



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR AGENDA

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

Please be advised that the HUB Online Network will record and broadcast or live stream today's Council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

"Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux people."

1. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held Monday, January 22, 2024 M/S <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held Monday, January 22, 204 be adopted as presented.</i>	P. 1-2
2.2	Minutes of the Public Hearing held Monday, January 22, 2024 M/S <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Public Hearing Held Monday, January 22, 2024 be adopted as presented.</i>	P. 3-4
2.3	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 22, 2024 M/S <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 22, 2024 be adopted as presented.</i>	P. 5-10

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1	Equality Project – PowerPoint Presentation – Weather Centers	P. 11-18
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4. PUBLIC INPUT

All questions and comments will be addressed through the Chair and answered likewise. Please state your name and address prior to asking a question or commenting, no more than 2 minutes per question.

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

5.1	The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023 M/S <i>THAT, The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft Consolidation Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023 be adopted.</i>	P. 19-20
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5.2	Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 M/S <i>THAT, Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 be adopted.</i>	P. 21-22
5.3	Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 M/S <i>THAT, Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 be adopted.</i>	P. 23-24

6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CAO Report – Development Variance Permit #2023-01/02 Purpose: For Council to consider Development Variance Permit No. DVP 2023-01/02 to reduced front setback from the required 7.5m to 5.49m, reduced interior side setback from the required 3m to 2.17m, and reduced number of parking stalls from 1.4 per unit to 63 off-street and 9 on-street stalls which provides 1 parking stall per apartment unit. M/S <i>THAT, Development Variance Permit No. DVP 2023-01/02 to enable front setback of 5.49m, reduced interior side setback of 2.17m, and reduced number of parking stalls (63 off-street and 9 on-street) be approved for Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889 located at 1500 Government Street, Ashcroft.</i>	P. 25-32
6.2	CAO Report – Council Attendance at SILGA & UBCM Conventions Purpose: Seeking Council's guidance in accordance with Policy C-05-2021 regarding the selection of Council members who will participate in the SILGA and UBCM Conventions for the year 2024. It should be noted that the Mayors costs are shared with the TNRD at 50%. M/S 1. <i>THAT, Mayor Roden and the following members of Council _____ and _____ attend the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) Convention for 2024 as per Council Policy C-05-2021;</i> 2. <i>THAT, Mayor Roden and the following members of Council _____ and _____ attend the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention for 2024 as per Council Policy C-05-2021.</i>	P. 33-35
6.3	CAO Report – Council Appointment to Policy Review Committee Purpose: Seeking Council's appointments to Policy Review Committee M/S 1. <i>THAT, the following members of Council: _____ and _____ be appointed to the Policy Review Committee.</i>	P. 36

6.4	CFO Report – Curling Club Insulation Upgrades using LGCAP Funds Purpose: To allocate LGCAP funds towards curling club insulation upgrades M/S <i>THAT, Council approve allocation of \$25,000 to upgrades to insulation for the curling club.</i>	P. 37-38
6.5	EDT Report – NDIT Marketing Initiatives Grant Application Purpose: Request Council rescind Resolution No. R-2024-19 to NDIT Marketing Initiative funding stream due the proposed additional items that involved an approximate increase of \$8,000 and that Council support the revised application in the amount of up to \$20,000. M/S <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft rescind Resolution No. R-2024-19, previously approved by Council on January 22, 2024, regarding the application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's Marking Initiative funding stream in the amount of \$24,965.</i> 2. <i>THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft extends its full support for the submission of an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's (NDIT) Marketing Initiative Funding stream seeking financial assistance of up to \$20,000, and further that Council is committed to marching the funds as a line item in the 2024 Village of Ashcroft budget.</i> 	P. 39-41
FOR INFORMATION		
6.6	CAO Report – Capacity Funding for Local Government Housing Initiatives Program Purpose: Provide Council with a brief report outlining the funding allocation for the Village of Ashcroft under the provinces Capacity Funding program to assist with accelerating development processes including scope and guideline limitations.	P. 42-51
6.7	CAO Report – Snow Survey Information from EMCR Purpose: To present an update to Council regarding the snowpack status in the South Thompson region.	P. 52-54
6.8	CFO Report – Preliminary Budget Discussion	
6.9	BEO Report – Bylaw Enforcement Update – 2023 Final Quarter Purpose: To provide Council with detail updates and status of the bylaw files for the past quarter	P. 55-56

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	School District No. 74 (Gold Trail) – Sale of Cache Creek Property M/S	P. 57-58

7.2	2024 SILGA Forest and Wildfire Management Webinar Save the Date – February 28th 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm M/S	P. 59
7.3	DSCS 2024 Grad Class – Requesting a monetary donation or donation for a raffle/auction or becoming a Corporate Sponsor for the 2024 Grad Classing M/S	P. 60
7.4	Marilyn & Andy Anderson Bloomin Paintbrush Art Studio and Garden – 2024 Street Market (Farmers' Market) M/S	P. 61-62
7.5	Ashcroft 4H Club – Requesting Free Use of the Community Hall for Monthly Meetings and Special Events such as Speech Night M/S	P. 63
FOR INFORMATION		
7.6	City of Abbotsford – Letter to UBCM Municipalities re Support for Resolution	P. 64
7.7	TNRD Press Release – Thompson Nicola Regional Library Welcomes TRU Nursing Students as Community and Health Navigators	P. 65-66
7.8	Interior Health – News Release – New BC Cancer Center in Kamloops Moves Forward	P. 67-69
7.9	School District No. 74 (Gold Trail) – New Superintendent of Schools, Vessy Mochikas effective May 8, 2024	P. 70

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker	P. 71-73
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9. NEW BUSINESS

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10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden	
11.2	Councillor Anstett	
11.3	Councillor Clement	
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Lambert	

12. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1



12.1	M/S <i>That Council move to a Closed Meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1(c) labour relations or other employee relations.</i>	
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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

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14. ADJOURNMENT



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE
AT 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
Councillor, Jonah Anstett
Councillor, Jessica Clement
Councillor, Nadine Davenport
Councillor, Doreen Lambert

CAO, Daniela Dyck
DPW, Brian Bennewith

Public - 1
Media - 0

EXCUSED: CFO, Yogi Bhalla

Public - 1
Media - 0

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Deputy Mayor, Jessica Clement called the Committee of the Whole meeting for Monday January 22, 2024, to order at 5:00 pm

"Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux people."

2. **ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA**

3. **MINUTES**

All COTW Minutes are adopted at a Regular Meeting of Council.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

4.1	N/A	
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5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

5.1	Strategic Plan Priorities <u>Purpose:</u> To provide an inclusive opportunity for all Council members to discuss and determine strategic priorities. Council is tasked with reviewing the list of suggestions presented in the Staff Report and identifying up to ten strategic priorities that will form an integral part of the upcoming strategic plan. Council's active engagement in this	
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	<p>session is vital to the development of a robust and well-informed strategic plan which will shape the future direction of the Village.</p> <p>Motion to Rise and Report M/S Anstett / Roden</p> <p><i>THAT, Council Rise and Report the following strategic priority items selected at the COTW meeting to the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday January 22, 2024:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Parks (Mesa, Heritage, Legacy, Pool, Skills)</i> 2. <i>Recreation (Arena, Pool, Curling Rink, Skills)</i> 3. <i>Water to Ashcroft Indian Band</i> 4. <i>Policy Review Committee</i> 5. <i>Street Safety Committee (includes sidewalks)</i> 6. <i>FireSmart</i> 7. <i>Environment (water conservation/herbicides etc.)</i> 8. <i>Official Community Plan (OCP) / Zoning Bylaw Updates</i> 9. <i>Branding</i> 10. <i>North Ashcroft Reservoir</i> 11. <i>Museum / Old Fire Hall</i> 12. <i>Trail Plan / Downtown Walking Trail</i> 	
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6. TERMINATION

Deputy Clement adjourned the Committee of the Whole Meeting for Monday January 22, 2024 at 5:54 pm.

Certified to be a true and correct copy of
the Minutes for the Committee of the Whole
Meeting of Council held Monday, January 22, 2024.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
Councillor, Jonah Anstett
Councillor, Jessica Clement
Councillor, Nadine Davenport
Councillor, Doreen Lambert

STAFF: CAO, Daniela Dyck
DPW, Brian Bennewith

EXCUSED: CFO, Yogi Bhalla

Media – 1
Public – 2 (gallery) 2 (zoom/phone)

1. PUBLIC HEARING

Report of a Public Hearing Meeting to consider the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 held in Council Chambers commencing at 6:00pm.

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the Public Hearing to order at 6:03pm,

3. PRESENTATION BY STAFF

Mayor Roden directed staff to provide a brief presentation on Bylaw No. 864, 2023.

4. PUBLIC HEARING RULES OF PROCEDURE

Mayor Roden explained that all persons in the room shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard and that the Council may ask questions but would not debate matters with speakers prior to reading the rules of procedure.

4.1	<p>Public Hearing Rules of Procedures Mayor Roden read the Public Hearing Rules of Procedure prior to commencing the meeting.</p> <p>Public Hearing Items: Village of Ashcroft OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 and Village of Ashcroft Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 1500 Government Street, Legal address: Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889.</p> <p>Owner: 1204132 B.C. Ltd. Applicant: Westland Living Inc. – David Wang</p> <p>Mayor Roden asked for confirmation of Public Notice:</p>	
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	<p>CAO, Daniela Dyck advised public notice was provided as required in the January 12th and 19th editions of the Ashcroft-Cache Creek Journal, and posters were posted to: the Village Posting Board, Village Website, Village Social Media site and to the LED Sign. Additionally, notifications were mailed out to owner/occupiers in excess of a 100 metre radius of the subject property.</p> <p>Written Submissions: CAO Daniela Dyck advised that: there were no written submissions received from the public prior to the Public Hearing</p> <p>Presentations from members of the public: Mayor Roden called a first time for presentations from the floor: Kevin Beenham – 1406 Battel Ave. Ashcroft BC Asked if infrastructure has been considered in regard to water and sewer capacity and fire protection for the additional new suites in consideration of the proposed second North Ashcroft water reservoir? <i>COA Daniela Dyck and DPW, Brian Bennewith confirmed that pressure testing was completed to ensure fire protection and confirmed that analysis has been completed for water and sewer capacity. Sewer capacity can sustain double the current population in north Ashcroft with the completion of Lift Station #3 and Water capacity can supply water to several potential development site including 1500 Government St.</i> Mayor Roden called a second time for presentations from the floor; Hearing none, Mayor Roden called a third and last time for presentations from the floor, having heard none the Mayor moved to adjourn the Public Hearing.</p>	
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5. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Roden adjourned the Public Hearing for Monday January 22, 2024 at 6:13 pm.

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held Monday, January 22, 2024.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor



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MINUTES

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CAO, Daniela Dyck
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EXCUSED: CFO, Yogi Bhalla

Media – 1
Public – 2 (gallery) 2 (zoom/phone)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday January 22, 2024, to order at 6:13 pm.

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2. **ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA**

Mayor Roden noted that the Motion to Rise and Report from the Committee of the Whole Meeting is to be discussed under Unfinished Business item 10.2

M/S Clement / Anstett

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday January 22, 2024 be adopted as amended to include item 10.2 Strategic Priorities to be discussed under Unfinished Business.

CARRIED. Unanimous R-2024-09

3. **MINUTES**

3.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 8, 2024 M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 8, 2024 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-10

4. **DELEGATIONS**

4.1	N/A	
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5. PUBLIC INPUT

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Cam Tedford – 601 Railway Ave.

- Branding - suggestion that Council consider combining the “wellness Awaits You” and “Oasis in the Desert” brands.
 - Wellness brand was not promoted well:
 - What is wellness?
 - Clean air
 - Breathe better
 - Better quality of life than in the city
 - Comment: We are Canada’s only true desert – combine desert life with wellness.
- Committee of the Whole (COTW) meeting clarification requested in regard to Ashcroft Indian Band (AIB) and FireSmart
- Arena – Comment as 13+ years experience working in the arena;
 - Possibility of an upstairs dressing room is possible with the provision of a skate up area on the main floor.
 - Office not ideal dressing room location

Kevin Beenham – 1402 Battel Ave.

- Comment regarding FireSmart and AIB:
 - Collaborate with AIB, may be able to partner and access additional funds through First Nations Emergency Social Services (FNESS)

Staff noted that First Nation collaboration and participation is a requirement under the FireSmart funding and AIB is keen to participate.

6. BYLAWS/POLICIES

6.1	<p>CAO Report – Bylaw No. 866 – Village of Ashcroft Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw - Rescind Third Reading</p> <p>Council received a report from the CAO dated Jan 22, 2024, asking Council to rescind third reading and re-read third reading of Bylaw 866 as amended.</p> <p>M/S Roden / Clement</p> <p>1. <i>THAT, Council rescinds third reading of the Village of Ashcroft’s Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023, and amend the bylaw to include the following in Schedule “M”:</i></p> <p>a. <i>Kubota (Snow Removal) \$50.00 / incident</i></p> <p>b. <i>Video or Snake Sewer Line on Private Property \$125.00 / hr.</i></p> <p>M/S Clement / Davenport</p> <p>2. <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft’s Consolidated Fees, and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023 be read a third time as amended.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-11</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-12</p>
6.2	<p>Bylaw No. 864 – Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822 Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023</p> <p>M/S Davenport / Lambert</p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-13</p>

	<i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 be read a third time.</i>	
6.3	Bylaw No. 865 – Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823 Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 M/S Anstett / Lambert <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 be read a third time.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-14

7. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
7.1	CAO Report – NDIT – Economic Development Capacity Building Grant Applications Council received a report from the CAO requesting approval to submit the Economic Development Capacity Building Grant application to NDIT. M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, Council supports the submission of a grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for a \$50,000 grant under the Economic Development Capacity Building stream to support ongoing economic development and tourism initiatives in the Village of Ashcroft.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-15
7.2	CAO Report – Draft Resolution to SILGA / UBCM Council received a report from the CAO asking Council to review and suggest edits to the Draft Resolution to be forwarded to SILGA in regards to an equal transit funding formula increases between the province and the municipality. M/S Lambert / Clement <i>THAT, Council endorses the Resolution provided in the attachment, to be submitted to the Southern Interior Local Government Association in its presented form or with any amendments deemed necessary. This resolution advocates for the province to instruct BC Transit to modify the funding formula, ensuring that any increases are shared equally between the province and the municipality for small rural transit services.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-16
7.3	CAO Report – Participation in TNRD GIS Shared Services Proposal Council received a report from the CAO requesting Council approve participation in the Regional GIS shared services. M/S Anstett / Lambert <i>THAT, Council supports the Village of Ashcroft's participation in the TNRD GIS Shared Service proposal.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-17
7.4	EA Report – Spring “Green Parade” – Delegation Summary	

	<p>Council received a report from the EA requesting Council approval to close Railway Ave between 2nd and 8th Street, sweep Railway Ave and provide barriers to host a “Spring Parade” on April 20, 2024.</p> <p>M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, Council approves the request to close Railway Avenue from 2nd to 8th Streets On April 20, 2024, from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm; provide barriers to restrict access from the side roads; sweep Railway Avenue; and use of Heritage Park.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-18</p>
7.5	<p>EDT Report – NDIT – Marketing Initiatives Grant Application</p> <p>Council received a report from the EDTC requesting Council endorse a grant application in the amount of \$24,965 to NDIT under the Marketing Initiative funding stream to offset the cost of marketing initiatives as identified by the EDT Working Group for 2024</p> <p>M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft extends its full support for the submission of an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust’s (NDIT) Marketing Initiatives funding stream seeking financial assistance of up to \$24,965.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-19</p>
FOR INFORMATION		
7.6	<p>CAO REPORT – Gold Country Communities Society – GCCS Acting as Ashcroft’s Destination Marketing Organization (DMO)</p> <p>Council received a report from the CAO to provide context on Ashcroft’s resolution to terminate its membership effective January 2024 and to offer clarification concerning the attached Gold Country Communities Society’s role as Ashcroft’s Destination Marketing Organization (DMO).</p>	

8. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
8.1	<p>Heritage BC – Heritage Week February 19-25, 2024, Proclamation M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, Council declares the week of February 19-25, 2024, as Heritage Week in Ashcroft.</i> Advertise Heritage Week in the Village Newsletter and encourage residents to pick up a walking tour map and explore Ashcroft’s history.</p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-20</p>
8.2	<p>Ashcroft & Area Community Resources Society – Request free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for Christmas Hampers December 17-21, 2024. M/S Roden / Lambert <i>THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society’s request for free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for the Christmas Hampers December 17-21, 2024.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-21</p>
8.3	<p>Ashcroft & District Healthcare Auxiliary - Request free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for Annual Christmas Sale November 13-17, 2024 M/S Anstett / Lambert</p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-22</p>

	THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and District Healthcare Auxiliary's request for free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for the Annual Christmas Sale on November 13-17, 2024.	
FOR INFORMATION		
8.4	Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship – Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – January 1, 2024	
8.5	UBCM Housing Summit – Vancouver, Feb. 13-14, 2024.	

