

# City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT Application No.: 7922-0143-00

Planning Report Date: May 30, 2022

#### **PROPOSAL:**

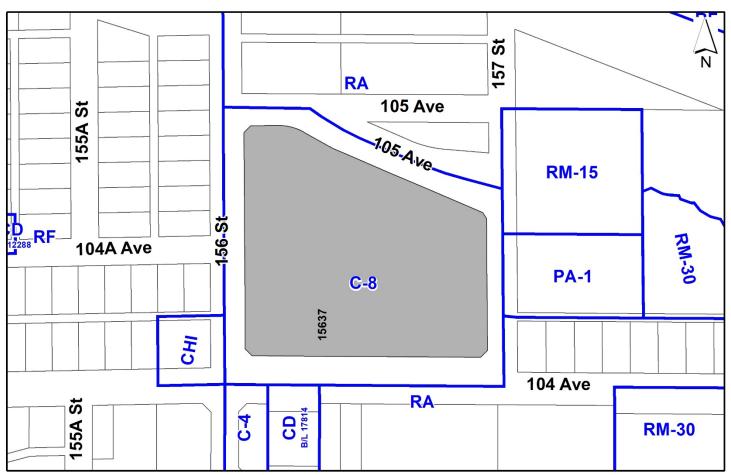
### • Development Variance Permit

to permit installation of two fascia signs on different facades for a restaurant in the Guildford Village Shopping Centre.

LOCATION: Unit 104, 15637- 104 Avenue

**ZONING:** C-8

OCP DESIGNATION: Commercial TCP: Commercial



#### RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

#### DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• Seeking a variance to the Sign By-law to increase the maximum allowable combined sign area for a single tenant from 10.5 square metres to 12.2 square metres.

#### RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The subject restaurant tenant is occupying two units. As such, the increased sign size makes efficient use of the premise frontage while still being reasonable in size in relation to the existing buildings and other fascia signage in the shopping centre.
- The signs are important for wayfinding purposes and will help direct customers both onsite and from 156 Street/104 Avenue.
- The proposed sign letter height is minimally taller than what is required under the approved Comprehensive Sign Design Package captured as part of Application No. 7917-0488-00 for this shopping centre (0.77 metres vs 0.70 metres). As such, there is minimal deviation in height compared to other tenant fascia signs in the shopping centre.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7922-0143-00 (Appendix I), to vary the Sign Bylaw as follows, to proceed to Public Notification:

(a) to allow an increase to the maximum allowable combined sign area for a single tenant from 10.5 square metres to 12.2 square metres.

#### **SITE CONTEXT & BACKGROUND**

Direction	<b>Existing Use</b>	TCP Designation	<b>Existing Zone</b>
Subject Site	Existing Guildford Village shopping centre	Commercial	C-8
North (Across 105 Avenue):	Large residential lots and recently acquired Park land adjacent to Guilford Brook	Parks and Natural Areas, Riparian Buffer	RA
East (Across 157 Street):	Assembly Hall, Townhouses and Single detached homes	Townhouse or Rowhouse	RM-15/PA-1/RA
South (Across 104 Avenue):	Neighbourhood commercial store, apartment and Harold Bishop Elementary School	Low Rise Mixed Use, School	C-4/ CD (By-law No. 17814)/ RA
West (Across 156 Street):	Animal hospital and single detached homes	Low Rise Mixed Use, Low Rise Apartment	CHI, RF

#### **Context & Background**

- The subject site is located in Guilford at the northeast corner of 104 Avenue and 156 Street.
- The original Development Permit (No. 7913-0189-00) for the subject site received final approval in December 2016. This development application included a Development Permit, OCP Amendment, Rezoning, and a Development Variance Permit to allow for a commercial development.
- Further revisions to the overall site plan were completed under Application No. 7917-0488-00 which included the following significant changes:
  - o the elimination of one (1) building (CRU F) along 104th Avenue, at the entrance to the site with six (6) buildings now proposed;
  - o the addition of second floor office in the Anchor B building;

- o changes to CRU C to accommodate a proposed daycare tenant and including the addition of a rooftop outdoor play area;
- The roofline of Anchor A, a large format grocery store, was changed to be in alignment with the prototypical "swoosh" associated with tenant branding;
- o Corner feature boxes, including signage, were better designed, and integrated into the building form; and
- Registration of a Section 219 Restrictive Covenant prohibiting the development or construction of any freestanding signs on the subject site.
- As part of the comprehensive sign design package captured on the site, individual tenants are advised to implement channel letter fascia signage with maximum sign area calculations based off individual tenant premise frontages (as per the Sign By-law). Furthermore, channel letter signs were restricted to 0.7 metres in height and 7.8 metres in length.

#### DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

## **Planning Considerations**

- The applicant proposes to install two (2) channel letter fascia signs on two different elevations for a restaurant (Mary Browns Chicken) occupying Unit 104.
- According to the Sign By-law, combined sign area of all signs on a lot, excluding free-standing signs, shall not exceed 1 sq. m. per linear metre of premises frontage. Since the tenant is occupying two units, the applicant has expressed a need to utilize more space for identification purposes. Given that two fascia signs are proposed on different elevations and their combined sign area exceeds the maximum allowable sign area, a variance is required to the Sign By-law.
- The applicant is not proposing any improvements to any of the other tenant's fascia signage or free-standing signage for this shopping centre, and therefore, the applicant is not proposing a comprehensive sign design package.

#### Fascia Signs 1 & 2

• Proposed Signs 1 and 2 consist of channel letters with orange, blue, and white accents and read "Mary Browns Chicken". Both signs are 0.77 metres high and 7.87 metres in length.

#### Total Sign Area

• The combined sign area of both sign is 12.2 square metres, which exceeds the maximum allowable combined sign area for a single tenant of 10.5 square metres. The subject variance is therefore requested.

#### Referrals

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

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## Fascia Sign Variance

- The applicant is requesting the following variance:
  - o to allow an increase to the maximum allowable combined sign area for a single tenant from 10.5 square metres to 12.2 square metres.
- The proposed Sign By-law variance has merit as it provides a clear signage aesthetic for marketing and identification purposes and consists of high-quality design and materials.
- The signs are important for wayfinding purposes and will help direct customers both onsite and from 156 Street/104 Avenue.
- The proposed sign height is minimally taller than what is required in the Comprehensive Sign Design Package captured as part of Application No. 7917-0488-00. As such, there is minimal deviation in height compared to other tenant fascia signs in the shopping centre.
- Staff supports the requested variance for the proposed increased sign area.

#### INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

Appendix I. Development Variance Permit No. 7922-0143-00

approved by Ron Gill

Jeff Arason Acting General Manager Planning and Development

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### **CITY OF SURREY**

(the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7922-0143-00

Issued	To:

("the Owner")

Address of Owner:

- 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:

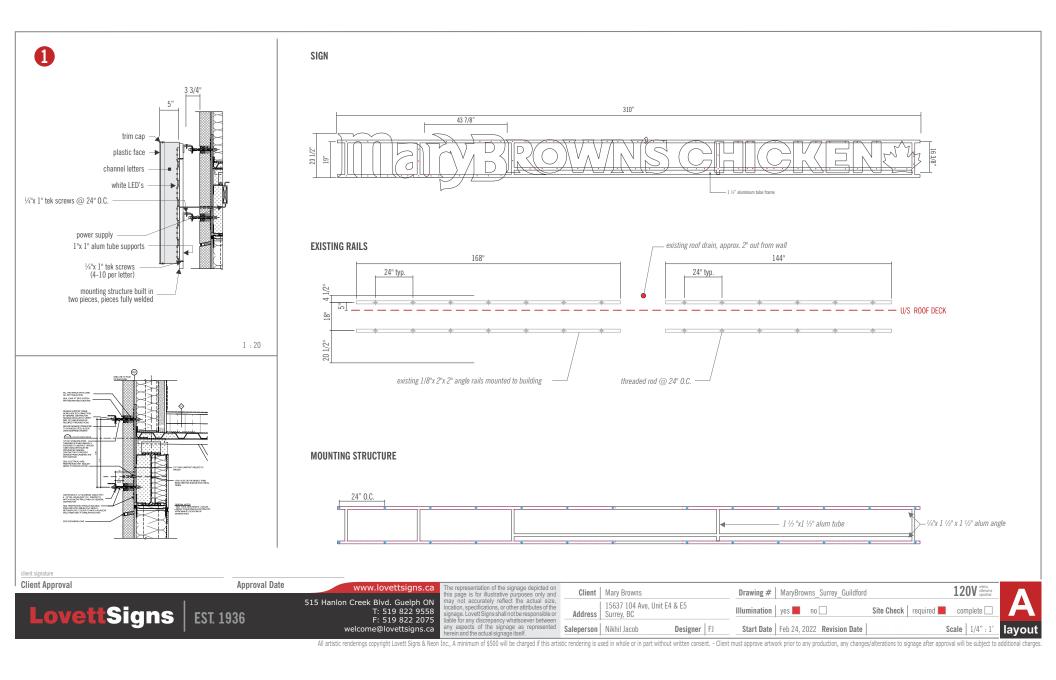
Parcel Identifier: 030-036-241 Lot 1 Section 22 Block 5 North Range 1 West New Westminster District Plan EPP61085 Unit 104, 15637 - 104 Avenue

