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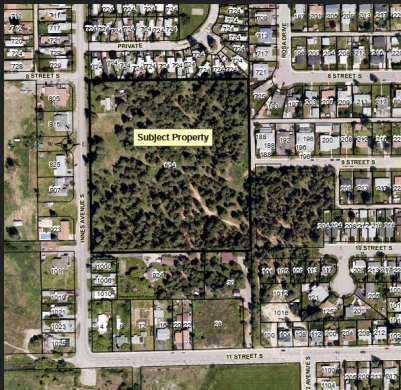
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Council Highlights January 27, 2020



Public Hearing For Proposed 804 Innis Ave Project Set For Feb. 19.

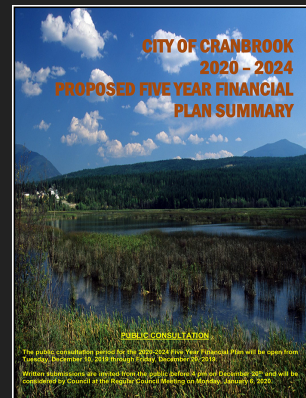


Council voted to schedule a public hearing for OCP amendment bylaw 3996, 2019 and Zoning amendment bylaw 3997, 2020 for **6:00pm on Wednesday February 19, 2020.**

The City has received an application from Broadstreet Properties / Seymour Pacific Development Ltd., for an amendment to the City of Cranbrook Official Community Plan (OCP) to enable rezoning of the property for higher density residential development.

The housing development is indicated to be built in two phases, and will include four apartment buildings of sixty-three (63) dwelling units each and ten four-plex buildings with (40) dwelling units. The overall total of dwelling units will be two hundred and

Council Adopts 2020-2024 Five Year Financial Plan Monday



On January 6, 2019, Council gave the bylaw three readings.

The bylaw is now ready for adoption. The tax levy increase for 2020 has been set at 2.88%; this includes a 1.88% general tax levy increase and 1% for the annual Dedicated Road Tax.

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Council Approves Additional Funds Toward Replacement of Aquatic Centre Chlorination System

Staff have historically had numerous concerns with chlorinating our pools with gas chlorine due to the high hazards associated with gas chlorine. Gas chlorine is one of the cheapest chlorine methods but also one of the most dangerous. A number of additional costly upgrades were anticipated with upcoming changes in



the regulations, so it was an ideal time to consider a switch. Due to our proximity to local schools and playgrounds as well as the number of patrons that occupy Western Financial Place on a daily basis staff were tasked to find an safer solution for chlorination purposes. Staff presented to Management an initial estimate of \$12,000 based on information provided by the supplier. As staff moved forward they realized they had been unaware that Interior Health required the system to be designed and stamped off by an engineer. New quotes were received, which has resulted in the additional costs.

With this approval, staff will include a new request for consideration of the WFP catwalk during the 2021-2024 budget process.

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Council Selects Eagle Sculpture By Local Artist Ron Demaniuk For Harmony Park

Council chose local artist Ron Demaniuk, as the successful artist to create a permanent sculpture at Harmony Park. Harmony Park is located on the SE side of Highway 95, between 1st Street South and 5th Avenue South.

In 2019, the City received funding through the CBT Public Art Grants, to purchase a piece of permanent art for Harmony Park. The grant program funded \$30,000

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towards the project, with the remaining \$7500 a combination of City funding and partner donations. A criteria for this grant is that the selection of the artist is restricted to those residing within the Columbia Basin.

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2020 - 2021 Community Initiatives & Affected Areas Programs

Council appointed Councillors Norma Blissett, Ron Popoff and Mike Peabody as the CBT CIAAP project proposal review committee and set Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (approximate end time) at the Manual Training School as the community involvement meeting date, and that Council consider recommendations of the review committee at the regular meeting of April 27, 2020.



The Community Initiatives and Affected Areas Programs (CIAAP) provide funding support for projects which have been identified as priorities within individual communities. The program is open to all Basin residents and organizations. Applications for funding through these programs are made directly to the local government delivery partners in the respective areas.

