

SUPPORTING RATIONALE:

When considering a variance request, Regional District staff will *generally* assess the proposal against the following criteria:

- *is the proposed variance consistent with the general purpose and intent of the zone?*
- *is the proposed variance addressing a physical or legal constraint associated with the site (e.g., unusual parcel shape, topographical feature, statutory right-of-way, etc.)?*
- *is strict compliance with the zoning regulation unreasonable or un-necessary?*
- *will the proposed variance unduly impact the character of the streetscape or surrounding neighbourhood?*

A request to change a zoning regulation should only be considered as a last resort to a design challenge. Please explain how the requested variance(s) meet the assessment criteria listed above:

this is a proposed lot line adjustment pursuant to Section 3(2)(b) of the Agricultural Land Commission Act of BC.

Section 3(2)(b) authorizes an Approving officer to approve a subdivision of Agricultural land where the proposal does not create additional parcels of land and where the proposal enhances farming on said lands. Our proposal meets and exceeds the requirements of a Section 3(2)(b) subdivision.