



## Council Meeting Highlights July 10, 2017

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### **Mayor comments on “devastating” wildfire situation throughout interior of BC**

Mayor Andy Adams expressed solidarity with communities under evacuation alert and emphasized the importance of establishing an air tanker base in Campbell River as a strategic location for fighting wildfires on Vancouver Island.

### **Public hearing for proposed rezoning for 570 Old Petersen Rd.**

Following first and second reading previously given, a public hearing was held on proposed rezoning from residential multifamily to single family dwellings with option for secondary suites on 16 acres of the parcel at 570 Old Petersen Rd. The proposal is consistent with the neighbourhood designation in the Official Community Plan. The remaining portion of the 20-plus acre parcel that will remain zoned for residential multiple family will be available for townhouses or patio homes. If approved, the rezoning would permit 18 lots for single-family homes with the option for a secondary suite up to 90 square metres.

### **Appointment of Chief Financial Officer**

Myriah Foort, BBA, CA, CPA, has been appointed the City's Chief Financial Officer. Since joining the City in 2012, Foort has managed the Finance Department and instituted tightened controls, financial system improvement and restructured accounts, which resulted in a shift to consistent financial reporting and automated year-end compilation. Foort also redirected the City's budgeting process to focus on community priorities such as stable tax rates, reserve restructuring, debt policy and a refocus of the capital program. This new budget system has won an international award for its Financial Resiliency and Stability Program, and the City recently reached two provincial milestones, being the first to develop a 10-year budget and the first in the year to adopt a financial plan bylaw.

The Community Charter requires that the City appoint a person responsible for financial matters and sound financial processes.

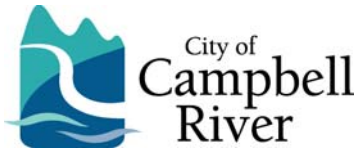
*“Council has been clear in its deliberations for the City to be accountable, transparent and strategically focused,”* said Mayor Andy Adams. *“The City's fiscal house is in good hands under the guidance of Myriah Foort.”*

### **City wins 2017 Planning Institute of BC award of excellence for Refresh Downtown**

Mayor Andy Adams congratulated Marianne Wade, the City's development services manager, on the Community Planning and Development Services Department receiving an award from the Planning Institute of BC. The City's *Refresh Downtown Campbell River* plan received a silver award of excellence in policy planning for small town and rural areas. The City has issued a news release with additional details.

### **River City Cycle Club expresses concerns about safety for cyclists**

Mercedes Hayduk and Sandra Milligan of the River City Cycle Club's made a presentation regarding safety concerns for cyclists on the hill along the Island Highway 19A between Hidden Harbour and 1st Ave. Council directed staff to consider options for including a cycling lane in future when the route is under construction to install sewer lines.



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### **Homes First Committee requests a City staff member to attend committee meetings**

Lori McKeown, Brenda Shuttleworth and Lin Dwyer, representatives of the Homes First Committee, presented to Council on status and goals for local affordable housing, and requested that a City staff member attend their monthly committee meetings, in an effort to improve their communications and build upon their relationship with the City.

### **Infrastructure improvements requested at Jubilee Parkway**

George Stuart and Dan Samson of Parkway Properties provided Council with a presentation requesting infrastructure improvements at Jubilee Parkway, including a traffic signal and increased water pressure in the area. Council requested that staff prepare a comprehensive report that quantifies traffic volumes generated within the Maryland Estates neighbourhood and identifies any potential intersection improvements that may be recommended. In response to resident concerns about low water pressure, Council also requested that staff report back on the state of water pressure within the Maryland Estates neighbourhood along with any recommended improvements to the water system.

### **Rezoning and definition changes adopted for Sequoia Springs property**

Council approved a zoning amendment application to change property zoning and allow for expansion of the Campbell River Golf and Country Club, which would allow the golf course maintenance building to be moved to the portion of property known as 2200 Shetland Rd. This bylaw was given first and second readings on May 23, went to Public Hearing on June 6 and was given third reading as amended on June 19.

### **Zoning adopted for future housing development north of Jubilee Parkway**

Council amended zoning boundaries between single family residential and multi-family residential areas located directly north of Jubilee Parkway to give greater flexibility to the type and design of a future housing development proposed by Parkway Properties. This bylaw received first and second readings on May 8, and a public hearing was held June 19.

### **Public hearing to consider second residence at 109 Larwood Rd.**

Council gave first and second reading to a proposed zoning amendment to allow for a secondary residence at 109 Larwood Rd. This zoning amendment is consistent with applicable Sustainable Official Community Plan policies and guidelines. A public hearing will be held July 24.

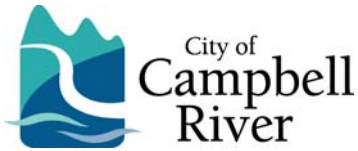
### **Public hearing will consider density provisions for affordable housing**

A proposed text amendment to Campbell River's Zoning Bylaw for multi-residential zones would allow developers and non-profit societies to incorporate additional density in development plans in return for adding affordable housing units. It would reduce the need for spot zoning and meet provincial regulations that require consideration of such density variances through a zoning bylaw amendment.

