Fort Macleod

COUNCIL SUBMISSION

NEW BUSINESS August 25, 2025

BYLAW 2011- LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT FIRST READING AND ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING COMMERCIAL GENERAL TO DIRECT CONTROL

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council give first reading to bylaw 2011 to amend Bylaw No. 2000, being the municipal Land Use Bylaw. The purpose of Bylaw No. 2011 is to redesignate lands legally described as:

Lots 20-22 Block 444 Plan 2510566; (300 Block 25th Street – the 3 lots West of 367 25 Street)

from "Commercial General: CG" to "Direct Control: DC";

and schedule a Public Hearing to be held on September 22, 2025 at 7 pm.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION:

MGA

Bylaw 2000 (Land Use Bylaw)

ATTACHMENTS:

- Bylaw 2011
- Bylaw 2011 Public hearing notice
- Bylaw 2011 Map
- Zoning details Commercial General and Direct Control

PREPARED BY: Keli Sandford, Planning and Development Officer

REVIEWED BY: Brennan Orr, Director of Operations

APPROVED BY: Anthony Burdett, CAO

TOWN OF FORT MACLEOD in the Province of Alberta BYLAW NO. 2011

BEING a bylaw of the Town of Fort Macleod in the Province of Alberta, to amend Bylaw No. 2000, being the municipal Land Use Bylaw.

WHEREAS the Town of Fort Macleod Council is in receipt of a request to redesignate certain lands within the municipality:

WHEREAS the intent of proposed Bylaw No. 2011 is to redesignate lands legally described as:

Lots 20-22 Block 444 Plan 2510566;

from "Commercial General: CG" to "Direct Control: DC"; and

WHEREAS the lands that are the subject of this proposed redesignation are shown on the map in Schedule 'A' attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS the purpose of the bylaw is to designate the lands for Machinery and equipment sales and service development under a direct control district in the downtown and that a municipality must prepare an amending bylaw and provide for its consideration at a public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and subject to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000*, Chapter M-26, as amended, the Council of the Town of Fort Macleod in the Province of Alberta duly assembled does hereby enact the following:

- 1. Lots 20-22 Block 444 Plan 2510566 be redesignated such that lands designated as "Commercial General: CG" be designated "Direct Control: DC".
- 2. The Land Use Districts Map shall be amended to reflect this change.
- 3. That the following be added to Land Use Bylaw Schedule 2 Direct Control: DC Section 8:

8.6 LOTS 20-22, BLOCK 444, PLAN 2510566

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses applicable to this lot:

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
	Accessory structure
	Accessory use
None	Machinery and equipment sales and service
	Sign

- (2) This lot is subject to the minimum requirements, application procedures, additional requirements, and applicable schedules per Sections 3 to 7 of this land use district.
- (3) This lot is subject to all sections of Schedule 6: Overlays.
- (4) The decision making authority for the listed uses is Council.

4.	Bylaw No. 2000 is hereby amended and consolidated.		
5.	This bylaw shall come into effect upon third and final reading hereof.		
REA	AD a first time this day of	, 2025.	
Ма	yor – Brent Feyter	Chief Administrative Officer–Anthony Burdett	
REA	AD a second time this day of	, 2025.	
	layor – Brent Feyter	Chief Administrative Officer Anthony Burdett	
REA	AD a third time and finally PASSED this	_ day of, 2025.	
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF FORT MACLEOD IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 2011

ZONING CHANGE

300 Block 25 Street (Lot 20-22 Block 444 Plan 2510566)

Current Zoning Proposed Zoning
Commercial General: CG Direct Control: DC

7:00 p.m. September 22, 2025 Town of Fort Macleod Council Chambers

410 20th Street, Fort Macleod, AB

What is this notice about?

The Town of Fort Macleod has received an application proposing to redesignate the property located at 300 Block 25 Street (Lot 20-22 Block 444 Plan 2510566) from Commercial General: CG to Direct Control: DC through Bylaw No. 2011.

The purpose of the proposed rezoning is to accommodate Machinery and equipment sales and service development under a direct control district in the downtown.

How can I participate?

You can share your thoughts on the bylaw in three ways:

- Submit a presentation Contact the Chief Administrative Officer by September 15, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.
- Attend the public hearing Speak in person at the meeting on September 22, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
- Make arrangements with Town staff to attend virtually September 22, 2025.

Both written and verbal presentations are accepted.

