

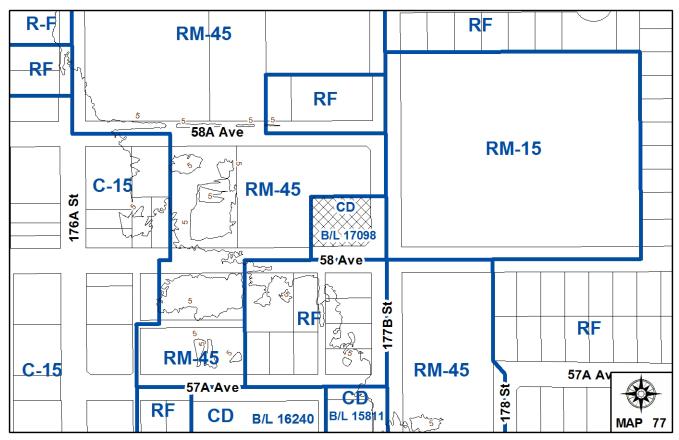
Planning Report Date: April 2, 2012

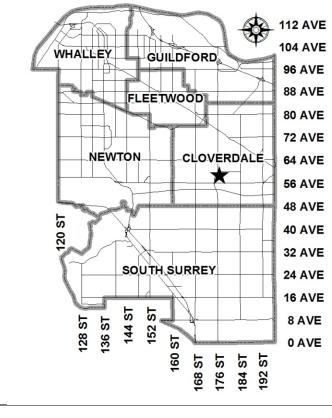
PROPOSAL:

• Development Variance Permit

in order to relax the parking requirements for a 34-unit, 4-storey apartment building in Cloverdale Town Centre.

LOCATION:	5811 - 177B Street
OWNER:	Latis Development Ltd., Inc. No. 911288
ZONING:	CD (By-law No. 17098)
OCP DESIGNATION:	Multiple Residential
TCP DESIGNATION:	Medium Density Residential





RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

• Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• Seeking minor relaxations to the parking requirements for a 4-storey apartment building.

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- During recent on-site preparation, the applicant discovered challenging soil conditions at the southwest corner of the property. A deep layer of liquefied silt soil was discovered, creating construction difficulties. A Development Variance Permit is required as a result of some minor revisions proposed to the underground parking.
- The subject site is located within Cloverdale Town Centre and is close to businesses and services, as well as transit service.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7912-0041-00 (Appendix III) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
 - (a) to reduce the minimum number of on-site resident parking spaces for a 34-unit apartment building required in the Zoning By-law from 47 to 45; and
 - (b) to increase the percentage of 'small car' spaces from the maximum of 25% in the Zoning By-law to the proposed 27%.

REFERRALS

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the proposal.

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Recently vacant lot

Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	Town Centre Plan	Existing Zone
		Designation	
North:	Three-storey	Medium Density	RM-45
	apartment building.	Residential	
East (Across 177B Street):	Townhouses.	Townhouses	RM-15
South (Across 58 Avenue):	Single family homes.	Medium Density	RF
		Residential	
West:	Three-storey	Medium Density	RM-45
	apartment building.	Residential	

DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Background

- The subject property is located at 5811 177B Street in Cloverdale Town Centre. The site is zoned CD (By-law No. 17098), designated Multiple Residential in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and Medium Density Residential in the Cloverdale Town Centre Plan.
- Development Permit No. 7909-0015-00 was approved by Council on November 28, 2011 to allow a 34-unit, 4-storey residential apartment building on the subject site.

• During recent on-site preparation, the applicant encountered challenging soil conditions at the southwest corner of the property. A deep layer of loose and liquefied silt was discovered, which has created a construction problem. As a result, the applicant is proposing some minor adjustments to their underground parking, which requires a Development Variance Permit.

Current Proposal

- The applicant proposes the following relaxations to the parking requirements in the Zoning Bylaw:
 - reduce the minimum required number of on-site resident parking spaces by two (2) from 47 to 45; and
 - o increase the percentage of on-site 'small car' spaces from 25% to 27%.
- The proposed relaxation only affects the resident parking spaces. The seven (7) visitor parking spaces remain unchanged and comply with the Zoning By-law.
- Due to the challenging soil conditions, the applicant proposes a revised underground parking plan. In the approved Development Permit No. 7909-0015-00, vehicle parking and bicycle storage were located at the southwest corner of the site. The applicant now proposes to remove the vehicle parking and replace it with bicycle storage, while the original bicycle storage is to be replaced by the building exhaust plenum (see Appendix II Drawings B & C). The underground parking and building footprint remains unchanged.
- All other aspects of the building, including elevators, stairs, and mechanical rooms, remain unchanged from the approved Development Permit No. 7909-0015-00.

BY-LAW VARIANCES AND JUSTIFICATION

- (a) Requested Variances:
 - To relax the requirements in the Zoning By-law No. 12000 as follows:
 - To reduce the minimum required number of on-site resident parking spaces for a 34-unit apartment building by two (2) from 47 to 45; and
 - To increase the percentage of on-site 'small car' spaces from 25% to 27%.

