## **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 <u>last resort</u> to a design challenge. Please explain how the requested variance(s) meet the assessment criteria listed above: The variance would allow us to be able to process & pack fruits and vegetables grown by us all in the south Okanagan. Currently we have spoilage due to lack of processing and adequate cold storage space.

We were able to reduce the requested sqft from 20,000sqft from the pervious application to 8,750 with infrastructure upgrades on other locations however this is the bare min we need to successfully get our produce to market

The expansion is planned for the southwest side fo the current facility away from public roads. Would not have an unduly impact nor will it increase semi traffic which was a pervious complaint from neighbours as semis would have new docking area.