

Council Highlights – February 5, 2024

Public Hearing

Bylaw 01/2024 ~ Southbow Landing Land Use Amendment

The Southbow Landing Land Use Amendment application proposes to change approximately 12.31 acres of land from Urban Holdings District (U-H) to Residential Medium Density District (RMD) and approximately 15.18 acres from Urban Holdings (U-H) to Residential High-Density District (R-HD). Due to time constraints, the Public Hearing on January 22, 2024, was recessed to February 5, 2024 and was officially closed on February 5, 2024.

Committee of the Whole

Parks & Recreation Committee 2024/2025 Work Plan

Michelle Delorme, Manager, Community Services presented the Parks and Recreation Committee 2024/2025 Work Plan. As a key advisory entity to both Council and Administration on community parks and recreation matters, the Parks and Recreation Committee 2024-2025 work plan has been meticulously crafted to establish a seamless workflow. This strategic approach aims to empower committee members with engaging and purposeful tasks, ensuring their contributions provide advice to Council decisions when guidance is required. The Parks and Recreation Committee 2024/2025 Work Plan will be coming to a future council meeting for adoption.

Jim Uffelmann Memorial Park Environmental Study

Trish Kluane, Manager, Parks and Open Spaces, provided Committee of the Whole with the findings and recommendations of the Jim Uffelmann Memorial Park Environmental Study.

This study was conducted from late 2022, continuing through 2023 to assess the environmental health of Jim Uffelmann Memorial Park based on the current recreational uses, environmental sensitivities, and geotechnical assessment. This thorough review of Jim Uffelmann Memorial Park included public engagement, geotechnical assessment, environmental assessment and more to help responsibly guide future opportunities within the park. The study produced 9 specific findings and made recommendations for each.

The next possible steps include:

- Environmental Site Assessment Phase 2 to determine site contaminants.
- Geotechnical evaluations to determine feasibility and realistic budgetary number for any proposed structures.
- Develop a Riverfront Recreational Strategy to use a planning tool to ensure equitable access for varying recreational activities across the Town.
- Off-Leash Dog Strategy to plan for current and future off-leash demands in the Town.
- Trail Etiquette Program
- Interpretive Signage Program
- Remediation Efforts for areas with significant erosion

Any decisions on the next steps above will come back to future Council meetings.

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In Camera

Two In-Camera items were presented to Council pertaining to Exception under Section 27(1)(a), Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ~ Information Subject to Legal Privilege and Personnel ~ Exception under Section 24(1)(d), Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ~ Advice from Officials.