



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

District of Summerland – November 14, 2022

Quarterly Reports – Council received third quarter updates on the 2018-2022 Council Priorities, as well as operational updates from the RCMP and Fire Department. A priority setting session will be held on November 24 and 25, at which time priorities for the 2022-2026 Council term will be identified.

Waterfront Concept Plan Final Report – Flowing from commitments in the 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, a Waterfront Concept plan was developed through considerable public engagement and planning. In focus was the Gordon Beggs Rotary Beach, Peach Orchard Beach and the area known as “Horse Beach”. The Plan outlines a set of recommendations for park design and management improvements for the District of Summerland to pursue over the next 15 years. Considerations include infrastructure elements such as the Kiwanis Pier and washroom upgrades, but also functionality and accessibility of the waterfront for residents and the visiting public. Council endorsed the vision outlined in the plan for the Rotary and Peach Orchard Beaches, and accepted staff advice as information on the “Horse Beach” location, pending further discussion of Council.

Recommended Changes to Procedures Bylaws

The CAO outlined four areas for efficiency to support staff capacity and the effective use of Council’s time including 1) delegation of minor variance permits to staff 2) introduction of a consent agenda 3) moving to a 3-week Council meeting cycle and 4) pausing and reviewing Council advisory committees to reflect any updated Council priorities and compliance with the *Community Charter*. Council had a number of questions for staff and made some changes to the proposal, ultimately directing staff to return with draft amendments to associated Bylaws to effect the change.

Development Services Activities Update

An update was provided to Council for the months of September and October. Development application numbers remain comparable to previous years and the total number of building permits is still on pace to be larger than last year, but the amount of construction value experienced in September and October has been slower than for the same two months in 2021. Total construction value year-to-date for the end of October is \$46,082,000.

Bylaws for Adoption

The Road Closure and Removal of Highway Dedication (Fiske Street) Bylaw No. 2022-008 was adopted. This bylaw permits the closure and sale of a small portion of a District-owned road to Summerland Hills Vineyard (aka Dirty Laundry Vineyards) at appraised market rates. The sale supports the vineyard in the creation of a gate and associated improvements on the location to support the security of assets and merchandise within the adjacent facilities.

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