

# THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND Council Meeting Highlights March 12, 2024

### **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

## **Development Approved for 5948 Highway 97S**

Council adopted a Zoning Bylaw Amendment to rezone a 0.4 hectare (0.98 acre) vacant lot in the Lower Princeton neighbourhood to allow the building of up to 23 residential units. The developer of the parcel at 5948 Highway 97S is proposing a 14-unit strata community with townhouse building forms and flex units.

### **Growing Communities Fund**

Council approved the establishment of the Growing Communities Fund Reserve to allow for appropriate treatment of the \$2.76 million grant received in March 2023. The Provincial Ministry of Municipal Affairs provided one-time grants to municipalities to help build required infrastructure and amenities associated growing communities. Council has earmarked some expenditures of this fund in the proposed 2024 draft budget for projects including road improvements, upgrades to Turner and Sanderson Parks and expansion of the westside trail. Council will consider first three readings of its proposed 2024 budget at a Council meeting in April.

### **Transportation Servicing Plan**

Council was provided a report on a *Transportation Servicing Plan* that has been developed for Peachland to help identify traffic impacts resulting from future development. The plan provides recommendations for transportation improvements on four of the community's uplands major roadways, Princeton Avenue, Ponderosa Drive, Trepanier Bench Road and Renfrew Road/Hardy Street. The plan is not a comprehensive *Peachland Roads Master Plan*, which is in development and encompasses all community roads and intersections. Instead, this plan provides District staff with an improved ability to direct developments to construct or proportionally contribute towards the improvements that have been identified instead of relying on development-specific studies that typically conclude increases in traffic warrant little to no improvements. The plan will also be used to inform Development Cost Charges updates and future capital projects,

### Interim Fire Chief

Wes Aigro has been named Interim Fire Chief for the District of Peachland. The District is currently recruiting for a Fire Chief to replace Dennis Craig who left the position in February.

# **Peachland Classic Car Show Support**

Council agreed to provide the Peachland Chamber of Commerce with a one-time, start-up donation of \$7,000 to ensure the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Peachland Classic Car Show event planned for the May long weekend is a success. More information on the Chamber's Peachland Classic Car Show can be found at <a href="https://www.peachlandclassiccarshow.ca">www.peachlandclassiccarshow.ca</a>.

### **Next Council Meeting**

The next Regular Meeting of Peachland Council is on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, beginning at 6 pm. Council meetings are open to the public and webcast live. Find the full schedule by visiting <a href="https://www.peachland.ca/council">www.peachland.ca/council</a>. Find webcasts of past meetings at <a href="https://www.peachland.ca/watch">www.peachland.ca/watch</a>. Keep informed; subscribe to get news and event information emailed directly to you at <a href="https://www.peachland.ca/subscribe">www.peachland.ca/subscribe</a>.