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker	
9.2	Strategic Priorities brought forward from the Committee of the Whole Meeting held at 5:00 pm on Monday January 22, 2024 M/S Roden / Anstett THAT, Council adopts the strategic priority items as identified by Council at the Committee of the Whole Meeting for the 2024 – 2026 Village of Ashcroft Strategic Plan as follows : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parks (Mesa, Heritage, Legacy, Pool, Skills) 2. Recreation (Arena, Pool, Curling Rink, Skills) 3. Water to Ashcroft Indian Band 4. Policy Review Committee 5. Street Safety Committee (includes sidewalks) 6. FireSmart 7. Environment (water conservation/herbicides etc.) 8. Official Community Plan (OCP) / Zoning Bylaw Updates 9. Branding 10. North Ashcroft Reservoir 11. Museum / Old Fire Hall 12. Trail Plan / Downtown Walking Trail 	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-23

10. NEW BUSINESS

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11. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

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12. COUNCIL REPORTS

12.1	Mayor Roden	
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13. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1

13.1	M/S Roden / Clement	CARRIED Unanimous
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	<i>THAT, Council moves to a Closed Meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.</i>	R-2024-24
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14. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

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15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Roden adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday January 22, 2024, at 7:05 pm.

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Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor

Weather Centres in the Cariboo



The Equality Project, together with Bonaparte First Nation, Elizabeth Fry Society, Interior Health, BC Housing, and the Village of Cache Creek

HOUSING INSECURITY IN THE CARIBOO

01

LOW INCOMES

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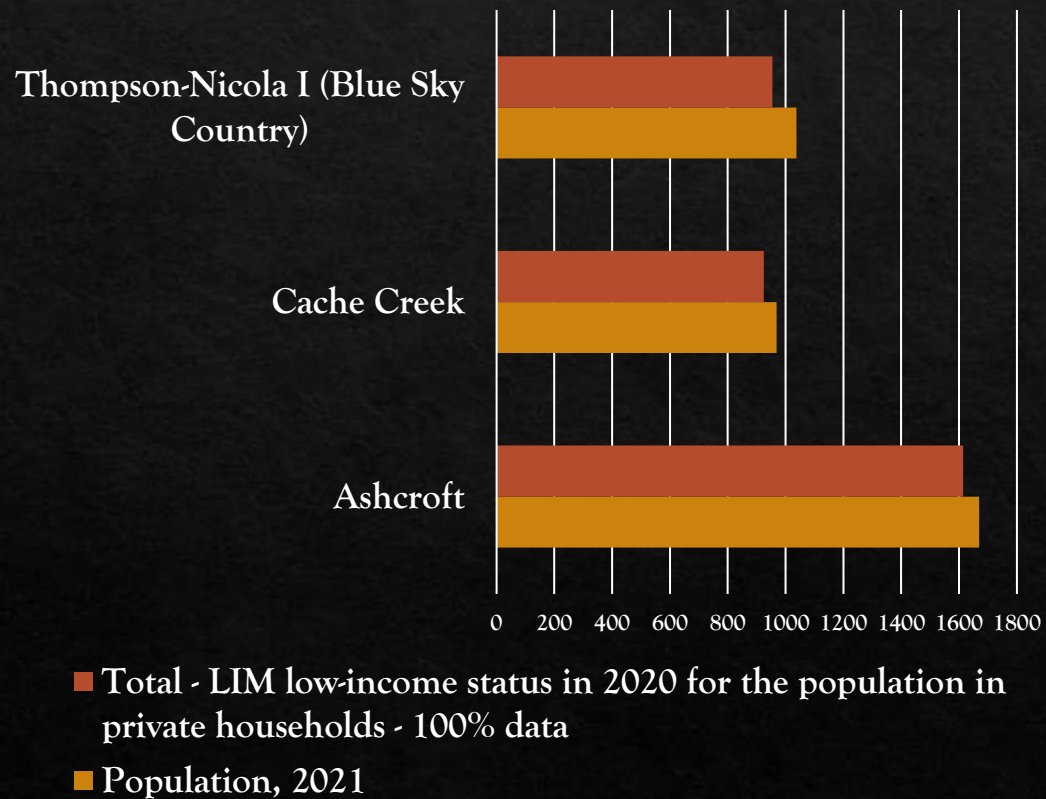
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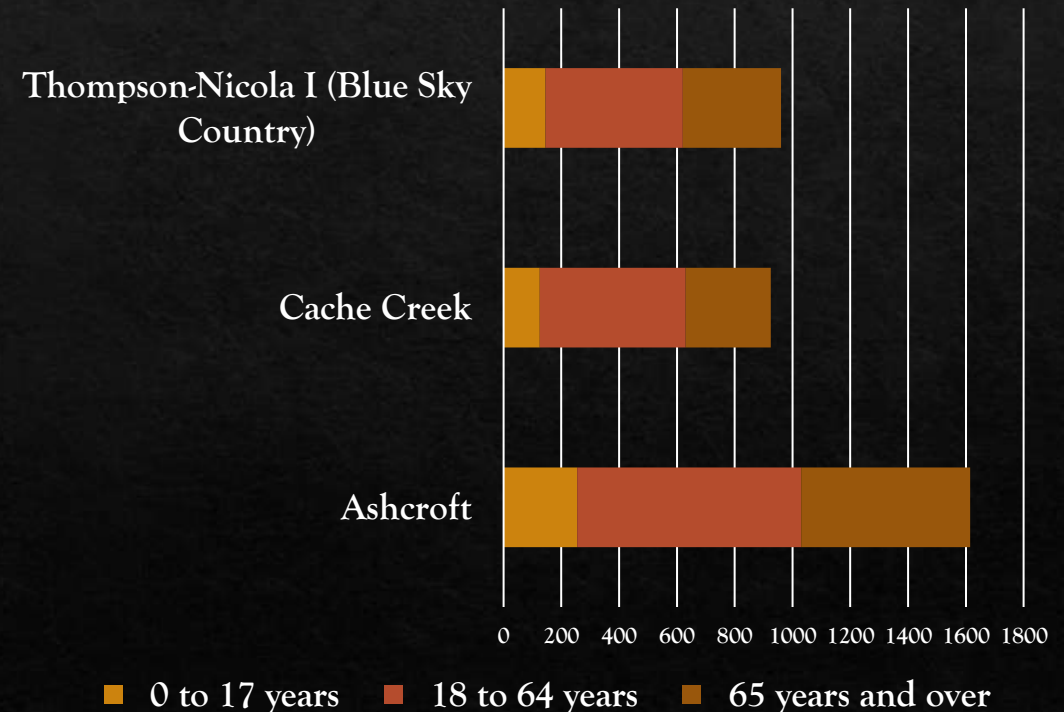
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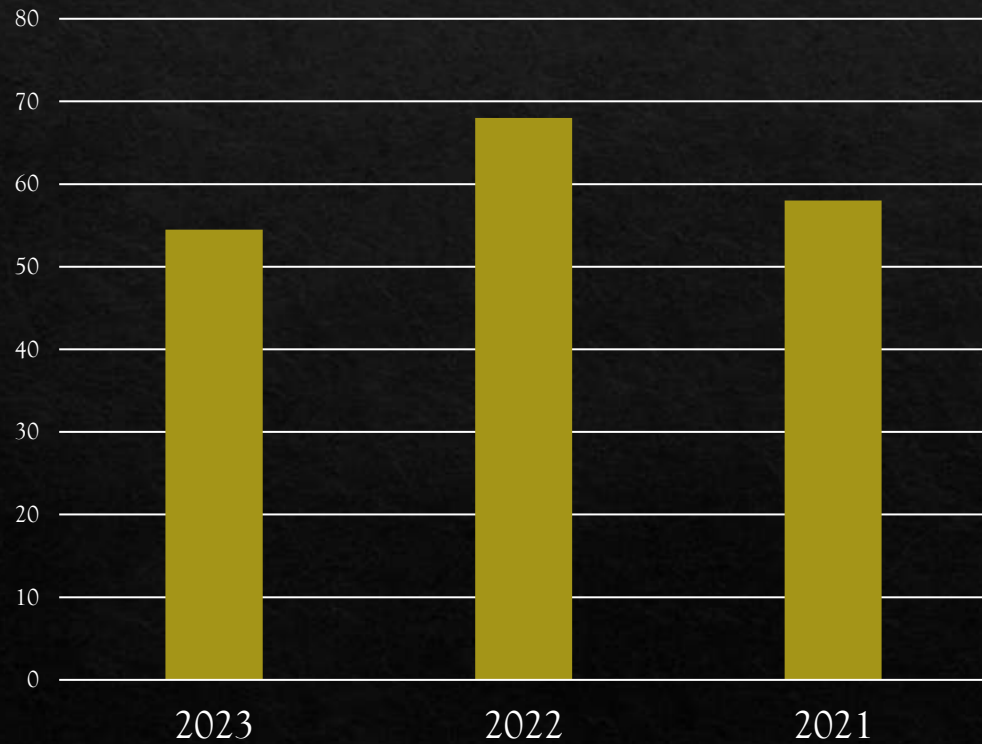


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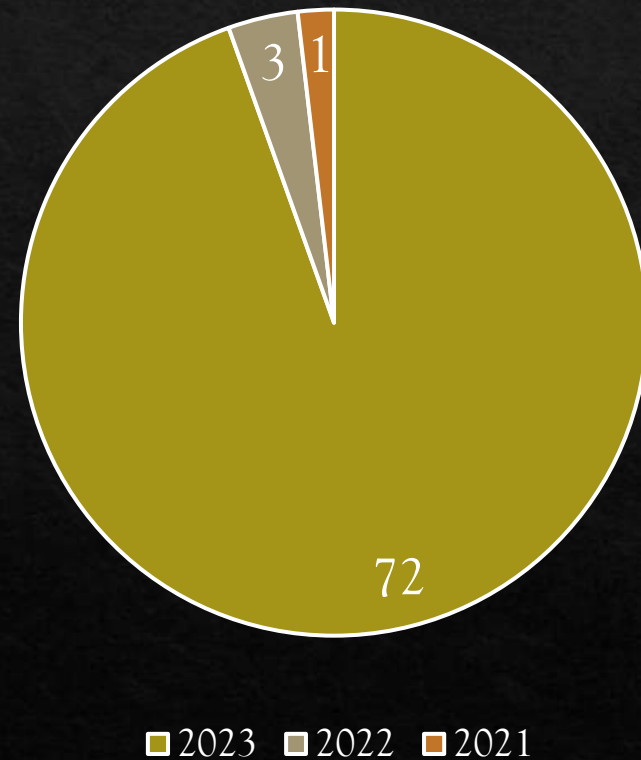


The Equality Project

Average Number of Senior Clients per Month



Shelter or Housing Provided



Housing or Shelter Options

With little new construction in the area since 1990 while corporate projects and the employment market have expanded, few housing units are available. If units are available, the cost of renting on a short term employment contract, a senior's pension, disability, or basic income is unaffordable.

A single mother uses a weather centre for her kids because she can't afford the \$500/month heating bill as the building they live in is not insulated.

A single man uses a weather centre because he has been living in his camper since he started his short term work contract and just wants some human interaction.

A senior uses a weather centre because he left home in a sweater and became too cold to walk all the way home, or he left home in the heat and realized he might have sun stroke.

A single dad uses a weather centre for his kids because they haven't had a warm meal in a few days because his stove doesn't work and he can't afford a new one.

Someone who hitched a ride from Point A didn't quite get to Point B and wants to warm up before calling for a ride or continuing on their way.

Someone who became unhoused due to their drug use uses a weather centre to find resources to access treatment for addictions and trauma, and to find long-term housing.

Weather Centres

“Warming Centres” are so termed by the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (EMCR), similar to Cooling Centres in the summer, which we are inclusively terming Weather Centres. When a municipality has approved a *Plan* that dictates the terms of when and how a Weather Centre may operate, a Weather Centre *may* be approved for activation and thus access funding options. A Weather Centre *may* be activated by EMCR when Environment Canada declares inclement weather as described in the Weather Centres’ Policies and Procedures, at which time EMCR *may* provide a municipality with a task number for reimbursement of incremental cost increases by the host organization.

Weather Centres are only open during the daytime hours and do not provide overnight shelter services. Weather Centres are staffed and volunteered by persons adequately certified and/or experienced, and have reporting duties to their municipalities and to EMCR.

In 2024, The Equality Project has been keeping their doors open past their usual hours thanks to their volunteers and staff but cannot provide overnight shelter options. In January, with severe weather alerts reaching severe lows of -40°C and -50°C, life and limb are at stake, and the Equality Project has already been housing people overnight in local motels due to inclement weather.

Weather Centres in the Cariboo

We would like to ask Council to consider the following motions:

- a. To adapt and adopt the Village of Ashcroft's Heat Alert & Response System (HARS Plan) to include Warming Centres with the option of doing so together with other local councils and non-profit organizations working in this sector;
- b. To provide a Letter of Support to The Equality Project to continue providing services as a voluntary and unfunded Weather Centre in the Village of Cache Creek;
- c. To create an Extreme Weather Plan as per the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* and the *Assistance to Shelter Regulation*, with the option of doing so together with other local councils and non-profit organizations working in this sector;
- d. To lobby the Ministry of Housing and/or Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness to fund 1 FTE Housing Advocate to serve Clinton, Ashcroft, and Cache Creek, similar to the arrangement for the bylaw officer currently shared between these communities.

