylaw E1055, West Coast Multiplex Local Service Area Establishment, 2012

The participating areas in the proposed local service area are; Area "C" (Long Beach), District of Tofino, District of Ucluelet and Yuułu?if?ath Government.

Attached please find a copy of Bylaw E1055, West Coast Multiplex Local Service Area Establishment, 2012 for consideration of three readings by the ACRD Board of Directors.

Time Requirements – Staff & Elected Officials:

Substantial staff time will be required to arrange and conduct the referendum. If the referendum passes, the Regional District will be responsible for the application and administration of grants, design, tendering, construction, operation and maintenance. This will require tremendous staff resources.

Financial:

The Multiplex Feasibility Report conducted by Recreation Excellence in 2008 was reviewed when estimating the annual operating expenditures but because it was created for a pool/arena combination it was hard to breakdown the recommended million dollar budget. Therefore, consultation has occurred with Gold River and Port McNeill regarding their operating budgets as their facilities are of similar size to the proposed Multiplex. The annual operating requisition for each of the two facilities is between \$270,000 and \$350,000. Staff then consulted with Scott Kenny of the City of Port Alberni and he agreed that these estimates would be reasonable for our proposed facility.

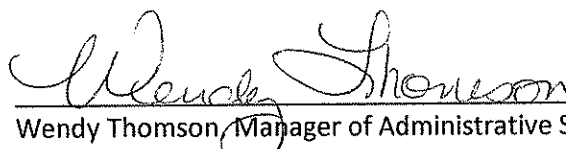
Staff estimates the annual tax requisition to be \$350,000 or \$0.19 per \$1,000 of taxable land and improvements but has set the maximum in this bylaw as \$450,000 or \$0.25 per \$1,000 of taxable land and improvements as we need to provide adequate room for the projected increase in expenditures over the coming years.

As with all of the Regional District budgets, the operating budget for the Multiplex facility will be subject to a public input process annually.

The 2012 Regional District Financial Plan includes \$7,500 to conduct the referendum.

Policy or Legislation:

This bylaw conforms with requirements in the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter*.

Submitted by: 
 Wendy Thomson, Manager of Administrative Services

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 Teri Fong, Manager of Finance



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT

BYLAW NO. E1055

A bylaw to establish a service to provide for the operation of a multiplex facility on the West Coast in Electoral Area "C" (Long Beach)

WHEREAS the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District may, by bylaw, establish and operate a local service for public recreation and community use including arenas pursuant to the *Local Government Act*.

AND WHEREAS the West Coast Multiplex Society is committed to raise all the funds necessary to construct a multiplex facility on the West Coast.

AND WHEREAS the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District has been requested to establish a local service for the purpose of operating a multiplex facility on the West Coast.

AND WHEREAS the assent of the electors is required before adopting the bylaw to establish a local service for the operation of a multiplex facility on the West Coast.

AND WHEREAS the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board of Directors wishes to establish a local service for the purpose of operating a multiplex facility on the West Coast.

AND WHEREAS the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities is required under *the Local Government Act*.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Directors of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District in open meeting assembled, enact as follows:

1. Citation

This Bylaw may be cited as "Bylaw No. E1055, West Coast Multiplex Local Service Area Establishment, 2012."

2. Service

The local service hereby established under this Bylaw is for the purpose of operating a public recreation facility for community use, including an arena.

Read a third time this day of , 2012

Approved by the Inspector of Municipalities this day of 2012.

