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Council Highlights January 6, 2020













Council formally presented Cranbrook's Neil Cook with his BC Medal of Good Citizenship certificate Monday night.

Three Appointments Made To Advisory

2020-2024 Five Year Financial Plan **Given Three Readings Monday**

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Council appointed **Doug Newberry, Bruce Murdoch and Rob Amsing** as

representatives of the public-at-large for two-year terms, expiring at the organizational meeting of Council in December 2021.

Pursuant to sections 141 and 142 of the *Community Charter*, Council may establish and appoint to select and standing Committees of Council.

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Each year, under Section 165 and 166 of the Community Charter, the City must develop a five-year financial plan and undertake a public consultation

process before the plan is adopted. Public budget meetings were held in October and November 2019.

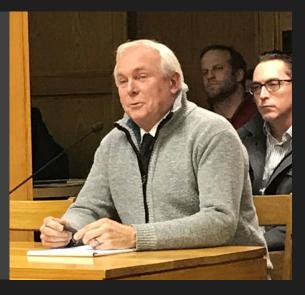
The tax levy increase for 2020 has been set at 2.88%; this includes a 1.88%



general tax levy increase and 1% for the annual Dedicated Road Tax.

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Rob Morrison, Member of Parliament for Kootenay-Columbia attended Monday's Council meeting as a delegation to formally introduce himself to Council.



Council Considers OCP, Zoning Amendments To Innis Avenue Property

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Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3996, 2019".



As part of the required public consultation, notice of the proposed OCP amendment was advertised in the Townsman Newspaper and adjacent land owners and occupants were circulated for comment. At the time of writing this report, two verbal responses had been received, one with general questions about the development, and the other opposed to the development.

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 ninety-two units.

Changing the designation of the property from "Low Density Residential" to "Medium Density Residential" will enable consideration of rezoning the property.

There will be a public hearing scheduled for Monday January 27, 2020 as part of the next regular meeting of Council at City Hall.

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Council Adopts Amendment To Streets & Traffic Bylaw

Staff have fielded inquiries from local businesses to occupy portions of City owned boulevards. Staff have proposed amending Section 23 Prohibited Parking, in the City of Cranbrook Streets and Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 3021, 1991, to except the prohibitions if the City provides authorization (i.e. License of Occupation).

The specific amendment is highlighted:

• 23.1 Except when necessary to avoid conflicts with traffic or to comply with the law or the directions of a peace officer or traffic control device or traffic patrol and except when operating a Municipal or Provincial utility vehicle or vehicles of public utility corporation while engaged in their duties, or except a vehicle so mechanically disabled as to render it immobile, or unless authorization has been provided by the City, no person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle.

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Council Defeats Motion For Secure Storage For Bikes At City Hall For Staff, Council

Council voted down a request by staff for up to \$10,000 toward the purchase of a secure bike storage locker for the use of staff and Council behind City Hall.

Discussion among Council was to have staff consider using part of the brick building for storage or look at the addition of bike racks.

Administration Updates

- 2020 Capital Roads Program Update Projects
- Highway 95A & Theatre Road Intersection Upgrades
- Building Statistics 4th Quarter (2019) Report
- Inter-Community Business License Program (ICBL) Update
- Library Solar Project
- Winter Snow & Ice Control

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Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting January 27, 2020 @ 6pm

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