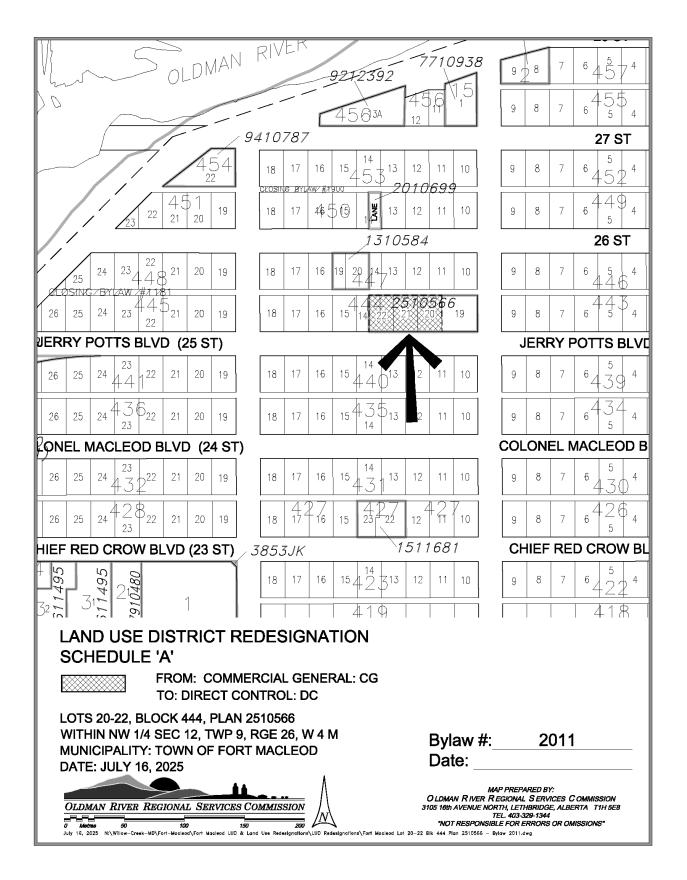
Where can I find more information?

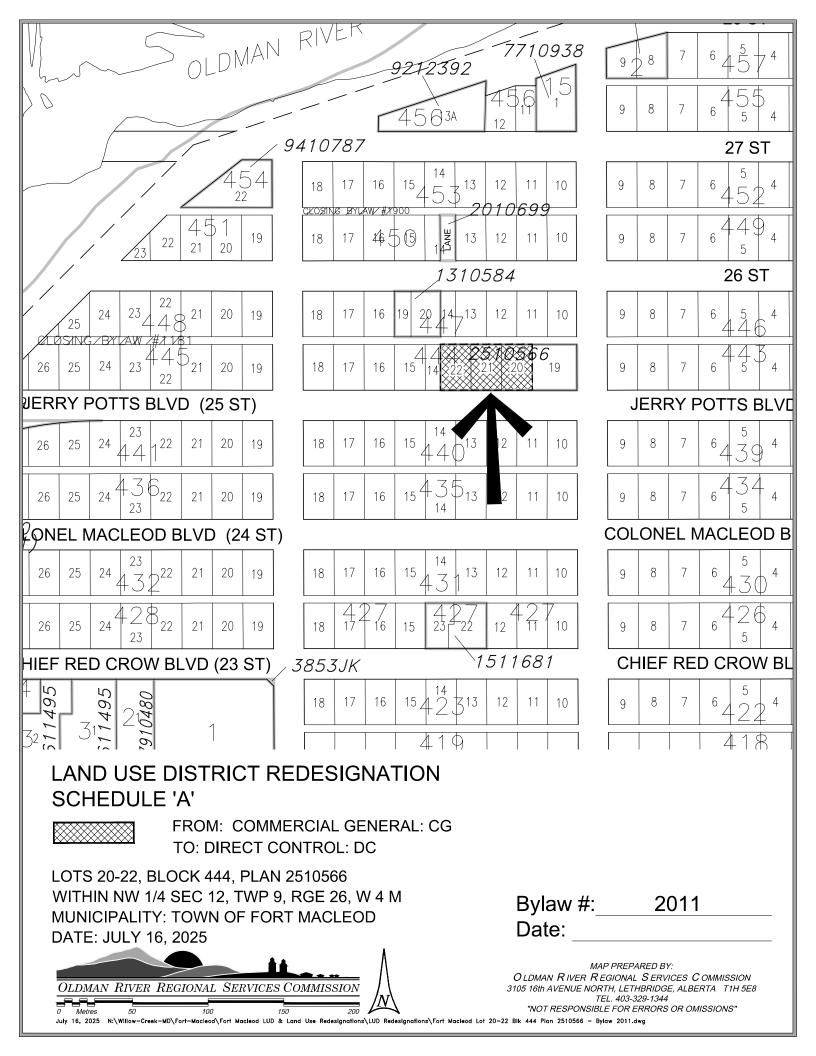
The full draft of the proposed bylaw and potential changes is available at the Town Office during regular business hours. You can also view it online at www.fortmacleod.com.

