Courtney Beaubien

From: Joanna Rees
Sent: August 11, 2026 11:53 AM
To: Joanna Rees
Cc: Courtney Beaubien
Subject: Referral - RMOW 2026 OCP Amendment Project
Attachments: Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026.pdf; Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Priority Parcels) No. 2531, 2026.pdf; Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026.pdf; Schedule B - WCW_Neighbourhood_Plan.pdf

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I am reaching out to share the 2026 OCP Amendment Bylaws with your organization and invite you to share your input. The 2026 OCP Amendment Bylaws are being referred for comment on behalf of your organizations and are attached to this email.

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All community members are encouraged to provide their feedback to inform Council's decision-making process. Please consider sharing the project webpage and notifying your membership of the upcoming public engagement activities described below:

- Learn more through an online information session
- Complete the online survey
- Stop by a pop-up event
- Attend the in-person drop-in session
- Participate in the Public Hearing

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Kind regards,

Joanna Rees (She/Her)
PLANNER
Climate Action, Planning and Development Services

RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER
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Whistler: A place where our community thrives, nature is protected and guests are inspired.

The Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Líl̓wat People, known in their language as Líl̓wat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Sḵwx̱wú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

Sent via Email to icurrie@sd48.bc.ca, sd48seatosky@sd48.bc.ca and reception@sd48.bc.ca

August 11, 2026

School District #48
37866 Second Ave
Squamish, BC V8B 0A2

Dear School District #48,

Re: Referral for "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026", "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026" and "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Priority Parcels) No. 2531, 2026"

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Sent via Email to abelsham@slrd.bc.ca and info@slrd.bc.ca

August 11, 2026

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District
PO Box 219, 1350 Aster Street
Pemberton, BC V0N 2L0

Dear Squamish-Lillooet Regional District,

Re: Referral for "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026", "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026" and "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Priority Parcels) No. 2531, 2026"

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SQUAMISH - LILLOOET
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September 10, 2026

Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW)
c/o Joanna Rees, Policy Planner
Via email: jrees@whistler.ca

Dear Joanna,

Re: RMOW Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaws No. 2527, 2026; 2528, 2026; and 2531, 2026

The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) is appreciative of the opportunity to review and provide comments on the following:

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With respect to "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026", SLRD staff are supportive of member municipality efforts to contain growth within established urban areas in support of SLRD Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) Goal 1 'Focus Development into Compact, Complete, Sustainable Communities', and address affordable housing shortages, and in this particular instance, increase the supply of employee housing, in support of RGS Goal 3 'Generate a Range of Quality Affordable Housing'.

With respect to "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026, SLRD staff are supportive of the RMOW's endeavours to implement a neighbourhood plan for Whistler Creek West in support of Goal 1 'Focus Development into Compact, Complete, Sustainable Communities' which encourages member municipalities to adhere to Smart Growth Principles to foster distinct, attractive, economically sustainable communities (neighbourhoods) with a strong sense of place, pedestrian friendly environments that are safe, vibrant, and interesting for those who walk and cycle. OCP Amendment No. 2528 will support small businesses and encourages local spending, in keeping with the RGS Goal 4 of 'Achieving a Sustainable Economy' and will encourage the development of compact mixed-use areas, with well-connected streets and trails, and a pedestrian/bicycle friendly environment to encourage active forms of transportation in Support of RGS Goal 7 'Create Healthy and Safe Communities' and RGS Goal 11 'Take Action on Climate Change'.

With respect to “Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Priority Parcels) No. 2531, 2026”, SLRD staff are supportive of the RMOW’s initiative to change the land use designations for three municipally owned parcels in Cheakamus Crossing from “Protected Natural Area” and ‘Parks and Recreation” to “Residential - Low to Medium” on the condition that there are no negative impacts to environmentally sensitive areas or wildlife corridors. This OCP Amendment will support the delivery of more employee housing and improve future housing availability within the resort in support of RGS Goal 3 ‘Generate a Range of Quality Affordable Housing’.

