

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS
AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, May 15, 2017, at 7:00 pm
7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers**

	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
1.	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>		
2.	<u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>		
	a) Adopt agenda	May 15th, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda	THAT Council adopts the May 15th, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.
3.	<u>MINUTES</u>		
	a) Adopt minutes April-24-2017-Regular-Meeting-Minutes - Not Yet Adopted	April 24th, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes	THAT Council adopts the April 24th, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.
4.	<u>REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS</u>		
5.	<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>		
6.	<u>REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL</u>		
	a) Corporate Officer's Report RFD - Proc. Bylaw-CAO - Rpts., Questions, & Inquiries from Council Councillor Thompson's Report Councillor Tripp's Report Councillor Butler's Report	Written reports of Council	THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the May 15th, 2017, Regular Meeting be received.
7.	<u>REPORT FROM COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY</u>		
	a) Corporate Officer's Report RFD - Proc. Bylaw-Council - RDKB Council's Rep.	Verbal report from Council's representative to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Read the RDKB agendas	RESOLVED THAT Mayor Konrad's report on the activities of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, given verbally at this meeting be received.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS**

- a) Manager of Development & Engineering Services
[RFD - Mgr. of Dev. & Eng. - Development Variance Permit - 6408-5th St.](#)

Application for a Development Variance Permit to vary the exterior side setback from 15 feet to 5 feet to rebuild an existing deck at the same location

THAT Council approves the Development Variance Permit application by allowing an exterior side setback variance from 15 feet to 5 feet for property located at 6408 - 5th Street, legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 534, SDYD, Plan KAP52745 to rebuild an existing deck at the same location.

- b) Manager of Development & Engineering Services
[RFD- Mgr. of Dev. & Eng. - Development Variance Permit - 803&813-72nd Ave.](#)

Development Variance Permit regarding parcel setbacks and parking requirements for a Habitat for Humanity development

THAT Council approves the Development Variance Permit application by allowing a front setback variance from 6.0 metres to 4.5 m for properties located at 803 & 813 - 72nd Ave. (Lot 3 and Lot 4, district Lot 108, SDYD, Plan KAP 92057), and a reduction of the east interior parcel setback from 1.5 m to 0.0 m on Lot 3, with one of the parking spaces for Lot 3 to be met with a Parking Access Easement on the westerly portion of Lot 4.

9. **REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Manager of Development and Engineering
[Memo - Mgr. of Dev. & Eng. - Costs & Benefits re Habitat for Humanity request for Fee Relief](#)

Report on costs and benefits regarding Habitat for Humanity request for fee relief

THAT Council receives for information the memorandum from the Manager of Development and Engineering regarding costs and benefits regarding Habitat for Humanity request for fee relief.

- b) Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Society
[SOII - Grand Forks International request for Liquor Licence June 27-July 2](#)

Letter of request for a Special Occasion Liquor Licence from June 27 - July 2, 2017, during the GFI

THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to the Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Society from June 27-July 2, 2017, from 11:00 am-11:00 pm (depending on projected end time of last game), at James

		<p>Donaldson Park, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC "Drinking and Driving" warning posters to be displayed.</p>
c)	<p>Interior Regional Board MS Society of Canada SOII - MS Society - May Awareness Month</p>	<p>Letter of request for consideration of supporting a civic proclamation for the month of May to raise awareness for MS</p> <p>THAT Council does not issue proclamations and directs staff to respond via correspondence advising as such; AND FURTHER THAT Council advises the Chair on the MS Society Regional Board that the City recognizes the importance of the work done by the MS Society.</p>
d)	<p>BC Commuter Challenge SOII - BC Commuter Challenge June 4-10</p>	<p>Correspondence regarding celebrating National Environment Week by commuting to work sustainably during the week of June 4-10</p> <p>THAT Council receives for information the correspondence from the BC Commuter Challenge for anyone who wishes to register in the challenge.</p>
e)	<p>Grand Forks RCMP Detachment SOII - Grand Forks RCMP Detachment Quarterly Crime Stats2</p>	<p>Quarterly Crime Statistics for January, February, and March</p> <p>THAT Council receives for information the Quarterly Crime Statistics Report from the Grand Forks RCMP Detachment.</p>
f)	<p>The Tyee SOII - The Tyee - Six Ways to End Homelessness in BC</p>	<p>Correspondence regarding 'Six Ways to End Homelessness in BC'</p> <p>THAT Council receives for information the correspondence regarding 'Six Ways to End Homelessness in BC' from The Tyee.</p>
g)	<p>Solar Now SOII - Solar Now - Renewable Solar Energy Projects in Community</p>	<p>Letter regarding an opportunity for partnership funding for the installation of the renewable solar energy projects in the community</p> <p>THAT Council receives for information and discussion the letter from Solar Now regarding an opportunity for partnership funding for the installation of the renewable solar energy projects in the community.</p>

11. **BYLAWS**
12. **LATE ITEMS**
13. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA**
14. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, April 24, 2017

NOT ADOPTED
SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PRESENT:

MAYOR FRANK KONRAD
COUNCILLOR JULIA BUTLER
COUNCILLOR CHRIS HAMMETT
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON
COUNCILLOR BEVERLEY TRIPP

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - Interim/
CORPORATE OFFICER
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
SENIOR PLANNER
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

D. Heinrich
J. Rhodes
G. Watt
D. Popoff

GALLERY

ABSENT:

COUNCILLOR COLLEEN ROSS ("with notice")

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a) Mayor Konrad called the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a) Adopt agenda
April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED.

3. MINUTES

- a) Adopt minutes
April 10, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes

MOTION: KROG / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the April 10, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

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- b) Adopt minutes
April 10, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the April 10, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

4. **REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6. **REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report
Written reports of Council

- Councillor Tripp's 'Notice of Motion' was clarified that it will be brought forth at the next COTW meeting

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting be received.

CARRIED.

7. **REPORT FROM COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report
Verbal report from Council's representative to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

- at the April 20th Board Meeting, Christina Lake Fire Chief Gresley-Jones was replaced by Fire Chief Christman
- ILMA representative was present and spoke in regards to 'Getting the Right Lumber to the Right Mill'
- Rossland was added back to the Emergency Planning Service
- Okanagan Film Commission will be holding their AGM in Grand Forks

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Mayor Konrad's report on the activities of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, given verbally at this meeting be received.

CARRIED.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

- a) Manager of Development & Engineering Services

MOTION: BUTLER / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information, the postponement memorandum to approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing an exterior side setback variance from 15 feet to 5 feet for property located at 6408-5th Street, legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 534, SDYD, Plan KAP52745 to rebuild an existing deck at the same location until the May 15th, 2017 Regular Meeting.

CARRIED.

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- b) Manager of Development & Engineering Services

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the postponement memorandum to approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing a front setback variance from 6.0 metres to 4.5 m for properties located at 803/813 72nd Ave (Lot 3 and Lot 4, District Lot 108, SDYD, Plan KAP 92057), and a reduction of the east interior parcel setback from 1.5 m to 0.0 m on lot 3, with one of the parking spaces for Lot 3 to be met with a Parking Access Easement on the westerly portion of Lot 4 until the May 15th, 2017 Regular Meeting.

CARRIED.

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a) Farm to Table Event

MOTION: HAMMETT / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council approves issuing a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to the Grand Forks and District Fall Fair Society for the Farm to Table event on June 30, 2017 from 5pm - 11pm, at City Park, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC "Drinking and Driving" warning posters to be displayed.

CARRIED.

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- b) Thank-you Letter of Appreciation to Mr. Philip Morris from the Mayor

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the emails and letter of appreciation sent to Mr. Philip Morris of the Shropshire War Memorials Association in England from the Mayor.

CARRIED.

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- c) New Building Canada Fund - Grand Forks Well 2A Project

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information, the correspondence from the Province that the New Building Canada Fund application for the Grand Forks Well 2 Replacement Project, was not selected for funding.

CARRIED.

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- d) Habitat for Humanity correspondence

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the request from the Habitat for Humanity for relief in the Development Charges, Services Charges and Permit Fees for discussion purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council directs Staff to provide a report to Council advising on the cost amounts involved with Habitat for Humanity's request, and bring back to Council at the May 15th Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED.

11. BYLAWS

NOT ADOPTED
SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- a) Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council gives the first three readings of the proposed 2017 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2038.

CARRIED.

12. LATE ITEMS

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

14. ADJOURNMENT

- a) Mayor Konrad adjourned the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting at 7:21 pm.

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT the April 24, 2017, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:20 pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR FRANK KONRAD

CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT – DAPHNE POPOFF

REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



To: Mayor and Council
From: Procedure Bylaw / Chief Administrative Officer
Date: May 15th, 2017
Subject: Reports, Questions and Inquiries from the Members of Council
Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT ALL WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL BE RECEIVED.**

BACKGROUND: Under the City's Procedures Bylaw No. 1946, 2013, the Order of Business permits the members of Council to report to the Community on issues, bring community issues for discussion and initiate action through motions of Council, ask questions on matters pertaining to the City Operations and inquire on any issues and reports.

Benefits or Impacts of the Recommendation:

General: The main advantage of using this approach is to bring the matter before Council on behalf of constituents. Immediate action might result in inordinate amount of resource inadvertently directed without specific approval in the financial plan.

Strategic Impact: Members of Council may ask questions, seek clarification and report on issues.

Policy/Legislation: The Procedure Bylaw is the governing document setting out the Order of Business at a Council meeting.

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT ALL WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL BE RECEIVED.**

OPTIONS:

- 1. RESOLVED THAT ALL WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, BE RECEIVED**
- 2. RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DOES NOT RECEIVE THE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.**

	
Department Head or CAO	Chief Administrative Officer

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Councillor Christine Thompson
DATE: May 15, 2017
SUBJECT: Report to Council

April 19th I attended a presentation and tour of the local Interfor plant given by Dave Parsons and Geoff Bekker. Although I was unable to stay for the entire tour due to a prior commitment, I thoroughly enjoyed touring the part of the plant that sorts the logs for debarking and the cuts them roughly to size. It was interesting for me to see how much of the operations are automated as I have never toured a sawmill before.

The Phoenix Foundation held their monthly board meeting on April 19th. Community Foundations of Canada will contribute \$5,150 and the Phoenix Foundation will contribute \$5,450 towards the Snowbirds event in July.

