



## Land Use Redesignation Glenvista Peak

Administration provided a report to Council for First Reading for a proposed land use amendment within the community of Gleneagles. In alignment with the Municipal Development Plan, the application proposes to change the following land uses:

- Urban Holdings District to Direct Control 2 District (0.9 hectares /2.22 acres) for residential development
- Urban Holdings District to Parks and Recreation District (0.76 hectares /1.88 acres) for future Environmental Reserve lands and Open Space

Council gave first reading to Bylaw 14/2022 and established a public hearing for Tuesday June 7 at 7 pm.

## Vantage Land Corporation Property Tax Adjustment

In March 2010 the Town entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Springwood Developments Inc. (Vantage Land Corporation) including terms that would encourage the developer to proceed with remediation and development of the Quarry Site. The terms allow the undeveloped portions of the site to be taxed as brownfield status until development permits are issued on the site. Each year Council is asked to reduce taxes otherwise payable in compliance with the agreement. Council approved reducing the 2022 Community Revitalization Levy property taxes for Vantage Land Corporation by \$74,619.83.

## John Robinson Property Tax Adjustment

In 2017 the Town entered into a Road Dedication, Construction, and Access Agreement with Mr. Robinson whereby for the next six years the property taxes paid on the land formally used for gravel extraction operations would be taxed at its 2018 assessed value and not at its current value. Each year Council is asked to reduce taxes otherwise payable in compliance with the agreement.

Council approved reducing the 2022 property taxes for John Robinson by \$26,493.47.

## Arbor Day Proclamation and Official Tree Declaration

Following a presentation from the RancheView School grade 6 class with respect to the importance of trees in Cochrane, Council declared the first Saturday of June annually as Arbor Day and further, Council directed Administration to declare the White Spruce as the official tree of Cochrane.

## Area Structure Plan Feasibility Report

Administration considered the implications of not approving any Area Structure Plans (ASPs), until an updated Municipal Development Plan (MDP) is adopted by Council and determined:

- It could delay or eliminate favourable ASP applications, which address a compelling municipal need, such as affordable housing.
- It may disrupt years of planning and be viewed as a reactionary policy change, lacking scrutiny to evaluate all implications.
- The existing MDP would need to be amended, requiring engagement of key stakeholders and a statutory public hearing. This would require an estimated 3+ months of staff resources, impacting staff capacity.

Council accepted the report for information.