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Correction: To address the demand side of the issue, I propose that the Trust extends the speculation tax to the Gulf Islands, not the foreign buyers tax.

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This bylaw is another instance of a matter related to housing which risks massively increasing the population, with a resulting increase in infrastructure strain, without guaranteeing that the housing will actually go to locals. The issue of population growth is important for both preserving the environment and rural character of the island and should not be worsened through bylaws which do not address the issue of giving housing to locals. The Trust instead focus on limiting the demand side of the equation, particularly by lobbying the provincial government to extend the foreign buyer tax to Salt Spring. In terms of supply, solutions such as cracking down on illegal Air B n Bs would be helpful. Please heed the staff report and reconsider this bylaw.

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