

Village of Midway

Bylaw No. XXXX

A bylaw to consider the use of wood as a primary building material in the design and construction of Village funded buildings.

WHEREAS the Community Charter authorizes that a Council may, by bylaw regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to buildings and other structures;

AND WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia has enacted Bill 9 – Wood First Act, to facilitate a culture of wood by requiring the use of wood as the primary building material in a new provincially funded buildings in a manner consistent with the British Columbia Building Code;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Midway has adopted a Wood First resolution in support of the Wood First Act and the ongoing development of a wood culture to establish a long-term strategy for building with wood in Armstrong;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Midway deems that building with wood is consistent with natural resource sustainability, economic sustainability, and reduction of the Village of Midway’s carbon footprint;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Midway Hereby Enacts as Follows:

TITLE:

This bylaw may be referred to as the Village of Midway Wood First Bylaw No. XXXX

DEFINITIONS:

In this Bylaw unless the context otherwise requires:

“**Village**” means the Village of Midway

“**Council**” means the municipal Council of the Village of Midway

“**Proponent**” means any entity, including a company, firm, consortium or any legal entity, which has been invited to submit a proposal or to submit a tender for the design or construction of a Village funded building.

“**Primary building material**” means a building material that is used as a structural component or as a major architectural component in the design of a facility.

“Village funded building” means a building with respect to which the Village owns, or has contributed money to fund its design or construction.

“Wood product” means wood that has been prepared for use in construction and may include, but is not limited to lumber, plywood, oriented strandboard, trusses, preservative treated wood, glulams, and engineered wood products such as laminated veneer lumber.

“Available local wood products” means a wood product that is produced, can be produced, or is available for purchase within a 75 km radius of the Village of Midway.

PURPOSE:

This bylaw is enacted and retained for the purpose of considering the use of wood first as a primary building material in the design and construction of Village funded buildings wherever practical and appropriate in support of Bill 9 – Wood First Act, as enacted by the Province of British Columbia Building Code.

APPLICATION:

This bylaw applies to Village funded buildings within the legal boundaries of the Village of Midway.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. All design proposals for Village funded buildings shall consider how wood will be used as a primary building material.
2. Favourable consideration may be given to design proposals for Village funded buildings that demonstrate a more substantial and/or innovative use of wood content as a primary building material.
3. Favourable consideration may be given to design proposals for Village funded buildings from proponents who demonstrate a greater degree of expertise in the use of wood as a primary building material.
4. Favourable consideration may be given to design proposals for Village funded buildings that maximize the use of available local wood products.

EXCEPTIONS:

This bylaw does not apply to non-Village funded projects.