I attended the Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments annual general meeting and conference April 25th through 27th. The AKBLG conference plenary and concurrent workshops centered on technology and how it can be used to make our municipalities better. I toured the MIDAS Fab Lab & 3D Printing Demo in Trail. I was amazed at what they can produce there -- from small coasters to car parts to medical devices to furniture.

I am pleased to report that the City's resolutions put forward regarding the abolition of Daylight Savings Time and microcell transmitter placement consultation were endorsed by the AKBLG. While neither resolution was rated in the top 5, both will be forwarded to UBCM for consideration at their annual general meeting held in September.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Christine Thompson

AKBLG Convention and AGM

I am very pleased that I attended this excellent and stimulating annual convention that was hosted by the city of Rossland from April 26-28th. Upon hearing that the Grand Forks City Council had passed a resolution limiting the number of attendees to the convention, the AKBLG Executive offered Councillor Butler and myself the option to attend the convention either as full delegates at our own expense, or as voting members for the business sessions. I made the decision to go as a full delegate because the convention theme of becoming smarter, leaner communities through new technologies aligned so well with my proposed Microcell Transmitter Placement Consultation resolution that was going before the membership for approval. Needless to say, I was not disappointed in my choice! The convention agenda was literally packed with plenary sessions, break-out sessions and an array of exhibitors focussed on demonstrating new and innovative technologies and ways of "doing business." A few of the highlights included a fascinating and informative drone and data collection seminar and another one on "open data for open government" by Ian Parfitt and Ian Dennis of the Selkirk Geospatial Research Centre. It is clear that drones are not going away and that they are more than just a hobbyist's pastime! They are going to become the norm in business, and their applications are literally endless. As well, increasing expectations for access to data for research and business are driving new data dissemination portals used at all levels of government for the public to access. Some examples already in use are the Federal Government's Open Data Portal and Data BC's portal. Other convention topics focussed on understanding the human side of implementing new smart technologies, poverty reduction, supportive housing initiatives, lessons about food from the Central Kootenay food policy council, just to mention a few.

I am also pleased to note that both motions put forward from the City of Grand Forks passed and will be going to the UBCM this fall. At the convention, I spoke with many elected officials from the Kootenay Boundary on the subject of microcell transmitters. It is clear from their approval of the resolution that they understand that this issue is going to affect all communities in BC. As I reiterated in my last report, because of the increase of wireless consumers and the demand for improved access to the many new wireless devices and services that are coming down the pipe, the use and placement of microcell transmitters is a huge issue that communities in BC will be dealing with in the coming months and years. BC municipalities need to be proactively looking at developing appropriate regulations for our communities in this regard.

There is so much more that I could report on this convention. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak directly to me about it.

Tour of Interfor

On April 19th, most members of council came out to a long-awaited tour of Interfor, conducted by Geoff Bekker, Forest Manager, and Dave Parsons, Mill Manager. The tour took several hours to complete, and was well worth every minute. A major industry in Grand Forks, Interfor employs close to 150 workers with the mill here generating over \$1 million in salaries, along with another 129 off-site contractors who service roads, as well as loggers, surveyors, tree planters, etc. Interfor has over 3,000 employees worldwide; they operate 18 mills and produce a range of products that are sold around the globe. They are fifth in North America for lumber output (the Grand Forks mill's 2017 target is 176 MMbf). At the time of our tour, the Softwood Lumber Agreement with the US had not yet been announced. More recently, Washington said that it will impose preliminary anti-subsidy duties averaging 20 percent on imports of Canadian softwood lumber. The managers expressed confidence that due to Interfor's substantial footprint in the US, the company would be able to navigate tariffs of up to 30 percent, and as I understand, the Canadian government will be fighting the tariffs with litigation. This situation directly affects our community, and we will be keeping a close eye on developments as they pertain to this sector.

Whispers of Hope AGM

On April 25th, I attended the Whisper's of Hope AGM. Judging by the standing room only attendance, this non-profit organization has a significant place in the hearts and minds of Grand Forks residents. Also, according to their financial statements, it is indeed thriving. Revenues were dramatically increased over the preceding year (largely due to Thrift Store sales), and the number of guests served also increased significantly over the previous year, pointing to the vital need that this organization fills in our community. Whispers of Hope has been a two-time recipient of Community Futures "Community Impact Award," an indication that the Executive Director, Andre Borak and the current board (of whom all were re-elected) are doing a terrific job. I am in full support of the work going on at Whispers and their place in our community, and wish to express thanks to all the volunteers and workers who dedicate their valuable time to this very worthwhile organization.

Boundary Agriculture and Food Systems Project

On May 4th, I attended a dinner/information gathering event that was held at the Doukhobor Hall. RDKB Director, Roly Russell, and Area E Director Vicki Gee along with several consultants were on hand to engage with the community with the goal of updating the 2011 Boundary Area Agricultural Plan and formulating a food security plan for the Boundary that will be called the Boundary Food Systems Plan. About 60 people were on hand to share their thoughts and ideas about food security over delicious bowls of Borscht and apple fritters. What better way to talk about food than by eating it with others! I am very interested in this topic because agriculture is an important economic driver in our area; investing in planning for an enduring food system that serves the Boundary both now and in the future will ensure that our resources remain viable for healthy food production for generations to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverley Tripp

Councillor's Report

May 15, 2017

Julia Butler

I would like to send out a huge thank you to the board of the AKBLG for allowing councillor Tripp and myself to attend this year's AKBLG conference in Rossland. After looking at the agenda and weighing our options we felt it was worth paying the costs ourselves to attend. The theme of the conference this year was, "Becoming smarter, leaner communities", with a heavy emphasis on integrating new technologies. Rather than listing all the speakers and workshops I attended I will list a few highlights and key takeaways from the week.

The tour of the new MIDAS Fab Lab in Trail was a great example of how cutting edge technology can be used to spin off new businesses in rural areas. We saw a demo of a 3D printer constructing a wrench out of plastic, a 3D scanner and software that can store the information necessary to recreate an object with the 3D printer, a laser cutter and engraver capable of working with many different materials, a plasma cutter that used a video game controller to direct its movements as well as other computer directed wood working equipment. The staff opened our minds to the limitless applications of these devices from small business to constructing high rise towers in China! The lab can be accessed by the public by purchasing a monthly membership and taking a short training session. High school students are also getting training in career options using the new technology.

With such a heavy focus on technology this year, it seemed like perfect timing to also talk about how to role out technology safely and in conjunction with human values. Keynote speakers on Thursday talked about a failed implementation in a BC hospital when the needs and values of the workers were not considered in conjunction with technology that had already been successful in other hospitals. Councillor Tripp's motion provided opportunity to debate the value of public consultation in the placement of small cell transmitters as well as the health effects associated with increased radiation exposure. The AKBLG board had recommended amending the motion to include more specific direction and it was fortunate Councillor Tripp was there to move her amended motion and explain her changes. The motion passed and will go on to the UBCM in the fall.

I also enjoyed the presentation by Ian Parfitt on GIS and Open Data. He asked the question, why is it important to give the public access to information? In response: because they expect it, they have paid for it already, self-serve portals decrease information requests, freeing up staff time, increased citizen engagement, data is fuel for someone's idea and could have economic spinoffs in areas such as real estate and Uber services. The RDEK operates a GIS data site. Knowledge creates interest and open data can help people to ask informed questions in areas they might not have been aware of previously. One area partnered with Selkirk College students to help put the data online and to start a tech club for kids.

I have found the most rewarding part of these conferences is just networking with other elected officials and staff to find out what is working in their communities and what struggles they are facing. In one of our working groups I found out about a local RRSP that has been set up through the Creston Valley Credit Union. Although the yield is lower it allows people to invest their money locally and create spin off benefits for local businesses. The Mayor of Rossland was kind enough to share ideas with me about how they strengthened their heritage component in the form and character component of their bylaws and SCP. I was also humbled to hear about all the great work other councillors are doing on committees

in their area. The Community Charter empowers councils to create select committees that help to provide input and good governance in areas of interest in their communities. It is a great way for councillors to get involved in the community while avoiding conflict of interest problems that occur when sitting independently, without a council appointment to such boards. (Jan 11, 2013 Schlenker v. Torgimson <http://www.lgma.ca/assets/Misc/LGMA-UBCM~Conflict~of~Interest~Provisions~in~the~Community~Charter/Conflict-of-Interest-Schlenker-Decision-Info-Bulletin.pdf>)

The topic of addressing poverty in our communities is a big issue in BC where we have 1 in 5 children living below the poverty line. Nadine Reynolds from the RDI shared their research. The three indicators they used were Income/single parent families, housing affordability and food security (based on “hunger count” by the food banks). Revelstoke has a poverty reduction plan but at the moment the province does not. An interesting idea that has been used in another community was to give away one of their downtown parking lots to a developer to build affordable housing. While the parking lot remained, the units were built above it. This is just one idea of many that I have come across lately as many members of our community and others grapple with the increased need for affordable housing.

On April 25 I attended the Whisper’s of Hope AGM. I was impressed to see the sharp increase in revenues largely due to the thrift store sales. Again, Whispers received the Community Impact Award from Community Futures and the interest by residents was obvious by the standing room only attendance at the meeting. Due to time constraints, there was limited time for questions at the end of the meeting. Anyone looking for more information can email, whispers.hope@hotmail.com, to correspond with the board of directors. The email is continually monitored and anyone who emails the account will get an immediate, automated response that the email was received and it will be addressed promptly. Any complaints will follow the complaint procedure that reads:

14.0 COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

Any correspondence received from the community by mail or email will be shared at the next scheduled meeting, it will be discussed and a written response will be sent. If the matter communicated in the correspondence has not been resolved, then the party/ies may be invited to present at the following board meeting.

It is also with deep regret, that the BCRCC will say good bye to Executive Director, Kathy Wright this month. Kathy has done a great job for the Chamber since taking on the role last year and losing her leadership will be challenging for the new, incoming board. With the job posting closing May 9, a new director will be training soon.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Butler

REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



To: Mayor and Council

From: Procedure Bylaw / Council

Date: May 15th, 2017

Subject: Report – from the Council's Representative to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT MAYOR KONRAD'S REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY, GIVEN VERBALLY AT THIS MEETING BE RECEIVED.**

BACKGROUND: Under the City's Procedures Bylaw No. 1946, 2013, the Order of Business permits the City's representative to the Regional District of Kootenay to report to Council and the Community on issues, and actions of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

Benefits or Impacts of the Recommendation:

General: The main advantage is that all of Council and the Public is provided with information on the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.

