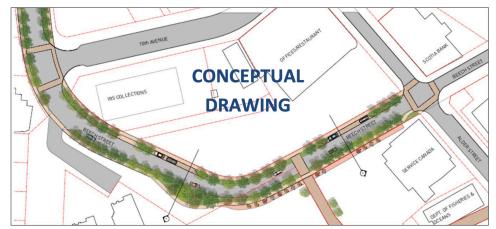
BEECH STREET RENEWAL

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST COMMUNITY BULLETIN FOR THE BEECH STREET RENEWAL PROJECT. This will provide updates on the work expected to begin this summer. Further bulletins will be distributed as information and updates are available. Questions/Comments? We invite you to contact us regarding any queries or feedback you may have.



BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO BEECH STREET

In the coming months, the City of Campbell River is expanding improved services and infrastructure along Beech Street from Alder Street to 10th Avenue. Updates to this area will meet goals for revitalizing the aesthetic of downtown while improving transportation for a range of users. Work will include traffic calming measures, pedestrian infrastructure improvements and opportunities for active transportation modes.

These upgrades to the downtown core are the result of an opportunity presented by the proposed construction of a mixed residential-commercial building on a currently-undeveloped lot on the street (325 Beech Street). With the Refresh Downtown Strategy completed in 2017 (see sidebar on Pg. 2), the Beech Street renewal can now be achieved because of the preparatory work done.

RENEWAL WORK WILL INCLUDE:

INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATES: new water, sewer and storm mains and services

NEW ROADWAYS: new roadway constructed to meet Urban Local Commercial Standards

PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY UPGRADES: lighting, crosswalks, boulevards

AESTHETICS: new surface finishes matching the adjacent Downtown Revitalization Project (including new lighting, tree planting and landscaping

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WHAT TO EXPECT ON BEECH STREET



PARKING CHANGES

These upgrades, along with the development of 325 Beech Street will displace 70 public parking spots. The City monitors parking capacity regularly and has continued to review usage rates in the area. Currently on average parking is used at 63% capacity in the downtown area - of 1,441 spots in the downtown area there are approximately 500 spots regularly available within a short walk.



TRAFFIC DISRUPTIONS

Construction in the downtown area will cause road closures and traffic delays. More information about required closures and durations, along with timing, will be available once a contractor is in place and the detailed construction schedule is developed. Details will be shared as they become available.



WHAT IS REFRESH DOWNTOWN?



The Refresh Downtown Strategy was completed in 2017 to prepare advanced plans for upgrades through the downtown core, which could this strategy was prepared for, which can be achieved because of the and input from technical advisors, the Refresh Downtown strategy identifies priorities for the area and establishes an aesthetic standard.

Thank You - We'll Update You Again Soon! The project team would like to thank everyone for their understanding as we move forward on this important project, and we're committed to keeping the community informed while minimizing impacts as work winds up. We are confident that these critical infrastructure improvements will be enjoyed by residents and visitors for years to come.