Applicant's Reasons:

- The proposed parking relaxations are as a result of the discovery of underground loose, liquefied silty soil at a depth of +/- 2.3 metres (7.5 ft.) located at the southwest corner of the subject property.
- The soft soil has caused the intended design of the underground parking to become an extremely difficult or even impossible construction challenge.

Staff Comments:

- The poor soil conditions at the southwest corner of the property were not discovered until recent site preparation. The architect modified the underground parking, but due to space constraints, structural elements and building design, is unable to comply with the parking requirements of the Zoning By-law.
- Zoning By-law No. 12000 requires a total of 47 resident parking spaces for the subject site based on the approved 34-unit, 4-storey apartment building. The revised underground parking plan proposes a total of 45 resident parking spaces two (2) short. Seven (7) visitor spaces are also provided, which complies with the Zoning By-law.
- The subject site is located within Cloverdale Town Centre, which is pedestrian-friendly. The site is approximately 200 metres from businesses and services located along 176 Street and roughly 400 metres to the Cloverdale Fairgrounds, which encompasses a number of parks and recreational services as well as a seniors centre.
- Bus routes run along both 58 Avenue and 177B Street with transit stops near the subject property. The existing bus service provides Cloverdale area residents with links to Fleetwood, Guildford, City Centre, Newton, Surrey City Hall and Langley.
- Existing on-street parking is available along both 58 Avenue and 177B Street during peak activity periods.
- Staff support the proposed parking relaxations.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I.	Lot Owners, Action Summary
Appendix II.	Site Plan and Drawings
Appendix III	Development Variance Permit No. 7912-0041-00

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Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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APPENDIX I

Information for City Clerk

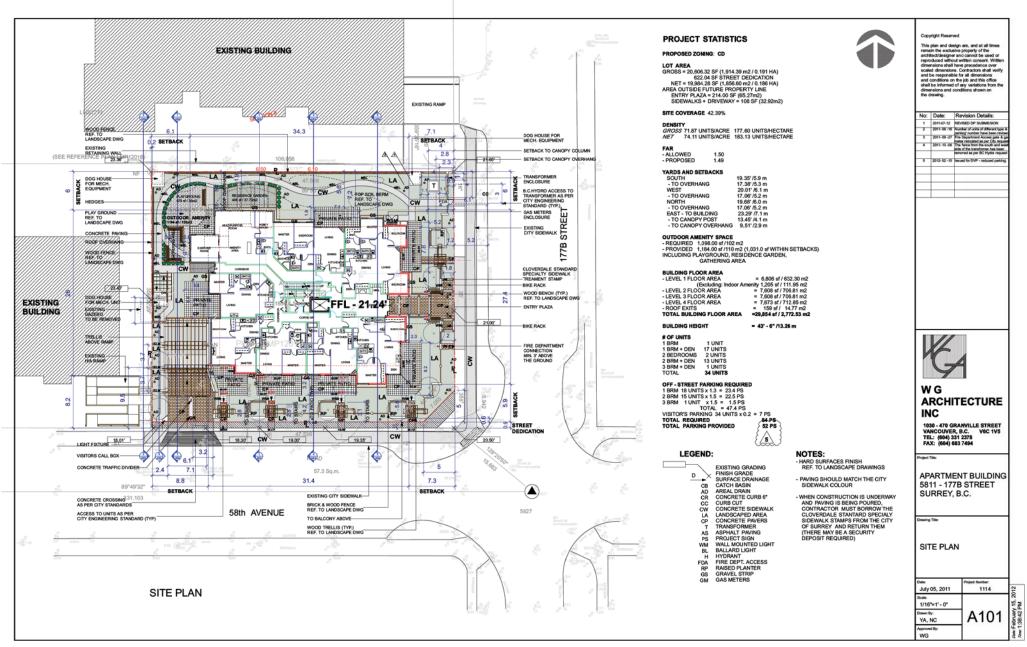
Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1.	(a) Agent:	Name: Address:	Michael Jaszczewski WG Architecture Inc. 470 Granville Street, Suite #1030 Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1V5
		Tel:	(604) 331-2378