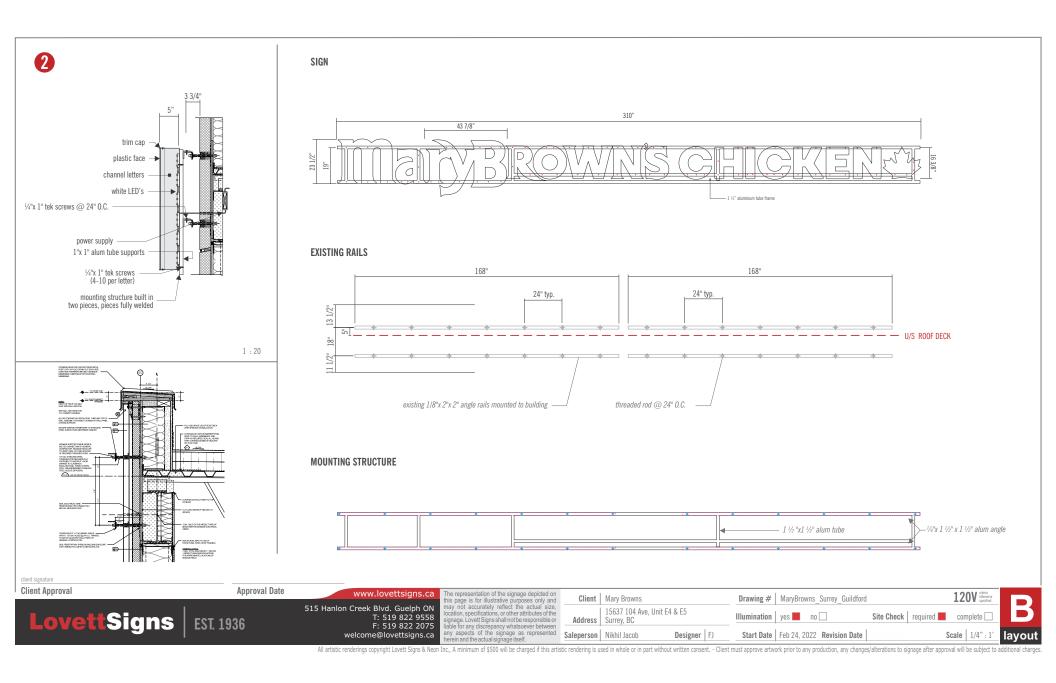
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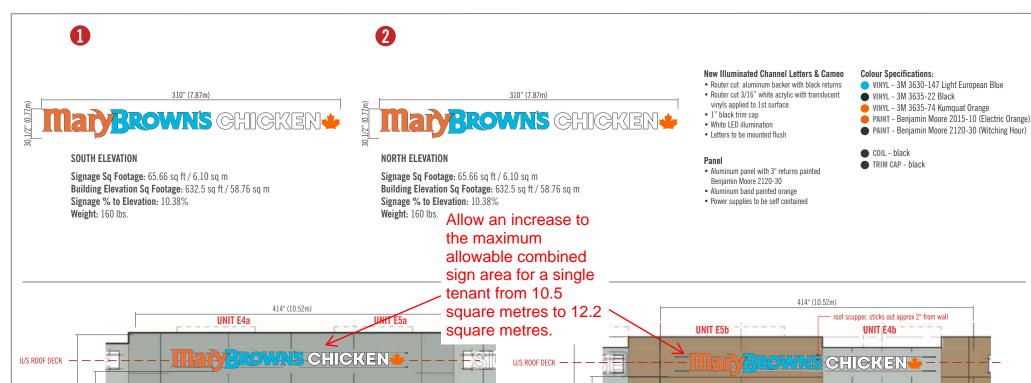
- 3. Surrey Sign By-law, 1999, No. 13656, as amended is varied as follows:
  - (a) to vary Part 5, Section 27(2)(b) in order to increase the maximum allowable combined sign area for a single tenant from 10.5 square metres to 12.2 square metres.
- 4. This development variance permit applies to <u>that portion of the buildings and structures</u> on the <u>Land</u> shown on 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 a persons who acquire an interest in the Land.				
8.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.				
	ORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE CO D THIS DAY OF , 20 .	UNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 .			
		Mayor – Doug McCallum			
		City Clerk – Jennifer Ficocelli			

## Schedule A







220" (5.59m) 220" (5.59m) 1/2" (4.25m) 172" (4.37m) 167 SOUTH (front) ELEVATION NORTH (rear) ELEVATION

**LovettSigns** 

client signature Client Approval

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Approval Date

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Client | Mary Browns 15637 104 Ave, Unit E4 & E5 Address Surrey, BC Saleperson | Nikhil Jacob Designer | FJ

Drawing # | MaryBrowns Surrey Guildford Illumination | yes | no |

Site Check | required complete Start Date | Feb 24, 2022 Revision Date

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