



THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

Council Meeting Highlights

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Interim Multi-Use Pathway Extension – Beach Avenue

Council received information on a proposed extension of the Beach Avenue walkway from 13th Street to Todd Road. The project would be an interim solution, extending the iconic Centennial Walkway with less costly approaches than the estimated \$2 to 3 million to match the current pathway design. Council will receive a report with further information after public consultation on parking impacts on Beach Avenue.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Water Restrictions Bylaw

Council approved a Water Restrictions Bylaw that now allows Stage 2 Watering Restrictions to be initiative by the Director of Operations, rather than requiring a Council resolution to enact. This is particularly necessary due to limited Council meetings planned for the summer months when restrictions are more likely to apply.

Stage 1 restrictions are always in effect in Peachland. These restrictions require properties to water as follows: even -numbered addresses on even calendar days and odd-numbered addresses on odd calendar days, allowing for watering 3-4 days of the week. Stage 2 restrictions would reduce outdoor watering to twice a week; with even numbered addresses permitted to water on Saturday and Tuesday and odd-numbered address on Sunday and Wednesday.

With drought conditions possible this year in the Okanagan, water restrictions may be required depending on the availability of water in Peachland's primary source for potable water, Peachland Lake. Further stages of water restrictions would still need to be enacted by Council.

Parcel Tax Changes

Residents will notice changes to Parcel Taxes on their 2024 property tax notice as the District introduces new parcel taxes, concludes others and rolls some into general taxes.

Council gave first three readings to these parcel tax bylaws:

- \$40.48 - Regional District of Central Okanagan Westside Regional Transfer Station Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 2413, 2024 – for the provision of the transfer station service in West Kelowna available for Peachland residents,
- \$129.07 - Phase 1-D and Phase 2 Sewer Collection Specified Areas Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 2414, 2024 – to facilitate repayment of debt by 2023,
- \$199.60 - Water Treatment Plant Debt Servicing Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 2415, 2024; this is a 25-year debt undertaken in 2022.
- \$50.00 - New Fire Hall Project Implementation Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 2416, 2024, a new parcel tax to finance the planning and design phase of the new fire hall.

Four debts have now been fully recovered and will not be brought as parcel taxes in 2024; Downtown Revitalization, Turner Park Debt Servicing, Beach Avenue Sewer Collection System, Sewer Force Main.

Four parcel taxes will be transferred to the General Tax levy. The parcel taxes were put in place to build reserves for asset renewal and capital expenditures. These are ongoing needs and should be levied based on property assessments, in line with the *Community Charter*. The General Capital Asset Renewal, Sewer Capital Asset Renewal, Water Capital Asset Renewal and Water Capital Improvement parcel taxes will be transferred to general taxes for 2024.

Development at 4596 Princeton

Council authorized a Comprehensive Form and Character Development Permit for a residential multi-family development at 4596 Princeton Avenue. The 2.77-acre property is located at the intersection of Princeton and Somerset Avenues and is zoned for Multi-Unit Residential. The development, The Haven, consists of 21 residential units of five buildings - four four-plexes and one five-plex. A total of six long-term rental flex units are possible in the development which will also include construction of a pickleball court, a tot lot and road and sidewalk improvements. Site preparation and grading can now begin with the approval of this permit. Building permit processes will be undertaken for the two-phase construction of the residential buildings and amenities.

Next Council Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of Peachland Council is on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, beginning at 6 pm. Council meetings are open to the public and webcast live. Find the full schedule by visiting www.peachland.ca/council. Find webcasts of past meetings at www.peachland.ca/watch. Keep informed; subscribe to get news and event information emailed directly to you at www.peachland.ca/subscribe.