



# Council highlights

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Bylaw 22/2024 ~ The Summit of River Heights Land Use Amendment**

The Summit of River Heights is located within the southern portion of Cochrane, with the community of Riversong directly to the north and the community of Southbow Landing adjacent on the east, south and west boundaries of the community.

The amendment is intended to facilitate the future development of low to medium density housing and park space within the community.

The proposed amendment is not in line with the Summit of River Heights Neighbourhood Plan, which is being amended concurrently to create alignment with this application. The changes include shifting the location of the medium density housing and park space within the community, which will help provide a wider variety of housing types in the area and accommodate adjustments to James Walker Trail that have taken place since the original Neighbourhood Plan was adopted.

A public hearing took place to provide interested parties the opportunity to provide Council with their feedback on the proposed land use amendment.

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### **Summit of River Heights Neighbourhood Plan Amendments**

The Neighbourhood Plan was adopted in 2017 and is being amended to relocate proposed land uses, which will help provide a wider variety of housing types in the area, better contemplate development in surrounding communities, and

accommodate adjustments to James Walker Trail that have taken place since the original Neighbourhood Plan was adopted. The proposed amendments will update land use maps within the Neighbourhood Plan and amend text in line with the proposed land uses.

A public hearing took place to provide interested parties the opportunity to provide Council with their feedback on the proposed neighbourhood plan amendments.

### **Library Terms of Reference Amendment**

As the Library Board begins its recruitment process this fall, they seek clarity on the number of members needed for recruitment. This need arises from their proposed changes to the Terms of Reference, which would increase the current membership. Recommendations for all other committee terms of reference will come forward for Council's review at the Organizational Meeting in late October.

Council voted in favour of increasing the membership from six to eight and removed the language: "To comply with the Town of Cochrane Procedural Bylaw and Municipal Government Act" under the Authority section.

### **Whistleblower Program and Policy ~ Notice of Motion Final Direction**

Councillor Fedeyko brought forward a Notice of Motion at the January 8, 2024 Regular Council meeting and Council resolved:

*Council direct Administration to investigate the process of establishing a 3rd party Whistleblower Program and Policy and identify next steps for implementation with a draft policy to be brought*

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*back to Council for consideration by June 30, 2024.*

Administration presented an update to Council at the May 6, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting. As a result of those discussions, Council agreed to a demonstration from the service provider identified by Councillor Fedeyko. This demonstration occurred on June 17, 2024 and confirmed that the software was limited to the online reporting of complaints and did not include investigative processes.

Council received the report for information and directed Administration to take no further steps on a Whistleblower program at this time.