

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING

This public hearing is convened pursuant to Section 465 of the *Local Government Act* to allow the public to make representations to the Board regarding a proposed zoning bylaw amendment.

Due to COVID-19, public attendance at the hearing has not been permitted and the PRRD has made arrangements instead for virtual attendance. You are encouraged to participate in the public hearing via the Zoom audio or video call.

Today's Public Hearing is for proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2451, 2021. The Public Hearing is held to provide an opportunity for residents to share their views about the proposed change to the property use. We will first hear from the Planner who will provide an overview of the proposal and application procedure to date, and then the Chair will call for comments from the public.

The notice of this public hearing was advertised in the newspaper and mailed to neighboring landowners to alert residents to the proposed changes, and invite them to provide their feedback by e-mail, letter, or attendance at the public hearing today via the Zoom audio or video call.

Every one of you present via the Zoom call, who believes that your interests are affected by the proposed bylaw amendment shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw. None of you will be discouraged or prevented from making your views known. However, it is important that you restrict your remarks to matters contained in the proposed bylaw.

When speaking please commence your remarks by clearly stating your first and last name.

Please take turns and ensure that you do not make follow up comments until each person has had a chance to speak.

Should the need arise, the zoom audio call moderator has the ability to mute every person. If this becomes necessary to preserve order, each participant will be unmuted, one at a time, and invited to speak. Thank you for your cooperation and patience with this process.

Members of the Board may, if they so wish, ask questions of you following your presentation. However, the function of the Board at this public hearing is to listen to you rather than to debate the merits of the proposed bylaws.

After the public hearing is concluded, the Board may, without further notice, give whatever effect the Board believes proper to the representations made at this hearing. Once the hearing is concluded, no further comments will be accepted.