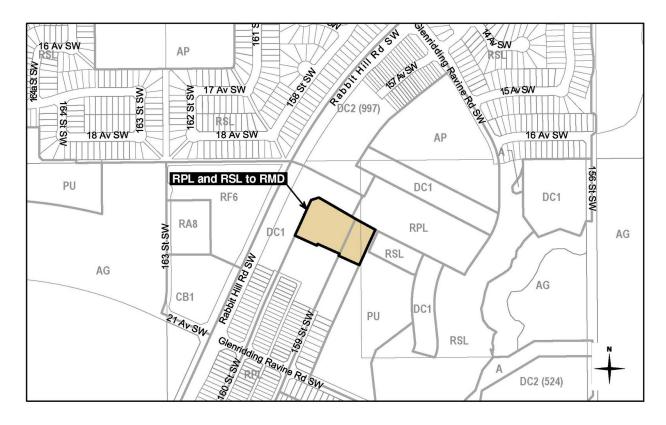


# 150 - Glenridding Ravine Road SW; and

#### 1821 - Rabbit Hill Road SW



**Recommendation:** That Charter Bylaw 19525 to amend the Zoning Bylaw from (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone and (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone to (RMD) Residential Mixed Dwelling Zone be **APPROVED**.

Administration **SUPPORTS** this application because:

- it will provide opportunity for a range of housing choices in a variety of physical forms; and
- it conforms with the low density residential land use designation of the Glenridding Ravine Neighbourhood Structure Plan.

## **Report Summary**

This land use amendment application was submitted by Stantec Consulting Ltd. on September 14, 2020 on behalf of Anthem United. The application proposes to rezone the site from (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone and (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone to (RMD) Residential Mixed Dwelling Zone. If approved, the proposed RMD Zone will allow for a range of low density residential dwelling types including single detached, semi-detached and row housing.

The applicant's stated intent is to develop housing with front driveways on the east side of the future lane.

The proposed RMD Zone conforms with the low density residential designation prescribed to the site in the Glenridding Ravine Neighbourhood Structure Plan and meets Objective 25 of the NSP which seeks to provide a range of housing choices in a variety of physical forms to meet the needs of different household types, income levels and ages.

The stated intent of the rezoning, however, does not meet Objectives 2 and 5 of the Glenridding Ravine NSP which encourage efficient use of land resources and pedestrian-friendly street design. The front-drive housing product will decrease the number of boulevard trees along this stretch of road from approximately 5 to 1 and will increase the number of driveways intersecting the sidewalk. This is not preferable from an aesthetic, urban design, environmental or pedestrian comfort perspective and does not align with the City Plan's priority to be *Greener as we Grow* and the measurement target of planting two million urban trees.

While the (RMD) Zone will allow an appropriate land use at this location, Planning Coordination recommends that the eventual development be designed in a manner that would align with Objectives 2 and 5 of the Glenridding Ravine NSP by maintaining a consistent streetscape and comfortable pedestrian environment along 159 Street and providing vehicular access from the lane.

All comments from civic departments or utility agencies regarding this proposal have been addressed.

# **The Application**

**Charter Bylaw 19525** proposes to rezone the site from (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone and (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone to (RMD) Residential Mixed Dwelling Zone. If approved, the proposed RMD Zone will allow for a range of low density residential dwelling types including single detached, semi-detached and row housing.

# **Site and Surrounding Area**

The site is located north of Glenridding Ravine Road SW and east of 160 Street SW and is undeveloped.

