Valuing Diversity Conference 2016 Valuing Unique Properties

## Overview

 Review of what makes a property or assignment unique or challenging from a valuation perspective;

Case studies – actual assignments completed;

 Presentation is meant to be interactive – that means audience participation;

Speakers do not have all the answers;

# Unique Assignments

- Unique: being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
- Challenging: *testing one's abilities; demanding*
- What makes a property unique (and challenging) from a valuation perspective?
  - Location
  - Market area/sector
  - Purpose/use
  - Construction
  - Land use controls or lack thereof
  - Terms of assignment/scope of work
  - Lack of local market evidence
  - Other?

## **#1** Former Power Generation Plant



±9.0 Acres

**Rural Zoning** 

26 Km south of Port Hardy

±7,700 square foot steel frame building (former gas turbine building) Ancillary office, shop and site improvements

- Location
- Use/Construction
- Lack of Zoning, Land use controls
- HBU????
- Market conditions

#### Cost Approach

- Land Valuation
- Replacement Cost
- Quantification of Depreciation??

#### Direct Comparison Approach

- Overall versus Unit of comparison (price per square foot);
- Estimate Land value and Building residual
- How to quantify functional/external depreciation factors?

## #2 Control Tower



+/- 14,169 sf, 2000 control tower, 135' height, 11 levels

+/- 36,372 sf-not separately titled – part of 1315 acre site with some 500+ improvements

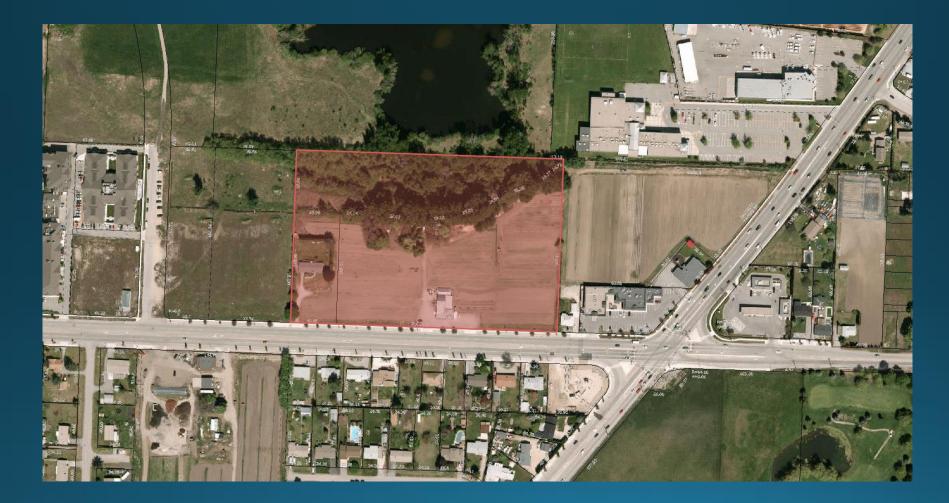
DND 1.1, CFB Comox zoned

Appraised for the contributory market value of the improvement

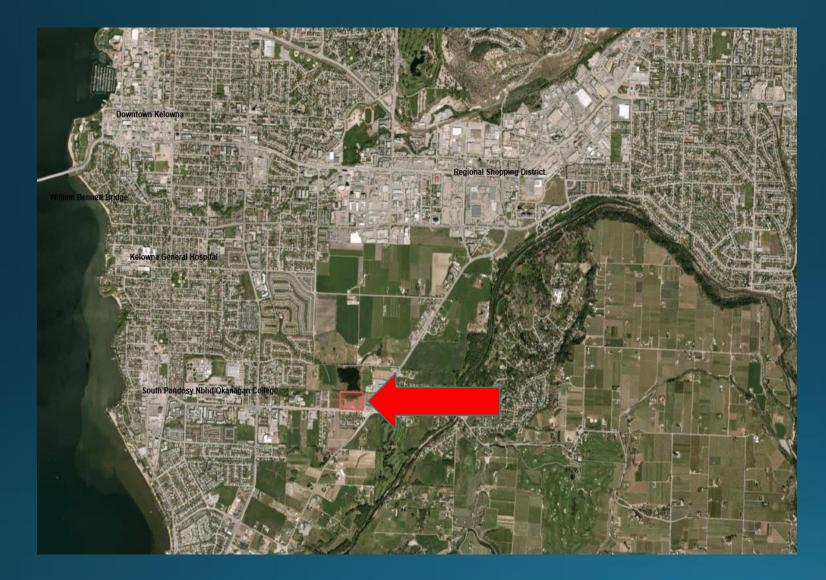
- Location
- Use / Construction
- Highest and Best Use
- Market Conditions / Demand
- Lack of Any Comparables
- Land Value Component

