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# May 5, 2020 - Council Meeting Highlights

# Proclamation "Building Safety Month" May 2020

Council proclaimed May 2020 as Building Safety Month.

# Removal of Property from the City of Penticton Heritage Registry Re: 452 Lakeshore Drive

Council approved the removal of the property located at 452 Lakeshore Drive from the City of Penticton Heritage Registry.

# **Ellis Creek Master Plan**

Council responded to the issues raised by Cantex in their letter of February 12, 2020 and in their presentation at the Committee of the Whole on March 3, 2020 with respect to the Ellis Creek Master Plan by:

- 1. Requesting Cantex to complete, at their cost, a Riparian Area Regulations Report and Environmental Assessment Report encompassing Ellis Creek along the Cantex property extents to determine the Stream Side Protection Area and the Environmental protection area required for the proposed industrial park plan;
- 2. That the two above noted documents be submitted to the City and the Province of BC to determine if they are acceptable as per the BC reg. 178/2019 Riparian Areas Protection Regulation and City Riparian Area and Environmental Development Permit Area guidelines; and
- 3. That should Cantex decide to proceed with their subdivision development, after hearing from the Province of BC and the City about the status of their Riparian Area Regulations Report and Environmental Assessment Report, that the City sole source to Stantec Consulting Ltd. a \$165,000 contract to complete a full Predesign Report, including discussions with the Penticton Indian Band, for the reach of Ellis Creek through the Cantex property as outlined in the Stantec letter proposal of November 22, 2019.

Council also approved the Ellis Creek Master Plan dated March 18, 2020 as a guiding document which includes the amendments suggested by the Penticton Creek and Ellis Creek Restoration Committee at their March 11, 2020 meeting.

# **Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 2020-10**

Council adopted "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 2020-10", a bylaw to provide for the borrowing of money in anticipation of revenue.

# **Property Tax Grant**

Council approved the following resolution under sections 20(2) and 21(a) of the Community Charter:

The taxpayers and residents of the City are living with the COVID-19 pandemic, and Council anticipates various levels of provincial orders and guidelines over the remainder of the 2020 tax year that can only be enforced by the Province and not by the City under BC law. Accordingly, in order to see that social distancing, reopening, and other provincial requirements are properly carried out in the City, and in order to manage the City's resources and property tax regime, the City under sections 20(2) and 21(a) of the Community Charter offers to enter and does hereby enter a partnering agreement with each property taxpayer that constitutes a business, under which the taxpayer executes and delivers a City standard form partnering agreement under section 21(a) of the Community Charter to

provide an activity, facility, work or similar service on behalf of the City, including on behalf of the City the enforcement of section 9 of COVID-19 Order 084 of the Province, the COVID-19 Guidelines of the Provincial Health Officer, and other provincial orders and guidelines governing social distancing, isolation and reopening in relation to the business and the premises of the business.

# Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2020-16

Council adopted "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2020-16", a bylaw that establishes property taxation rates for the 2020 tax year.

#### Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-15 Re: Appendix 7, 25, 29 – Utility Fees

Council adopted "Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-15", a bylaw which reduces applicable utility rates by 10% in order to provide the prompt payment discount for all rate payers.

# Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-17 Re: Business Licensing and Building Permit Fees

Council adopted "Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-17", a bylaw that temporarily reduces certain fees and charges relating to business licensing and building permitting due to COVID-19.

#### Development Variance Permit PL2020-8734 Development Permit PL2020-8732 Re: 285 Westminster Avenue West

Council approved and directed staff to issue "Development Variance Permit PL2020-8734" located at 285 Westminster Avenue West, a permit to vary Section 6.1.5.3 of Zoning Bylaw No. 2017-08, to increase the maximum percentage (%) of off-street small car parking spaces from 25% to 44%.

Council also approved "Development Permit PL2020-8732", for 285 Westminster Avenue West, a permit to allow for the construction of a 5-storey mixed-use development featuring 75 residential units and approximately 2,400 sq. ft. of ground floor commercial retail space.

# Development Permit PL2019-8654 Re: 3352 Hemlock Street

Council approved and directed staff to issue "Development Permit PL2019-8654" located at 3352 Hemlock Street, a permit to allow for the construction of a 6-storey, 165-unit apartment building.

Council also approved a minor variance to at-grade amenity area requirements that does not reduce at-grade amenity space to less than 10% of the total required amenity area in accordance with Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2019-08.

#### Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-13 Re: 418 Scott Avenue

Council did not support the zoning changes for 418 Scott Avenue and closed and abandoned "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2020-13".

These highlights are intended to provide a brief summary of recent Council proceedings. The summary is not inclusive of all agenda items. For a detailed account of the full agenda, including staff reports, other supporting documents and official meeting minutes, please consult the City's website (www.penticton.ca/council) or call the City's Corporate Administration Department at 250-490-2400.

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