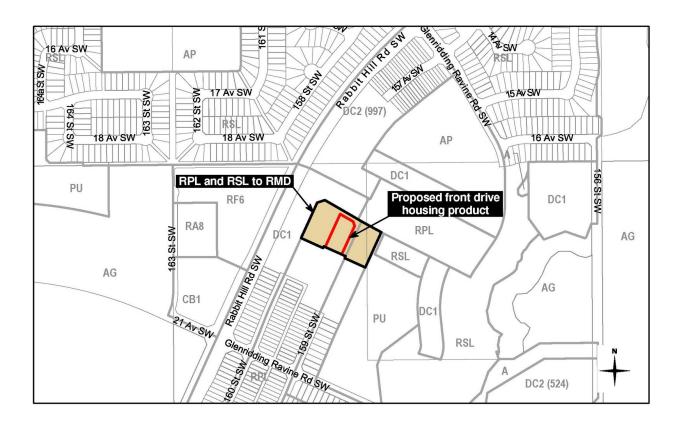


AERIAL VIEW OF APPLICATION AREA

|              | EXISTING ZONING                     | CURRENT USE                    |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| SUBJECT SITE | (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone  | Undeveloped                    |
|              | (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone    |                                |
| CONTEXT      |                                     |                                |
| North        | (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone  | Undeveloped                    |
|              | (DC1) Direct Development Control    |                                |
|              | Provision (single detached housing) |                                |
| East         | (PU) Public Utility Zone            | Stormwater Management Facility |
|              | (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone    | and undeveloped land           |
| South        | (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone  | Land under development         |
|              | (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone    |                                |
| West         | (DC1) Direct Development Control    | Undeveloped                    |
|              | Provision (single detached housing) |                                |

# **Planning Analysis**

The application proposes to rezone the site from (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone and (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone to (RMD) Residential Mixed Dwelling Zone. The intent of the rezoning is to allow for a front-drive housing product on the east side of the future laneway (fronting onto future 159 Street) as shown in the image below:



#### **PLANS IN EFFECT**

The rezoning area is located within the Windermere Area Structure Plan (ASP) and Glenridding Ravine Neighbourhood Structure Plan (NSP). The proposed RMD Zone conforms with the Windermere ASP which designates the site for residential uses, conforms with the low density residential designation prescribed to the site in the Glenridding Ravine NSP, and meets Objective 25 of the NSP which encourages a range of housing choices in a variety of physical forms to meet the needs of different household types, income levels and ages.

The stated intent of the rezoning does not meet the following objectives of the Glenridding Ravine NSP:

 Objective 2: Ensure a compact, integrated urban form that uses the land resources responsibly and efficiently. Placing a front-drive housing product along a blockface with a planned future laneway is an inefficient use of land and infrastructure and will reduce availability of on-street parking.

• Objective 5: Design residential streets which are pedestrian friendly, safe and form an integral and attractive component of the public realm within the neighbourhood.

The front-drive housing product will decrease the number of boulevard trees along this stretch of road from approximately 5 to 1 and will increase the number of driveways intersecting the sidewalk. This is not preferable from an aesthetic, urban design, environmental or pedestrian comfort perspective and does not align with the City Plan's priority (Big City Moves) to be *Greener as we Grow* and the measurement target of planting two million urban trees.

While the (RMD) Zone will allow an appropriate land use at this location, Planning Coordination recommends that the eventual development be designed in a manner that would align with Objectives 2 and 5 of the Glenridding Ravine NSP by maintaining a consistent streetscape and comfortable pedestrian environment along 159 Street and providing vehicular access from the lane.

#### **ZONE COMPARISON SUMMARY**

|                          | <b>RPL</b><br><i>Current</i>                                 | <b>RSL</b><br>Current                          | <b>RMD</b><br><i>Proposed</i>                                |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| Principal Building       | Single Detached<br>Housing                                   | Single Detached<br>Housing                     | Single Detached,<br>Semi-detached, Row<br>Housing            |
| Vehicular Access         | Each lot must be<br>serviced by a lane and<br>public road    | Dwellings must have front attached garages     | Dwellings may have front attached garages or access the lane |
| Height                   | 10.0 m   | 10.0 m   | 10.0 m<br>12.0 m for row housing                             |
| Front Setback            | min 4.5 m<br>(min 3.0 m if a treed<br>boulevard is provided) | min 5.5 m<br>(to allow for front<br>driveways) | min 4.5 m<br>(min 5.5 m for front<br>attached garage)        |
| Interior Side Setback    | min 1.2 m*   | min 1.2 m                                      | min 1.2 m*   |
| Flanking Side<br>Setback | min 2.4 m<br>(or 20% of site width)                          | min 20% of site width<br>(max 4.5 m)           | min 2.4 m  |
| Rear Setback             | N/A  | 7.5 m<br>(4.5 m on a corner site)              | 7.5 m<br>(4.5 m on a corner site)                            |

<sup>\*</sup>Zero Lot Line Development is permitted where the other side setback is a minimum of 1.5 m.

### **Technical Review**

#### **EPCOR Water**

The planned infrastructure does not meet the fire protection standards for the proposed zoning change. Four new hydrants must be added to the current development plan; two on 160 Street and two on 159 Street. All costs associated with this update will be at owners' expense.

