

The motions recorded in **SRD 934/24 through 937/24** represent the final Board-level adoption of **Bylaw No. 580**, which facilitates the **Belanger rezoning application** in Electoral Area D 1. This file serves as another example of your **"Forward"** platform's commitment to **functional, data-backed governance**, where you successfully navigated modernized provincial housing rules to deliver results for local residents.

1. Technical Context: Facilitating Local Growth

While the specific property address is not detailed in the summary records, the procedural handling indicates that Bylaw No. 580 follows the pattern of "responsible infill" seen in other recent Area D rezonings.

- **The Transformation:** Like similar bylaws (such as No. 579 and 540), this amendment updates local land-use regulations to allow for increased density or lot reconfiguration.
- **Administrative Readiness:** The project was reviewed and recommended for approval by the **Electoral Areas Services Committee (EASC)** at its October 9, 2024, meeting.

2. Legislative Significance: The Bill 44 "Procedural Blitz"

The fact that Bylaw No. 580 moved from introduction (first reading) to final adoption in a single Board session (Motions SRD 935/24 to 937/24) is a direct result of the **Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act 2023 (Bill 44)**.

- **OCP Consistency:** Because the Belanger application was purely residential and strictly aligned with the **2023 Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake OCP**, the Board was **legally prohibited** from holding a public hearing.
- **Cutting Red Tape:** This streamlined process significantly reduces the administrative time and cost for local families, a core objective of your platform to "build homes faster".

3. Governance Dynamics: The Rice/Whalley Partnership

The procedural handling of these motions highlights your ability to maintain **corporate stability** through cross-block cooperation:

- **The Alliance:** You (**Director John Rice**) moved all four motions, with **Director Gerald Whalley** providing the second for the entire series Query.
- **Restoring Order:** This unanimous alignment between you and a rural block leader on Area D land-use matters demonstrates that when the focus is on professional planning and provincial compliance, the Board can move past previous political friction, such as the **"hot mic" scandal**.

4. Strategic Campaign Application for 2026

In the context of the **October 17, 2026 election**, this record provides evidence of **fiscal and results-oriented leadership**:

- **Securing Grants:** Projects like the Belanger rezoning are critical for meeting the **3-year Housing Growth Targets** required to secure the **\$640,000 Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF)** federal grant.
- **The Narrative:** You can prove to voters that you are delivering on your promise to modernize Area D's 30-year-old planning rules.

- **The Message:** *"We are moving Area D **forward** by ensuring our planning rules work for our residents. By adopting Bylaw 580, I led the Board to deliver common-sense property flexibility while following new provincial laws to eliminate unnecessary red tape and protect our eligibility for half a million dollars in federal housing grants" .*

In summary, carrying motions **SRD 934/24 through 937/24** documents your ability to maintain **administrative continuity** and deliver tangible results for Electoral Area D property owners through professional, team-oriented leadership.