

DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTRY

BYLAW 1289, 2025

A BYLAW TO AMEND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW 1065, 2018

The Council of the District of Lake Country, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Official Community Plan Bylaw 1065, 2018 is hereby amended as follows:

1.1. Section 7 – Housing, is amended as follows:

(a) In Sub-section 7.1.5, adding the following new sections immediately after subsection h.:

“i. Promote units for families in low-, medium-, and high-density residential units including three and more bedrooms. Encourage family-friendly amenities including play areas, green space, and adaptable unit designs.

j. Support the development of housing that address each class of housing need. In addition to traditional forms of affordable market and non-market housing, housing need can include housing for individuals at risk of homelessness, and shelters for the unhoused. Partner with non-profit organizations, government agencies, or regional governments to increase the supply of needed housing in the community. Lobby senior levels of government for additional housing-related funding.”

(b) In Sub-section 7.1.7, adding the following new section immediately after subsection i.:

“j. Encourage higher-density development in areas served by transportation infrastructure that supports public transit, active transportation, or other alternate forms of transportation providing access to employment, services, and amenities.”

(c) The content of Sub-section 7.3 Housing Demand is deleted and replaced with:

“To accommodate Lake Country’s growing population, the community’s 2024 Interim Housing Needs Report calculated the District needs to add 5,162 net new housing units in the 20-year period between 2021 and 2041.

Future growth will be accommodated principally on land designated High Density Residential, Mixed-Use Commercial, Rural Residential, and Urban Residential. Based on the District’s assessment of the development potential of lands in these designations, Lake Country has sufficient land within the Urban Containment Boundary to accommodate the estimated 20-year need for new housing units.

Encouraging a broad mix of multi-family housing including duplexes, townhomes, and apartments, in areas with existing services can help manage infrastructure costs, reduce auto-dependency, and preserve agricultural and environmentally sensitive resources.

The District of Lake Country will continue to monitor housing demand. The next housing needs report is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2028 and will be updated every five years.”

2. This bylaw may be cited as “Official Community Plan Amendment (Housing Needs Policy) Bylaw 1289, 2025”.

READ A FIRST TIME this 15th day of July, 2025.

CONSIDERED in conjunction with the financial plan and waste management plan this 15th day of July, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this 15th day of July, 2025.

ADVERTISED on the 5th and 12th days of September, 2025 and a Public Hearing held pursuant to Section 464 of the *Local Government Act*.

READ A THIRD TIME this 16th day of September, 2025, as amended.

ADOPTED this 16th day of September, 2025.

Original signed by Mayor Ireland
Mayor

Original signed by Reyna Seabrook
Corporate Officer