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Board of Directors Regional District of Nanaimo 6300 Hammond Bay Road Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2 corpsrv@rdn.bc.ca

Dear Board Members,

2016-2018 OCP Review - Growth Containment Boundary and Regional Context Statement

It is my pleasure to inform the Regional District of Nanaimo that "Town of Qualicum Beach Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 800, 2018 was adopted on June 18, 2018, after nearly two years of public consultation. In addition to the procedural requirements of the *Local Government Act*, this OCP review included extensive public engagement. Approximately 2000 people responded to the 2017 Quality of Life Survey, and the Town also provided numerous opportunities for individuals and groups to take part in other ways:

- Five large-format meetings at the Civic Centre;
- Nine small focus group meetings hosted by the Town;
- Thirteen small group meetings in various formats and locations, including groups such
 as the Qualicum Beach Elementary School Parent's Advisory Committee, students at
 Kwalicum Secondary School, School District 69 Board, residents' associations, Town
 committees and local parent groups;
- Three kitchen table conversations hosted by community members;
- Informal "popup" engagement at the Farmers' Market;
- Online engagement on Facebook; and,
- Five Committee of the Whole Meetings.

Included with this correspondence are two printed copies of the complete OCP. One change from the 2011 OCP is that the Town will manage growth through an Urban Containment Boundary that is independent of the Growth Containment Boundary in the Regional Growth Strategy (Regional Context Statement page B-3). Map Schedule 2.1 also reflects this pending change, along with a notation that these changes are subject to an amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy.

The complete 2018 Official Community Plan is also available for review online at www.qualicumbeach.com/ocp.

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The Town hereby requests that the Growth Containment Boundary, as identified in "Regional District of Nanaimo Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1615, 2011", be amended to include the entirety of the Town of Qualicum Beach following the process identified in Section 1.5.1 "Process for Approving Minor Amendments". The Town also requests acceptance of the Regional Context Statement to ensure continuing alignment with the Regional Growth Strategy

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Town Hall, 250.752.6921.

Yours truly,

Luke Sales, MCIP, RPP Director of Planning

att. Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 800, 2018

cc Paul Thompson, Manager of Long-range Planning, RDN
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