



## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### District of Summerland – September 9, 2025

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**Delegation – Zero Home Collective** – Council received an update from a member of the Zero Home Collective who were leading the Home Energy Efficiency pilot project in Vernon. The presentation highlighted the success of the pilot and outlined plans to expand the program to retrofit 500 homes across the region. This next phase aims to support local climate goals while enhancing housing and economic resilience. As part of the expansion, the organization is applying to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) Community Efficiency Financing program. Council agreed to provide a letter of support, alongside support already received from Vernon, Salmon Arm, Kelowna, and Kamloops.

**Delegation – Summerland Pickleball Association** – Mayor and Council received a presentation from the Summerland Pickleball Association (SPA) that outlines the growing popularity of pickleball in the region, with over 1,500 players across Peachland, Summerland, and Penticton. It highlights the limitations of current facilities, especially during winter, and proposes building a new indoor facility with four courts to support tournaments, youth programs, and community growth. Two potential sites were suggested: the south side of Peach Orchard Campground and the district parking lot near the Badminton Hall.

**Peach Orchard Beach Park Playground Designs** - The District of Summerland reviewed and finalized playground designs for Peach Orchard Beach Park, selecting between two proposals from Canadian Recreation Solutions. Council considered feedback from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, which highlighted accessibility and shading. Council also asked for a zipline to be included in the design and authorized staff to proceed with provincial approvals and finalize the contract so equipment could be ordered. The project was budgeted at \$400,000 over 2025 and 2026.

**2025 Capital Projects Update** – Council received a capital projects update, which provided progress on three major infrastructure projects: Wharton Street Revitalization, Prairie Valley Road and Watermain Upgrades, and the Primary Clarifier. As of late summer 2025, the Prairie Valley Road project was approximately 85% complete, Wharton Street was 45% complete, and the Primary Clarifier was 32% complete based on schedule and 7% based on budget spend. All projects remained within budget allowances, with staff actively managing timelines, public communication, and contractor coordination. Council also acknowledged public concerns related to construction impacts and supported staff efforts to mitigate disruptions through parking adjustments, signage, and enhanced communication.

**Green Municipal Fund Grant for a Climate Adaption Plan** - Council approved an application for a \$100,000 grant from the FCM Green Municipal Fund to support the development of a Climate Adaptation Plan. The plan would aim to address increasing risks from natural hazards such as floods, landslides, wildfires, and extreme weather events, which have impacted Summerland in recent years. This initiative aligns with

Council's 2022–2026 Strategic Priorities and provincial climate preparedness strategies, enhancing community resilience and readiness for future climate impacts.

**Notice of Motion** - Councillor Patan submitted a Notice of Motion for staff to report back on options for designating Rosedale Avenue, between Highway 97 and Prairie Valley Road, as a “no truck” route, except for local deliveries. This motion aligns with the Summerland Transportation Plan, which recommends Prairie Valley Road as the preferred truck route to reduce heavy vehicle traffic on Rosedale Avenue. The rationale includes concerns about increased truck volumes due to expanding gravel pit operations and the need to enhance safety near the newly designated Summerland Elementary School.

**Note:** These highlights are intended to provide a brief summary of recent Council proceedings. The summary is not inclusive of all, agenda items. For a detailed account of the full agenda, including staff reports, other supporting documents and official meeting minutes, please consult the District of Summerland website at <https://www.summerland.ca> or contact Corporate Services at 250-404-4037



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