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Denman housing bylaw changes draw competing views

Residents raised concerns about proposed housing rules and urged support for affordable housing at a Local Trust Committee meeting.

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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At the August 24 Local Trust Committee meeting, one speaker asked that second reading of proposed Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw changes be delayed until after the public hearing, citing limited awareness of the proposals and concern about removing the density bank.¹

The planner said the public could submit comments until the public hearing closed and that changes could still be made after second reading.¹

Another speaker said changes were coming to a September 15 public hearing, urged residents to support measures for affordable housing and said the project needed to be finished.¹

The July 11 meeting minutes describe proposed changes including replacing the density cap and density bank with policy focused on affordable secondary suites and rezoning for multi-unit housing; they also say the proposed changes reduce total density by 100 dwelling units.²

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.

Thu 2026-09-24: Light drizzle; 15°C / 9°C; wind NNW 5 kn; daylight 07:08–19:17; moon Waxing Gibbous, 92% lit; high water 4:19 AM (4.1 m), low water 10:54 AM (1.6 m), high water 5:39 PM (4.5 m), low water 11:38 PM (2.6 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2026-09-24>

	Thu 24	Fri 25	Sat 26	Sun 27	Mon 28	Tue 29	Wed 30
Sky	Light drizzle	Drizzle	Overcast	Mainly clear	Rain	Light rain	Overcast
High	15°C	15°C	16°C	18°C	16°C	17°C	17°C
Low	9°C	10°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	11°C	7°C
Wind	NNW 5 kn	NNW 5 kn	E 4 kn	NNE 5 kn	SE 16 kn	N 5 kn	NNE 4 kn
Daylight	07:08–19:17	07:09–19:15	07:11–19:13	07:12–19:10	07:14–19:08	07:15–19:06	07:17–19:04
Moon	Waxing Gibbous	Waxing Gibbous	Full Moon	Full Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous

Open-Meteo historical forecast. Tides: Canadian Hydrographic Service.

DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

Emergencies: **911**. Denman Island Fire Rescue is a volunteer department. This space is theirs in every edition, free, and is not for sale.

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Sources

Every claim in this edition is cited. Full documents, and the checks each source passed, are at denmanisland.co/news — or ask us and we will post you a copy.

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- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee regular meeting minutes, August 24, 2026 — “They requested second reading be delayed until after the Public Hearing.”
- 2. Denman Island Local Trust Committee special meeting minutes, July 11, 2026 — “resulting in an overall reduction in total density of 100 dwelling units;”

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