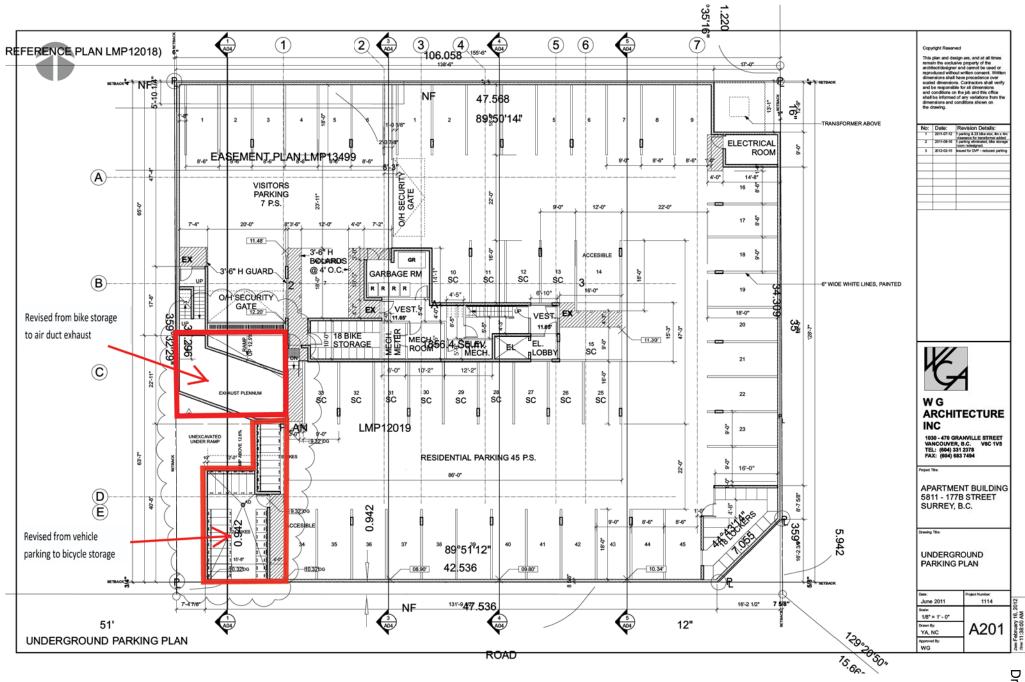
2. Properties involved in the Application

(a)	Civic Address:	5811 - 177B Street
(b)	Civic Address: Owner: PID: Lot A Section 8 Towr	5811 - 177B Street Latis Development Ltd., Inc. No. 911288 028-731-158 Iship 8 New Westminster District Plan BCP 49712

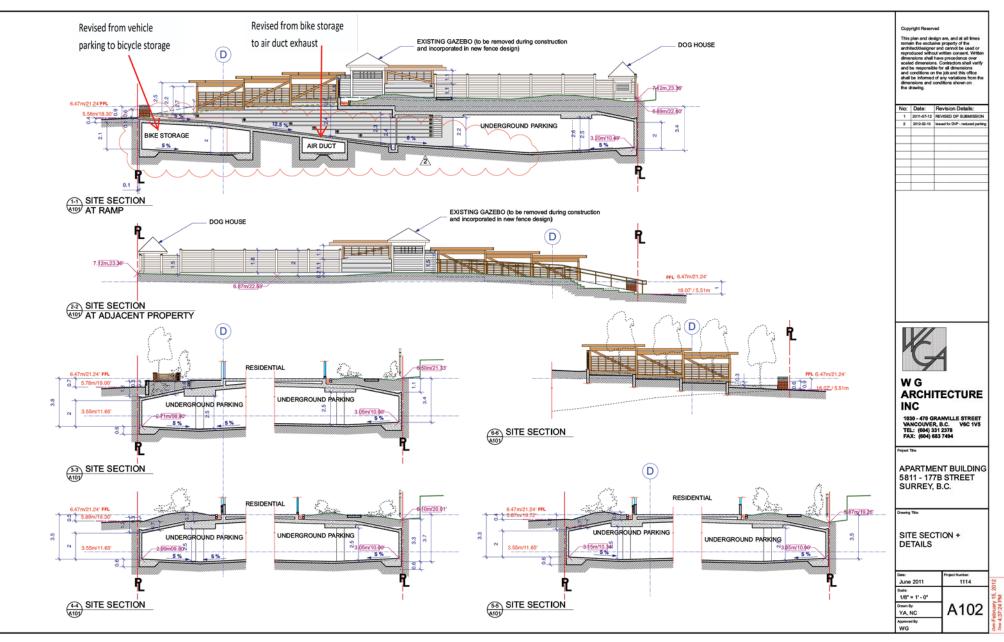
- 3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office
 - (a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7912-0041-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.



Appendix II Drawing A



Drawing B



CITY OF SURREY

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7912-0041-00

Issued To:	LATIS DEVELOPMENT LTD.
	("the Owner")
Address of Owner:	202-45389 Luckakuck Way Chilliwack, BC V2R 3V1

- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owner with all statutes, by-laws, orders, regulations or agreements, except as specifically varied by this development variance permit.
- 2. This development variance permit applies to that real property including land with or without improvements located within the City of Surrey, with the legal description and civic address as follows:

Parcel Identifier: 028-731-158 Lot A Section 8 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan BCP 49712

5811 - 177B Street

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
 - (a) In Table C.6 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading, the minimum number of parking spaces is reduced from 47 spaces to 45 spaces; and
 - (b) In Section B.1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading, the maximum percentage of total 'small car' spaces is increased from 25% to 27%.
- 4. This development variance permit applies to only that portion of the buildings and structures on the Land shown on Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit. This development variance permit does not apply to additions to, or replacement of, any of the existing buildings shown on attached Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.

- 5. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.
- 6. This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two
 (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued.
- 7. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
- 8. This development variance permit is not a building permit.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 2012. ISSUED THIS DAY OF , 2012.

Mayor - Dianne L. Watts

City Clerk – Jane Sullivan

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