



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

District of Summerland – May 6, 2025

Wharton Street Revitalization Project and Victoria Road Internal Borrowing – Council resolved to utilize internal borrowing from District reserves as an interim funding strategy, as permitted under section 189 (4.1) of the *Community Charter*, for the Victoria Road and Wharton Street Revitalization critical infrastructure projects. Due to a recent judicial review petition filed by a Summerland resident, approved long-term borrowing for these infrastructure projects, which have already received public assent through an Alternative Approval Process in accordance with the legal requirements of the *Community Charter*, has been delayed. The revised funding options authorized by Council will allow these critical projects to continue without experiencing cost escalation beyond the borrowing approvals, which would in turn be levied on taxpayers.

Rise and Report – April 15, 2025 Committee of the Whole – Conkle Mountain and Cartwright Mountain Draft Trail Plans – Council confirmed the resolution made by Council in Committee during the April 15, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting directing Staff to conduct an open-house during the second round of public engagement for the Conkle Mountain and Cartwright Mountain Draft Trail Plans. **This public open-house has been scheduled for May 21 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at the George Ryga Arts and Cultural Centre (9525 Wharton Street).** The purpose of the trail plans is to establish a coordinated and formalized approach to the development and management of the trail networks and to support grant applications to fund trail improvements and amenities.

Parks Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 2025-013 – Adoption – Council adopted Parks Regular Amendment Bylaw No. 2025-013 which permits responsible liquor consumption from 12:00PM (noon) to 9:00PM daily at Powell Beach Park, Peach Orchard Beach Park and Rotary Beach. A pilot project allowing responsible liquor consumption at the noted parks was conducted 2023 and 2024 at the request of the Summerland Chamber of Commerce/Destination Summerland with no issues being reported by Summerland RCMP and Summerland Bylaw Enforcement.

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