

## **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

## District of Summerland – November 28, 2022

Committee of the Whole - Council received a presentation on proposed changes to the Subdivision and Development Servicing (SDS) Bylaw. The Bylaw ensures that good standards for off site infrastructure (roads, water mains, sewer and stormwater systems) are achieved during a development so that the assets are in good order for when the District takes on their ownership. Like many other local governments in the region, the update uses the industry Master Municipal Contract Document (MMCD), as the key standard to follow.

Delegation - Rural Health BC - Council received a delegation from the BC Rural Healthcare Network (BCRHN), a group that consists of healthcare advocacy organizations working in cooperation with healthcare policymakers. BCRHN invited Summerland to join their network to convey our unique context into their work. The Mayor noted that the Ministry of Health does not consider Summerland as a "rural" community which presents barriers to the community accessing special programs directed at rural health issues. The presentation was received for information.

Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) Changes - The District will receive \$120,082 from the Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP), which the Province initiated in May 2022 to replace the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP). The funds will be dispersed each year for the next three years, and can be used for climate adaptation (not just climate mitigation projects). The funding will go into the District's Climate Action Reserve Account and will be dispersed to projects in alignment with the program's criteria and Council's strategic goals.

**BC Tourism Grant Application (Kiwanis Pier)** - Council agreed to apply to the BC Tourism Destination Development Fund for a \$1 million grant to replace the Kiwanis Pier at Rotary Beach. The replacement of the pier, which is at the end of its lifespan and is currently closed while under assessment, is an important element of the recently approved Waterfront Mast Plan. The deadline to submit an Expression of Interest for the grant is December 7, 2022.

Official Community Plan Amendment and Zoning Bylaw Amendment (13316 Prairie Valley Road) -Council adopted an OCP Amendment and Zoning Bylaw Amendment to change the land use designation and expand the Urban Growth Boundary to facilitate a 10-unit bare land strata subdivision at 13316 Prairie Valley Road. The development will be able to connect to the future Deer Ridge sanitary sewer extension and cannot proceed until that infrastructure is constructed. A variance request for a community sewer system owned and maintained by the strata was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

**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 <a href="https://www.summerland.ca">https://www.summerland.ca</a> or contact Corporate Services at 250-404-4037.



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