- Cost Approach
  - Land Valuation
  - Reproduction Costs
  - Depreciation
    - Physical
    - Functional
    - External
- Income Approach
  - Net Income Estimate
  - Capitalization Rates

## #3 10.28 Acres Within City of Kelowna







#### ±10.28 Acres in City of Kelowna A1 Zoning and in the ALR

Property actively farmed for over 100 years by same family (6.22 acres)

Improved with a single storey home on full basement (1,522 sf on main floor plus full basement) circa 1976 (2016 assessment value - \$213,000)

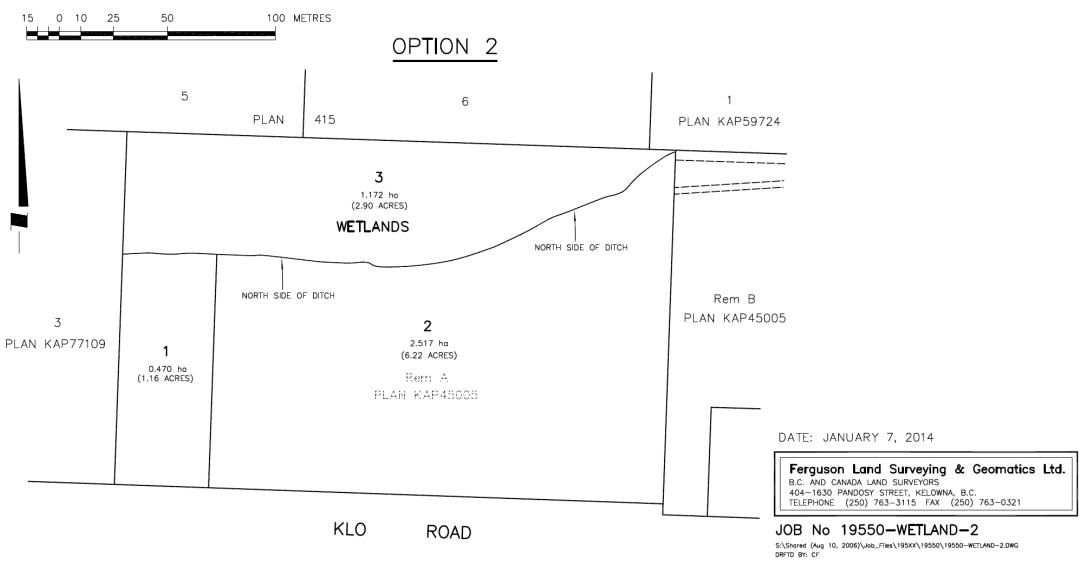
Farm stand building (3,200 sf +/-) circa 1950 (2016 assessment value - \$7,250)

- ALR Land and farm classification
- Conservation interest in northern forested land
- Location at edge of growth development
- Market conditions
- H & B Use

- Cost Approach? Land Valuation (comparable sales)
- Replacement cost of home and farm stand
- Income Approach? Farm lease income (\$9,000/yr)
- Home rental income (estimated at \$2,500/mo)
- Direct Comparison Approach: Estimate land value
- Contributory value of buildings in place:
- Residential home
- Farm stand building