Note the subject referral and SLRD staff level referral response will be included as Correspondence for Information on the September 23, 2026 SLRD Board meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

Lisa Pedrini, MCIP RPP
Senior Planner

cc Claire Dewar, General Manager of Planning and Development Services, SLRD

Sent via Email to mailto:*MountainResortsBranch@gov.bc.ca*

August 11, 2026

Mountain Resorts Branch
Government of British Columbia
510-175 2nd Avenue
Kamloops, BC V2C 5W1

Dear Mountain Resorts Branch,

Re: Referral for "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026", "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026" and "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Priority Parcels) No. 2531, 2026"

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Joanna Rees

From: Radford, Trina TACS:EX <Trina.Radford@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: September 11, 2026 4:39 PM
To: Joanna Rees
Cc: Mountain Resorts Branch TACS:EX; Meeks, Tori TACS:EX
Subject: RE: Referral - RMOW 2026 OCP Amendment Project

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Hi Joanna,

Mountain Resorts Branch has reviewed the *Referral - RMOW 2026 OCP Amendment* project and has no concerns with the proposed amendments currently.

As noted in your referral letter, RMOW intends to undertake a broader OCP review within the next two years. Our Branch would appreciate being included as a referral agency during that review process as well.

Thank you for including us in this update.
Regards,
Trina

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Trina Radford | Land Technical Officer
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Repectfully acknowledging that I live and work from Tk'emlups te Secwépemc territory which is situated within the traditional lands of the Secwépemc Nation

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From: Joanna Rees <jrees@whistler.ca>
Sent: August 11, 2026 11:21 AM
To: Mountain Resorts Branch TACS:EX <MountainResortsBranch@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Courtney Beaubien <cbeaubien@whistler.ca>
Subject: Referral - RMOW 2026 OCP Amendment Project

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Good morning,

Sent via NationsConnect

August 11, 2026

Líl̓wat Nation
82 IR No.10 Road
Mount Currie, BC V0N 2L0

Dear Líl̓wat Nation,

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Yours sincerely,

Dale Mikkelsen
General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development Services
Dmikkelsen@whistler.ca

Project Name:
2026 Official Community Plan Amendment

Consulting Org Contact:
Joanna Rees

Consulting Organization:
Resort Municipality of Whistler

Date Submitted:
Tuesday, 11-Aug-2026 11:22:07 PDT

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2026 Official Community Plan Amendment

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Details

Project description

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Information

Consulting organization

Resort Municipality of Whistler

Primary contact(s)

Joanna Rees

Region

British Columbia

Consultation stream

Referral

Project type

Regional Districts/Municipalities

Access requirements

Planned project start date

2026-07-28

Project area

14 hectares

Location description

Resort Municipality of Whistler

Documentation

Project web page links

2026 Official Community Plan Amendment: https://engage.whistler.ca/official-community-plan-amendment

Spatial files

20260804_Planning_Shapefile.zip

Generic project documentation

Schedule B - WCW_Neighbourhood_Plan.pdf

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Council Report - 2026 OCP Amendment Project.pdf

Attachments for Líl̓wat Nation

Letter_To_Nation_Lil'wat.pdf

Sent via Squamish Connect

August 11, 2026

Squamish Nation
PO Box 86131, North Vancouver V7L 4J5
Offices: 320 Seymour Blvd, North Vancouver V7J 2J3

Dear Squamish Nation,

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2026 Official Community Plan Amendment



Info

IDENTIFICATION

ISSUING AGENCY FILE NUMBER(S)
7503.06

REFERRAL ID
4304

ENGAGEMENT

STATUS
Final Review

FINAL ENGAGEMENT LEVEL
None

FIRST NOTIFICATION
August 11, 2026

TIME AND PLACE

PROJECT LOCATION
Resort Municipality of Whistler

AREA (HA)
13.95

DETAILS

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
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CLASSIFICATION	REFERRAL TYPE Legislative/Policy	GOVERNMENT STATUTE(S) BC Local Government Act
OPPORTUNITIES	INCLUDES CAPACITY FUNDING no	
CONTACTS	PRIMARY CONTACT jrees	APPLICANT jrees
	PROPONENT jrees	
SUBMITTER	SUBMITTER TYPE Government Body/Associated Organization	SUBMITTER NAME Joanna Rees
	SUBMITTER INSTITUTION Resort Municipality of Whistler	SUBMITTER BRANCH Planning Departmet