Policy/Legislation: The Procedure Bylaw is the governing document setting out the Order of Business at a Council meeting.

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT MAYOR KONRAD'S REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY, GIVEN VERBALLY AT THIS MEETING BE RECEIVED.**

OPTIONS:

- 1. RESOLVED THAT MAYOR KONRAD'S REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY, GIVEN VERBALLY AT THIS MEETING BE RECEIVED.**
- 2. RECEIVE THE REPORT AND REFER ANY ISSUES FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OR A REPORT: UNDER THIS OPTION, COUNCIL PROVIDED WITH THE INFORMATION GIVEN VERBALLY BY THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY DIRECTOR REPRESENTING COUNCIL AND REQUESTS FURTHER RESEARCH OR CLARIFICATION OF INFORMATION FROM STAFF ON A REGIONAL DISTRICT ISSUE.**

	
Department Head or CAO	Chief Administrative Officer

REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



To: Mayor and Council

From: Manager of Development & Engineering Services

Date: May 15, 2017

Subject: Application for a Development Variance Permit to vary the exterior side setback from 15 feet to 5 feet to rebuild an existing deck at the same location

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing an exterior side setback variance from 15 feet to 5 feet for property located at 6408-5th Street, legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 534, SDYD, Plan KAP52745 to rebuild an existing deck at the same location.

- The owner of the subject property (6408-5th Street/Lot 1, DL 534, SDYD, Plan KAP52745) has applied for a Development Variance Permit (DVP) to reduce the Zoning Bylaw Section 33(2)(f) Exterior Parcel Setback from 15 feet to 5 feet in order to replace an existing deck.
- The property is 0.472 acres, designated as Low Density Residential in the Sustainable Community Plan and is zoned R-1 (Single & Two-family Residential).
- March 13, 2017, Referral Requests were sent to various agencies and organizations for their comments by March 24, 2017.
- Once the application is introduced to the Committee of the Whole, staff is required, in accordance with the Local Government Act, to send notice to surrounding property owners notifying them of the variance application and inviting their comments and/or concerns, in writing, prior to Council's final decision at the May 15, 2017 Regular meeting.
- If Council approves the DVP, staff is required to register the DVP on title at Land Titles in Kamloops.

Timeline: Date Process

Feb. 22 / 17	DVP Application received
March 13 / 17	Referral packages sent
April 10 / 17	Report to COTW (introduction)
April 11 / 17	Letters to adjacent property owners / tenants
May 15 / 17	Report to RMC (decision)
May 16 / 17	DVP prepared and signed
May 16 / 17	Copy of DVP sent to L TO for title registration



Fiscal Accountability



Economic Growth



Community Engagement



Community Liveability

REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —

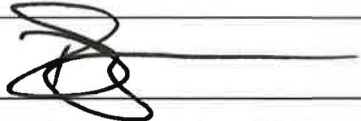



Benefits or Impacts of the Recommendation:

- General:** By approving the development variance request, the applicant would be able to rebuild an existing deck in its current location and bring it in compliance with the Zoning Bylaw.
- Strategic Impact:** N/A
- Financial:** There is no cost to the taxpayers with regard to the development variance. The applicant has paid \$350.00 for the Development Variance Permit application.
- Policy/Legislation:** The Local Government Act governs development variance applications and procedures and non-conforming structures.
- Attachments:**
- Development Variance Permit application complete with site plan showing the existing buildings and deck on the property and a picture showing the existing deck;
 - Aerial and Street views of the property

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing an exterior side setback variance from 15 feet to 5 feet for property located at 6408-5th Street, legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 534, SDYD, Plan KAP52745 to rebuild an existing deck at the same location.

- OPTIONS:**
1. COUNCIL COULD CHOOSE TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION.
 2. COUNCIL COULD CHOOSE TO NOT SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION.
 3. COUNCIL COULD CHOOSE TO REFER THE REPORT BACK TO STAFF FOR MORE INFORMATION.
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Department Head or CAO	Chief Administrative Officer



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7217-4th Street
P.O. Box 220
Grand Forks, B.C.
V0H 1H0

Telephone: 250-442-8266
Fax: 250-442-8000

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

APPLICATION FEE **\$350.00**

Receipt No. 203077 *received 12-22-17*

Registered Owner(s): VALERIE LAFRENIERE

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Legal Description:

Lot 1 DL 534 Plan KAP 52745

PID 018.848.966

Street Address: 6408 - 5th Street

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

I, VALERIE LAFRENIERE, owner of the subject property described on this application form, hereby declare that the land which is the subject of this application has not, to my knowledge been used for industrial or commercial activity as defined in the list of "Industrial Purposes and Activities" (Schedule 2) of the *Contaminated Sites Regulation (B.C. Reg. 375/96)*. I therefore declare that I am not required to submit a Site Profile under Section 26.1 or any other section of the *Waste Management Act*.

(signature)

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(date)

Feb 22/17

Outline the provisions of the respective Bylaw(s) that you wish to vary and give your reasons for making this request:

replace existing deck
ext along house only
Vary Section 33(2)(f) exterior parcel setback
from 15' to 5' to replace deck.

Submit the following information with the application:

1. A legible site plan showing the following:

- (a) The boundaries and dimensions of the subject property.
- (b) The location of permanent or proposed buildings and structures existing on the property.
- (c) The location of any proposed access roads, parking, screening, landscaping or fencing.
- (d) The location and nature of any physical or topographic constraints on the property (stream, ravines, marshes, steep slopes, etc.)

Other information or more detailed information may be requested by the City of Grand Forks upon review of your application.

The information provided is full and complete and to the best of knowledge to be a true statement of the facts, relating to this application.

Signature of Owner: _____

Date

Feb 22/17

AGENT'S AUTHORIZATION

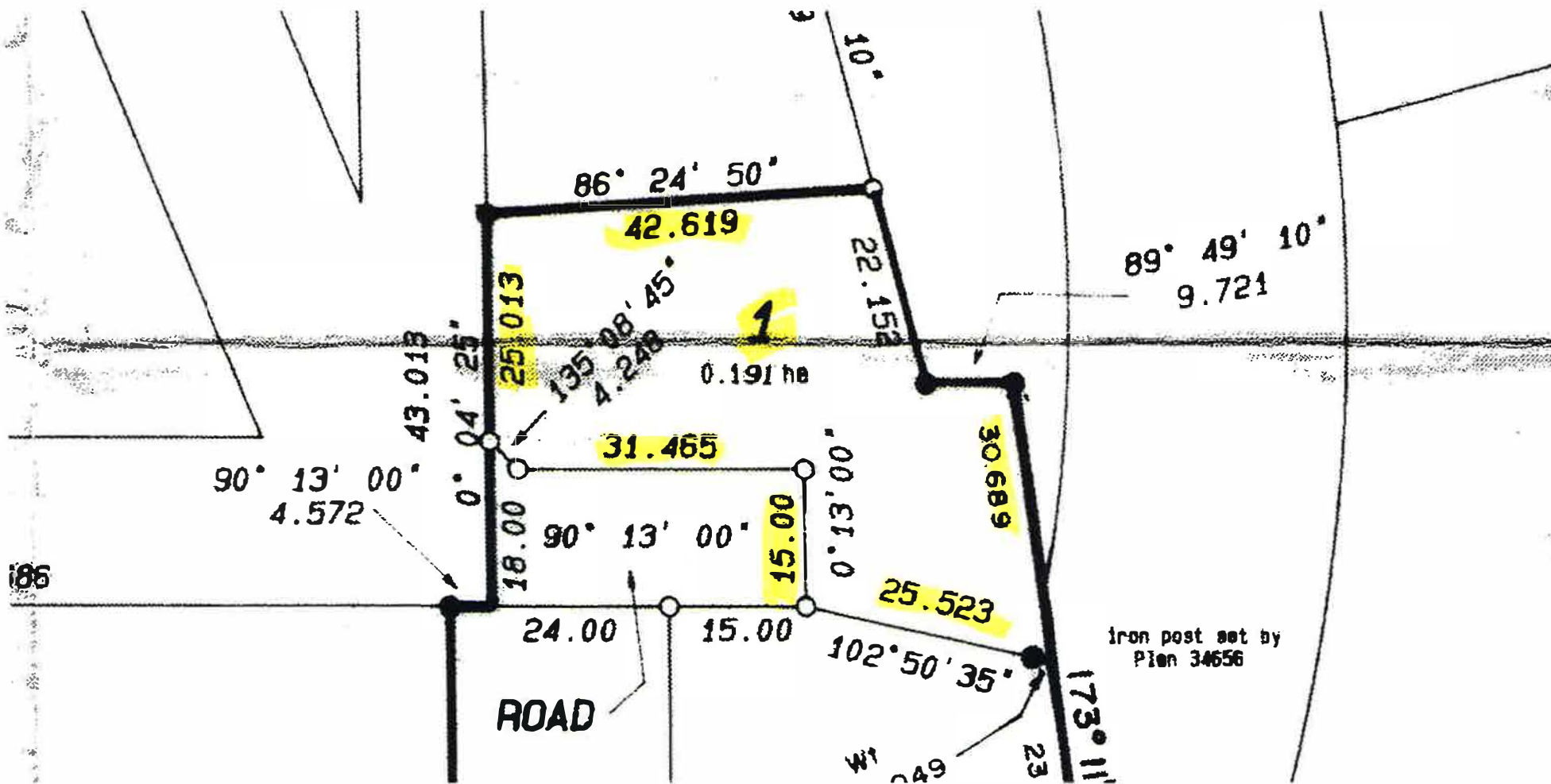
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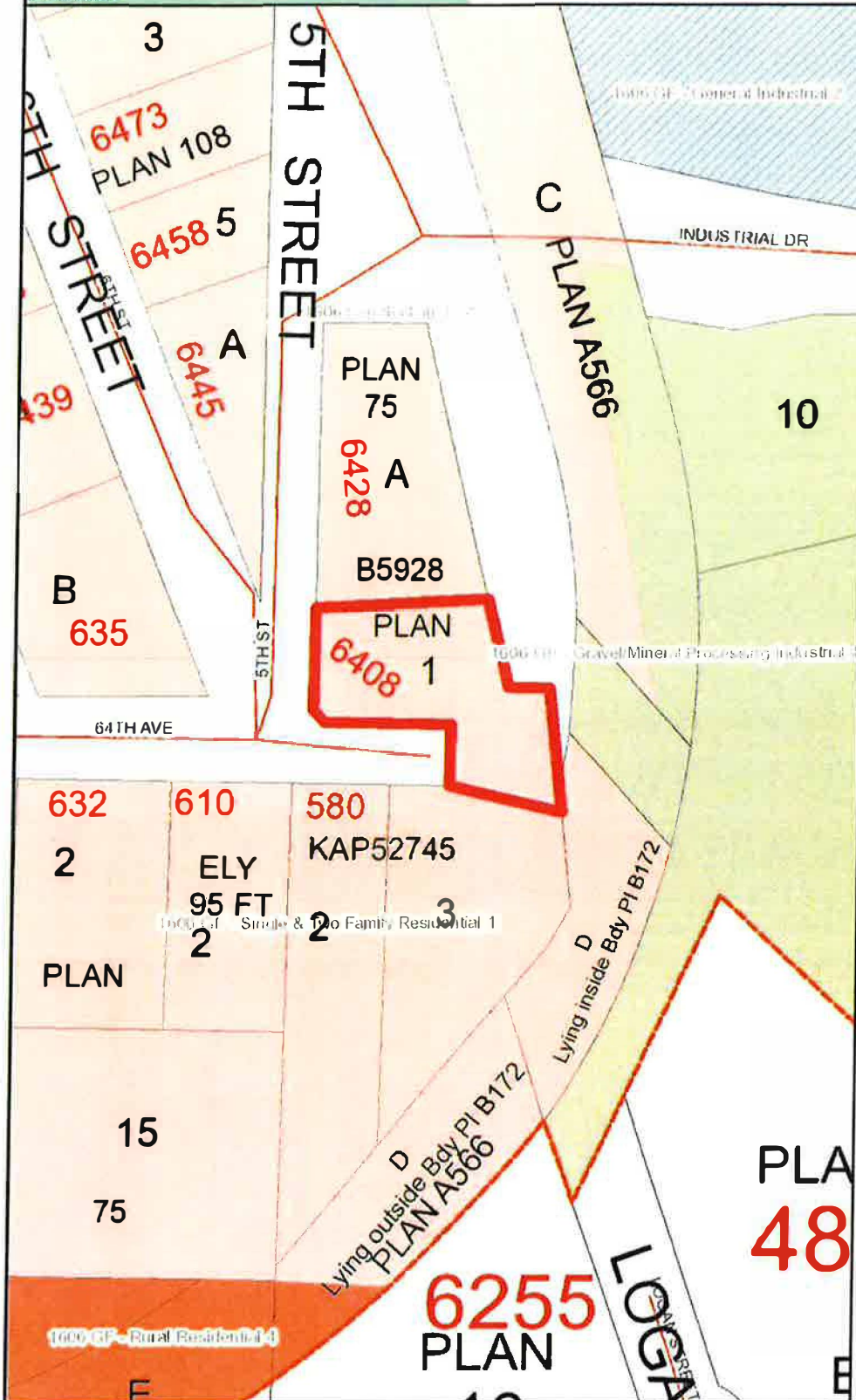
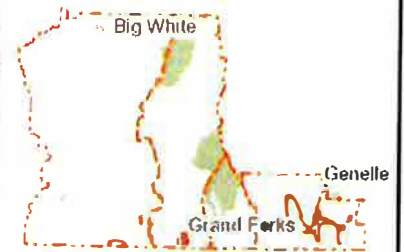
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Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Owner(s) Signature of Authorization