Conclusion

Under the new *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*, it is required that all governments at all levels must create emergency management plans that include Extreme Weather Response and Warming or Cooling Centres (Weather Centres) as well as consider other potential emergencies and disasters.

Adapting and adopting the Village of Ashcroft's HARS Plan would relieve local municipalities with small operating budgets and alleviate the burden of work on current staff in an already taxed workforce on tight taxpayer budgets, and the creation of an inclusive plan would allow municipalities and non-profits to work together and source funding for programming which would support our residents, seniors, and workforce.

Your letter of support will allow The Equality Project to apply for funding that will allow their operations to continue, and your compliance with the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* will allow local non-profits to expand their services to protect our residents and provide supports and resources that are desperately needed. Local businesses that have historically provided supports such as warm meals and seats to rest do not have training and do not provide resources or supports for people experiencing housing insecurity.

The Equality Project is prepared to support our residents in this way, connecting people to resources they need and thus restore dignity and hope and relieve local emergency responders and local businesses of extending their resources when times and budgets are tight.

Thank you for considering our request, and for joining the communities of the Lower Cariboo in this discussion.

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

BYLAW NO. 866

A bylaw for the Village of Ashcroft to amend the Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft Consolidated Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 858, 2023.

The Council of the Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No.866, 2023”.
2. Bylaw No. 858 is amended as follows: by the addition of Schedule “M” Public Works Equipment Rates.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	December	, 2023
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	December	, 2023
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	11 th	DAY OF	December	, 2023
THIRD READING RESCINDED	22 nd	DAY OF	January	, 2024
RE-READ A THIRD TIME THIS	22 nd	DAY OF	January	, 2024
ADOPTED THIS		DAY OF		, 2024

Barbara Roden,
Mayor

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

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Council.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE "M"
Public Works Equipment
Fees

Category	RATE
Cat 430E Backhoe	\$105.00 / HR
CAT Front End Loader	\$85.00 / HR
CAT 1404 Grader	\$125.00 / HR
Single Axle Dump Truck	\$70.00 / HR
John Deere W/Flail Mower	\$80.00 / HR
Kubota (Snow Removal)	\$50.00 / Incident
Elgin Sweeper	\$160.00 / HR
Pick Up Truck W/Operator	\$65.00 / HR
Water Tanker	\$65.00 / HR
Compressor Hourly	\$45.00 / HR
Compressor Per Day	\$125.00
Tamper VR12	\$20.00 / HR
Vibrator Roller	\$60.00 / HR
Sewer Flusher	\$75.00 / HR
Video or Snake Sewer Line on Private Property	\$125.00 / HR
Labourer	\$40.00 / HR
Foreman (Crew Leader)	\$50.00 / HR

CONDITIONS

- Prior to the Village approving equipment rentals, all other local contractor options must be sourced and unavailable to perform the required task.
- All rentals are for a minimum of one (1) hour and invoiced in ½ hour increments thereafter.
- All equipment rates include an operator except the Tamper & Vibrator Roller.
- 5% Administration Fee added to all invoicing.
- 5% GST applicable

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

BYLAW NO. 864

A bylaw to amend the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, 2018

WHEREAS Village of Ashcroft Council has adopted the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, 2018;

AND WHEREAS an application (application 2023-01) has been received to amend the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Ashcroft deems it desirable to adopt the amendment to the Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Ashcroft, in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. **CITATION**

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as "Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 822, Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023".

2. **PURPOSE**

2.1 To insert a new section 13.5.5 as follows:

Allow a maximum density of 124 units per hectare (72 dwelling units total) in the case of Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889 (1500 Government Street) only.

2.2 The map attached hereto as Schedule "1" is incorporated in and forms part of this bylaw.

3. If any section, subsection sentence, clause or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the part that is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

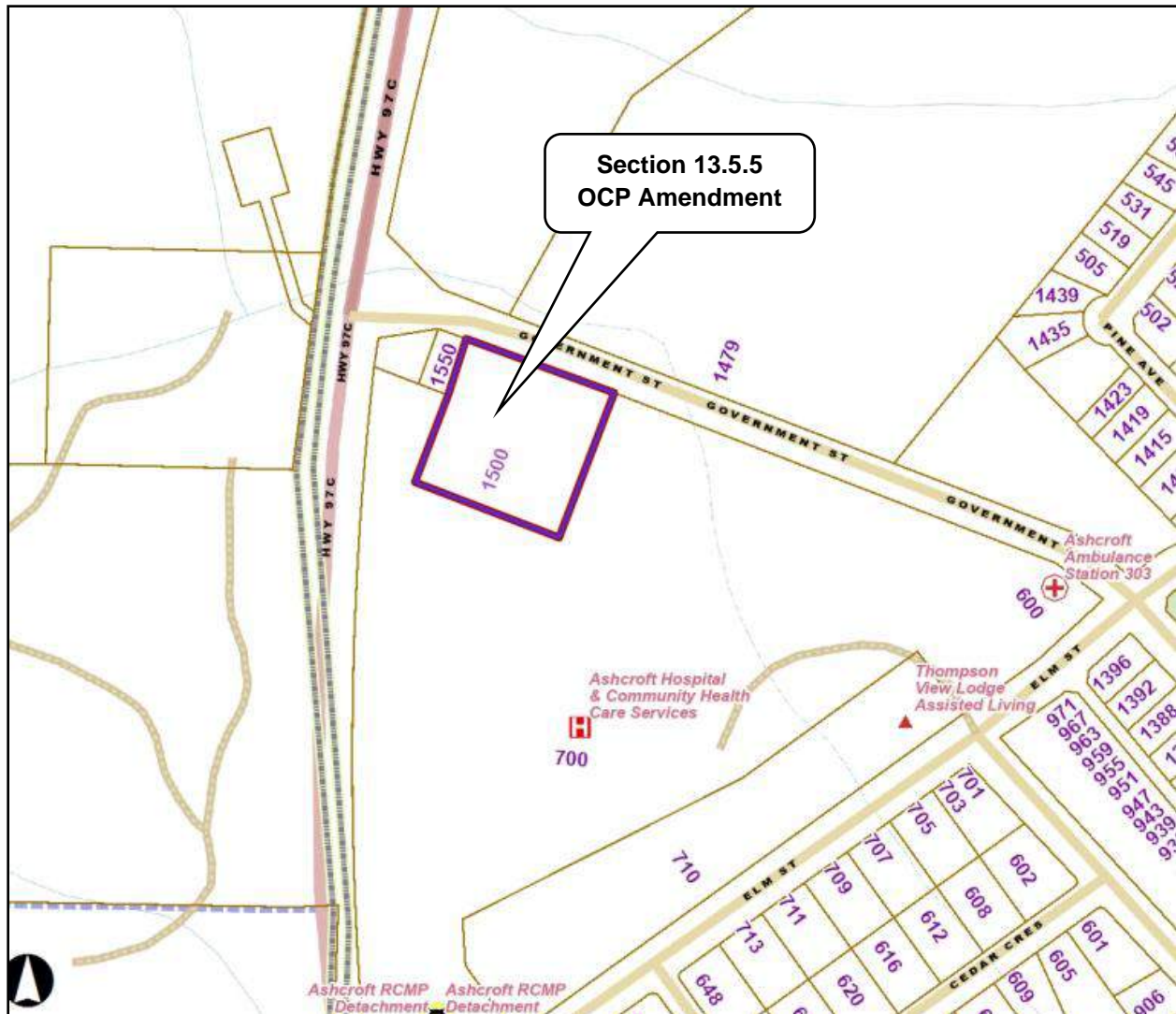
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READ A THIRD TIME THIS	22 nd	DAY OF	January	, 2024
ADOPTED THIS		DAY OF		, 2024

Barbara H. Roden, Mayor

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of Bylaw No. 864 as adopted by Council.

Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE "1"



This Schedule "1" is incorporated in and forms part of Bylaw No. 864, 2023.

Certified Correct:

Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

BYLAW NO. 865

A bylaw to amend the Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018

WHEREAS Council of the Village of Ashcroft has received an application to amend the Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018;

AND WHEREAS the desirable changes in uses of Land have been considered;

AND WHEREAS the zoning amendment conforms to the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Ashcroft, in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. **CITATION**

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited as "Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023".

2. **PURPOSE**

- 2.1 The following site-specific permitted use is added to the RM 1 (Residential Multiple Dwelling Unit 1) Zone of Zoning Bylaw 823, 2018 as section 8.3.1:

8.3.1 Density – Site Specific

Density must not exceed 72 units (124 units per hectare) in the case of Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889 (1500 Government Street) only.

Schedule 'B' Zoning Map to Bylaw 823 is hereby amended to include a site-specific use on the lands shown in bold outline on Schedule '1' attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw.

3. If any section, subsection sentence, clause or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the part that is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

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APPROVED by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure this	1 st	DAY OF	February	, 2024



Sandra Wagner, Development Services Officer, MoTI

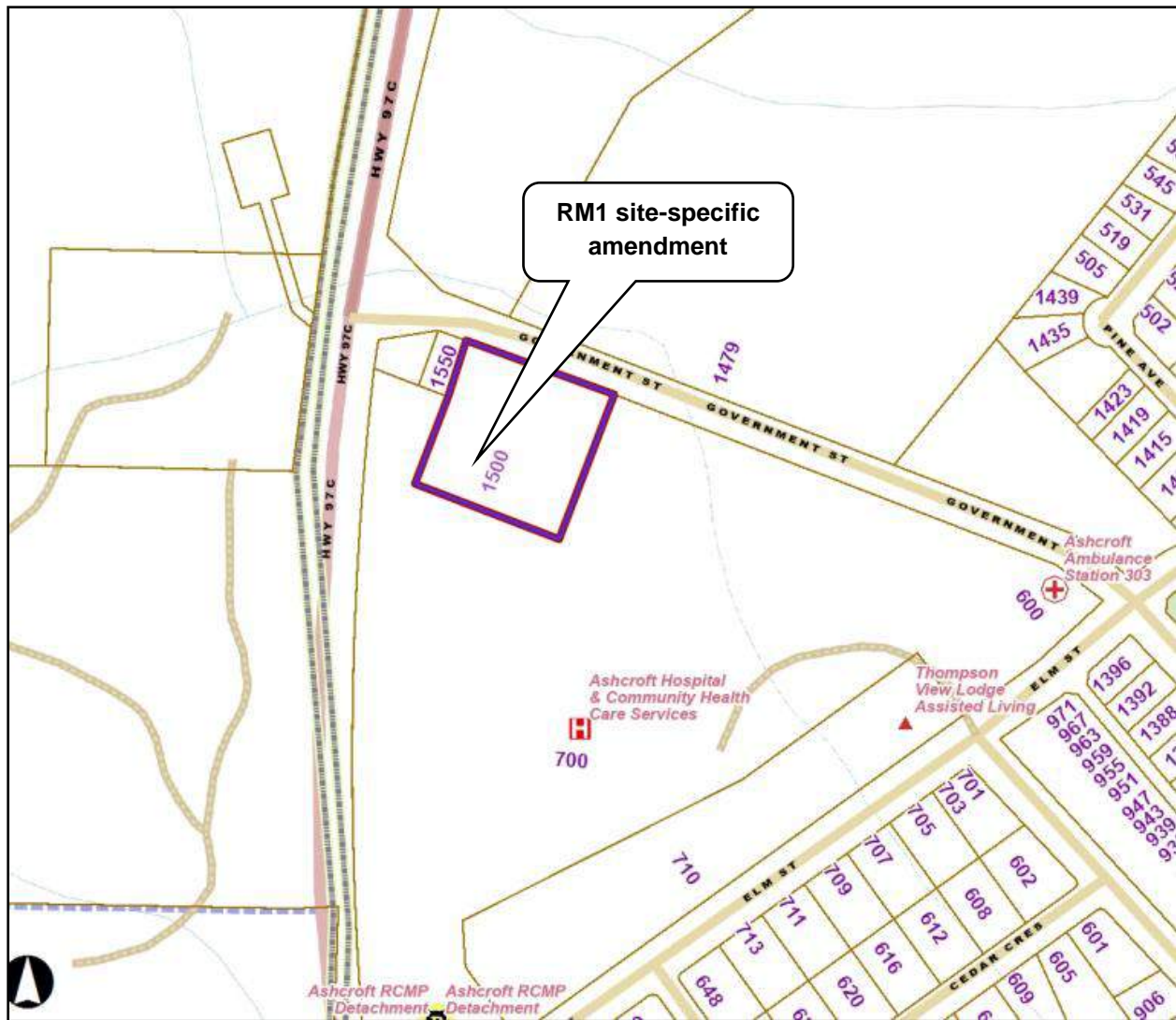
ADOPTED THIS DAY OF , 2024

Barbara H. Roden, Mayor

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of Bylaw No. 865 as adopted by Council.

Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE "1"



This Schedule "1" is incorporated in and forms part of Bylaw No. 865, 2023.

Certified Correct:

Chief Administrative Officer

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Development Variance Permit #2023-01/02

MEETING DATE: February 12, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

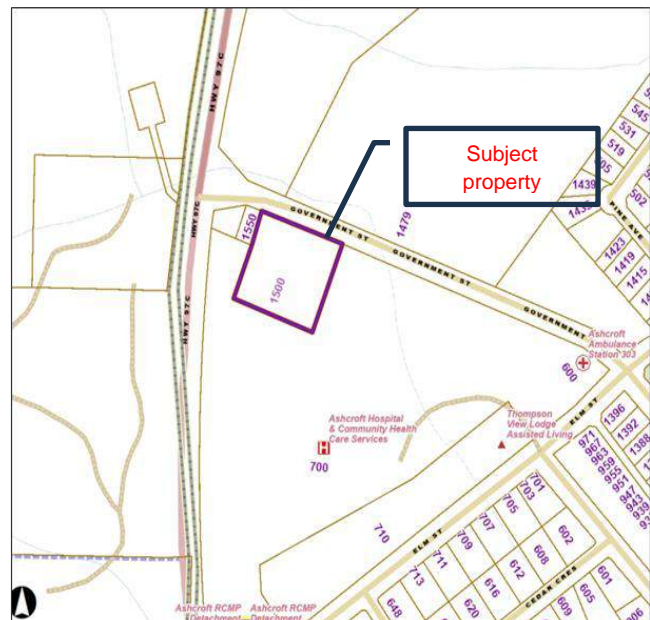
THAT, Development Variance Permit No. DVP 2023-01/02 to enable a reduced front setback of 5.49m, reduced interior side setback of 2.17m, and reduced number of parking stalls (63 off-street and 9 on-street stalls) be approved for Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889 located sat 1500 Government Street, Ashcroft.



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

PURPOSE:

1. For Council to consider Development Variance Permit No. DVP 2023-01/02 to reduced front setback from the required 7.5m to 5.49m, reduced interior side setback from the required 3m to 2.17m, and reduced number of parking stalls from 1.4 per unit to 63 off-street and 9 on-street stalls which provides 1 parking stall per apartment unit.



BACKGROUND:

The new owners of 1500 Government Street wish to construct a second apartment complex on the same parcel as the existing Hillside Apartments. However, the property required site specific density amendments to the OCP and Zoning Bylaws to meet the proposed development which Council is considering for adoption today. The existing apartment contains 35 units, and the proposed new development will include 37 units for a total of 72 units at the subject property.

