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## Skaha Lake Marina project proceeding, drawings released

(Penticton, BC – September 1, 2022) – Redevelopment of the Skaha Lake Marina is progressing in line with the completion of the long term Management Operating Agreement to the Penticton Yacht Club in early 2022. The finalization of all agreements and development plans have been undertaken over the spring and summer months, leading into the construction of the project this fall.

"We expect the work to begin this fall and residents will start to see the renovations to the restaurants, upgrades to the parking lot and landscape improvements," says Anthony Haddad, the City of Penticton's general manager for community services. "Staff will be working to finalize approvals of the design concepts and that will allow for the submission of a building permit application over the coming week."

Earlier this year, Council agreed to a 25-year agreement with the Penticton Yacht Club to operate the marina.

Since then, several steps have been taken to speed the project ahead in time for next year's summer season:

- The City of Penticton and Penticton Yacht Club have both approved the long-term Memorandum of Agreement;
- The Penticton Yacht Club have agreed to a long term operating agreement with the new restaurant owner:
- The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations have approved a 30-year lease for the foreshore lands; and,
- The Penticton Yacht Club and Penticton Indian Band have developed a long-term working partnership for the future of the Skaha Lake Marina lands.

We have appreciated the work that the Penticon Yacht Club and their partners have done over the past few moths to finalise all the agreements, working hard with our team at the City," says Haddad. "We are looking forward to seeing the upgrades commence in the coming weeks, enhancing this facility for generations to come."

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