

St. Michael & All Angel's Chemainus
2858 Mill Street, Chemainus, BC, V0R 1K0

Municipality of North Cowichan
7030 Trans-Canada Highway
North Cowichan, BC V9L 6A1

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Zoning Amendment

We are writing on behalf of our parish St. Michael and All Angels located in the heart of Chemainus. We are endeavouring to undertake renovations of our Parish Rectory to change it from a single dwelling to two separate units within the existing structure. The changes would not alter the footprint of the structure or the exterior appearance of the building as the renovations are all internal.

This project is one very necessary for our historic Church, as the rental income received from these units allows our Church to help cover its costs. This also permits the parish to continue to be an important presence within the community not only as a tourist attraction but also the capacity to offer two services of worship a week. In addition, the parish has many functions throughout the year that raise funds which are then donated to programs in the community such as the Harvest House Food Bank.

In our current housing market, we know that rental units are much sought after as we have already had requests to rent our units. Thus, we would like to begin these renovations as soon as possible. We have already invested a good deal of time as well as financial commitments to get the project started. Without the income from these units, we have had to borrow extensively for planning and drafts of the project. We have a very skilled general contractor in place so would like to get everything to begin the project as soon as possible. We would like to request that the "Amendment for a Zoning Change" be expedited by the Municipality to allow us to begin the project.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in this manner.

Sincerely,

Patricia Sunderland

Rector's Warden

Sophie Ward

People's Warden