The Official Community Plan required a site-specific amendment to allow a maximum density of 124 units per hectare for the subject property (the current density is 75 units/hectare).

The Zoning Bylaw required an amendment to permit the site-specific density increase in the RM 1 (Residential Multiple Dwelling Unit 1) zone.

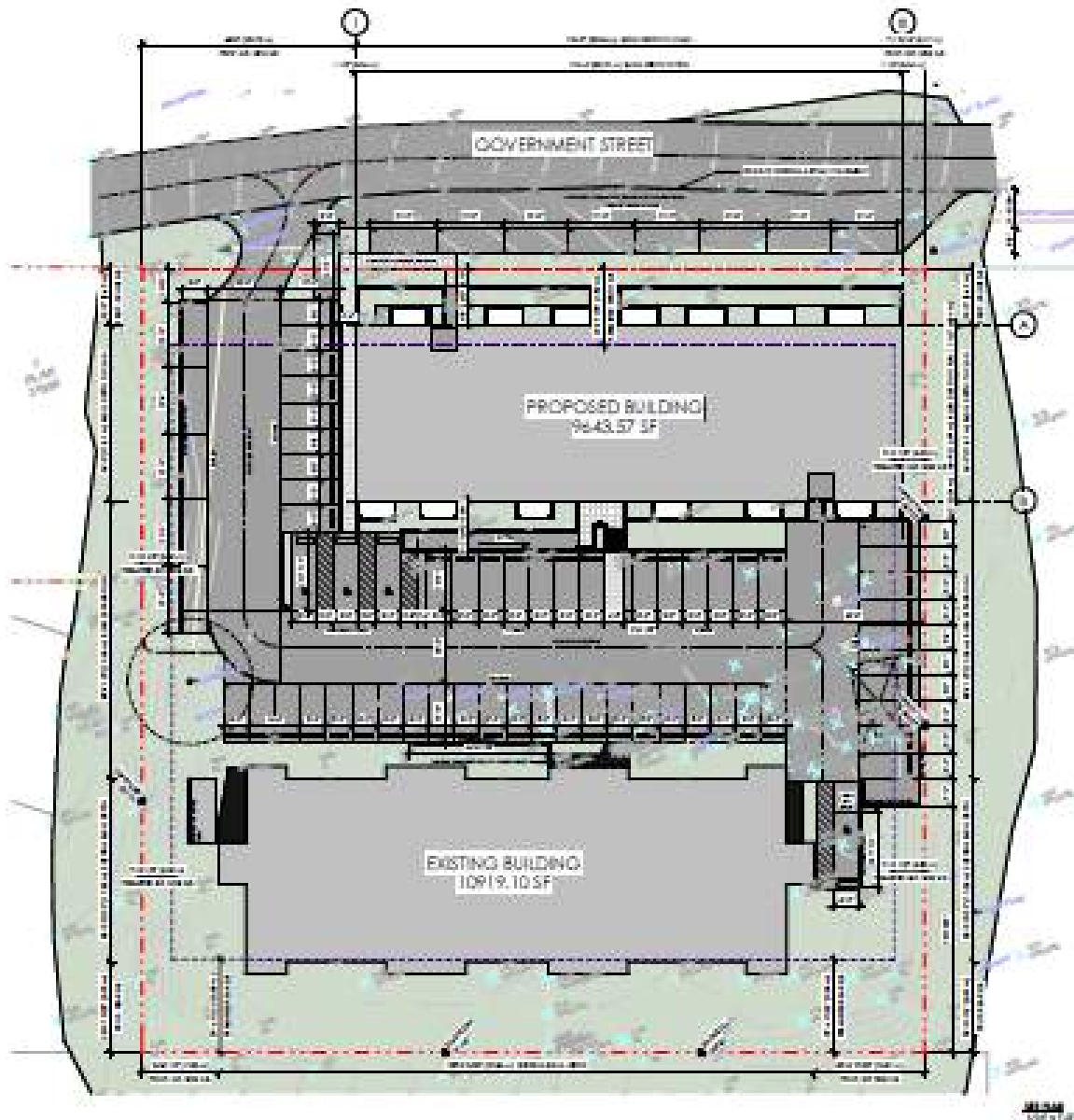
In addition to the OCP and Zoning amendments a variance is also required for the project which varies section 8.1 of the RM1 zone of Zoning Bylaw No. 823 to permit a reduced front parcel line setback of 5.49 m (where 7.5 m is the minimum), and to permit a reduced east interior side parcel line setback of 2.17 m (where 3 m is the minimum); and, to reduce the number of total parking stalls to 63 off-street and 9 on-street where 1.4 parking stalls per unit is the requirement.

Front view



Street view





DISCUSSION:

The Village of Ashcroft like many communities in BC is lacking rental housing stock. This development project is the first in many years that aims to construct new rental units in the community. It is not uncommon for municipalities to approve OCP/Zoning amendments and development variances to move a project forward. The concern is that these provisions should not impede the way of life for neighbouring property owners or citizens walking, biking, or driving along Government Street.

The Village has met all requirements through the OCP/Zoning Bylaw amendments process and hosted a Public Hearing on January 22, 2024, to provide residents with an opportunity to speak for or against the proposal. Residents were also advised of the Variance consideration. Owner/occupiers of property in excess of a 100m radius were notified of Council's upcoming consideration of DVP #2023-01/02 and were given an opportunity to forward their concerns to the Village office for Council review by 4:00 pm Friday February 8, 2024.

SUMMARY:

Many municipalities are amending off street parking requirements, setbacks, and density in an effort to move development forward and increase housing stock. The developers are asking Council to consider the same for this proposal.

The Development Variance includes three items:

1. Reduced front parcel line setback from the required 7.5 metres to 5.49 metres. If approved the new structure would be 2.01 metres closer to the property line than Zoning Bylaw No. 863 permits.
2. Reduced interior side parcel line setback from the required 3 metres to 2.17 metres. If approved the Variance would allow the apartment to be constructed .83 metres close to the side parcel line than the RM1 Zone allows in Zoning Bylaw No. 863
3. Reducing the required off street parking for RM1 from 1.4 parking stall per unit to 1 parking stall per unit. The developer is proposing that 63 parking stalls will be off street while the remaining 9 parking stalls will be on Government Street boulevard, which is Village right of way.

In closing, administration supports the proposed Variance application as it meets the goals in the OCP and Housing Needs Assessment.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Housing Needs Assessment

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Village of Ashcroft

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT NO. DVP #2023-01/02

Permittee: 1204132 BC Ltd.

Mailing Address: 311-13091 Vanier Pl, Richmond, BC V6V 2J1

Application No: VoA 2023-05

1. This Development Variance Permit is issued subject to compliance with all of the bylaws of the Village of Ashcroft (VoA) applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this Development Variance Permit.
2. This Development Variance Permit applies to and only to those Lands within the Village of Ashcroft described below, and any and all buildings, structures and development as shown on Schedule "1":

CIVIC ADDRESS: 1500 Government Street, Ashcroft, BC

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 1, District Lot 378, KDYD, Plan 6889
PID: 002-908-654 (the "Land")**

3. Village of Ashcroft Zoning Bylaw No. 823 is varied as follows:

Notwithstanding Section 8.1 of the RM1 zone, the east interior side parcel line setback is 2.17 metres, and the front parcel line setback is 5.49 metres.

Notwithstanding Section 16 Required Off-Street Parking Stalls, the total required parking (including visitor stalls) is as follows:

- 63 off-street parking stalls
- 9 on-street parking stalls

Notwithstanding Section 16.12, of the 63 off-street parking stalls, a minimum of 4 accessible parking stalls must be provided as shown on Schedule "2" site plan.

4. Land described herein shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms, conditions and provisions of this Development Variance Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Development Variance Permit which shall form a part hereof.
5. If the Permittee does not commence the development permitted by this Development Variance Permit within two (2) years of the date of the authorizing resolution, this Permit shall lapse.



601 Bancroft Street
Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0
Tel: 250-453-9161
Email: admin@ashcroftbc.ca

6. Any application to amend this Development Variance Permit shall be considered as a new application.
7. This is not a Building Permit.

Authorizing resolution passed by Council this ____ day of _____, 202____.

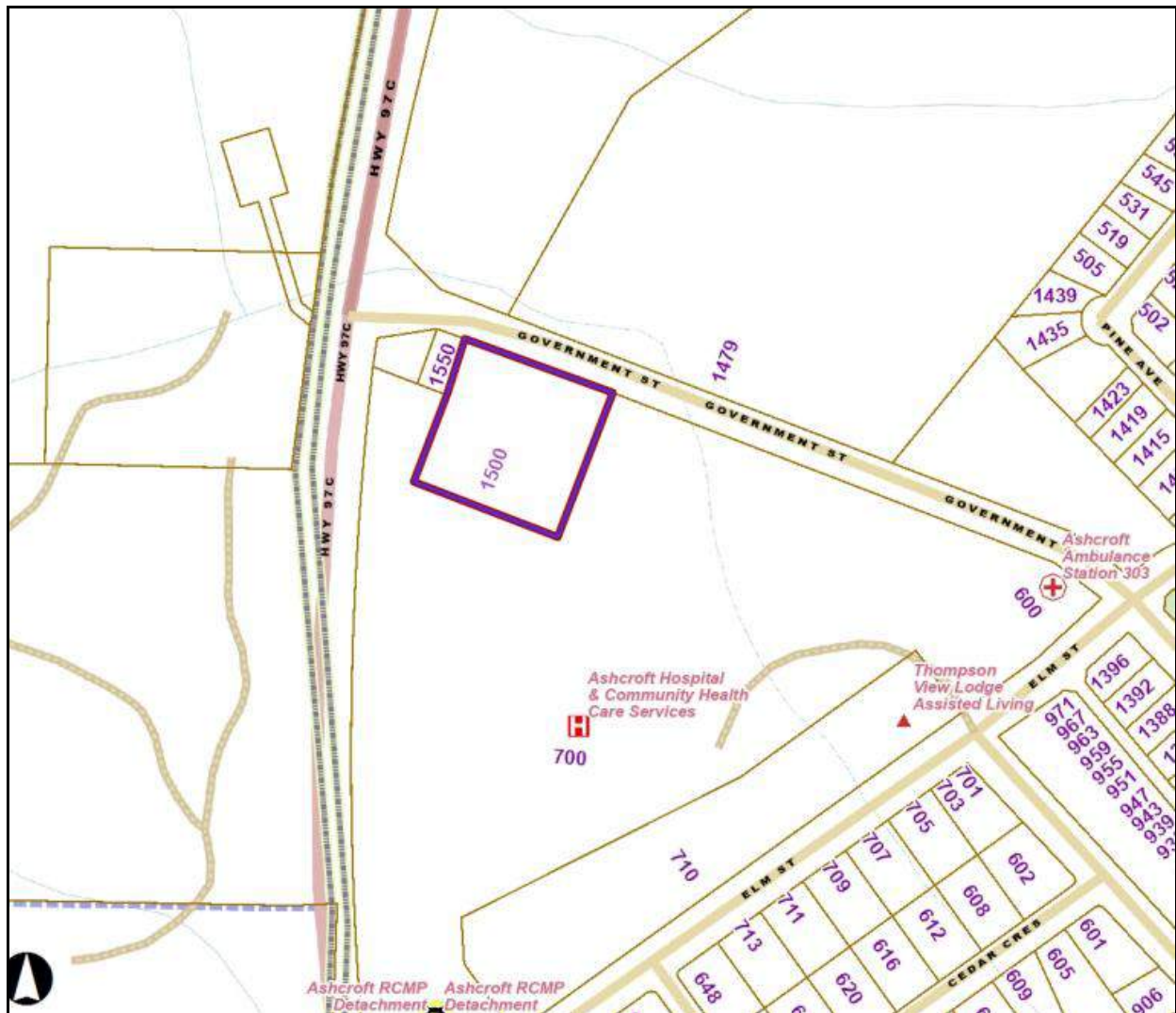
Certified Correct:

Corporate Officer

I/we _____ agree to the terms and conditions of
Development Variance Permit No. DVP#2023-01/02

Authorized signatory for 1204132 BC Ltd.

SCHEDULE "1"

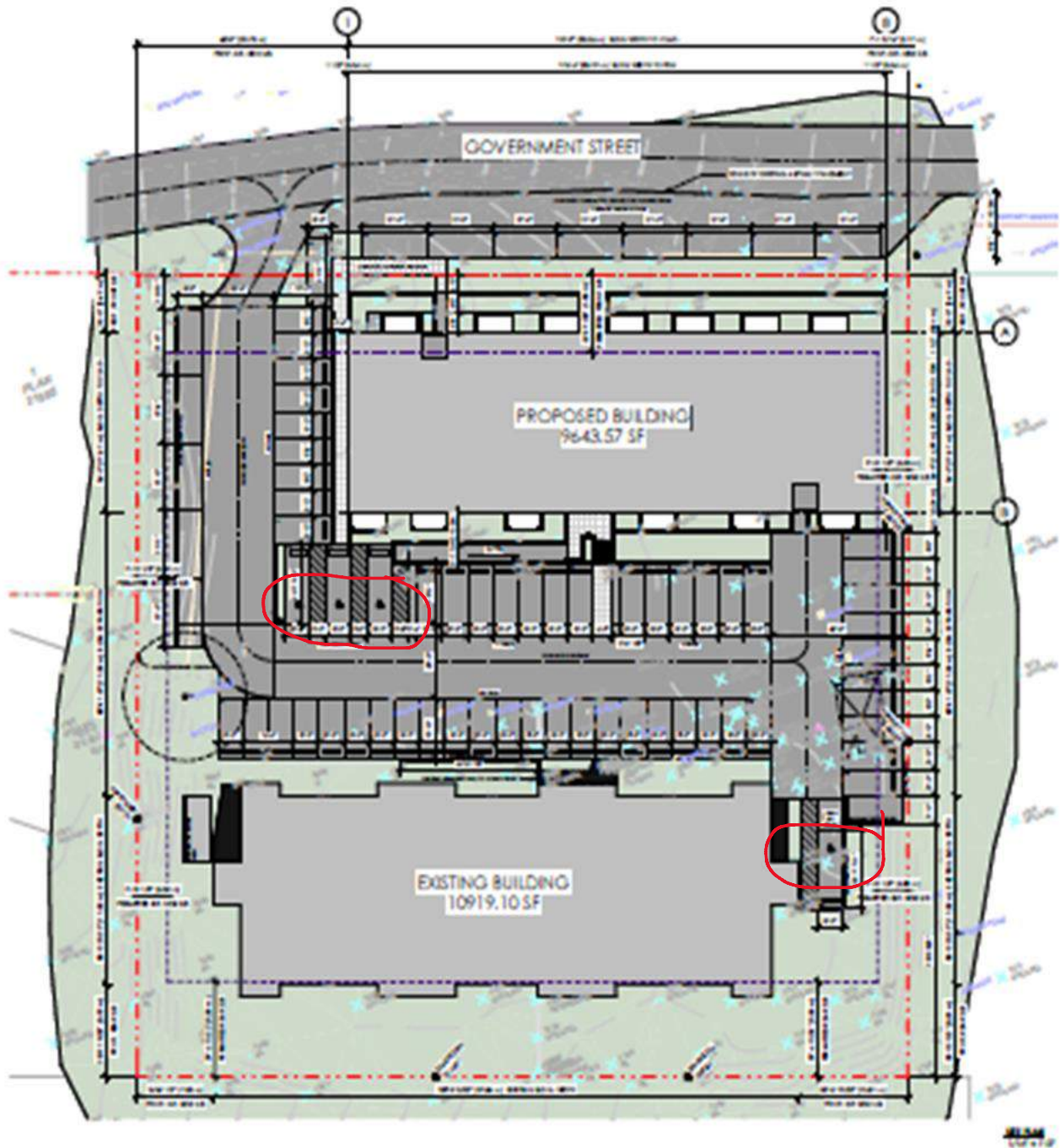


This Schedule "1" is incorporated in and forms part of DVP#2023-01/02.

