

Council Highlights

May 23 2023

Regular Council Meeting

Bylaw 12/2023 – 304 First Street East - Land Use Bylaw Amendment

Council unanimously approved Second and Third Reading for a land use amendment at 304 First Street East which is currently designated as Residential Mix (R-MX) District. Bylaw 12/2023 would re-designates these lands to Commercial Transition (C-T) District. This amendment facilitates the re-development of 304 First Street East where the primary uses would be low intensity commercial, office and service.

Bylaw 13/2023 – 313 First Street East - Land Use Bylaw Amendment

Council unanimously approved Second and Third Reading for a land use amendment at 313 Ross Avenue which is currently designated as Residential Mix (R-MX) District. Bylaw 13/2023 re-designates these lands to Commercial Transition (C-T) District and allows for low intensity commercial, office and service uses.

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 2023 Community Revitalization Levy property taxes for Vantage Land Corporation by \$71,545.56.

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 2023 property taxes by \$25,081.77.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Nagel brought back his notice of motion from the May 8 meeting, he requested that Council direct Administration to prepare a report to Council on a potential bylaw amendment that would allow cyclists to use sidewalks, provided there are no bike lanes available and that the cyclists have proper bells installed and that this report would included in the Micro Mobility Study, through the Active Transportation Fund Grant which will be presented to Council on or before June 2024. Council passed the motion unanimously.