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 - CAD_GAS
 - CAD_HIGHWAY
 - CAD_HYDRO
 - CAD_INTER_BDY
 - CAD_LOTUNE
 - CAD_LOTLINE_LICENSE
 - CAD_LOTLINE_WATER
 - CAD_RAILWAY
 - CAD_RAILWAY_ABAN
 - CAD_ROAD
 - CAD_TELEPHONE
 - CAD_TOWNSHIP
- Miscellaneous Cadastral Lines**
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 - CADM_ARROW
 - CADM_BRIDGE
 - CADM_DEWDNEY_TRAIL
 - CADM_EASEMENT
 - CADM_HOOK
 - CADM_LEASE_LICENSE
 - CADM_MAP_RESERVE
 - CADM_MINERAL_CLAIM
 - CADM_MISC_RW
 - CADM_MTN_TOP_MARKER
 - CADM_SKI_LIFT
 - CADM_STAR
 - CADM_TRANSCANADA_TRAIL
 - CADM_UNSURVEYED_ROAD
- Parcels
- Provincial Park
- City of Grand Forks**
 - Single & Two Family Residential 1 (R1)
 - Single Family Residential 1A (R1A)

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1 cm represents 14.73 m



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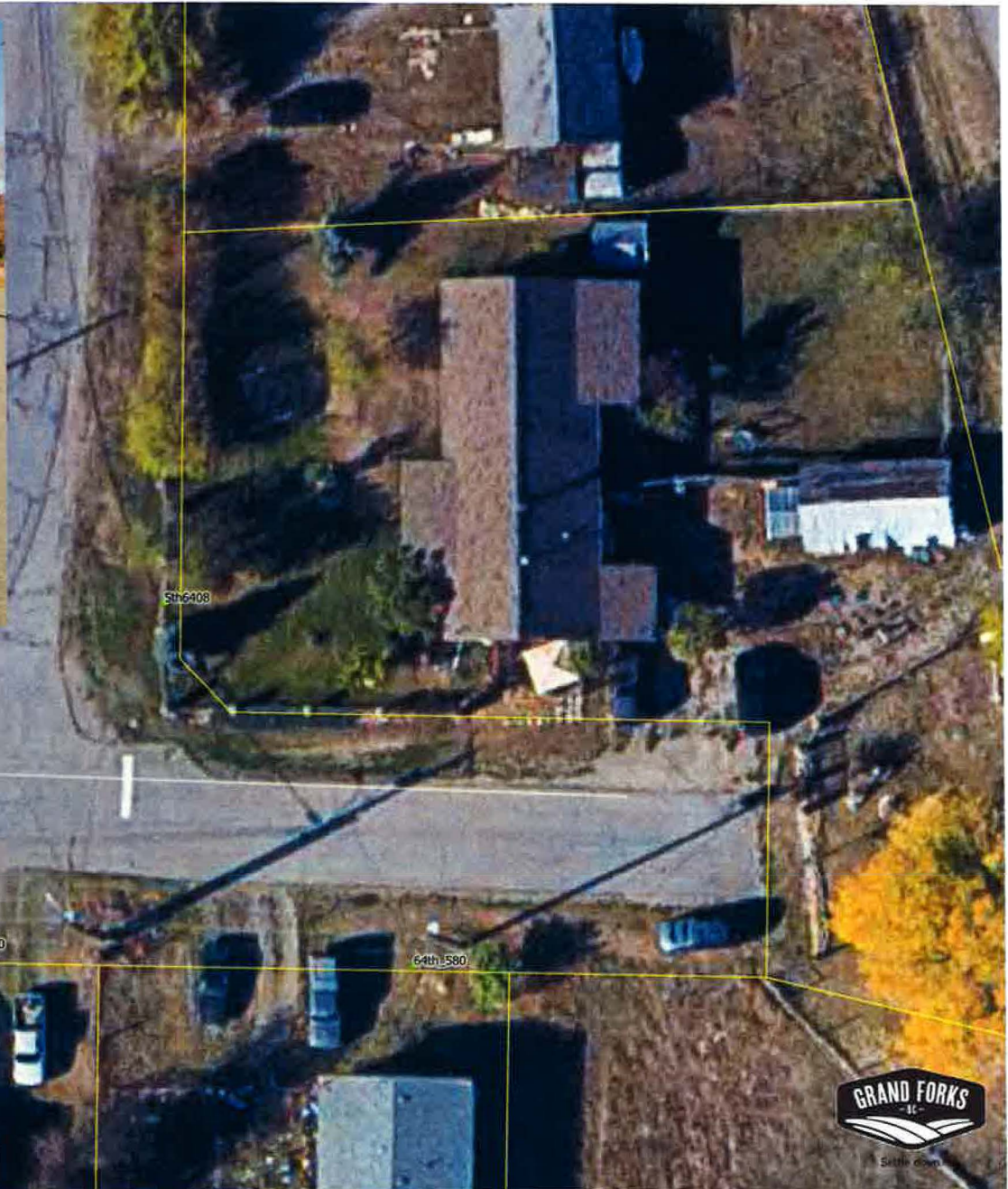
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Printed on 07-Mar-2017

Notes: Zoning R-1 (Single & Two-family Residential)
6408-5th Street

This map is for general information only. The RDKB does not guarantee its accuracy or correctness. All information should be verified.

Selkirk College





REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



To: Mayor and Council
From: Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Date: May 15, 2017
Subject: Development Variance Permit regarding parcel setbacks and parking requirements for a Habitat for Humanity development
Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT** Council approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing a front setback variance from 6.0 metres to 4.5 m for properties located at 803/813 72nd Ave (Lot 3 and Lot 4, District Lot 108, SDYD, Plan KAP 92057), and a reduction of the east interior parcel setback from 1.5 m to 0.0 m on lot 3, with one of the parking spaces for Lot 3 to be met with a Parking Access Easement on the westerly portion of Lot 4

Background:

- Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC (Habitat) owns the properties located on 72nd Ave at Kettle River Drive, legally described as Lot 3 and Lot 4, District Lot 108, SDYD, Plan KAP 92057.
- Habitat wishes to develop the subject properties as an affordable housing development with a duplex to be located on Lot 3 and a small single family dwelling on Lot 4.
- The subject properties are in R-1 Single and Two Family Residential, and are in the Multiple-Housing Development Permit Area (MP)(single or two-family dwellings do not require a development permit)
- There is an existing Development Variance Permit (DVP)(devprm#2008-6) on Lot 1-3 (also known as Parcels E-G in the DVP) reducing the front parcel line setback requirement from 20 feet to 15 feet, due to the fact that the rear yards along that section of 72nd Ave are steep slopes and difficult to develop. Lot 1 has a subsequent DVP varying the front parcel line setback to 14.4 feet
- Lot 3 is 533.4 m² and Lot 4 is 535.3 m². Lot 4 was created by a road closure in April of 2011.
- The City also placed a 3 m-wide Statutory Right of Way (Plan KAP 92200) 4.501 m from the westerly lot line on Lot 4 between 72nd Ave and the lane extending from 73rd Ave for protection of the water line (asset id: WM-0280) from 72nd Ave up 8th St.