Certified Correct

Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE "2"



Proposed Accessible Parking Stalls – 4 Required

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: February 12, 2024
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Council Attendees at SILGA & UBCM Conventions

Recommendation

1. THAT, Mayor Roden and the following members of Council _____ and _____ attend the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) Convention for 2024 as per Council Policy C-05-2021;
2. THAT, Mayor Roden and the following members of Council _____ and _____ attend the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention for 2024 as per Council Policy C-05-2021.

Purpose

Seeking Council guidance in accordance with Policy C-05-2021 regarding the selection of Council members who will participate in the SILGA and UBCM conventions for the year 2024. It should be noted that the Mayors conference expenses are shared with the TNRD at 50%.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Discussion

In order to minimize convention expenses Council Policy C-05-2021 stipulates that, during the second and third years of the elected term, the Mayor and two Councillors are expected to participate in the SILGA and UBCM conventions. The policy recommends providing equal opportunities to all council members by alternating their attendance. For instance, if a member attends SILGA this year, they should have the opportunity to attend UBCM the following year.

Administration is currently seeking Council's guidance for registration and is requesting a decision on which members will attend the conferences this year.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

As per 2024 Budget

Attachment Listing

Council Policy C-05-2021



COUNCIL POLICY

TITLE: Council Annual Remuneration, Conference Attendance and Travel Expense Policy		POLICY #: C-05-2021
Authority: Council		Effective Date: January 1, 2023 Review Date: January 2026
Issued By: Daniela Dyck, CAO Issued Date: July 13, 2021		Approved By: Council Amendment Date: July 25, 2022 Resolution #: R-2022-188

PURPOSE: To establish Policy for Council's Annual Remuneration, Conference Attendance and Travel Expenses

POLICY:

THAT Mayor and Councillors shall be paid an annual remuneration in recognition of their service to the community.

1. Remuneration to the Mayor

- a. The Mayor shall be paid an annual remuneration of \$15,185.38 (effective January 1, 2023) which shall be paid monthly for the discharge of the duties of office for services performed within the Village. An annual increase of 2.5% shall be applied as follows:
2024 = \$15,565.01
2025 = \$15,954.14
2026 = \$16,352.99

2. Remuneration to Councillors

- a. Each Councillor shall be paid an annual remuneration of \$8,215.38 (effective January 1, 2023) which shall be paid monthly for the discharge of the duties of office for services performed within the Village. AN annual increase of 2.5% shall be applied as follows:
2024 = \$8,420.16
2025 = \$8,630.68
2026 = \$8,846.45

3. Travel Expenses

- a. The Mayor will be able to claim expenses to a maximum of \$4,000 per year for meetings, courses and/or conferences.

- b. Each Councillor will be able to claim expenses to a maximum of \$3,000 per year for meetings, courses and/or conferences.
- c. All travel expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with Village of Ashcroft Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy No. F-01-2022
- d. Attendance at the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) Convention and Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention shall be as follows:

SILGA:

1st year after being elected – all of Council attend (based on Council availability)

Remaining term – Mayor and 2 Council members

UBCM:

1st year after being elected – all of Council attend (based on Council availability)

2nd and 3rd year – Mayor and 2 Council members

4th year – all incumbent Council members running in the upcoming election attend the conference

Council members alternate attendance at SILGA and UBCM Conferences.

Approved by Council January 1, 2019

Amended by Council – July 25, 2022

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: February 12, 2024
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Council Appointment to Policy Review Committee

Recommendation

1. THAT, the following members of Council: _____ and _____ be appointed to the Policy Review Committee;

Purpose

Seeking Council appointments to the Policy Review Committee.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Discussion

During a prior Council meeting and through the course of strategic planning deliberations, Council expressed a desire to establish a Policy Review Committee.

The Policy Review Committee is intended to function as a formal Committee of Council, joining the roster of established Council committees with members appointed after each election cycle. Committee members will be tasked with completing an ongoing review of Village policies and bylaws and make recommendations to Council as to required updates.

At present, administration is seeking Council direction regarding the appointment of Council members to the Policy Review Committee.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Ongoing Policy and Bylaw review and Updates

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

TO: Mayor and Council

MEETING DATE: February 12, 2024

FROM: Yogi Bhalla, CFO

SUBJECT: Curling club insulation upgrades using LGCAP funds

RECOMMENDATION: Council approve allocation of \$25,000 to upgrades to insulation for the curling.

PURPOSE: To allocate LGCAP funds towards curling club insulation upgrades.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Approved for Submission to Council:



Yoginder Bhalla,
Chief Financial Officer



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

BACKGROUND: The curling club applied for grant to upgrade insulation but was unfortunately unsuccessful. The village has access to LGCAP funds in 2024 to the tune of \$53,000 that are meant to be applied to projects that improve the energy efficiency and reduce the carbon footprint of the village.

DISCUSSION: A letter of request from the club to council is attached. This is an appropriate use to LGCAP funds and is efficient use of funds with the club members offering to provide volunteer labour under the direction of DPW.

SUMMARY: Administration recommends allocation of \$25,000 to the curling club insulation project.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Climate action.

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

January 27, 2024

Ashcroft Curling Club

PO Box 586

Ashcroft BC V0K 1A0

To Mayor and Council,

The Ashcroft and District Curling Club is writing this letter to request monetary assistance to insulate the upstairs and compressor room at the curling club.

We have inhabited this building since 1956 and in those years have made many improvements and replacements in the building. In the past few years our membership has dwindled. It is difficult to attract the younger generation to first try and then stay curling. Each year we try new campaigns to attract new members.

We believe insulating the lounge and compressor room will be economical to the club. First and foremost, insulation will help to decrease the utility costs incurred. The unfortunate thing is with the main construction of the building being cinder block and no insulation upstairs, in the summer when it is 36 plus degrees outside, the air conditioner cannot keep the upstairs cool. Insulating the upstairs will help to decrease the passive heat from outside and allow our air conditioner to work efficiently. This would allow the club to increase our revenue by allowing rental of the lounge for parties or meetings.

The compressor room also has a cinder block construction and the furnace in the back cannot keep the area warm economically. This room requires heat to keep the water lines from freezing. These lines are used for both flooding and pebbling the ice during the season.

We believe that not only would the insulation help the club keep our utilities lower it would also decrease our environmental footprint.

The Ashcroft and District Curling Club thank you for your consideration of our request. We have in the past applied for grants to assist us but other than the grant for the Low e ceiling on our ice surface, furnace and air conditioner we have so far been unsuccessful.

Thank you

Janet Quesnel

Secretary Ashcroft and District Curling Club.

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: February 12, 2024,
FROM: Margaret Moreira, EDTC
SUBJECT: NDIT – Marketing Initiatives Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft rescind resolution No. R-2024-19, previously approved by Council on January 22, 2024, regarding the application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's Marketing Initiative funding stream in the amount of \$24,965.
2. THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft extends its full support for the submission of an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trusts' (NDIT) Marketing Initiatives Funding stream seeking financial assistance of up to \$20,000., and further that Council is committed to matching the funds as a line item in the 2024 Village of Ashcroft budget.

Purpose

Request Council rescind Resolution No. R-2024-19 to NDIT Marketing Initiative funding stream due to proposed additional items that involved an approximate increase of \$8,000 and that Council support the revised application in the amount of up to \$20,000.

Prepared by:



Margaret Moreira,
Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator,

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Discussion

Staff is requesting Council to rescind the original motion endorsing the Marketing grant application to NDIT. This request is prompted by the chance to incorporate supplementary elements aligned with the strategic priorities outlined by Council during the Regular Meeting on January 22, 2024. The additional items proposed for inclusion in the grant application involve an increased allocation of approximately \$8000 designated for branding and marketing initiatives.

The NDIT Marketing Fund operates with a 50% leverage, allowing for a maximum application amount of \$20,000. This necessitates a corresponding commitment from the Village in the 2024 budget. CFO Bhalla is prepared to facilitate this budget allocation, signifying an increase of \$5000. Typically, we allocate \$15,000 to economic development and tourism initiatives, and this adjustment reflects our commitment to enhance these efforts.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Economic Development & Tourism Strategy

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Grant application is 50% NDIT and Village contributions are not to exceed \$20,000.

Attachment Listing

EDTC Report to Council-January 22, 2024

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: January 15, 2024,
FROM: Margaret Moreira, EDTC
SUBJECT: NDIT – Marketing Initiatives Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION

THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft extends its full support for the submission of an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's (NDIT) Marketing Initiatives funding stream seeking financial assistance of up to \$24,965.

Purpose:

Request Council endorse a grant application in the amount of \$24,965 to NDIT under the Marketing Initiative funding stream to offset the cost of marketing initiatives as identified by the EDT Working Group for 2024.

Prepared by:



Margaret Moreira,
Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator,

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Introduction: This report outlines the ongoing initiatives of the Economic Development and Tourism Working Group, focusing on key projects such as the implementation of wayfinding signage, the reprinting of the pocket guide, updating tradeshow items, continued investment in resident, labour force and investment attraction utilizing Yolo Nomads, and supporting rebranding if Council chooses to move this forward as a strategic priority.

Working Group Initiatives:

1. **Wayfinding Signage:** The working group is actively working towards the implementation of comprehensive wayfinding signage throughout the community. This project aims to enhance navigation for residents and visitors, contributing to a positive experience within the village.
2. **Pocket Guide Reprinting:** Recognizing the value of the pocket guide as a tourist resource, the working group is involved in the reprinting process. This initiative ensures that the guide remains accurate, informative, and visually appealing, thereby promoting the village as a desirable destination.
3. **Tradeshow Items Update:** To maintain a contemporary and engaging presence at tradeshow, the working group is overseeing the update of tradeshow items. This includes promotional materials and displays that effectively showcase the community's unique offerings.
4. **Funding for Rebranding:** As part of the strategic initiatives of the Council, the working group is exploring funding options for a potential rebranding effort. This initiative aligns with the broader vision for the community and aims to enhance its image and appeal.

Community Marketing Strategy: The working group is recommending continued investment in Yolo Nomads membership as a crucial component of the community's marketing strategy. In previous years, community marketing and promotion has been tourism based using radio, TV and magazine-based ads. This investment provides access to

Yolo Nomads' extensive online network, facilitating targeted marketing campaigns and collaborative promotional efforts. This approach enhances visibility and attracts investment, residents, and tourists.

Grant Funding Opportunities:

1. **NDIT Marketing Grant:** The projects outlined above align with the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) Marketing grant criteria. The maximum grant Ashcroft will request is \$24,965, covering 50% of eligible costs. The village has a provision in the budget for tourism and marketing, indicating preparedness for these initiatives.
2. **Grant Leveraging:** The Economic Development and Tourism Coordinator (EDTC) will actively seek other grant funding opportunities to supplement the NDIT grant. Seeking additional grants to leverage project costs will maximize financial support for the proposed projects, ensuring their successful implementation.

Conclusion: The initiatives undertaken by the Economic Development and Tourism Working Group, represent a strategic and proactive approach to community development. The pursuit of NDIT Marketing grant funding, combined with efforts to explore other grant opportunities, showcases the village's commitment to sustainable growth and marketing excellence. These initiatives collectively contribute to the realization of a vibrant and appealing community.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Economic Development & Tourism Strategy

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Grant application is 50% NDIT and Village contributions are not to exceed \$24,965.

Attachment Listing

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Provincial Capacity Funding Allocation Information

MEETING DATE: February 12, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

For Information



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

PURPOSE:

Provide Council with a brief report outlining the funding allocation for the Village of Ashcroft under the provinces Capacity Funding program to assist with accelerating development processes including scope and guideline limitations.

BACKGROUND:

In 2023 the province allocated \$51 million for the Local Government Housing initiative program and advised the Ashcroft would receive a flat rate for the community of \$150,000 and an additional \$4.39 per capita. Using the 2021 census we anticipate the total deposit to be \$157,331.30.

DISCUSSION:

The funding noted above is specifically intended to support local government activities and projects to meet the new legislative requirements arising from Bills 44, 46 and 47. The funding must be used, and new legislative requirements must be met by December 31, 2025.

Eligible projects that Ashcroft could consider include:

- OCP and Zoning update (Council established as a Strategic Priority)
- Housing Needs Report/Assessment (HNA) update. The HNA requires updating every five years, Ashcroft's was developed in 2019.
- Develop Parking Bylaw
- Update Traffic Bylaw
- It may be necessary to amend the Development Procedures Bylaw depending on the changes made to the OCP and Zoning Bylaws during the update process.

SUMMARY:

Bill 44 seeks to increase the availability of small-scale, multi-unit housing options such as townhomes, triplexes, and laneway homes, while also addressing outdated zoning regulations to expedite home construction.

Bill 46 aims to simplify the process of delivering homes, services, and infrastructure in rapidly growing communities. In Ashcroft, where Development Cost Charges Bylaw is absent, costs for infrastructure like water, sewer, and roads are covered by developers for new subdivisions. Additionally, proposed developments in existing subdivisions incur infrastructure costs, such as sidewalk installation, currently subject to municipal discretion. Initial assessment indicates that Bill 46 will not significantly impact Ashcroft's existing Bylaws.

Bill 47 focuses on urban centers, particularly Transit-Oriented Areas (TOAs), which are not relevant to Ashcroft. It mandates specific zoning requirements for height and density, with the highest density around public transit hubs and decreasing density farther from these hubs within TOAs.

In addition to Bills 44, 46, and 47, consideration should be given to Bill 35 during the update of the Official Community Plan (OCP) and Zoning. Bill 35 addresses regulations concerning Short Term Rental Accommodations, a topic previously discussed in Council meetings where no restrictions currently exist.

Overall, this funding facilitates progress in updating the OCP, Zoning, and Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) with minimal budgetary impact. Additionally, it could potentially offset expenses associated with updating or developing a new Traffic and Parking Bylaw if recommended by the Street & Safety working group. Staff will conduct further research to fully understand the implications of Bills 35, 44, 46, and 47 before proceeding with the projects, providing a comprehensive report to Council for consideration.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Capacity Funding Letter

Capacity Funding Scope and Guidelines



VIA EMAIL

Ref: 64234

January 18, 2024

Daniela Dyck
Chief Administrative Officer
Village of Ashcroft
Email: daniela@ashcroftbc.ca

Dear Daniela Dyck:

On December 21, 2023, we notified you about the amount of funding your local government will be receiving from the \$51 million Local Government Housing Initiatives funding program. I am pleased to confirm that your allocation will be directly transferred to your local government in the next couple of weeks.