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Council Approves Application To 2020 CBT Public Arts Grant

Council Endorses Plans To Apply For \$75K CBT Community Outdoor

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The City has had an excellent response to the grant, focusing on providing more art

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within our community. In 2019, we launched our first sculpture walk, installed a permanent feature at Idlewild Park, and are in the final selection process for placing a permanent sculpture in Harmony park.

The CBT Public Arts grant is now open.

The grant, which we were successful on for the Harmony Park project, will provide 80% of a project cost, to a maximum of \$30,000. Members of our vibrancy team recommend that we apply for a total of \$28,000 (\$22,400 from the grant, and \$5600 from our vibrancy budget), to purchase two existing pieces of art, currently part of our sculpture walk. The two pieces are "Rethinker" currently located at the library, and "White Sturgeon" located at the RCMP building. Both the library and RCMP are in agreement to keep the sculptures as permanent placements.

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Staff will apply for the funds required to complete the full redevelopment of the small parkette adjacent to City Hall. This project has already been endorsed by Council, and was going to be phased in starting in April, 2020. The project has received donations of the chess tables from the Cranbrook Chess Club and a financial contribution from JCI and was only stalled due to a financial shortfall required to complete the project. A successful grant would mean this project could be completed in a single phase, within existing budgets

Council did not support the proposed redevelopment of the Clock Tower Square project, as the square had been redeveloped in the past six years and the funds could be better spent elsewhere.

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Council Votes To End The Annual Sustainable Community Builder of the Year Award, Reallocate Award Funding

The City of Cranbrook sponsored Sustainable Community Builder of the Year Award has come to an end. The award was presented to an individual, group, club, agency or society in recognition of outstanding contributions to the social, arts, cultural, economic or environmental sustainability of the City. The award has been available since 2009.

The successful award recipient has been provided \$500 to be donated to their charity of choice, thanks to a partnership with the Community Foundation of the Kootenay

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Rockies (CFKR). The money for the grant comes from the legacy fund left to the CFKR by the Knights of Pythias, Crescent Lodge #33 of Cranbrook.

Council directed staff to work with the Chamber of Commerce and the Community Foundation of the Kootenay Rockies (CFKR) to find other ways to award the funds.



Request Info

Diane McKean, of Creative Childcare Consulting presented to Council the results of the recent Child Care Creating Space project.

[See the presentation here.](#)



Council Adopts 2020 Communication Strategy

The purpose of this strategy is to provide an action plan for the corporate communications activities of the City of Cranbrook. The strategy is intended to serve as the map to guide the City’s internal and external communications and marketing in the short, medium and long-term.

The corporate communication strategy

Council Approves Meeting Recording & Retention Policy Monday

A new policy is now in place that establishes the recording and retention protocol of regular Council meetings of the City of Cranbrook, while outlining the management and retention period of those recordings. Staff is recommending a maximum retention period of two (2) years for regular Council meeting recordings from the

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of the commitment of the corporate communications office to continuously improve service. The strategy presented is to replace the previous version endorsed by Council in 2015.

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Recordings will continue to be accessible to the public on the City's website - www.cranbrook.ca. A copy of the digital recording will also be shared on the City's Facebook and Twitter social media channels and continue to be provided to SHAW Cable for their rebroadcast purposes.

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Upcoming Meetings

[Regular Council Meeting
Monday February 10 @ 6pm](#)

[Regular Council Meeting
Monday February 24 @ 6pm](#)

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Council Supports Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Grant Application

Council endorsed Monday, that the RDEK be authorized to submit a joint regional application on behalf of the City of Cranbrook, to the UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund to organize and host an Emergency Support Services conference and training weekend; obtain supplies for the regional ESS program, and;

THAT should the UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund application be successful, the RDEK be authorized to receive and manage the funds.

As a community, we rely on our volunteer ESS teams quite heavily during emergency situations, and it is imperative that we do everything possible to support their training, education and organization in order to ensure this very valuable service continues. This CEPF Grant is valued at \$25,000 per community, and the RDEK is looking for multiple communities to combine into a regional application in order to

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