Recommended solution:



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REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



- Lot 3 could accommodate the same size duplex as Lot 1 (approx. 14.5 m x 9.3 m) with a standard 1.5 m west interior side yard setback and a variance from 6.0 m to 4.5 m front parcel setback and 1.5 m to 0.0 m east interior side parcel setback (including roof overhang).
- Due to the right-of-way, Lot 4 could accommodate a small home (max 11 m wide) on the easterly portion, with a standard east interior side parcel line setback of 1.5 m and a variance from 6.0 m to 4.5 m front parcel line setback to front face of dwelling and a minimum of 1.5 m from front parcel line to foot of stairs. No setback is required to the right-of-way line.
- Due to the reduction in area between front parcel line and the front of the buildings, alternative solutions for **parking** would also be required. According to the Zoning Bylaw, each dwelling unit requires 2 off-street parking spaces. Due to the smaller size of these dwellings and their proximity to downtown, the department recommends reducing the offstreet parking requirements to:
 - **one space** for Lot 4 (one dwelling unit), accommodated on the right-of-way, such that no building, pavement, or asphalt is placed on the right-of-way
 - **three spaces** for Lot 3, accommodated on the westerly remainder of Lot 4 using a subsection 18(5) *Property Law Act* easement for a parking access agreement benefiting Lot 3 and Section 219 *Land Title Act* Covenant restricting any building on the portion of Lot 4 west of the right-of-way.
- In support of a new affordable housing project on a site with siting and slope constraints, Council may consider, by resolution, waiving planning, development, and permit fees.

Benefits or Impacts of the Recommendation:

General: Facilitates development of affordable housing in the City

Strategic Impact: Infill development supports a healthy town core

Financial: Infill development increases tax revenue

Policy/Legislation: Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw No. 1606, BC *Land Title Act*, BC *Property Law Act*.

Attachments: Development Variance Permit Application complete with Site Plan showing proposed development overlaid on orthophotograph; legal plans; excerpt from Zoning Bylaw – R-1



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REQUEST FOR DECISION

— REGULAR MEETING —



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DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, SECTION 498

APPLICATION FEE \$350.00

Receipt No. _____

Registered Owner(s): Habitat for Humanity SE BC
PO BOX 1088, GRAND FORKS BC V0H 1H0

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Work: 778.632.0006
Email: bob.huff@hfhsebc.org

Legal Description: Lot 3 & 4 Plan KAP92057-

P.I.D: Lot 3 - 028-591-526 Lot 4 -028-591-534

Street Address: # 803 - 72nd Ave. Grand Forks

813 - 72nd Ave, Grand Forks

DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

I, HFH Southeast BC, owner of the subject property described on this application form, hereby declare that the land which is the subject of this application has not, to my knowledge been used for industrial or commercial activity as defined in the list of "Industrial Purposes and Activities" (Schedule 2) of the Contaminated Sites Regulation (B.C. Reg. 375/96). I therefore declare that I am not required to submit a Site Profile under Section 26.1 or any other section of the Waste Management Act.

(signature)

HFH SE BC

March 31, 2017

(date)

Outline the provisions of the respective Bylaw(s) that you wish to vary and give your reasons for making this request:

Lot 4 will need a special design to build a single family home on it due to the water line running thru the middle of the lot. Also there is a steep embankment at the rear of the property that requires the house to be situated closer to 72nd Ave.

Lot 3 has a steep embankment at the rear of the property that requires the duplex to be situated closer to 72nd Ave. This will reduce the ability to park more than 2/3 cars

Submit the following information with the application:

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The information provided is full and complete and to the best of knowledge to be a true statement of the facts, relating to this application.

Signature of Owner

ED HFHSEBC

Date

Mar 31/2017

AGENT'S AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the person/company listed below to act on my behalf with respect to this application:

Name of Authorized Agent: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Owner(s) Signature of Authorization

FENCE PLAN OF THAT PART OF DL 108, SOYD SHOWN AS CLOSED ROAD ON PLAN KAP 91877
 PARCEL E (BEING A CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS 22, 23 AND 24 SEE L8251933)
 PARCEL F (BEING A CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS 25, 26 AND 27 SEE L8251934)
 PARCEL G (BEING A CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS 28 AND 29, SEE L8251935)
 OF BLOCK 35, DL 108, SOYD, PLAN 72

PLAN KAP 932057

Deposited in the Land Title Office at Kamloops, B.C. this _____ day of MAY 10 2010 20 _____

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BCGS 82E.008

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THIS PLAN LIES WITHIN THE KOOTENA BOUNDARY REGIONAL DISTRICT

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY-BOUNDARY SOCIETY

P.B. Mansell
 AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY: P.B. Mansell
Rick Friesen
 AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY: Rick Friesen
Karen Brack
 WITNESS TO BOTH SIGNATURES

I, A.F. MOEFSLOOT, A BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND SURVEYOR, CERTIFY THAT I WAS PRESENT AT AND PERSONALLY SUPERINTENDED THE SURVEY REPRESENTED BY THIS PLAN, AND THAT THE SURVEY AND PLAN ARE CORRECT. THE FIELD SURVEY WAS COMPLETED ON THE 19 TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2010. THE PLAN WAS COMPLETED AND CHECKED, AND THE CHECKLIST FILED UNDER 116195, ON THE 25 TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2010.

A. F. MoeFsloot
 A.F.M.

Approved under the Land Title Act
 this 28TH day of
 April 20 11

S.B.
 Approving Officer for the
 City of Grand Forks

PRINT NAME OF WITNESS

KAREN BRACK
 2071 Fife Road
 Kamloops, B.C.
 Land Surveyor

ADDRESS OF WITNESS

OCCUPATION OF WITNESS

A.F. MOEFSLOOT
 BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND SURVEYOR
 P.O. BOX 2740, GRAND FORKS, B.C.
 V0H 1H0 250-442-5597
 10-19-2

REFERENCE PLAN OF STATUTORY RIGHT OF WAY OVER
PART OF LOT 4, DL 108, SOYO, PLAN KAP92057

Pursuant To Section 113 of the Land Title Act

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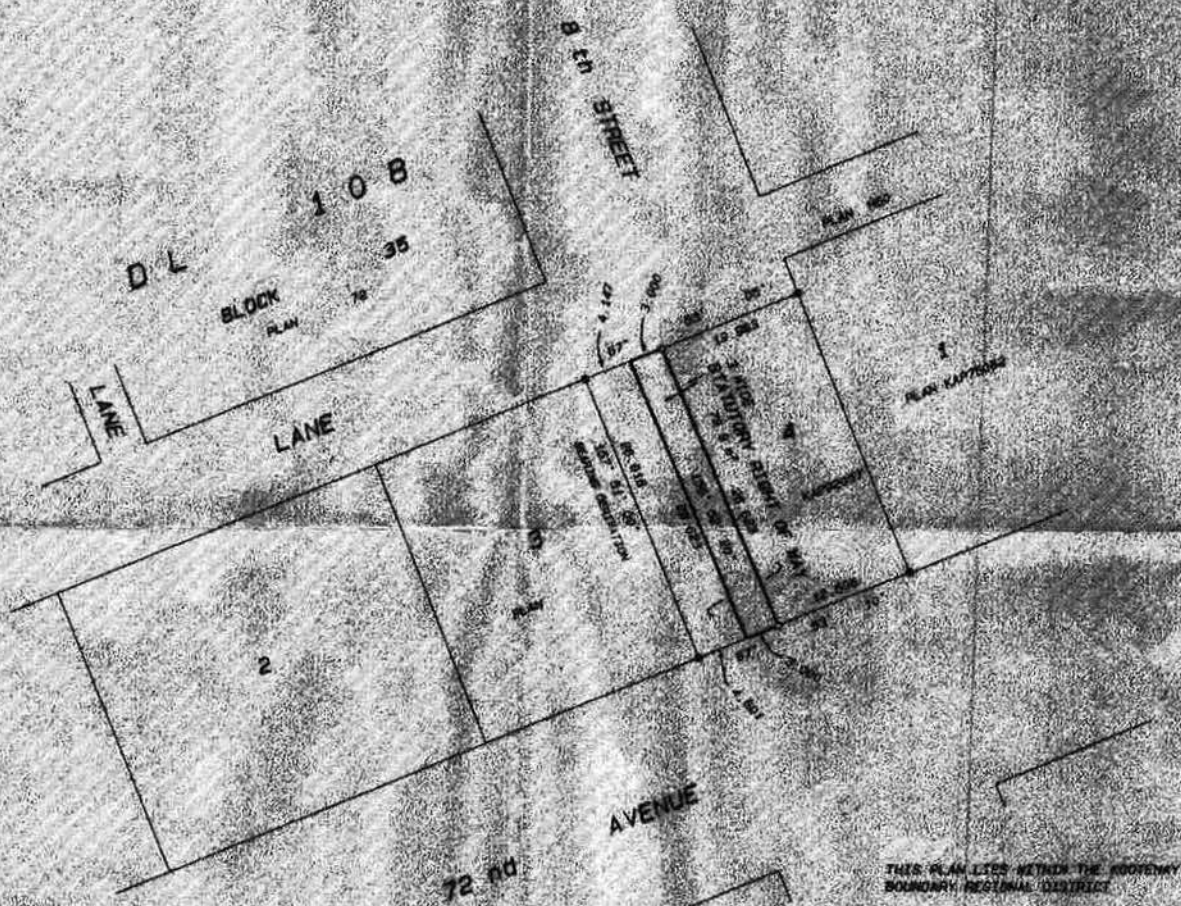
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PLAN KAP 112219

Deposited in the Land Title Office
at Kamloops, B.C. this
day of JUL 04 2011

REGISTERED



THIS PLAN LIES WITHIN THE ROYALTY
BOUNDARY REGIONAL DISTRICT

I, A. F. HOEFSLOOT, A BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND
SURVEYOR, CERTIFY THAT I WAS PRESENT AT
AND PERSONALLY SUPERINTENDED THE SURVEY
REPRESENTED BY THIS PLAN, AND THAT THE SURVEY
AND PLAN ARE CORRECT. THE FIELD SURVEY WAS
COMPLETED ON THE 23RD DAY OF JUNE, 2011.
THE PLAN WAS COMPLETED AND CHECKED, AND THE
CHECKLIST FILED UNDER 124219 ON THE 24TH
DAY OF JUNE 2011.