All other comments from affected City Departments and utility agencies have been addressed.

# **Community Engagement**

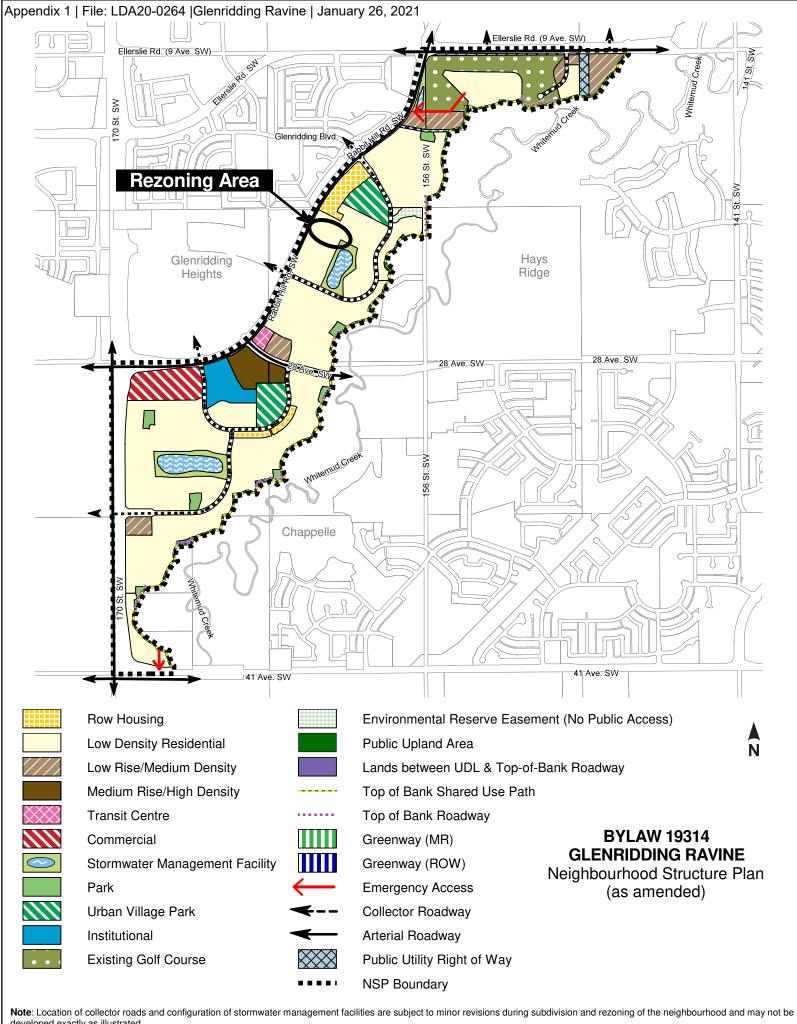
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| October 14, 2020 | No responses received    |
| WEBPAGE          | edmonton.ca/glenridding  |

### **Conclusion**

Administration recommends that City Council **APPROVE** this application.

# **Appendices**

- 1 Context Plan Map
- 2 Application Summary



developed exactly as illustrated.

## **APPLICATION SUMMARY**

### **INFORMATION**

| Application Type:                | Rezoning                                  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Charter Bylaw:                   | 19525                                     |
| Location:                        | East of 160 Street SW; and                |
|                                  | north of Glenridding Ravine Road SW       |
| Addresses:                       | 150 - Glenridding Ravine Road SW; and     |
|                                  | 1821 - Rabbit Hill Road SW                |
| Legal Descriptions:              | A portion of Block C, Plan 8922649; and   |
|                                  | a portion of Lot 1, Block D, Plan 1620360 |
| Site Area:                       | N/A                                       |
| Neighbourhood:                   | Glenridding Ravine                        |
| Notified Community Organization: | Greater Windermere Community League       |
| Applicant:                       | Keith Davies, Stantec Consulting Ltd.     |

### **PLANNING FRAMEWORK**

| Current Zones:   | (RPL) Planned Lot Residential Zone; and                       |  |
|------------------|---|--|
|                  | (RSL) Residential Small Lot Zone                              |  |
| Proposed Zone:   | (RMD) Residential Mixed Dwelling Zone                         |  |
| Plans in Effect: | ns in Effect: Glenridding Ravine Neighbourhood Structure Plan |  |
|                  | Windermere Area Structure Plan                                |  |
| Historic Status: | None  |  |

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