

**MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
March 14, 2016**

Present:

Councillors Al Campbell, Darcy Bachman, Malcolm Fischer and Sean Nolls and Planning & Operations Clerk Angela Stormoen.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Al Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda/Additions**

Moved by Councillor Malcolm Fischer to accept the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

3. **Confirmation of the February 18, 2016 MPC Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Darcy Bachman that the Minutes of the February 18, 2016 MPC meeting be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
Unanimous

4. **Business Arising**

None.

5. **Development Application:** 2916-2016

Applicant: HRC Engineering Ltd.

Legal: Lot 20 & 21, Block 1, Plan LIV

Municipal: 5112 – 50 Avenue

Proposed Development: Accessory Use (Emergency Standby Generator Set)

A report prepared by the Planning & Operations Clerk Angela Stormoen was reviewed as follows:

General:

The applicant is proposing to replace the existing portable diesel generator and fuel tank with a new diesel engine driven generator, sound attenuated enclosure and fuel tank. This generator will provide the standby power needs for the TELUS Stettler facility that is responsible for the telecommunication services for the entire Town of Stettler and surrounding area.

The sole purpose of the generator is to ensure telecommunication services are maintained fully operational in the event there is an outage in the electrical utility service. Therefore, this generator will only operate under two (2) conditions; during a power interruption for as long as the outage persists and the one (1) hour per month testing period to ensure the generator and its associated systems will operate properly when called to do so.

Since the new generator is larger in size and capacity (150 kW replacing existing 125 kW), the fuel tank will also be upgraded to meet the capacity required by the TELUS Fuel System Standards. This fuel tank will be a Fireguard, double-walled, protected tank conforming to ULC S655.

The location of the new generator and fuel tank will be installed in close proximity to the electrical system that it connects to which is on the east side of the building within a fenced area.

Alternatives:

- Defeat the application, stating reasons.
- Approve the application with additional conditions

Recommendation:

That the Municipal Planning Commission consider approval of this application subject to the following conditions:

1. The owner/applicant must comply with all the provisions of the Town Of Stettler Land Use Bylaw 2060-15.
2. Compliance with the provisions of Land Use Bylaw does not exempt the owner/applicant from compliance with any provincial, federal, or other municipal legislation;
3. The owner/applicant must ensure the proposed development (Emergency Standby Generator Set) shall be located in accordance with the approved plan;

Discussion:

Planning and Operations Clerk Angela Stormoen indicated that the applicant is proposing to replace the existing portable diesel generator and fuel tank with a new diesel engine driven generator, sound attenuated enclosure and fuel tank. This generator will provide the standby power needs for the TELUS Stettler facility that is responsible for the telecommunication services for the entire Town of Stettler and surrounding area.

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Councillor Malcolm Fischer made a motion to approve the application as presented.

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UNANIMOUS

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m. on a motion by Councillor Darcy Bachman.