Sidney

Public Notice

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Town invited to provide input to Victoria Airport Authority on commercial development at 9771 Stirling Way

The Victoria Airport Authority has referred a proposal for a new commercial development at 9771 Stirling Way (west of the Towneplace Marriott hotel) to the Town of Sidney for review and comment.

The proposal includes approximately 42,000 square feet of commercial space across four buildings, with plans for a grocery store, restaurant, coffee shop, and additional retail businesses.

Some residents may remember the proposed Gateway/Sidney Crossing development considered by Council in 2016. That proposal included approximately 100,000 square feet of commercial space. Unlike the current referral, Victoria Airport Authority chose to go through a zoning amendment process so that the proposed uses would be permitted under Sidney's Zoning Bylaw. (The zoning amendment process was voluntary because Victoria Airport Authority lands are owned by the federal government so local municipal bylaw regulations do not technically apply.)

In this case, the Stirling Way proposal already complies with Sidney's Zoning Bylaw and it is up to the Victoria Airport Authority to approve or deny this development proposal. Council's role is to review and provide comments for the Victoria Airport Authority 's consideration.

Council will consider the referral at its December 7 meeting.

Community members are invited to review the proposal and share their thoughts with Council before the December 7 meeting by writing admin@sidney.ca. Members of the public can also share their views at the Council meeting by speaking in person or through Zoom. Those who wish to speak virtually can register in advance by 12pm on December 7 by emailing admin@sidney.ca or calling 250-656-1139.

Comments can also be submitted directly to the Victoria Airport Authority by writing communityfeedback@yyj.ca.

Learn more: https://www.sidney.ca/planning-building/building-renovations-and-development/vaa-development-referrals/

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