This funding is intended to support and supplement local government activities and projects to meet the new legislative requirements arising from Bills 44, 46, and 47. Attached is the Local Government Housing Initiatives Funding Program Scope and Guidelines. This program guide sets out eligible projects, eligible use of the funds, grant management and annual reporting requirements. The funding must be spent on eligible costs and activities.

The Province expects local governments to use this funding prior to December 31, 2025, by which time all local governments in British Columbia will be required to meet the new legislative requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the legislative changes or funding program, please contact Ministry of Housing staff at PLUM@gov.bc.ca or 250-387-3394.

Yours truly,

Bindi Sawchuk
Assistant Deputy Minister
Housing and Land Use Policy Division
Ministry of Housing

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Daniela Dyck

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pc: Teri Collins, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Housing
Tracy Campbell, Executive Financial Officer, Ministry of Housing
Kaye Krishna, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
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Kevin Volk, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
Jessica Brooks, Executive Director, Ministry of Housing
Rebecca Penz, Director, Ministry of Housing
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer, Village of Ashcroft



Capacity Funding for Local Government Housing Initiatives

Program Scope and Guidelines

January 2024

1. Introduction

The Government of British Columbia is providing \$51 million in grant-based funding to help facilitate implementation and support local governments to meet new legislative requirements of Bill 44 Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act, Bill 46 Housing Statutes (Development Financing) Amendment Act, and Bill 47 Housing Statutes (Transit-Oriented Areas) Amendment Act.

Grants will be distributed to all of B.C.'s 160 municipalities, 27 regional districts and the Islands Trust. The grant amounts are based on a formula with two components: a flat funding amount and a per-capita amount. For municipalities, the flat amount is \$150,000 and the per-capita amount is \$4.39. For regional districts, the flat amount is \$80,000 and the per-capita amount is \$5.80.

2. Eligible Projects

The grant funding will support local government planning capacity to adopt Local Government Housing Initiative requirements for small-scale multi-unit housing, pro-active planning and transit-oriented development areas, as well as adopt development finance tools.

Funding can be spent on any planning and implementation activities local governments will need to undertake to successfully meet the legislative requirements of Bill 44 Housing Statutes (Residential Development) Amendment Act, Bill 47 Housing Statutes (Transit-Oriented Areas) Amendment Act, and to update or adopt tools from Bill 46 Housing Statutes (Development Financing) Amendment Act.

Any funds provided by the Province to the Recipient that cannot be committed to an eligible project must be returned to the Province upon written request.



Examples of eligible projects include a new project or update to an existing plan or bylaw:

- housing needs report (HNR)
- official community plan (OCP)
- zoning bylaw
- development cost charge (DCC) bylaw
- amenity cost charge (ACC) bylaw
- transit oriented density bylaw
- transportation, parks or neighbourhood plan
- procedures bylaw
- works and services bylaw
- parking bylaw
- infrastructure master plans
- asset management plans or strategies
- long-term financial plan
- capacity modelling/analysis
- condition and risk assessments
- demand management strategies
- stormwater surcharge or rainwater recharge studies

Eligible projects must:

- Meet the requirements of the updated *Local Government Act* or *Vancouver Charter*.
- Be scheduled for completion by the date specified in the new legislation or have an approved extension.
- Once completed, be received by the local government Council, Board or Local Trust Committee in a meeting open to the public. In the case of regional projects, the report must be received by the Council, Board or Local Trust Committee responsible for each planning area that is included in the project.
- Once completed, be published online for free public access.

3. Eligible Use of Funds

Eligible Costs and Activities:

Eligible costs are direct costs that are approved for funding, properly and reasonably incurred, and paid by the local government to carry out eligible activities.

Funding can be used for regional projects that cover two or more planning areas (i.e., municipalities, electoral areas, local trust areas). A municipality may contribute from its



funding to a regional project if that municipality is a participant and the funding is dedicated for planning purposes.

Examples of eligible activities include:

- Project management and co-ordination.
- Data collection (from public agencies and/or other data sources), compilation and analysis, not including the collection and compilation of data made available at no cost via the Province for the purpose of eligible projects.
- Research specific to eligible projects.
- Community engagement activities (i.e., online and physical promotion and advertising materials, community surveys, events and engagement activities, collaboration with neighbouring local governments, Indigenous governments and communities, and partner organizations).
- Publication of eligible projects (i.e., editing, proofing, graphic design, online material distribution).
- Presentation of eligible projects to Council, Board, or Local Trust Committee.

The following costs are also eligible, provided they relate directly to the eligible activities identified above:

- Incremental staff and administration costs (i.e., creating a new position or adding new responsibilities to an existing position).
- Software and digital costs to support eligible activities (i.e., survey platform fees, subscription fees for digital engagement, web and IT services related to online materials and engagement).
- Consultant or other third-party contract costs relating to eligible projects.
- Public information, consultation and engagement costs.
- Training and capacity building for local government staff specific to eligible projects.

Ineligible Costs and Activities:

Ineligible costs and activities include:



- Collection of data similar to that made available at no cost via the Province for housing needs reports (HNRs), official community plans (OCPs), zoning bylaws, or other purposes.
- Routine or ongoing operating and/or planning costs or activities that are not instrumental or necessary to successfully complete the project (e.g., tracking and reporting of development and building permits).
- Capital costs (including computer hardware).
- Other costs unrelated to eligible projects (i.e., costs associated with onboarding/training new staff, purchase of software, licenses, service subscription and membership fees for unrelated projects).

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:

Activities must comply with all applicable privacy legislation under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* in relation to the collection, use or disclosure of personal information while conducting funded activities. Personal information is any recorded information about an identifiable individual other than their business contact information. This includes information that can be used to identify an individual through association or inference.

4. Grant Management

Grant recipients are responsible for completion of the project(s) and for meeting reporting and legislative requirements.

Recipients are also responsible for proper fiscal management, including maintaining acceptable accounting records for the project. Ministry of Housing reserves the right to review project documents and costs. Recipients must retain records until December 31, 2026.

The Province expects local governments to use this funding prior to December 31, 2025, by which time they will be required to meet the new legislative requirements.



5. Reporting Requirements

Each recipient must report annually for each calendar year (i.e., January 1 to December 31).

The report form will be provided and will require the recipient to summarize the following information:

- The total amount of funding expended during the reporting period and the balance of the funding remaining at the end of the reporting period.
- Total project(s) budget and expenditures on each project during the reporting period.
- A brief description of the project(s) the funding was used to support.
- How the project(s) aids in meeting the new legislated requirements (e.g., update of zoning bylaw to accommodate small-scale, multi-unit housing, adoption of transit-oriented development area bylaw, development of an amenity cost charge (ACC) bylaw, development of a transportation plan to support proactive-zoning and area planning).
- Progress achieved on the project in the reporting period (e.g., updated parking bylaw passed second reading, updated zoning currently being prepared for public hearings, designation of transit-oriented development areas completed).
- The date by when the recipient has met a legislative requirement (e.g., approval of updated parking bylaw so it is now consistent with transit-oriented development legislation). The Ministry will be documenting this information to monitor progress across the province in meeting the new requirements.

The annual reporting must be completed until such time as the grant funding is entirely expended or the legislated requirements applicable to the reporting recipient are met (whichever occurs last).

Recipients must provide a separate report (schedule) to their annual audited financial statements. (as required under s.167 of the *Community Charter* and s. 377(1)(a) of the *Local Government Act*) until the Local Government Housing Initiatives funding is fully expended (drawn down to zero). The form of the schedule to the annual audited financial statements will be left to the discretion of the municipality. The Ministry retains the right to request



additional information from municipalities as required. This report does not need to be audited.

Submission of Reports

Electronic copies of the completed reporting forms are required to be submitted within 45 days of the end of the reporting period.

Report forms should be submitted as PDF files. Total file size for email attachments cannot exceed 20 MB.

All final documents should be submitted to:

Planning and Land Use Management Branch, Ministry of Housing

E-mail: PLUM@gov.bc.ca

6. Additional Information

For enquiries about the program, please contact:

Ministry of Housing

800 Johnson Street

Victoria, B.C., V8W 1N3

Email: PLUM@gov.bc.ca

Phone: (250) 387-3394

For more on the new legislative requirements, supporting data and guidance, please visit the webpage where Ministry of Housing will provide updates on local government housing initiatives: [Local government housing initiatives - Province of British Columbia](#).

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Snow Survey Information from EMCR

MEETING DATE: January 22, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

For Information



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

PURPOSE:

To present an update to Council regarding the current snowpack status in the South Thompson region.

BACKGROUND:

The Emergency Management & Climate Readiness department issues monthly snow survey bulletins. Previous reports have highlighted historically low snowpack levels, raising significant concerns for Council, the community, and Village staff. Staff have actively monitored snowpack levels, engaged in informational sessions, and pre-emptively planned strategies to mitigate risks and ensure consistent water supply to residents.

DISCUSSION:

As of January, the South Thompson snowpack was at 73% of the normal level. Encouragingly, the February report indicates an increase of 8%, bringing the estimated snowpack to 83% of normal. However, the provincial average remains at 61% of normal snowpack. Furthermore, the interior region anticipates an early freshet, potentially leading to drought conditions if above-average precipitation is not received this spring with the onset of warmer weather.

SUMMARY:

Staff will persist in monitoring the situation closely, remaining prepared to implement alternative pumping measures as necessary to ensure continuous water supply to residents.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

EMCR Survey Jan 1, 2024

EMCR Survey Feb 1, 2024

Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – January 1st, 2024

The January 1st snow survey is now complete. Data from 49 manual snow courses and 103 automated snow weather stations around the province (collected by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy's Snow Survey Program, BC Hydro and partners), and climate data from Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) and the provincial Climate Related Monitoring Program have been used to form the basis of the following report.

Executive Summary

- As of January 1st, the provincial snow pack is extremely low, averaging 56% of normal (44% below normal) across British Columbia. Last year, the provincial average was 82% for Jan 1.
- Temperatures were well above normal from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31 and precipitation was well below normal for most of the province.
- Fifteen snow stations measured all-time record low snow pack with five occurring in the Lower Fraser and four within the Upper Columbia snow basins.
- Due to the extremely low snow conditions, below normal hazard for spring freshet related flooding is emerging, especially in the Interior.
- The low snow pack could significantly affect ongoing drought concerns into summer 2024.
- There are still three or more months left in the snow accumulation season and the snow pack can still change significantly based on upcoming weather patterns.

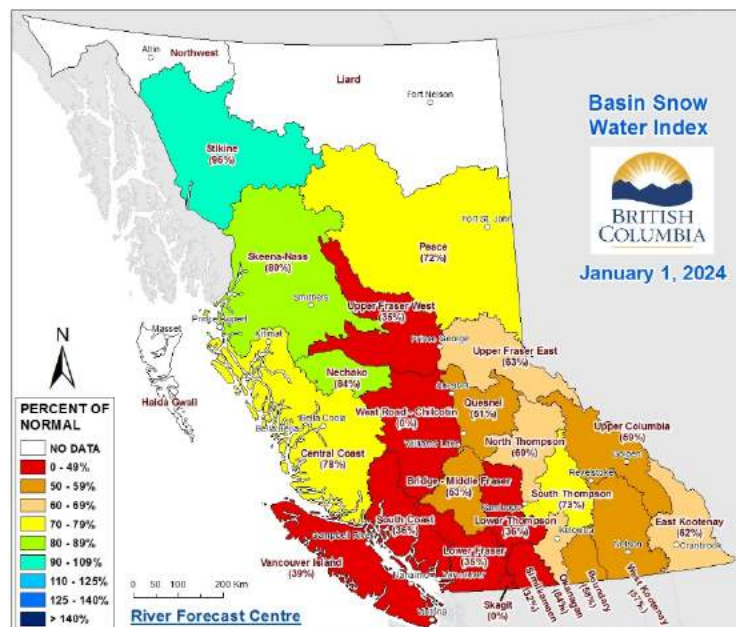


Figure 1. January 1st, 2024 Basin Snow Water Index Map of British Columbia. Larger and colour-friendly versions available in full report.

Table 1. January 1st 2024 Snow Basin Indices in B.C.

Basin	% of Normal	Basin	% of Normal	Basin	% of Normal
Upper Fraser West	35	North Thompson	60	South Coast	36
Upper Fraser East	63	South Thompson	73	Vancouver Island	39
Nechako	84	Fraser River	53	Central Coast	78
Middle Fraser	50	Upper Columbia	59	Skagit	0
Lower Thompson*	36	West Kootenay	57	Peace	72
Bridge*	53	East Kootenay	62	Skeena-Nass	80
Chilcotin*	0	Boundary	58	Liard	N/A [#]
Quesnel*	51	Okanagan	64	Stikine	96
Lower Fraser	35	Similkameen	32	Northwest	N/A [#]
British Columbia 56% of Normal					

* Sub-basin of Middle Fraser # Insufficient data to calculate a Snow Basin Index

Next scheduled snow bulletin release: February 8, 2024

Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – February 1st, 2024

The February 1st snow survey is now complete. Data from 74 manual snow courses and 108 automated snow weather stations around the province (collected by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy's Snow Survey Program, BC Hydro and partners), and climate data from Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) and the provincial Climate Related Monitoring Program have been used to form the basis of the following report.

Executive Summary

- As of February 1st, the provincial snowpack remains very low, averaging 61% of normal (39% below normal) across British Columbia (Jan 1st: 56%). Last year, the provincial average was 79% for Feb 1st. The Fraser River is 62% for Feb 1st.
- Extreme cold temperatures mid-month and extreme warm conditions late-month resulted in overall monthly temperatures close to normal for January.
- Due to the extremely low snow conditions, below normal spring freshet flood hazard is expected this season, especially in the Interior.
- Low snowpack and seasonal runoff forecasts combined with warm seasonal weather forecasts and lingering impacts from previous drought are creating significantly elevated drought hazards for this upcoming spring and summer.
- There are still 2 to 3 months left in the snow season. While conditions may change slightly over this period, current trends in low snowpack are expected to persist.

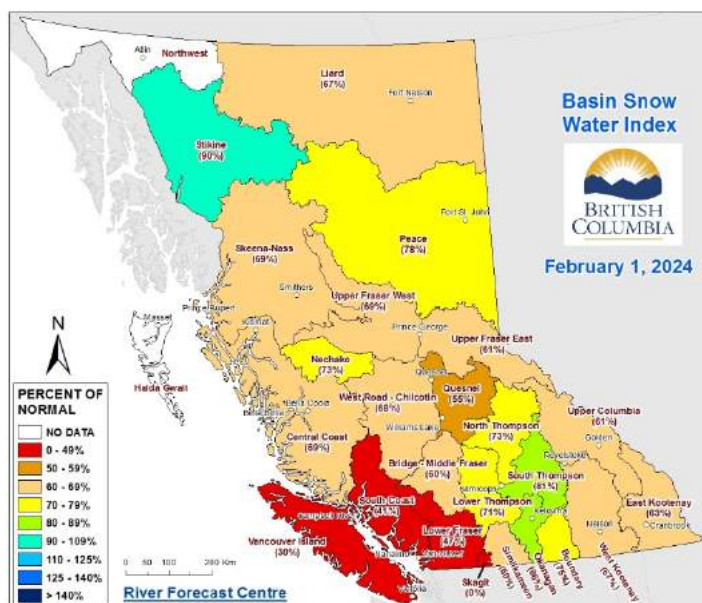


Figure 1. February 1st, 2024 Basin Snow Water Index Map of British Columbia. Larger and colour-friendly versions available in full report.