For questions or to submit a presentation, contact:

Anthony Burdett, Chief Administrative Officer Town of Fort Macleod, Box 1420, Fort Macleod, AB T0L 0Z0 403-553-4425 cao@fortmacleod.com

Dated: August 26, 2025





COMMERCIAL GENERAL: CG

SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this land use district is to accommodate a variety of commercial uses that cater to Town residents, surrounding communities, and the travelling public.



SECTION 2 USES

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses: A	Discretionary Uses: B
Accessory building	Accessory use	Automotive repair shop
Accessory structure	Alternative energy, Solar	Bar/lounge
Alternative energy,	ground mounted	Breweries, distilleries and
Solar roof or wall mounted	Automotive sales and service	wineries
Bakery	Community resource facility	Cannabis retail store
Business support service	Childcare facility, Daycares	Car wash
Cafe	Dwelling unit above non-	Commercial school
Convenience store	residential use	Equipment sales and services,
Dry cleaner	Dwelling unit in rear of non-	Light
Financial institution	residential use	Gas bar
Government service	Entertainment establishment	Hotel:> 20 rooms
Laundromat	Funeral services	Liquor store
Medical/health facilities	Hotel:< 20 rooms	Lodges and clubs
Office	Kennel, Minor	Parking facility
Personal service	Kennel, Major	Parks and playgrounds
establishment	Outdoor display	Pawn shop
Pet grooming services	Media production facilities	Recreational vehicle sales and
Restaurant	Mixed-use	service
Retail store	Moved-in building	Religious assembly
Shipping container (temporary)	Private recreation	Service station
Sign:	Private utilities	Shipping container
Canopy	Public recreation	(permanent)
Fascia	Public utilities	Short-term rental
Temporary	Repair and service shop	Sign:
Window	Sign:	Mural
	Freestanding	Storage, Outdoor
	Projecting	Tattoo shop
	Surveillance suite	Theatre
	Veterinary clinic	Warehouse store
	Workshop	

SECTION 3 MINIMUM LOT SIZE

Use	Lot Size	Lot Depth	Lot Width
All – no lane	921 m ² (9915 ft ²)	30.2 m (99 ft)	30.5 m (100 ft)
All – with lane	459.8 m ² (4950 ft ²)	30.2 m (99 ft)	15.2 m (50 ft)
Downtown Overlay	To the discretion of the Development Authority.		
Provincial historic area overlay	To the discretion of the Development Authority.		

Notes	Minimum lot sizes do not preclude individual commercial units to be
	separated by condominium subdivision.

SECTION 4 SETBACKS

4.1 APPLICABILITY

- (1) Notwithstanding the setbacks provided in Section 4.2 of this land use district, setbacks in established areas shall be determined by application of Administration Section 3.6; and
- (2) where the shape of a lot or other circumstances is such that the setbacks prescribed in Section 4.2 of this land use district cannot be reasonably applied, the Development Authority shall determine the setbacks.

4.2 SETBACK REQUIREMENTS

Principal Building		
Front and Secondary front	5 m (16.4 ft)	
Rear	0 m (0 ft) except where parking, loading, storage, building access	
Side	and maintenance, and waste disposal provisions are required	
	Setbacks are measured to the foundation, allowing for projections as per Section 14 of Schedule 3.	
Notes	Corner lots shall provide adequate clear vision space in accordance with the clear vision triangle requirements outlined in Section 4 of Schedule 3.	

