



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Electoral Area “D”, “E”, “F”, & “I” Zoning Bylaw Amendments – Solar Energy Systems Amendment Bylaw 2911, 2020

Notice is hereby given by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) that all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the **Electoral Area “D”, “E”, “F”, & “I” Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2911, 2020**, will be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at a delegated public hearing to be held on:

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2021

Time: 9:00 am.

Location: <https://rdos.webex.com/> (Meeting Number: 187 162 3753 / Password: RD@S)

Regional District staff and the applicant will be available to answer any questions residents may have regarding the proposed zoning bylaw amendment.

To view, listen or participate in this “electronic public information meeting” on your computer, go to <https://rdos.webex.com> and enter the meeting number under “Join a Meeting”. On the meeting page, fill in the Join fields, and click “Enter”.

To listen or participate using your phone, please call (toll free within Canada) 1-833-311-4101 and select “1” when prompted to join the meeting. During the meeting, select “*3” to notify us that you wish to speak at the meeting.

Should you wish to submit a written representation on this proposal, we request that this be submitted electronically by emailing planning@rdos.bc.ca, or by mail to the Regional District office at 101 Martin Street, Penticton, BC, V2A 5J9.

PURPOSE OF THE BYLAW(S):

The purpose of the proposed amendments contained in Bylaw No. 2911 is to introduce regulations governing the use and placement of Solar Energy Systems within the Okanagan Electoral Area zoning bylaws. More specifically:

- Roof mounted solar energy systems are allowed to a maximum of 1.0 meter above the maximum height allowed for building on which it is installed.
- Establishing a minimum parcel size of 0.25 ha for ground mounted systems exceeding height of 1.2 meters;
- On parcels less than 0.25 ha, solar energy systems are permitted if:
- The device is attached to either principal or accessory building and does not extend beyond the outermost edge of the roof;
 - i. It is in the form of ground mounted system and does not exceed height of 1.2 meters; or
 - ii. in an Industrial or Administrative and Institutional zone, a ground mounted system may be sited in accordance with the applicable maximum height and minimum parcel line setback a standalone structure subject to the siting requirements for accessory buildings and structures.

These amendments will be applied to the:

- Electoral Area “D” Zoning Bylaw No. 2455, 2008;
- Electoral Area “E” Zoning Bylaw No. 2459, 2008;
- Electoral Area “F” Zoning Bylaw No, 2461, 2008;
- Electoral Area “I” Zoning Bylaw No. 2457, 2008.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the content of **Amendment Bylaw No. 2911, 2020**, and the land affected by them, persons are encouraged to inspect a copy of the proposed Bylaws at the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen office at 101 Martin Street, Penticton, BC, on weekdays (excluding statutory holidays) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note that the RDOS office is currently closed to the public due to the on-going provincial health emergency and this information will be available in the front entry vestibule.

Additional information regarding this zoning amendment, including draft bylaw and instructions on how to use Webex, can be found at the Regional District’s web site: www.rdos.bc.ca (Departments → Development Services → Planning → Strategic Projects → Solar Energy Systems).

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT

Protecting your personal information is an obligation the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen takes seriously. Our practices have been designed to ensure compliance with the privacy provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (British Columbia) (“FIPPA”). Any personal or proprietary information you provide to us is collected, used and disclosed in accordance with FIPPA.

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