Participants

Lilian Shams-Amiri Squamish Nation

jrees Primary Contact

No Communities Assigned

Discussion With

Lilian Shams-Amiri Lead Officer

Hello,
We are requesting an extension to provide comments.I will also follow up on email
thanks,
Lilian

— Edited by Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), August 31, 2026

Hello,
An archaeological assessment or evaluation should be planned for any future development including ground disturbance.
Please confirm you have received our comments and i will close the file.
thanks,
Lilian

— Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), September 21, 2026

Hello,
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— Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), September 21, 2026

Thank you for providing a preliminary response to the 2026 OCP Amendment referral. We look forward to receiving your additional comments.

— jrees, September 22, 2026

Hi,
Can you send some of your availability for a meeting next week?
thank you,
Lilian

— Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), October 9, 2026

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thank you for your understanding, we will be in touch.
Lilian

— Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), October 16, 2026

Hi Lilian, thank you for providing a preliminary response to the 2026 OCP Amendment referral. As requested at the meeting on October 16, 2026 with the RMOW Director of Planning, Melissa Laidlaw, the CEEA Environmental Assessment Report for the Whistler Athlete Village dated July 7, 2006 has been uploaded to the submission documents.

— jrees, October 19, 2026

Hi Lilian,

Thank you for meeting with the RMOW Director of Planning on October 16. We are following up to inquire if you can provide an anticipated timeline for comments on the 2026 OCP Amendment referral.

Kind regards,
Joanna Rees

— Edited by jrees, November 3, 2026

Thank you again for connecting on October 16 to have a conversation about the RMOW's proposed 2026 OCP amendment bylaws that were referred to Squamish Nation.

Based on our discussion, my understanding is that Squamish Nation has no comments on "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026" and "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026" and it is only "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Parcels) No. 2531, 2026" that may affect Squamish Nation cultural areas. Could you please confirm if this is correct?

We are trying to finalize our next report to RMOW Council, and subject to confirmation there are no comments from Squamish Nation, staff will be recommending Council's consideration of second bylaw reading for "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026" and "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026".

At this time, staff will not be recommending second bylaw reading of "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Parcels) No. 2531, 2026" but will note in the upcoming Council Report that Squamish Nation requests that an archaeological assessment, or evaluation should be planned for any future development at 1001, 1005 and 1010 Legacy Way including ground disturbance. Should Squamish Nation provide any additional comments on this bylaw, there will be opportunity for them to be provided to RMOW Council prior to consideration of second reading.

Could you please confirm as soon as possible if the Squamish Nation comments summarized above are accurate and advise if you have any concerns at this time.

- Melissa Laidlaw, Director of Planning

— jrees, November 4, 2026

Hi Melissa,
Thank you for your email.

Based on our review to date, Squamish Nation does not currently have comments on Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Growth Management and Housekeeping) No. 2527, 2026 or Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Whistler Creek West Neighbourhood Plan) No. 2528, 2026.

With respect to Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (Employee Housing Parcels) No. 2531, 2026, Squamish Nation's review remains ongoing.

Our preliminary assessment has identified that the proposed amendments may affect areas associated with Squamish Nation cultural interests, including lands located within or adjacent to identified cultural areas. In addition, Squamish Nation is reviewing the proposal in relation to the RMOW Framework Agreement, including provisions related to cultural heritage protection, future development opportunities, and employee housing considerations.

Squamish Nation is currently seeking internal cultural, archaeological, and legal review of the proposed amendments to better understand any potential impacts on Squamish Nation interests. As such, we are not in a position to provide final comments on Bylaw No. 2531 at this time.

We appreciate RMOW's indication that there will be a further opportunity for Squamish Nation comments to be provided to Council prior to consideration of second reading of Bylaw No. 2531, 2026. We will provide any additional comments arising from our review as soon as practicable.
thank you,
Lilian

— Lilian Shams-Amiri (Squamish Nation), November 4, 2026

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