Table 1. February 1st 2024 Snow Basin Indices in B.C.

Basin	% of Normal	Basin	% of Normal	Basin	% of Normal
Upper Fraser West	69	North Thompson	73	South Coast	41
Upper Fraser East	61	South Thompson	81	Vancouver Island	30
Nechako	73	Fraser River	62	Central Coast	69
Middle Fraser	59	Upper Columbia	61	Skagit	0
Lower Thompson*	71	West Kootenay	67	Peace	78
Bridge*	60	East Kootenay	63	Skeena-Nass	69
Chilcotin*	68	Boundary	75	Liard	67
Quesnel*	55	Okanagan	86	Stikine	90
Lower Fraser	47	Similkameen	60	Northwest	N/A [#]
British Columbia 61% of Normal					

* Sub-basin of Middle Fraser # Insufficient data to calculate a Snow Basin Index Normal Period (1991-2020)

Next scheduled snow bulletin release: March 8, 2024

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: February 12, 2024
FROM: Reggie Amyotte, BEO
SUBJECT: Bylaw Enforcement Update – 2023 Final Quarter

Recommendation

For information.

Purpose:

To provide council with detail updates and status of the bylaw files for the past quarter.

Prepared by:



Reggie Amyotte,
Inter-Community Bylaw Enforcement Officer,

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Discussion:

The activities and complaints of the last quarter of 2023, show that we have seen an increase in dog complaints, in particular, dog attacks. This has been what I've experienced in all 3 communities. Having made that distinction, a course was offered this last December that dealt specifically with dog attacks.

I also participated and completed a 2-day course on Bylaw Drafting. The information learned from this course will help with creating and amending future Bylaws.

I will continue to pursue unsightly complaints in the spring since the winter months are not ideal for people to complete required tasks.

As you can see by the information listed in the attached table, 21 complaints were resolved during the last quarter.

During the cold weather, there have been reports of people burning toxic material, I have compiled information whereby I can educate residents on what is allowed to be burned in wood burning appliances.

Conclusion:

Going forward I will continue to utilize present resources and other contacts that I've made. I will also reach out to new partners to help me resolve complaints and issues more proficiently and professionally. I will continue to take courses and educate myself on how to improve my skills.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Bylaw Compliance

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Bylaw Actionable Items Table

Bylaw Actionable Items Table

Task	Oct-23			Nov-23			Dec-23		
	Carried Over	New	Resolved	Carried Over	New	Resolved	Carried Over	New	Resolved
Dog Complaints	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	3	0
Unsightly Complaints	4	3	5	2	1	0	3	1	1
Watering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Business Licence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Noise Complaints	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Derelict Vehicles	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Fire Pit Inspections	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	1	1
Fire Hazard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Outdoor Burning	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other	0	4	3	1	1	2	0	1	0
TOTAL	6	10	11	5	6	6	5	7	4

From: District 74 <District@sd74.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 11:02 AM
To: District 74 <District@sd74.bc.ca>
Subject: Sale of Cache Creek Property

This email was sent to: Bands, Community, CUPE, Education Coordinators, GTTA, FPEC, Municipalities, Newspapers, PAC/DPAC, Principals, Secretaries, Technology, Trustees and Administration.

Dear Rights Holder and Partners:

School District No. 74 is seeking public feedback regarding the sale of a small piece of property along Cache Creek in the Village of Cache Creek.

The Board of Education has received a request from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to purchase a +/- 6,855 square foot parcel of land, to be dedicated to the public as a highway, as part of its flood mitigation work in Cache Creek. The legal description of the land is REM Lot 2 Plan KAP5594, District Lot 102 and 104, Kamloops Division of Yale Land District, and is outlined in the attached map.

Input can be provided on our website www.sd74.bc.ca, by email to district@sd74.bc.ca or by phone (1-855-453-9101). Input will be accepted until February 23, 2024.

Results of the public consultation will be presented at the March board meeting.



School District No. 74 (Gold Trail)
PO Box 250, Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0
(250) 453-9101
district@sd74.bc.ca

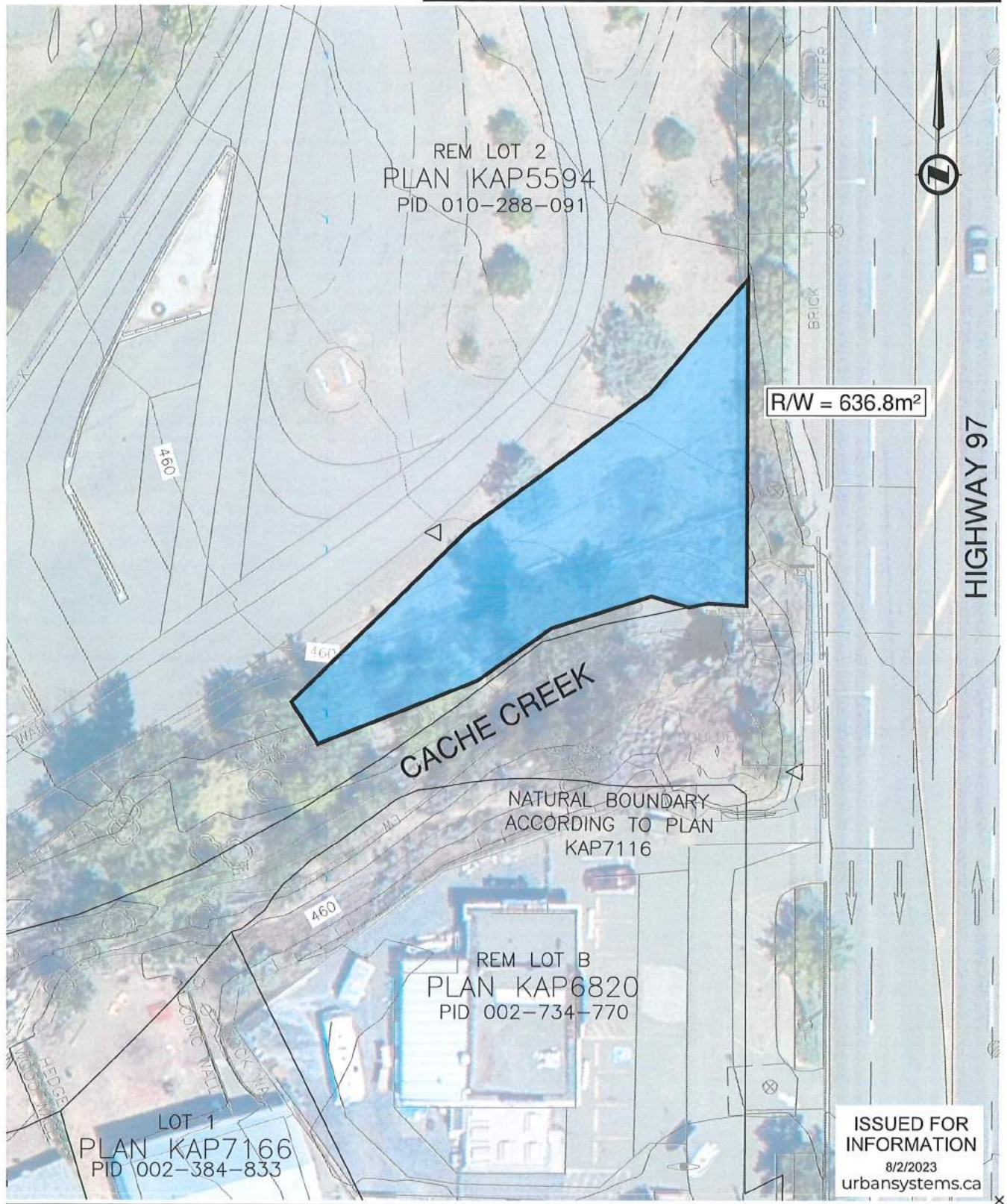
Striving for our 5 strategic goals:

Success ♦ Reconciliation ♦ Team ♦ Communication ♦ Sustainability

[Learn about our 2021/22 to 2025/26 Strategic Plan](#)

Gold Trail respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the unceded and traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux, St'at'imc and Secwépemc First Peoples.

CACHE CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT



LEGEND

	CROWN REQUIRED
	MOTI R/W REQUIRED
	T.L.C.A. REQUIRED

Client/Project		
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure		
REM Lot 2 Plan KAP5594		
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SILGA Forest and Wildfire Management Webinar

Save the Date!

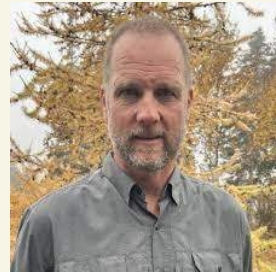
February 28th 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

SILGA invites you to an interactive webinar on forest and wildfire management. These experts will focus on forest practices including science, policy and legislation to improve wildfire resiliency in BC. Join Doug Donaldson and Kevin Kriese with POLIS, RFP Murray Wilson and West Kelowna Fire Chief Jason Brolund for insights into how we can all help prevent and limit the damage from wildfires.



Doug is the Senior Wildfire Analyst for POLIS. He is the former MLA for Stikine and the former Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

Kevin is trained as a forester (BSF, UBC) and planner (MRM, SFU), and has a certificate in conflict resolution (JIBC). He worked for over 30 years for the B.C. provincial government designing and delivering land use plans, developing government-to-government agreements with Indigenous Nations, and leading organizational change.



Murray Wilson is a retired Registered Professional Forester who completed his working career as the BC and Manitoba Stewardship Manager for Tolko Industries.

Jason Brolund is the West Kelowna Fire Chief who led his members in battling the McDougall Creek Wildfire last summer.



This webinar is open to all elected officials and staff. Although there is no cost to participate in this session, you must register in advance to receive a link to log in. Please email the SILGA office at yoursilga@gmail.com.



Hello and Thank You to our potential donors to the Desert Sands Community School Class of 2024!

The graduating class of 2024 consists of 27 graduates this year residing throughout our small communities.

Our students come from various economic backgrounds and as a result, there are many students that may not be able to afford Senior Prom and all the fees required through school to graduate.

Our goal is to make this opportunity more affordable so ALL Seniors may attend the memorable and safe celebration, and that is why we need your help.

Our seniors will be hosting various bottle drives, 50/50's, car washes, bake sales etc to raise money but many students live out of town and are unable to participate in out of school activities due to no fault of their own.

Many of our graduates work part time, are involved in school sports, volunteer, dance, cadets etc.

The cost to each grad is approximately \$500

We are looking to our fabulous local businesses to help sponsor grad.

Would you please consider sponsoring a Senior for Grad night by making a monetary donation, donating items for a raffle/auction/used as a prize or becoming a Corporate Sponsor of the Desert Sands Community School Class of 2024? Your help would fund purchasing cap and gowns for the graduation ceremony itself, yearbooks, and all aspects of the senior prom.

Thanks for your consideration

Nicole Archibald, parent volunteer DSCS Grad Class 2024

250-319-3620

nicolearchibald@hotmail.com

*all cheques payable to desert sands community school grad 2024

From: [Marilyn Anderson](#)
To: [Daniela Dyck](#)
Subject: This year's street market
Date: January 29, 2024 3:13:36 PM

Mayor and Council:

I wanted to bring forward a concern regarding the street market that closes down the block in front of my working studio and adjacent lot on Sundays from approximately June to Oct. At first the market tents were on the opposite side of the businesses on the 600 block on Railway which was great. Then the Village approved road closure of the whole block and the market tents moved to both sides of the road. Their tents blocked The Bloomin Paintbrush & Garden. There was no consultation with me about blocking access to my storefronts even though it does affect me.

Therefore I am bringing it up before this year's market starts up again. Please understand I use my storefront even though I am not officially open to the public on Sunday. In two instances last summer, I met with customers, one to pick up a 4 ft painting they had purchased. It was awkward to carry it out and walk to her vehicle which had to be parked a distance away due to the road closure; the other came in for a private consultation and had to park some distance away packing an armload of supplies.

Last year I also began attending out of town markets myself to sell artwork. Returning from Desert Daze, I couldn't unload a full carload of art and supplies because the street was closed preventing access to my storefront. My choices were to park elsewhere and pack in all my artwork and supplies, or wait for street access... which is what I did but that also caused inconvenience and delays in my other plans for that day. I brought this problem to Jhennelle's attention asking the market not block my studio doors and to at least move their tents past our building at 605 Railway. That worked for two Sundays and then a Village councillor set up a market tent right in front of my studio doors again which was very disappointing.

As well, both lots display artwork either in the store window or in the adjacent art courtyard during the summer. When my storefront and garden are blocked off by market tents the art is not very visible to the public and tourists because the sidewalk is the backside of the street market. I went through extra cost and effort to install these displays so the art is clearly visible from the street and promotes my work. When a row of tents are up my displays are hidden from view. When the market was across Railway from the business, the public and tourists were able to view the art easily.

Thirdly, I have concerns for liability reasons as some children hang off our railings or play and jump on and off the front patio and stairs. It risks possible damage to the railings or glass or items I keep on the patio or attachments on wall. I like to keep the front clean but occasionally I've had to pick up wrapping paper and chunks of hot dog and other food from just inside my garden and the sidewalk in front of the lots.

This year The Bloomin Paintbrush has plans to attend several markets, so it's even more important that the studio and garden is accessible and visible.

Im not sure that you realize that every Sunday the street closes from 8 am-1 pm June to October (not considering other approved events that cause the 600 block to be closed) and this equates to 20 hrs minimum per month x 4 to 5 months? That equals 80 to 100 hrs minimum that The Bloomin Paintbrush storefront is blocked in the summer.

I realize the market benefits UniTea. UniTea opens specifically for the market and it wasn't convenient previously to provide music when the market was across the street, but it is inconvenient to other businesses that need their access. We pay taxes just like any other business in this town so I ask that the Village please relocate the market elsewhere, perhaps use their own park across the street, so access to our commercial lots on Railway will not be restricted.

I really do love that Ashcroft hosts a street market so I write this asking the Village to stop the road closure and market tents that block the Bloomin Paintbrush Art Studio and Garden.

Respectfully,
Marilyn and Andy Anderson



Ashcroft 4-H Club
Box 1441,
Ashcroft BC
V0K 1A0

February 1, 2024

Dear Mayor Roden and Council

My name is Carly and I am a junior member of the Ashcroft 4-H Club. We have enjoyed using the Ashcroft Community Hall for some of our events over the last year or so. Our club has booked the hall for our speech event and in addition, we would like to use the hall to hold our monthly meetings.

In order to help keep our costs down, we are seeking your support in sponsoring the cost for renting the hall. We would need the hall once per month for our meetings and once in awhile at other times for special events such as speech night. Our understanding is that the rental is \$25 + \$20 for insurance per use. This would help us immensely if the fees could be waived!

Thank-you for your consideration of our request.

On behalf of Ashcroft 4-H Club,

Yours truly,

Carly Schalles



January 31, 2024

File: 0530-003/0400-60

Via email

UBCM Member Municipalities

Dear UBCM Members:

Re: Support for Resolution

I am writing on behalf of Abbotsford City Council, requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support for our proposed UBCM Resolution for additional detox beds to be added to the Fraser Health Region at the upcoming LMLGA Convention, in advance of the UBCM Convention this fall.