A. F. Hoefsloot
B.C.L.S.

LEGEND

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A. F. HOEFSLOOT

BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND SURVEYOR
P.O. BOX 2740, GRAND FORKS, B.C.
V0N 1H0 250-440-5597

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MEMORANDUM



DATE : May 15, 2017

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Manager of Development and Engineering

SUBJECT: Costs and benefits regarding Habitat for Humanity Request for Fee Relief

On April 24 Council resolved to receive the request from Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC (Habitat) for relief from development fees and charges, and resolved to direct staff to provide a report to Council advising on the cost amounts. This memo identifies estimated development costs to be waived if Council approves the request and the estimated timeline for recovery of those costs through increased tax revenue.

Table 1. Cost estimates for development fees for three dwellings

<i>Cost item</i>	<i>Est / Actual Amount</i>	<i>Comment</i>
<i>Development Variance Permit</i>	\$350	Actual
<i>Building & Plumbing Permit</i>	\$4000	Estimated
<i>Water & Sewer Connection</i>	\$800	Estimated
<i>Electrical Connections</i>	\$3690	As per By2015-A1
Total	\$8840	

- Lot 4 (bisected by the water main and only can be developed on the east side) is assessed at \$48,600, and lot 3 is assessed at \$48,400. 2016 tax levy was \$586 and \$560, respectively.
- Lot 1 and 2 (existing duplex) is assessed at \$161,300 and \$162,300 per side of the duplex, with each side providing a total levy of \$1758 / \$1769 respectively.
- The City portion of this levy is \$762/\$776 per side and for the undeveloped lot 3 is \$239, so the increase in revenue is at least \$500 per year per dwelling, or \$1,500 per year for three dwellings, all other costs being equal.
- This increase in revenue would support the recovery of \$8,840 in costs in approximately 6 years.





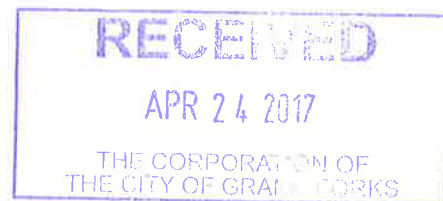
Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Society (2001)

PO Box 2082

Grand Forks, BC V0H 1H0

www.grandforksbaseball.com

April 23, 2016



Corporation of the City of Grand Forks

Box 220

Grand Forks, BC V0H 1H0

Attn: City Council

Dear Mayor and Councillors:

RE: GRAND FORKS INTERNATIONAL LIQUOR PERMIT

The Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Committee is requesting permission to sell liquor at James Donaldson Park during the 2017 Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament from June 27 to July 2, 2017. Hours of service will be 11:00am to 11:00pm (or earlier, depending on the projected end time of the last game). As in prior years, the GFI will obtain liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured.



We look forward to a positive response to this request. If you require further information, please contact Tournament Coordinator Gerry Foster at 250-442-9494 or jgfoster@telus.net, or Paul Plamondon at 250-443-4125 or paul3669@telus.net.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

Gerry Foster
2017 GFI Coordinator

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request for Liquor
Licence June 27 -
July 2

From:  Patricia Bevilacqua <pattibevilacqua@gmail.com>
Subject: May is MS Awareness Month
To:  Info City of Grand Forks

Apr 9, 2017 10:42:19 PM



Attachments:  Letter to Grand Forks.doc / Uploaded File (480K)
 Proclamation.doc / Uploaded File (25K)



Hello Mayor Konrad,

I am the chair of the Interior Regional Board of the MS Society of Canada. May is MS Awareness month and I'm writing to ask you to consider supporting us by making a civic proclamation to raise awareness. Please read my attached letter with more details and find a sample proclamation attached for your consideration. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any question - am happy to chat.

Patti Bevilacqua
Chair
Interior Regional Board
MS Society of Canada
250-666-0505

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WE3- m1- MS Society - May Awareness Month



BC & Yukon Division
1103-4720 Kingsway
Burnaby, BC V5H 4N2
Telephone: (604) 689-3144
Fax: (604) 689-0377
Toll Free: 1-800-268-7582
Yukon Toll Free: 1-866-991-0577
www.mssociety.ca

Mayor Frank Konrad and Council
7217-4th Street
Grand Forks, BC V0H 1H0

April 10, 2017

Dear Mayor Frank Konrad:

May is MS Awareness Month.

My name is Patti Bevilacqua and I am a member of the Interior Regional Board of the MS Society of Canada. I have had MS for almost 27 years and it has had a great impact on my life. I started my dream job as a Physical Education teacher in September 1989 and in March 1990 I was diagnosed with MS. My career as a PE teacher was cut very short and not by my own choice. I was devastated! Every day, 3 more people in Canada are diagnosed with MS, and with your help to raise the profile of MS we can work to make it a thing of the past."

Members of the Interior Regional Chapter of the MS Society of Canada urge you to proclaim the month of May as MS Awareness Month in Fruitvale to call attention to the exemplary efforts of the 100,000 Canadians who live every day with the challenge of this neurological disease. BC has the third highest concentration of people with MS in Canada.

A sample proclamation is enclosed for your consideration.

Since our founding in 1948, the MS Society of Canada has been a leader in funding vital MS research into the cause, prevention and treatment of MS while providing services and support to people with MS and their families. The MS Society is proud of the work and contribution that our supporters and members continue to make to communities across BC.

Please contact me with any questions about the proclamation. I can be reached by phone at 250-666-0505 and email at pattibevilacqua@gmail.com

Through the combined efforts of people across Canada in towns such as Grand Forks, the MS Society can bring hope for an end to MS.

Sincerely,

Patti Bevilacqua
Chair
Interior Regional Board
MS Society of Canada

Proclamation

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling neurological disease affecting an estimated 100,000 Canadians and more than 12,000 British Columbians; and

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis symptoms vary widely and may lead to problems with numbness, coordination, vision and speech, as well as extreme fatigue and even paralysis; and

WHEREAS, there is no known cause of, prevention of, or cure for multiple sclerosis; and

WHEREAS, the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, is the only national organization in Canada that supports both MS research and services for people with MS and their families; and

WHEREAS, annual fundraising events such as the Scotiabank MS WALK, MS Bike Tour, and A & W's Burger to Beat MS support programs to enhance the lives of people affected by multiple sclerosis and their families and supports MS research in Canada; and

WHEREAS, since 1948, the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada has provided more than \$100 million for MS research; and is grateful for the dedication and commitment of it's supporters and volunteers that has made this possible; and

WHEREAS, BC will continue to lead the way in multiple sclerosis research, through one of the world's most renowned multiple sclerosis research facilities at the University of British Columbia;

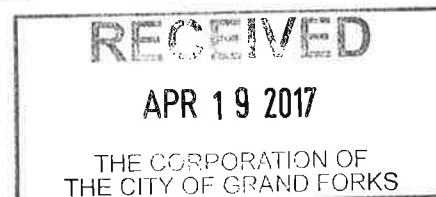
WHEREAS, together we will find ways to enhance the quality of lives for people affected by multiple sclerosis and to find a cure to end MS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, (name here), Mayor of the City of (name of city here) of the Province of British Columbia, Canada, do hereby proclaim this month of May 2016 to be MS Awareness Month for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada.

THIS DATE:

SIGNATURE

From: "Stephen White" <stephen.white@best.bc.ca> 2017-04-...
Subject: BC Commuter Challenge - A Sustainable Initiative
To: Info City of Grand Forks



Attachments: 2017 CC Info Package.pdf / Uploaded File (1.2M)
Commuter Challenge Poster 2017.pdf / Uploaded File (658K)

Spring is here and the BC Commuter Challenge is up next! June 4 – 10th, join us as we celebrate National Environment Week by commuting to work sustainably!

Please, do your best to rid yourself of a lonely commute in a single occupancy vehicle. Share the ride with someone in a **carpool**, give **transit** a go, get your body moving and love your commute!

Whether you make a change in your routine or not, you are the fuel for change! The power is in the numbers so every commute counts!

Last year BC participants avoided 44,305 kg of CO₂ and travelled nearly 300,000 km, thanks to 317 dedicated workplaces. Will you join them and make this year a monumental success?!

Register now on our brand new, refreshingly simple website for a chance to win an early bird prize! There you'll find resources, prizes, statistics and stories. I will personally guide you and your workplace if you should need anything at all. Good luck and happy commuting!

Sincerely,

Stephen White
Provincial Coordinator
BC Commuter Challenge
Better Environmentally Sound Transportation (BEST)
604-669-2860 ext. 200
204-175 E Broadway
Vancouver, BC, V5T 1W2



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Challenge June 4-10

2017 BC Commuter Challenge



Challenge yourself. Challenge your team.

June 4th to 10th, 2017



2017 BC Commuter Challenge - June 4th to 10th, 2017



Are you looking for a fun, easy and engaging team building activity for your organization?

The Commuter Challenge is a fun, friendly competition between individuals and workplaces. Participants walk, cycle, take transit, carpool, carshare or work from home.

This will be the 21st consecutive year for the Commuter Challenge has been organized in BC. Last year, nearly 400 workplaces registered in BC. Across Canada close to 20,000 people participated; help us to keep moving forward BC!



OUR GOAL:

To encourage healthy, safe and green communities.

YOUR GOAL:

To get **EVERYONE** in your workplace involved.

...oh! Did we mention, there are many **PRIZES?!**



WORKPLACE COORDINATORS NEEDED:

It's an easy, rewarding experience. All we need you to do is:

- Register your workplace (and yourself, of course!)
- Remind your colleagues to register and track their commute online
- Get great prizes and come to the party!

GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON:

- Participants can win gift cards, passes to fitness clubs, books, tickets for sporting and arts events, coffee, and much more!
- Super benefits for workplace coordinators including gift cards, relaxation prizes, books and much more!
- Tons of prizes for the workplace!

SIGN UP YOUR TEAM TODAY!



Step 1: Appoint your Workplace Coordinator

Step 2: Let us know you want to participate. Email us at: commuterchallenge@best.bc.ca

Step 3: Register your team at www.commuterchallengebc.com

Step 4: Get ready to have fun! Instructions to follow...

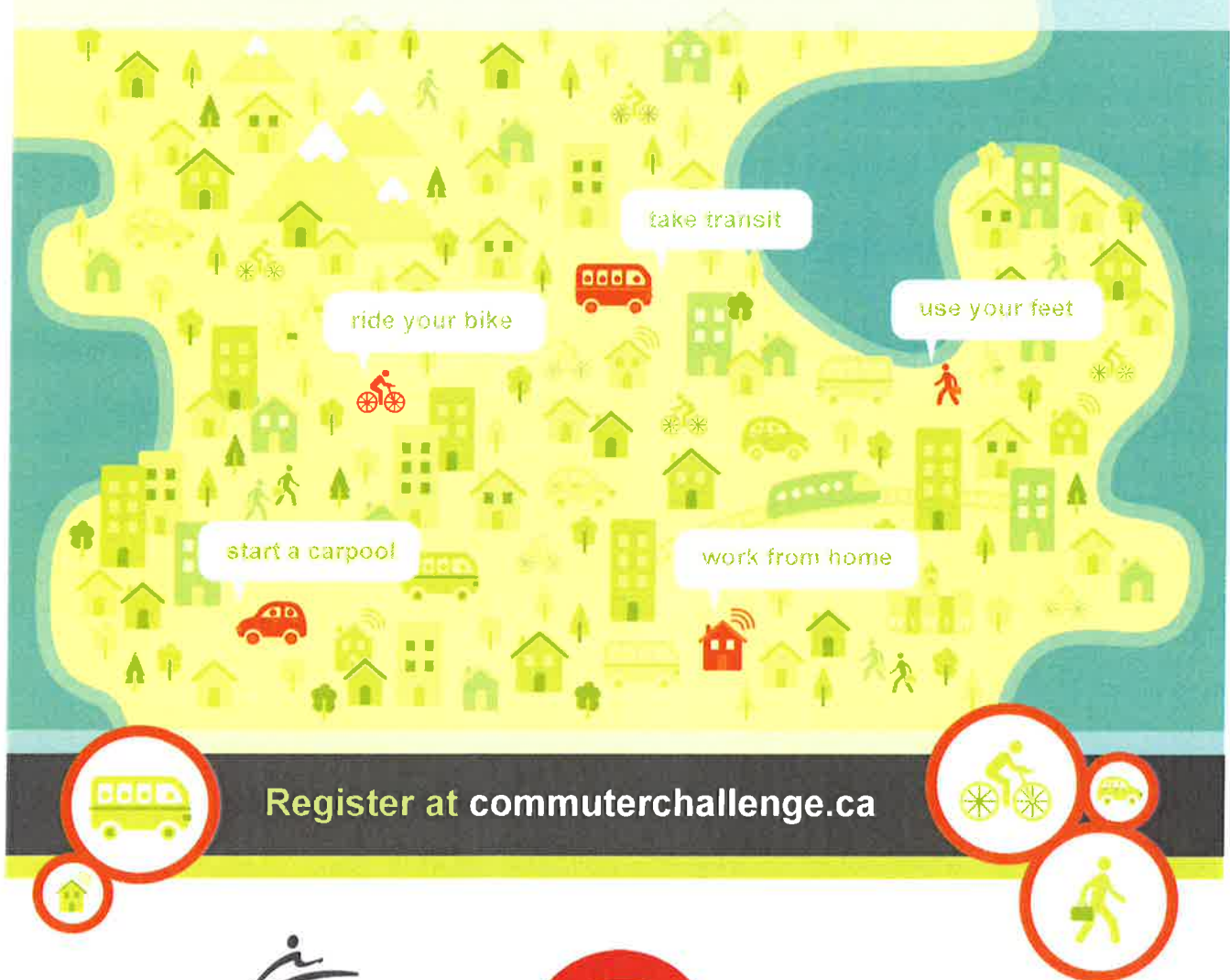


Commuter Challenge

JUNE 4-10, 2017

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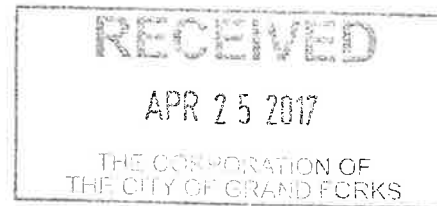
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April 15, 2017

Dear Mayor KONRAD and Council,

RE: Quarterly Crime Statistics - January / February / March

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WES *R6 - Crime Stats* *RCMP Quarterly*

CRIME CATEGORIES	GRAND FORKS Q1 2016	GRAND FORKS Q1 2017	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2016	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2017	RURAL Q1 2016	RURAL Q1 2017	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2016	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2017
Homicide / Attempted Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assaults	6	6	1	2	1	0	8	8
Sexual Offences	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Auto Theft	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Break and Enters	5	3	4	1	2	3	11	7
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4	4	0	0	3	1	7	5
Drug Investigations	9	9	0	0	4	0	13	9
TOTAL PERSONS/VIOLENT CC	23	14	1	4	4	2	28	20
TOTAL PROPERTY CC	36	54	5	4	10	10	51	68
TOTAL OTHER CC	37	35	0	0	0	2	37	37
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE (CC)	96	103	6	8	14	14	116	125
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	377	426	44	61	116	106	537	593



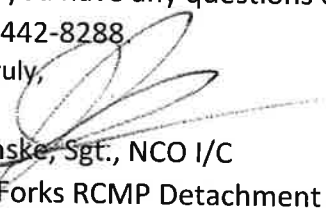
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TRAFFIC AND IMPAIRED	GRAND FORKS Q1 2016	GRAND FORKS Q1 2017	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2016	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2017	RURAL Q1 2016	RURAL Q1 2017	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2016	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2017
Motor Vehicle Collisions	14	7	5	5	16	11	35	23
Motor Vehicle Collisions W Fatal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Impaired Driving - CC	5	1	0	1	1	1	6	3
Impaired Driving - MVA (IRPs)	11	2	0	2	1	0	12	4

COMMUNITY	GRAND FORKS Q1 2016	GRAND FORKS Q1 2017	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2016	CHRISTINA LAKE Q1 2017	RURAL Q1 2016	RURAL Q1 2017	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2016	GF DET TOTALS Q1 2017
Files with youth negative contacts	6	5	0	1	4	0	10	6
Mental Health Related Calls	22	29	1	2	6	8	29	39
Files involving Alcohol / Drugs	46	17	2	5	7	3	55	25
Domestic Violence Files	4	2	1	1	1	0	6	3

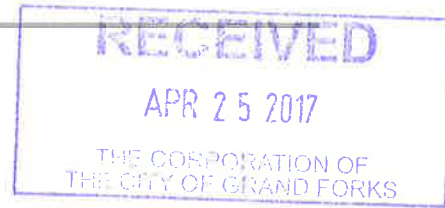
Should you have any questions or concerns, or should you wish to discuss these statistics, please do not hesitate to contact me at 250-442-8288.

Yours truly,


Jim Fenske, Sgt., NCO I/C
Grand Forks RCMP Detachment



NEWS



Six Ways to End Homelessness in BC

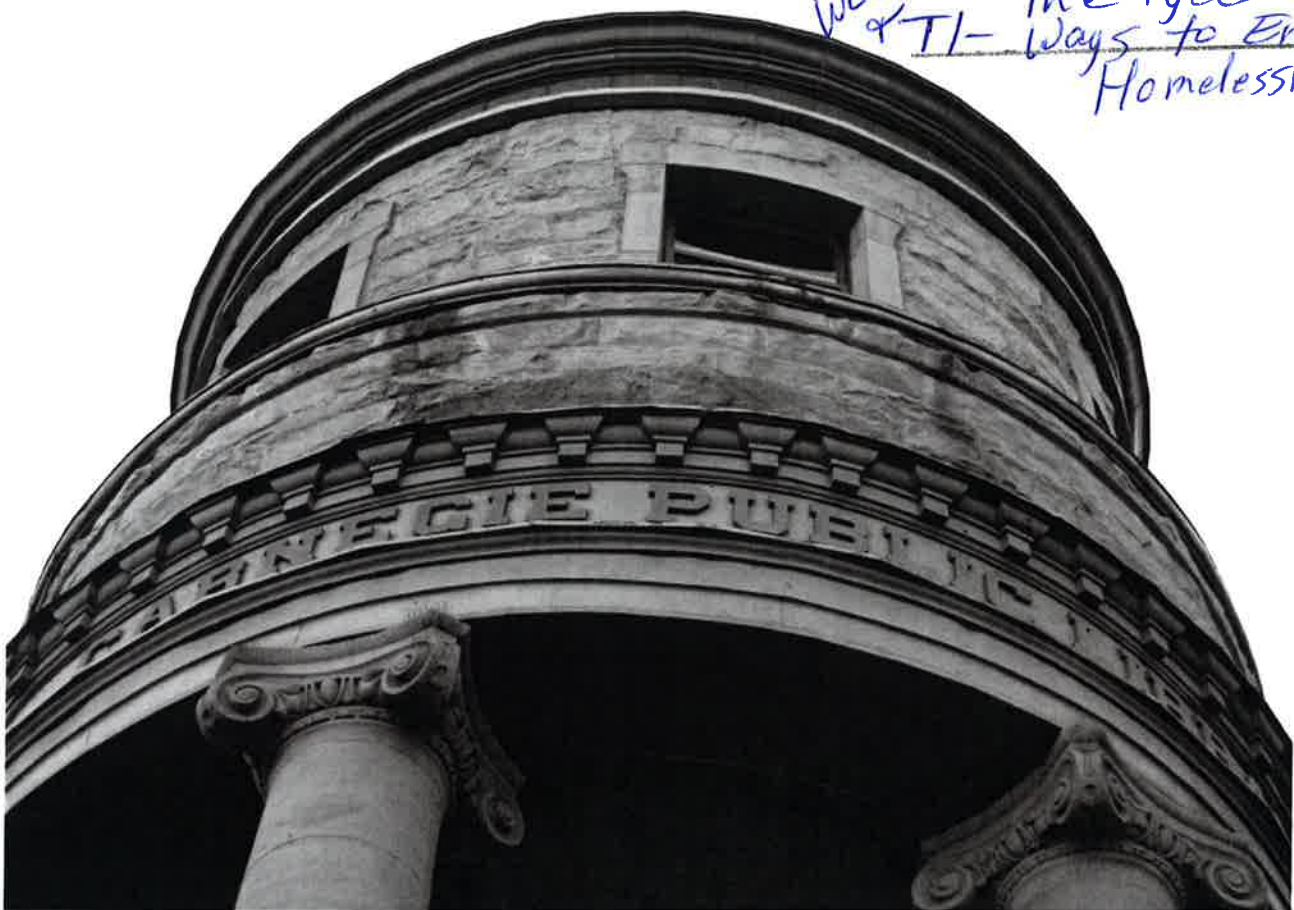
A plan and a commitment can go a long way to lessen the crisis on the streets. Last in a series.

