

CAO Report

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I wanted to start out by providing an update on the pathway repairs along the shoreline at Peach Orchard Park and Rotary Beach. I went on site to observe the work a week ago and was very pleased to see the quality of the work being done from the installation of rip-rap and trail improvements including new lighting being installed. Design work includes the protection of the new trail from tree roots which have been a problem in the past, and we hope to be able to do some additional resurfacing of adjacent parts of the trail while we are on site. Paving for the section north of the T-pier and the small section at the south end of Rotary Beach is scheduled for Thursday May 13. Following that the contractor will begin on the removing the asphalt pathway at Rotary Beach which will be paved later in May.

There have been some delays with our street sweeping program that we are working through. Council will recall that we have ordered a new street sweeper as part of our capital purchase program in 2021; however, that piece of equipment won't arrive until later this year. Right now we have a 3 person crew, a vacuum sweeper and at this time of year we also employ a contract sweeper. The contractor machine was down for about a week which put us a bit behind schedule but that unit is back up and running as of last Thursday. Sweeping is on schedule to be completed by early June. We appreciate the patience of residents who are waiting for their area to be swept.

Due to the level of transmission of COVID in the District, on Friday, Interior Health released information that it is accelerating COVID-19 immunizations for people aged 30 and over in Summerland. Residents born in 1991 or earlier and are registered to get vaccinated will soon be invited to book appointments. Notifications to all registered residents to book appointments will be sent in the coming days. Further information is available on the District website.

Finally, I wanted to let Council know that for the Request for Proposals for feasibility studies on the Recreation Centre and the Primary Health Care Centre have now closed. Staff are now evaluating the submissions according to the posting criteria for this Council priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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