At the January 30, 2024 Council Meeting, City Council approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Province of BC, through their 2023 Pathway to Hope progress report committed to “eliminating gaps in the mental health care and substance use treatment system,” and to “building an integrated system of care that includes access to a full spectrum of treatment and recovery options” so that “no one falls through the cracks”¹;

AND WHEREAS the Fraser Health Region which covers nearly two million people in 20 diverse communities from Burnaby to Fraser Canyon has only one publicly funded facility that offers rapid access to detox with a total of 24 beds for both youth and adults which results in wait times for persons wishing to enter detox;

AND WHEREAS wait times for detox beds are a known barrier for those seeking the option of treatment for addiction when they are ready;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities lobby the provincial government in order to provide more funding to open detox centres in the Fraser Health Region where they are needed and where accessing existing ones would be difficult for individuals needing the service.

We look forward to, and appreciate your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ross Siemens
Mayor

c. Council members
Peter Sparanese, City Manager

¹ https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/government/ministries-organizations/ministries/mental-health-addictions/a_pathway_to_hope_progress_report.pdf

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NEWS RELEASE

Thompson-Nicola Regional Library Welcomes TRU Nursing Students as Community and Health Navigators

Kamloops, BC – February 2, 2024 – The Thompson-Nicola Regional Library (TNRL) is excited to bring a new level of community service with the arrival of three third-year nursing students from Thompson Rivers University. These nursing students will become Community and Health Navigators, connecting patrons with community resources and referral to agencies.

The Community and Health Navigators will provide support on health-related topics by:

- Offering personalized consultations, in-person at the Kamloops Library or over the phone, to help patrons navigate local resources to meet their physical, mental, spiritual, cultural, and social needs.
- Hosting “Coffee & Conversations,” a drop-in session designed to foster community connections and share information about health-related topics and available resources.
- Facilitating a Seniors Wellness Clinic at the North Kamloops Library, providing blood pressure checks, tips, and information on how to improve quality of life through areas such as sleep, diet, and social connections.

All these services are free for library patrons.

“The complex web of community, social and health resources available in our communities can be incredibly challenging to navigate. These Community and Health Navigators will reduce barriers to accessing resources by providing personalized referrals and information,” says Colleen Kennedy, Branch Head for Kamloops Library. “As an important community hub and key source of information in our community, the TNRL is striving to reduce barriers. We are delighted to have these nursing students joining us to help make that possible.”

Nursing students will complete their work in the library mid-March.

To book a consultation and to find additional details about this program, visit: tnrl.ca/nursing, or contact the Kamloops Library or North Kamloops Library directly.



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New BC Cancer centre in Kamloops moves forward

February 8, 2024



Interior Health president & CEO Susan Brown (third from left) and Minister of Health Adrian Dix (fourth from left) gathered with other dignitaries at Royal Inland Hospital on Feb. 8 to announce the business plan for the new BC Cancer centre in Kamloops.

People are one step closer to accessing enhanced health services as government has approved the business plan for the new BC Cancer centre at Royal Inland Hospital (RIH) in Kamloops.

“Approval of the business plan is a critical milestone for this crucial project,” said Adrian Dix, Minister of Health. “This state-of-the-art cancer centre will benefit patients in Kamloops and the surrounding area by offering the confidence from knowing that we’re building treatment capacity for now and the future.”

The five-storey facility will be built on the Westlands site on the RIH campus. There will be space for radiation treatment, radiation-therapy planning, including a CT Simulator, an outpatient ambulatory-care unit, including 10 exam rooms, and two consultation rooms for radiation-therapy services, an additional MRI suite, and patient arrival and check-in areas. The centre will have three linear accelerator vaults. These heavy, concrete structures contain radiation equipment used for cancer-patient treatment. In collaboration with Indigenous partners, there will also be a sacred space for patients, caregivers and staff, with features to support traditional ceremonies.

“This is an exciting step forward in our work to bring new treatment options to this region,” said Dr. Kim Chi, executive vice-president and chief medical officer, BC Cancer. “The new BC Cancer centre in Kamloops will increase our capacity to deliver radiation treatment closer to home for the people of Kamloops and surrounding communities for generations to come.”

A new 470-stall parkade will also be constructed as a part of the centre.

In addition, upgrades to RIH to expand cancer care have also been approved, which includes updating and expanding the pharmacy, and relocation and expansion of the Community Oncology Network clinic from the eighth floor to the main floor with more space and improved access. Cancer care delivered through the clinic includes oral and intravenous cancer treatment, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, targeted therapy and hormonal therapy. The clinic also provides initial consultation and treatment planning with a medical oncologist, supportive care, followup care and patient education.

The procurement process is underway. Construction is expected to begin in 2025 and complete in 2028.

The project budget is approximately \$359 million, shared between the provincial government, Interior Health and Thompson Regional Hospital District.

The new BC Cancer centre is a part of the 10-year B.C. Cancer Action Plan, which outlines actionable steps to better prevent, detect and treat cancers, delivering improved care for people facing cancer now, while preparing for the growing needs of the future.

Quotes:

Susan Brown, president and CEO, Interior Health –

“Delivering expanded, comprehensive cancer care in Kamloops is one of our top priorities for the upcoming years. Heading into the procurement process, and subsequently, construction, we look forward to engaging with local communities, patients, families and Indigenous partners to ensure the delivery of high-quality, culturally safe cancer care for people across the region.”

David Byres, president and CEO, Provincial Health Services Authority –

“We are excited to reach this important milestone of the approval of the business plan for the new BC Cancer centre in Kamloops. As we move forward with this project, we will engage with our patients, families, Indigenous partners, staff and physicians to ensure that the new cancer centre is designed to support delivery of high-quality, accessible and culturally safe care.”

Sarah Roth, president and chief executive officer, BC Cancer Foundation –

“The new BC Cancer Centre in Kamloops is essential to bringing care close to home for our loved ones and the BC Cancer Foundation looks forward to partnering with our generous donors to help make this a world-class facility.”

Mike O'Reilly, chair, Thompson Regional Hospital District –

“We welcome today’s positive progress update toward building a cancer-care centre in Kamloops, recognizing the need for life-saving cancer treatment closer to home for more than 150,000 residents. Along with the addition of vital cancer-care equipment, a new parkade will address a significant need at Royal Inland Hospital that is felt today by visitors and staff. Our board continues to urgently advocate for these projects on behalf of our residents and we look forward to continued progress and ensuring that this cancer-care centre opens in 2028.”

Heidi Coleman, CEO, Royal Inland Hospital Foundation –

“This new comprehensive cancer-care centre marks a significant victory for the Thompson Cariboo Shuswap Health Service Area. At the Royal Inland Hospital Foundation, we regularly encounter grateful patients who express their appreciation for their care, yet often recount the challenges of travelling to Kelowna for radiation and other vital cancer treatments. This shall be no more. Like many, we look forward to seeing the realization of this long-awaited dream.”

Quick Facts:

As the population grows and ages, the number of people diagnosed with cancer will increase.

The growth in incidence of cancer between 2021 and 2041 is estimated to be 33% in the Kamloops area.

In B.C., one in two people will be diagnosed with some form of cancer in their life.

Learn More:

To learn more about B.C.'s 10-year Cancer Action Plan, visit:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2023HLTH0012-000229>

What to know about the cancer centre in Kamloops

According to the Provincial Health Services Authority and BC Cancer, the new Kamloops cancer centre is projected to support the following in its first year:

6,600 patient radiation consults and followup appointments; and

1,000 patient radiation courses of treatment, which will result in 14,000 treatment visits per year.

Since 2017, B.C. government has invested more than \$458 million in Royal Inland Hospital.

Investments include:

Operating room 11, 12 and 13 - \$6.7 million; in progress; estimated completion in 2024.

Magnetic resonance imaging upgrade - \$2 million; completed in 2023.

Pharmacy upgrade - \$3.3 million; completed in 2022.

Phil and Jennie Gagliardi Tower - \$417.2 million; the tower (Phase 1) opened in July 2022 and Phase 2 renovations commenced in 2022 and are expected to complete in 2026. Phase 2 includes:

renovations to the emergency department (57 treatment spaces including 12 new spaces);

renovations to the pediatric unit;

post-anesthetic recovery (26 post-anesthetic recovery bays including 10 new bays); and

a renovated and expanded morgue.

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School District No. 74 (Gold Trail)

Our Goals: Success ♦ Reconciliation ♦ Team ♦ Communication ♦ Sustainability

NEWS RELEASE

Vessy Mochikas Superintendent of Schools

The Board of Education is pleased to announce that Vessy Mochikas has accepted the position of Superintendent of Schools effective May 8, 2024.

“We speak on behalf of the whole board when we say how excited we are to have found a leader of such quality to lead Gold Trail into the future,” said Co-Chairs Larry Casper and Carmen Ranta. “With her experience with Indigenous and inclusive education we know she is ready to take the next steps to build upon the work underway to achieve the goals of our strategic plan”.

Ms. Mochikas is a highly experienced educator and leader with a deep commitment to students and their learning. She currently serves as the Assistant Superintendent of Inclusive Education in Kamloops-Thompson School District (No. 73), a role she has served in for the last three years. She has also held the roles of Director of Elementary Education and Learning Services, Principal at elementary, middle and secondary schools in both rural and urban settings. She is an advocate for the delivery of equitable and inclusive education. She has a proven track record of success in developing collaborative networks and creating systems and structures that entitle learners to success, dignity, and options for their future.

Effective February 15, 2024 Bev Young will be Interim Superintendent of Schools until Vessy Mochikas assumes the position on May 8, 2024. Bev Young is the recently retired Superintendent of Schools for the Okanagan-Similkameen School District (53). With her years of experience she will support the Board and the district with leadership to ensure that the work within schools and across the district continues during this time of change.

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09 February 2024

Gold Trail respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the unceded and traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux, St'at'imc and Secwépemc First Peoples.

January					
Motion No.	Motion	Staff Responsible	Comments	Time line	Status
	2023 MOTIONS				
R-2023-06	THAT, Council direct administration to contact the artists Daniel Collett and Marina Papais and request their participation through the Public Art Policy #A-01-2021 to develop a maintenance plan for art on public property.	CAO	CAO met with Daniel on Feb 23, 2023. Daniel took a copy of the Public Art Policy with him to review and detail. Daniel will schedule a future meeting (spring) to discuss policy participation		Meeting was scheduled to sign the agreement for Wednesday Jan 17, postponed until weather and roads are better.
R-2023-72	THAT, Council direct staff to review current Cannabis legislation and bring a draft bylaw permitting the retail sale of legalized cannabis products in Ashcroft; and further that Zoning Bylaw No. 823, 2018 be amended permitting Retail Cannabis operations.	CAO	To be considered as a Zoning amendment or Bylaw update. Wait for Strategic Planning to be completed.	CAO phone meeting with regional Cannabis inspector. Bylaw research complete. Waiting for direction after strat planning.	On hold - till Strat Planning is complete
	2024 MOTIONS				
R-2024-02	THAT, Council supports the submission of a grant application to UBCM under the Community Resiliency Investment Program – 2024 FireSmart Community Funding stream in the amount of \$200,000 and further that Council supports the program throughout its duration.	CAO	A grant application be submitted to UBCM Community Resiliency Investment Program 2024 FireSmart Community Funding stream		in-progress
R-2024-03	THAT, Council directs staff to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss Strategic Planning priorities.	CAO	COTW Meeting Scheduled for Jan 22, 2024		Completed
R-2024-04	THAT, Council supports the Seniors' request to reduce the BC Hydro charges for their portion of the building and reduce the amount charged from 43.1% to 25%.	CAO	A letter be sent to the Seniors advising change in rate for BC Hydro for Seniors Centre		Completed

R-2024-05	THAT, Council directs staff to draft a resolution for submission to the SILGA convention regarding the unequal distribution of cost increases between the municipality and province for the provisions of public transit in rural communities.	CAO	A resolution to be drafted and submitted to the SILGA Convention		Completed
R-2024-11	THAT, Council rescinds third reading of the Village of Ashcroft's Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023, and amend the bylaw to include the following in Schedule "M": a. Rubota (Snow Removal) \$50.00 / incident b. Video or Snake Sewer Line on Private Property \$125.00 / hr.	EA	Update Bylaw Reading		Completed
R-2024-12	THAT, the Village of Ashcroft's Consolidated Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 866, 2023 be read a third time as amended.	EA	Update Bylaw Reading		Completed
R-2024-13	THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 864, 2023 be read a third time.	EA	Update Bylaw Reading		Completed
R-2024-14	THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 865, 2023 be read a third time.	CAO	Update Bylaw Reading and email bylaw to MOTI for approval		Completed
R-2024-15	THAT, Council supports the submission of a grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for a \$50,000 grant under the Economic Development Capacity Building stream to support ongoing economic development and tourism initiatives in the Village of Ashcroft.	CAO	Resolution certified for inclusion with grant application		Completed
R-2024-16	THAT, Council endorses the Resolution provided in the attachment, to be submitted to the Southern Interior Local Government Association in its presented form or with any amendments deemed necessary.	CAO	Forward resolution to SILGA		Completed
R-2024-17	THAT, Council supports the Village of Ashcroft's participation in the TNRD GIS Shared Service proposal.	CAO	Forward a letter to the TNRD advising Ashcroft's participation		completed
R-2024-18	THAT, Council approves the request to close Railway Avenue from 2nd to 8th Streets on April 20, 2024, from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm; provide barriers to restrict access from the side roads; sweep Railway Avenue; and use of Heritage Park.	EA	Email a letter to Joris Ekering advising approval of Rotary's requests for the Spring Parade		completed

R-2024-19	THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft extends its full support for the submission of an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's (NDIT) Marketing Initiatives funding stream seeking financial assistance of up to \$24,965.	CAO	Resolution certified for inclusion with grant application		completed
R-2024-20	THAT, Council declares the week of February 19-25, 2024, as Heritage Week in Ashcroft. Advertise Heritage Week in the Village Newsletter and encourage residents to pick up a walking tour map and explore Ashcroft's history.	EA	Place Heritage information into January Newsletter		completed
R-2024-21	THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society's request for free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for the Christmas Hampers December 17-21, 2024.	EA	Email letter advising Council's approval		completed
R-2024-22	THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and District Healthcare Auxiliary's request for free use of the Ashcroft Community Hall for the Annual Christmas Sale on November 13-17, 2024.	EA	Email letter advising Council's approval		completed
R-2024-23	THAT, Council adopts the strategic priority items as identified by Council at the Committee of the Whole Meeting for the 2024 – 2026 Village of Ashcroft Strategic Plan as follows : 1. Parks (Mesa, Heritage, Legacy, Pool, Skills) 2. Recreation (Arena, Pool, Curling Rink, Skills) 3. Water to Ashcroft Indian Band 4. Policy Review Committee 5. Street Safety Committee (includes sidewalks) 6. FireSmart 7. Environment (water conservation/herbicides etc.) 8. Official Community Plan (OCP) / Zoning Bylaw Updates 9. Branding 10. North Ashcroft Reservoir 11. Museum / Old Fire Hall 12. Trail Plan / Downtown Walking Trail	CAO	Draft a Strategic Plan for Council's review and adoption.		in-progress