**By Stefania Seccia**

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The Carnegie Community Centre in the Downtown Eastside is a safe respite for people in the area to find community, attend workshops, access the library, and it provides a space for housing advocates working to keep affordable housing in their neighbourhood. Photo by [Leeann Cafferata \(https://www.flickr.com/photos/leeanncafferata/\)](https://www.flickr.com/photos/leeanncafferata/), Creative Commons licensed.

No matter which party takes power after next month's B.C. election, it will have to deal with a record-breaking homelessness crisis. It has rightly been called an "emergency."

For the last six months, I've been looking for solutions — in the backyards of places that have seen some success housing their unsheltered, talking to experts, but most importantly, to people who are experiencing homelessness themselves and often know exactly what needs to be done.

What follows is some of what I've learned. More details on most of them can be found in the series of [reports](https://thetyee.ca/Series/2016/11/07/Changing-Homelessness/) (<https://thetyee.ca/Series/2016/11/07/Changing-Homelessness/>) I've filed to The Tyee and Megaphone, the magazine where I'm managing editor, over the last half year. But as suggestions, these are mine, not those of either publication.

Most of these ideas would require the province to spend more, but in the long run they would save B.C. taxpayers more money than we spend now on a frayed patchwork of social programs and revolving-door criminal justice. Alberta's Medicine Hat ended its persistent homelessness — and went from spending \$134,000 a year on emergency services for each person without a home, to \$34,000 for their supportive housing.

So, here are some things we could do:

1. Authorize tent cities in lieu of criminalizing people experiencing homelessness. (<https://thetyee.ca/News/2016/11/07/Rethinking-Tent-Cities/>)

Bylaws that criminalize people who pitch a tent for shelter, when a lack of housing and emergency beds leaves no other option, only further marginalize them. Cities that have authorized tent encampments, and provide services to these tent cities, have a better chance of engaging people in the formal social-support system, and eventually re-connecting them to a home.

"My argument is [that] while new units are being built, we are going to see people sheltering outdoors. It's better for them, and better for the wider community, if it happens in regulated and predictable and supportive spaces instead of ad hoc tent cities — as we're seeing."

— Victoria Councillor Ben Isitt.

2. 'Yes, in my backyard!' (<https://thetyee.ca/News/2016/12/05/Yes-In-My-Backyard/>)

People averse to social housing or emergency shelters in their neighbourhood can mean the difference between someone sleeping inside in safety or on the street. Neighbours often fear that social and shelter facilities will lower their property values and increase local crime. In fact, research over 20 years has repeatedly busted those fears as false.

“I let people know that this can be anybody. And to make every effort not to lump people together, or make assumptions, when we don’t know that particular person until we’ve met. And I ask that people don’t assume that because someone is homeless that it means they don’t want services or housing. If they seem reluctant, there’s probably some very good reasons for that. I try to just normalize it. This is about people trying to survive.”

— Wanda Mulholland, Burnaby resident and coordinator with the Society to End Homelessness in Burnaby.

3. Wrap people with necessary services; start with a home.

(<https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/01/16/Homelessness-Not-Forever/>)

Cities in Alberta such as Medicine Hat, Edmonton, and Calgary, have either dramatically decreased or eliminated chronic street homelessness by making secure shelter an initial priority — the Housing First model — and then “wrapping” people in other services. British Columbia supports Housing First in principle, but hasn’t coordinated other services well enough.

“We’re trying to provide immediate access to housing, and then it’s taking people six months to actually obtain a service [in B.C.]. That’s a long time to ask someone to figure out how to maintain housing if they don’t have the wrap-around support.”

— Rebecca Bell, manager with the Greater Vancouver Shelter Strategy.

“These are critical [services] that have to be working together, and willing to work together, in order to make a difference here.”

— Kevin McNichol, the Calgary Homeless Foundation’s vice-president of strategy.

4. Save what ‘SROs’ do right. (<https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/02/13/Losing-What-SROs-Do-Right/>)

For people experiencing homelessness or relying on welfare, single-room occupancy hotels are a valued option on a very short list of shelter choices. While investment is certainly needed in other parts of the housing spectrum, more effective rent control and higher welfare and disability benefits would help.

“We’ve been crunching numbers, and half [of Vancouver’s affordable SROs] are gone — and by gone I mean they’re over \$500 a month in rent. They’re no longer low-income. [Another] 550 rooms are being rapidly gentrified, renovated by any means possible.”

— *Tom de Grey, who escaped a period of homelessness and now lives in a well maintained SRO, and is a member of the Downtown Eastside SRO Collaborative.*

5. Prevent people from losing their homes in the first place.

[\(https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/03/13/End-Homelessness/\)](https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/03/13/End-Homelessness/)

B.C.’s Employment and Assistance Act — better known as the law that provides welfare — is meant to be a safety net for people facing the loss of their housing. But with rates frozen for a decade while rents soared in the Lower Mainland, welfare doesn’t keep a roof over people’s heads. More realistic rates would help. But even without them, other places are acting to better identify adults and teens who are at risk of homelessness, and prevent it from happening by moving quickly to connect them with necessary services.

“If you had a flood in your basement, would you spend the next 10 years mopping up the water? No, you would go upstairs and turn off the tap.”

— *Elisa Traficante, manager of community initiatives for Raising the Roof, a Toronto-based charity with an aim to end homelessness.*

6. Treat homelessness with the same urgency as any other emergency that displaces people from their homes.

[\(https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/04/12/Homelessness-Like-A-Real-Emergency/\)](https://thetyee.ca/News/2017/04/12/Homelessness-Like-A-Real-Emergency/)

Several U.S. cities and the State of Hawaii declared formal states of emergency over their homelessness crisis, as a lever to justify extra funding and cut red tape in an effort to close gaps in service. Montreal is among the cities that also named an accountable leader to implement strategic plans to end homelessness.

“We declared a state of emergency for housing and homelessness in Portland because our housing prices are rising faster than any other U.S. city and we have a big population of homeless people in crisis. The combination led us to say, ‘This is an emergency, let’s be real about that, put in some new money, try new things, and move quickly against this set of problems.’”

— *former Portland mayor Charlie Hales, while he was in office.* 🐾

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British Columbia has an election on right now. The Tyee's reporters have been putting out election-related stories (<https://thetyee.ca/Series/2017/02/14/BC-in-the-Balance/>) for months, but we're eager to do even more to report on this important moment. The Tyee has been paywall-free since 2003 – we believe in making our articles free and accessible to everyone. But to keep it that way, we rely on support from our readers to help us pay our tough-minded, experienced journalists.

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April 22, 2017

Dear Mayor, Council and CAO,

I am contacting you to inform your municipality of an opportunity for partnership funding for the installation of renewable solar energy projects in your community.

Solar Now is a project of Clean Energy Canada that through the generous support of the North Growth Foundation seeks to deploy solar renewable energy systems in prominent public locations to advance Canadian's understanding of solar energy and take action on climate change.

Clean Energy Canada, at the Centre for Dialogue, Simon Fraser University is the lead agency for Solar Now. Clean Energy Canada works to accelerate our nation's transition to a clean and renewable energy system --- by building awareness of, and support for, solutions that address climate disruption and foster an energy-efficient, environmentally responsible, and prosperous economy.

To date, installations have been completed or underway at the Creekside Paddling Centre on False Creek, the exciting rooftop garden renovation at the iconic Vancouver Public Library and at the Bowen Island Community School.

A shift in focus to British Columbia's interior communities now offers opportunity for installation of solar energy systems on prominent public buildings and sites in the

Kootenays and we would like to know if your community is interested in partnering in this exciting opportunity.

Here's how it works.

Solar Now will contribute \$25,000 dollars for deployment of solar photovoltaic energy systems on one or more of your public buildings. Your community is required to match or exceed this contribution for a total minimum investment of \$50,000.

We are also participating in the Accelerate Kootenays Electric Vehicle Charging Network that will see the installation of approximately 65 electric vehicle chargers enabling EV drivers to tour the entire Kootenay region. The charger locations have already been selected and some of these chargers will have an opportunity for solar photovoltaic systems to be associated with them. Solar Now has \$12,500 to be matched or exceeded by the EV charger host for this renewable energy component.

These energy systems generate grid-tied, carbon-free electrical power that reduces your electricity bill at source and makes a statement about your communities' willingness to engage in leading edge energy production in the fight against climate change.

The process begins with a willingness on your part to explore this opportunity. At a broad level we then identify any of your public buildings and sites suitable for installation of a solar system. We conduct this assessment based on technical and social criteria such as how much energy can be generated and what will the extent of social impact and communications be from the installation. City Halls, Community Centres, Visitor Centres and other places that see large public gatherings are primary candidates.

All technical expertise, installation personnel and procurement processes are provided in this program that seeks to deploy six systems in six communities over the next 16 months. We will be working with our regional partner in the Kootenays, the Community Energy Association in the administration of the project.

What you need to do now.

Contact the Solar Now Program Coordinator, Bill Swan and indicate your willingness to take the next step in exploring the opportunity this program presents.

It's that straight forward and we look forward to hearing from your community!

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