Accessory Building(s)/Structure(s)			
Front	N/A (prohibited in front yards)		
Rear	1.0 m (3.3 ft)		
Side	1.0 m (3.3 ft)		
Internal	From principal building	1.5 m (4.9 ft)	
internal	From other accessory buildings	1.0 m (3.3 ft)	
	Setbacks are measured to the foundation, allowing for projections as per Section 14 of Schedule 3.		
Notes	Internal setbacks include setbacks from accessory building/structure to accessory building/structure on the same lot and accessory building/structure to the principal building on the same lot.		
	Accessory buildings/structures shall be eaves shall be no closer to a side or re and all drainage is contained on the sa structure.	ear lot line than 0.6 m (2 ft)	

SECTION 5 MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE

(1) Total allowable coverage: 60% inclusive of all buildings and structures

(2) Principal building: 45 – 60% depending on accessory structures

Note: attached garages are considered part of the principal building for the purposes of lot coverage calculations.

(3) Accessory building(s): 0 - 15% depending on principal building

SECTION 6 MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT

(1) Principal building: 10.7 m (35 ft)

(2) Accessory building(s): 5.5m (18 ft)

(3) Building height maximums within the Downtown Overlay and Provincial Historic Area Overlay (Schedule 6) shall be to the discretion of the Development Authority.

SECTION 7 APPLICABLE SCHEDULES

(1) The following schedules and sections of this bylaw that apply to the CG land use district include but are not limited to:

(a) General Standards of Development:

Schedule 3

Section 1: Accessory Buildings and Structures

Section 2: Access Requirements

Section 4: Corner Lots

Section 5: Decks and Patios

Section 6: Easements

Section 7: Fences, Privacy Walls and Gates

Section 8: Grading, Excavation, Stripping and Stockpiling

Section 9: Infill Development

Section 10: Nuisance, Pollution and Hazard Control

Section 11: Outdoor Storage and Display

Section 12: Parking and Loading

Section 13: Setbacks from Coulees, Steep Slopes and Waterbodies

Section 14: Projections into Setbacks

Section 15: Site Drainage and Stormwater Management

(b) Design Standards of Development:

Schedule 4

Section 1: General Design Standards

Section 2: Interface Areas

Section 3: Landscaping

Section 4: Outdoor Lighting

Section 5: Screening

Section 6: Vehicle-oriented Development

(c) Use-specific Standards of Development:

Schedule 5

Section 1: Alternative Energy Sources

Section 3: Childcare Facility

Section 6: Moved-in Buildings and Moved-in Dwellings

Section 7: Kennels

Section 14: Breweries, Distilleries and Wineries

Section 15: Cannabis Regulation Section 16: Shipping Containers

Section 20: Condominium Conversion Application

Section 21: Mixed-use Development

(d) Overlays Schedule 6

Section 1: Downtown Overlay Section 3: Gateways Overlay

(e) Signs Schedule 7

DIRECT CONTROL: DC

SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this land use district is to provide a means by which Council may regulate and control the use, development and subdivision of land and buildings within specified areas of the Town where circumstances are such that any other land use district available through this bylaw are not considered appropriate or suitable.

SECTION 2 USES

Permitted or Discretionary Uses

Any use Council considers suitable.

SECTION 3 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Minimum requirements including but not limited to lot size, setbacks, site coverage, building height and floor area are to the discretion of Council, unless such authority has been delegated as per this bylaw.

SECTION 4 APPLICATION PROCEDURES

4.1 DEVELOPMENT

Any development proposed on a Direct Control lot shall be subject to the requirements of Administration Section 4.6 (Discretionary Use Applications), 4.10 (Notice of Adjacent Landowners and Persons Likely Affected) and 4.11 (Notice of Decision) shall apply.

4.2 SUBDIVISION

Any subdivision proposed on a Direct Control lot shall be required to supply the same information as indicated in Administration Section 7 (Subdivision), sub-section 7.1(4):

- (1) where the development of land requires the subdivision of land, no development permit shall be issued until the application for subdivision has been approved in accordance with the *MGA*;
- (2) minimum dimensional standards for lots and all other requirements in this bylaw shall be as specified in the applicable land use district in Schedule 2;
- (3) an application for subdivision may be subject to the same requirements of Administration Section 6.2 (Land Use District Redesignation), if deemed necessary by the Development Authority; and
- (4) all applications for subdivision shall be required to meet the design standards set out in Schedule 3 and 4.

SECTION 5 APPEALS

As indicated in Administration Section 4 (Development Permit Rules and Procedures), sub-section 4.18(2), there is no avenue of appeal on decisions made by Council for lands districted as Direct Control. If Council has delegated authority to the Municipal Planning Commission or Development Officer, the appeal is limited in scope to whether or not the delegated authority followed the directions of Council.