#### PLAN OF PROPOSED SUBDIVISION FOR HOMESITE SEVERANCE OVER PART OF LOT A DISTICT LOT 131 ODYD PLAN KAP45005 EXCEPT PLAN KAP78655

SCALE: 1:1250 METRES



## Sale Price Breakdown

- Property owners applied for farmsite severance with Agricultural Land Commission
- City of Kelowna was consulted by ALC and would only support the subdivision (severance) if property owners sold 2.9 acres to City to enhance recently acquired Munson Pond parklands
- Negotiated with City of Kelowna/Conservation Group and eventually agreed to sell 2. 9 acres at \$125,000/acre = \$362,500
- Farm land area of 6.2 acres sold for \$1,075,000
- Property owners retained home and 1.16 acres with an estimated value in the \$650,000 at the time of subdivision

### #4 Freestanding Restaurant on Foreshore



±1,700 square foot restaurant building

No zoning

Lund Harbour

Situated on foreshore (license of occupation – renewable on a yearly basis with the LHA) \$1,500.00/year

Leased to independent operator @ \$1,400.00/month (NNN)

- Location
- Use/Construction
- Limited zoning/land use controls
- Tenure

- Cost Approach Land Valuation
  - Determine if there is a leasehold interest in the site what method would you follow?
  - Length of term of the license of occupation;
  - Replacement Cost; Quantification of Depreciation?? (adjustment for risk of tenure?)

#### Income Approach –

- How to quantify risk in the cap rate?
- Is it mortagable given length of term of license?
- Collateral loan versus mortgage differing terms
- Direct Comparison Approach
  - Overall versus Unit of comparison (price per square foot);
  - Estimate Land value and Building residual;
  - How to quantify functional/external depreciation factors?
  - Sales of other properties in similar situations how far abroad would you go?





+/- 245,996 sf, 1950's aircraft maintenance hangar with workshops, offices and hangar space +/- 19.77 acres – not separately titled – part of 1,315 acre site with some 500 + improvements. DND 1.1, CFB Comox zoned. Appraised for the contributory market value of the improvements.

- Location
- Use / Construction
- Highest and Best Use
- Market Conditions
- Limitations to Use of Comparables
- Land Value Component

- Cost Approach
  - Land Valuation land area imputed to the building and its valuation
  - Reproduction or replacement costs
  - Depreciation
    - Physical Depreciation effective age / economic life
    - Functional Depreciation curable and incurable
    - External Depreciation

#### Income Approach

- Net Income Estimate
- Vacancy / Collection Losses
- Over Operating Expenses
- Capitalization Rates

## #6 Heavy Industrial Site, Dawson Creek



- East end of Dawson Creek abutting Airport lands
- 113.66 acre industrial zoned parcel with a large industrial building (137,000 sf steel frame construction)
- Originally built by Louisiana Pacific in 1999 for a proposed veneer plant to secure timber tenure but never opened
- Purchased by Greensmart Manufacturing in July 2005 for manufacturing modular camp trailers for resource industries
- Greensmart ran into financial challenges 2010/2011 and eventually forced into receivership in 2013

- Special purpose built improvement that was adapted once already
- Land size
- Building size
- Market conditions
- Location next to airport restricts potential development
- Land servicing requirements to develop excess land
- Large fire suppression reservoir ponds requiring remediation
- Potential access issues

#### Cost Approach

- excess land component valuation
- replacement cost of special purpose building; quantifying all forms of depreciation

#### Income Approach

- determination of potential lease rate for large special purpose built improvement; cost to demise and lease up period;
- quantifying risk in the cap rate analysis; excess land servicing costs; industrial land lease rates;

#### • Direct Comparison Approach

- properties in similar situations how far away would you consider sales;
- excess land values; airport flight path impact; costs to service land and realign road access.

## Questions?



Thank You!