

RESPONSE SUMMARY

TEMPORARY USE PERMIT NO. D2021.005-TUP

☐ Approval Recommended for Reasons
Outlined Below

☐ Interests Unaffected

☒ Approval Recommended Subject to
Conditions Below

☒ Approval Not Recommended Due
to Reasons Outlined Below

See attached letter.

Signature: 

Signed By: Tanya Osborne, BAHS

Agency: Interior Health Authority

Title: Community Health Facilitator

Date: May 7, 2021



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JoAnn Peachey
Planning Department
Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen
101 Martin Street
Penticton, BC V2A-5J9

RE: File No. D2021.005-TUP: 128 Saliken Drive: Lot A, Plan KAP86573, District Lot 2710, SDYD

Dear JoAnn Peachey,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this application. It is our understanding that the applicant is requesting a temporary use permit (TUP) to operate a short-term vacation rental use at the subject property. This referral has been reviewed from a Healthy Communities Development and an Environmental Management perspective. The following is for your consideration:

Healthy Communities Development:

Housing is a key determinant of health. It has a significant influence on our physical and mental health, social well-being, and indirectly influences many other determinants of health such as income, early childhood development, educational opportunities, and access to health services. Healthy housing is affordable, high quality, and in a location and community that meets our needs and supports health and well-being.

Living in affordable, safe, and stable housing is associated with positive physical and mental health outcomes. Access to affordable housing can reduce stress as well as allow residents to have adequate financial and personal resources available to live a healthy life.

Though there is no evidence yet for the long term implication of short term rentals on the health of our communities, the [PHSA Healthy Built Environment Linkages Toolkit](#) does identify that:

- Housing instability disproportionately affects low income people and vulnerable groups and can cause financial and psychological stress.
- Lack of affordable housing can lead to overcrowding.
- Higher housing costs can lead a decrease in disposable income making it more difficult to afford medication, healthy food, etc.
- Differences in housing (i.e. quality, accessibility, and affordability) all have impacts on health over in both the short term and long term.

Interior Health recommends that the Board considers the local need for long term rentals in the community while balancing the creation of short term vacation rentals.

Environmental Management:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the above referenced Temporary Use Permit to operate a vacation rental on the subject property from the viewpoint of our policies and regulations governing onsite sewerage dispersal systems and drinking water supply.

An internal file search produced no documentation on the existing on-site sewerage disposal system. As such, this office recommends having an [Authorized Person](#) as defined in the [Sewerage System Regulation](#) perform a Performance Inspection and provide a report on the existing sewerage dispersal system as per Section 7.2 of the [Onsite Wastewater Certification Board Policy: APPENDIX 2, Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner \(ROWP\) Practice Guidelines](#) to confirm adequate performance, condition, size and location for the continued/intended use of the existing onsite sewerage system. This assessment is to ensure that it does not pose a health hazard/risk and that it meets the required vertical and horizontal separation distances as well as today's [Sewerage System Standard Practice Manual, Version 3](#) standards.

The [Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner](#) performing the inspection should be certified by the Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of British Columbia (ASTTBC) in the discipline of Private Inspector.

Interior Health is committed to improving the health and wellness of all by working collaboratively with local governments and community partners to create policies and environments that support good health. Please do not hesitate to reach out to if you require clarification or have questions.

Sincerely,



Tanya Osborne, BAHS
Community Health Facilitator
Healthy Communities



Jannine Kowalchuk, B.Tech, C.P.H.I.(C)
Environmental Health Officer
Environment Assessment

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Signature: Jennifer Wells

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Agency: City of Penticton

Title: Property Use & Licence Inspector

Date: April 19, 2021

Lauri Feindell

Subject:

FW: D2021.005-TUP

From: B Stewart

Sent: May 26, 2021 4:26 PM

To: Planning <planning@rdos.bc.ca>

Subject: D2021.005-TUP

To whom it may concern,

I wish to support this application.

I would like to add that one should not have to ask for permission to do what they desire on their property.

I believe that no one should have the power to prevent anyone from capitalizing on their investment nor does anyone have an invested interest in one's private property other than the property owner.

There seems to always be a whiner that is going to B about something.

I hope the board is open minded to the needs of the particular property owner over Neighbours. To own a piece of property and be limited to capitalizing from it is downright wrong, in my opinion.

Having said that I am in favour and supportive of D2021.005-TUP application and anyone else that takes the initiative to make money in Canada off of their property.

I also believe that if a property owner is limited or suppressed by the use of their land that they should be able to apply for a tax exemption.

Thank you

Brian Stewart