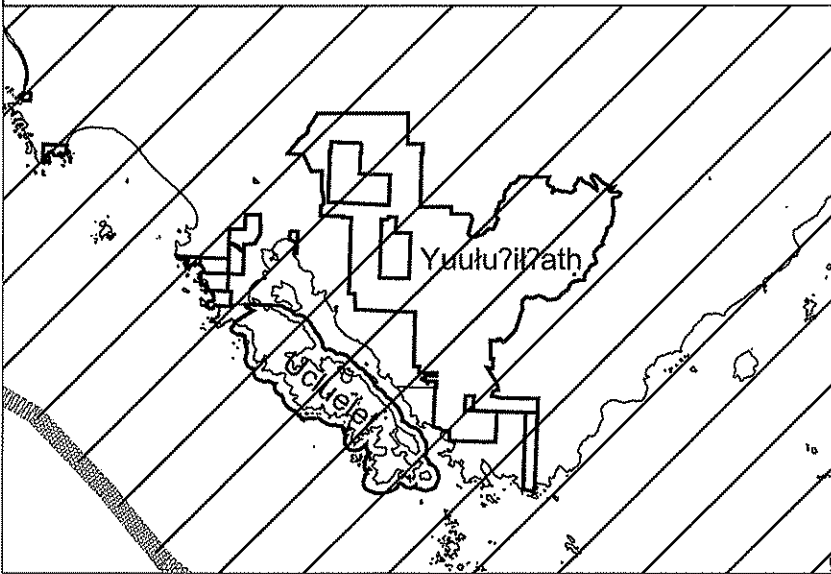
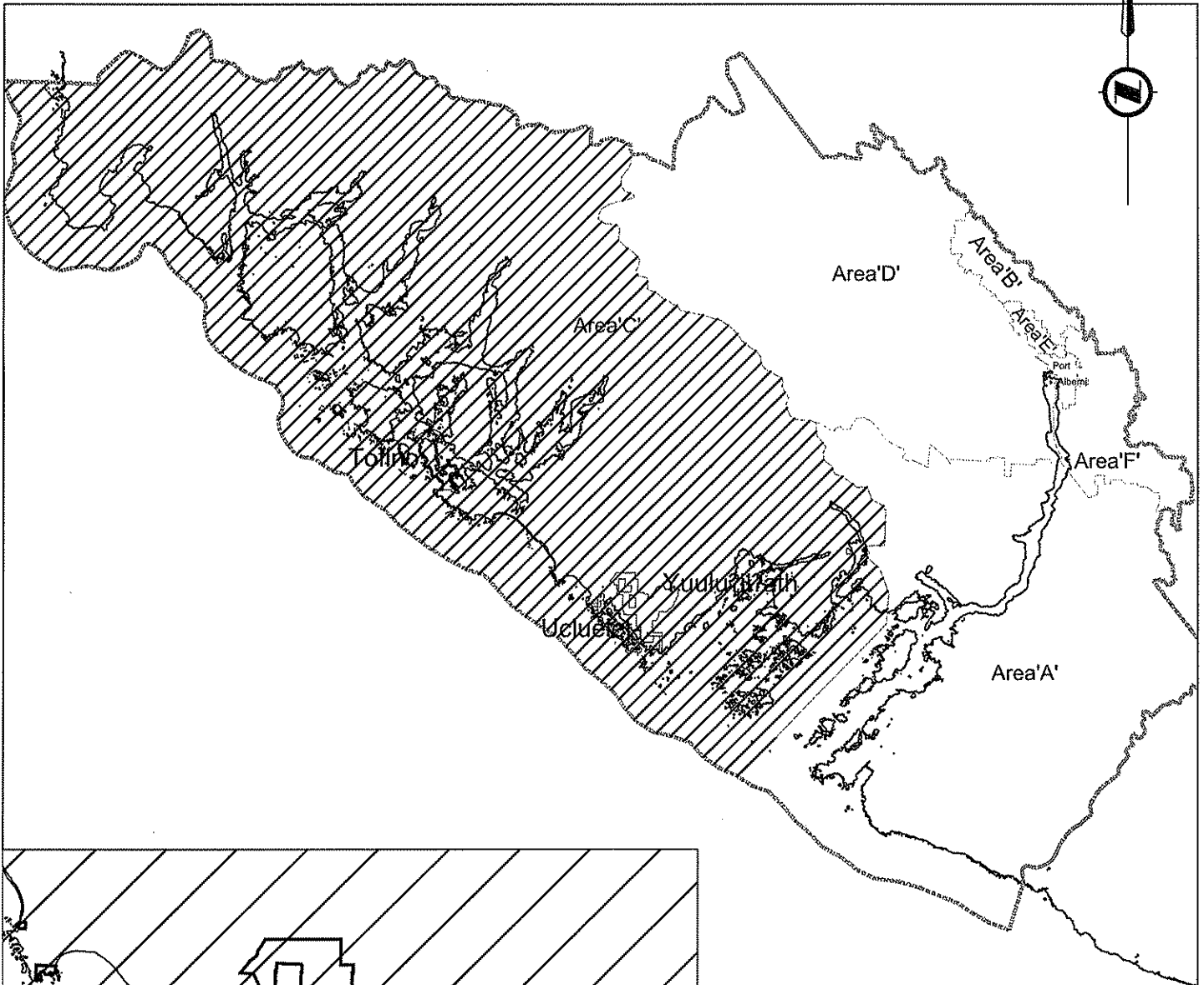
Assented to by the Electors this day of 2012.

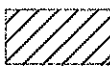
Adopted this day of 2012.

I hereby certify this document to be
a true copy of Bylaw E1055, West Coast
Multiplex
Local Service Area
Establishment, 2012 as read a third time
on August 22, 2012.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2012.

Schedule 'A'



 West Coast Multiplex Service Area - Electoral Area 'C', District of Tofino, District of Ucluelet and Yuuukw'ath Government



**ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT
REGIONAL DISTRICT**