SECTION 6 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Council or its delegated authority may establish additional requirements on Direct Control lots that include but are not limited to:

- (1) Impact on adjacent lands
- (2) Availability of services
- (3) Traffic generation and safety
- (4) Storm water drainage
- (5) Scale of development
- (6) Any other matters deemed relevant

SECTION 7 APPLICABLE SCHEDULES

Any schedule or section of this bylaw may be applied to any development proposed on a Direct Control lot to the discretion of Council, or the Municipal Planning Commission or Development Officer if such authority has been delegated as per this bylaw.

SECTION 8 SITE-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

8.1 LOTS 15-18, BLOCK 427, PLAN 92B

LOTS 22 and 23 Block 427, PLAN 1511681

LOTS 13-15 and a portion of 16, BLOCK 423, PLAN 92B

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
None	Machinery and equipment sales and service
	Accessory structures
	Accessory uses
	Signs

minimum requirements, application procedures, appeals, additional requirements, and applicable schedules shall apply as per Sections 4 to 7 of this land use district.

8.2 LOT 17, BLOCK 440, PLAN 92B

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses applicable to this lot:

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
None	Shipping container
	Accessory structure
	Accessory use
	Sign

- (2) This lot is subject to the minimum requirements, application procedures, appeals, additional requirements, and applicable schedules per Sections 3 to 7 of this land use district.
- (3) This lot is subject to sections 1 and 2 of Schedule 6: Overlays.
- (4) The decision making authority for discretionary uses has been delegated to the Municipal Planning Commission.
- (5) The number of shipping containers is limited to 4.
- (6) A development permit is required for any shipping container, sign, accessory structure or accessory use proposed to be located on the lot.
- (7) Any requests to increase the number of shipping containers shall require an application to amend this section of the bylaw and shall be subject to Administration Section 6.

8.3 Lots 23-21 and a portion of Lot 20, Block 451, Plan 92B

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses applicable to this lot:

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
None	Shipping container
	Accessory building
	Accessory structure
	Accessory use
	Fire Station
	Sign
	Storage, indoor
	Storage, outdoor

(2) These lots are subject to the minimum requirements, application procedures, appeals, additional requirements, and applicable schedules per Sections 3 to 7 of this land use district.

(3) For the purpose of this legal land description, the following definition shall apply:

Fire Station means a development that accommodates all functions required by an emergency fire services center.

8.4 LOTS 13-15 and West ½ Lot 12, BLOCK 440, PLAN 92B

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses applicable to this lot:

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
Machinery and equipment sales and service	Accessory structure
	Accessory use
	Sign

- (2) This lot is subject to the minimum requirements, application procedures, additional requirements, and applicable schedules per Sections 3 to 7 of this land use district.
- (3) This lot is subject to sections 1 and 2 of Schedule 6: Overlays.
- (4) The decision making authority for the listed uses is Council.
- (5) A development permit is required for the Machinery and equipment sales and service use. The permit will be limited as temporary permit for two (2) years. Council may include any condition deemed necessary when considering the development.
- (6) The Machinery and equipment sales and service use may also, prior to the expiration of the permit, be considered by Council for extension no longer than two (2) years in duration.
- (7) A development permit is required for listed discretionary uses under section 8.4(1). These uses will be approved as temporary coinciding with the Machinery and equipment sales and service permit and will expire with the expiration of that use.

8.5 NE6 9-25 W4M

(1) Permitted or Discretionary Uses applicable to this lot:

Permitted Uses	Discretionary Uses
Agriculture	Accessory building
Agriculture Buildings and Structures	Accessory structure
Existing Dwelling	Accessory use
Greenhouse	Equipment Sales and Service, Heavy
Market Garden	Natural Resource Extraction
Shipping container, temporary	Natural Resource Processing
	Shipping Container, permanent
	Storage, Indoor
	Storage, Outdoor
	Sign

- This lot is subject to the minimum requirements, application procedures, additional requirements, and applicable schedules per Sections 3 to 7 of this land use district.
- (3) The decision making authority for the listed uses is Council.

(4)	In processing Natural Resource Extraction and Natural resource processing use Council shall utilize Schedule 5 Section 12 NATURAL RESOURCE EXTRACE PROCESSING in consideration of all development applications.	e permits, CTION &