This is a tool widely used in other jurisdictions to promote affordable housing and aligns with local Sustainable Official Community Plan policies for housing affordability and diversity.

Currently, multi-residential zones only permit density bonusing for underground/or integrated parking and environmental or parkland enhancements.

City staff have been working with Habitat for Humanity and the Campbell River Head Injury Society on their developments, and the proposed affordable housing density provisions would assist their funding models and provision of housing for residents. A public hearing will be held July 24.



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**70-unit apartment building approved for South Dogwood** Council approved a major development permit application for a four-storey, 70-unit multi-family building at 525 Dogwood St. South. The proposed development is consistent with the form, character and performance development permit guidelines, multi-family development permit guidelines and applicable Sustainable Official Community Plan policies.

### **Major development permit for three industrial buildings in Campbellton**

Council approved a major development permit for three industrial buildings to be constructed at 1481 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. The proposed development is consistent with the form, character and performance development permit guidelines, industrial development permit guidelines and applicable Sustainable Official Community Plan policies.

### **Council supports new liquor licence for pub at Chances Casino**

Council approved a resolution for a new liquor primary licence for the Match pub eatery and associated patio. In addition, Council has restricted patio times to 10:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. The development permit for form and character was approved in October 2016. Chances casino will have a separate liquor primary licence for the casino floor.

### **Security guard services awarded**

Council awarded a contract to Footprint Security at an estimated annual amount of \$69,600 per year for up to five years based on mutual agreement between the City and the contractor. This contract is to provide uniformed security presence at various City facilities and public spaces on an "as needed, when needed" basis.

### **Waterfront sewer system upgrade awarded**

Council awarded a contract to Stantec Consulting Ltd. for up to \$320,225.40 for all necessary engineering services required to complete the detailed design of the section of sanitary sewer system upgrades from the Big Rock boat ramp property north along Hwy 19A to the Maritime Heritage Centre. This will be followed by construction engineering services for the section of sanitary sewer system extending from 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. north to the Maritime Heritage Centre and construction of all necessary upgrades to the affected sanitary lift stations.

### **Quick Response Brush Truck Awarded**

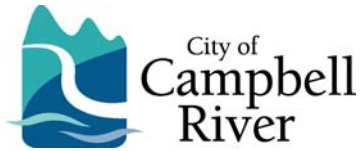
Council awarded a contract to Intercontinental Truck Body Inc. for a total of \$171,115 for the supply and delivery of one quick response brush truck with a primary purpose of providing fire suppression to urban forest interface areas within City of Campbell River response zone. It will also serve as a multi-purpose utility vehicle for the fire department.

### **Library air handler unit replacement awarded**

Council awarded a contract to Archie Johnstone Plumbing and Heating Ltd. for \$102,270 for the removal and replacement of the library's main air handler and condensing unit, expected to last up to 25 years.

### **Fortis BC's funding opportunity for local not-for-profit organizations**

Council received a copy of an application by the Campbellton Neighbourhood Association to Fortis BC's Community Giving program. The company provides \$15,000 to non-profit organizations or charities within the Fortis BC service areas. Applications were due before July 14, and recipients will be announced at the Union of BC Municipalities convention in Vancouver this September.



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### **Support for Vancouver Island Economic Alliance to receive foreign trade zone status**

Council will provide a letter of support for the Vancouver Island Economic Alliance's application to be designated as a foreign trade zone, to encourage development of an intermodal transportation plan and help raise the profile of Vancouver Island as a centre for import/export

### **Parking restriction signs for Campbellton Community Garden**

Campbellton Community Garden members petitioned Council requesting restricted parking signs for the community garden. Signs will be installed, funded through regular operating funds, to advise the public of appropriate parking in the area.

### **North Island support for forestry industry**

Mayor Andy Adams reported on a letter from Mayor Jude Schooner of Tahsis, advising that Tahsis had become a member of the Truck Loggers Association (TLA), and thanking him for the encouragement to do so.

In May of this year, Mayor Adams and David Elstone, executive director of the Truck Loggers Association, wrote a letter to the mayors of Tahsis, Gold River and Zeballos, asking that they consider supporting other Vancouver Island communities by joining them as associate members of the Truck Loggers Association.

The letter advised, "...*The forest sector is critical to the economy and future of the North Island and Central Coast. Becoming a TLA member will allow your community to participate in TLA events, such as the convention, networking events and seminars, to keep abreast of issues critical to the future of our communities. With your support as a TLA member, our unified voice on forest sector issues ensures that provincial and federal governments include our communities in policy development that directly impacts the livelihood of our residents and businesses...*"

### **Praise for Campbell River Broombusters report on Scotch Broom removal**

Council encourages volunteers to join forces with future Campbell River Broombusters' efforts to remove Scotch broom.

### **Praise for support for evacuees from Quinsam Hotel fire**

Councillor Ron Kerr reported on an email from Rick Wall of the Campbell River Emergency Support Services team regarding support for Quinsam Hotel evacuees. Mr. Wall advised that "...*White Tower Restaurant sent over food for evacuees when Banners was forced to close. I am hoping that you could bring it up with Campbellton Association to formally acknowledge their action in helping those people affected by the Quinsam Hotel fire.*"