

Dear City of Merritt, Mayor and Council,

I have read the new bylaws being proposed. This council was elected on a platform of sustainable growth and I believe these new bylaws reflect this.

The simplifying of the zoning in the city should give people the confidence to invest in the city's commercial and residential market.

The new laneway house bylaw will densify the downtown area making it a vibrant place to live and hang out.

Many of our new residents are working from home and bring home-based businesses to Merritt. Clarifying and freeing people to use their residence as a business location should propel diversified growth far into the future.

Thanks to the staff's hard work and your leadership, I believe the new bylaws will make Merritt an attractive place to work and live.

Yours

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