

Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee
Agenda for Meeting to be held on
Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7pm at FJCC

The goal of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to Council regarding the establishment and implementation of Parks, Recreation and Culture priorities in the Town of Ladysmith.

1. Agenda Approval
2. Minutes
 - a. Minutes of the meeting held Nov 21, 2018
3. Delegation
 - a. Public Arts Strategy
4. Referred by Council
 - a. Tree Dedication Request
5. Master Plan Discussion

Minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee
 Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 7:00pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tim Richards, Chair
 Bruce Mason
 Gord Horth
 Tara Pollock

STAFF PRESENT:

Clayton Postings

REGRETS:

Councillor Duck Paterson
 Tim Godau

COMMITTEE REVIEW

Committee Members discussed communication, including timely agendas, monthly PRC updates and minutes containing more information. Staff will endeavor to provide this information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Holland Creek Crossing Review

Staff supplied copies of the staff report dated June 18, 2018, which included the comments from the joint meeting held June 7, 2018.

Committee members discussed the process leading up to the joint meeting on June 7, 2018 and expressed frustration over the lack of information sharing and communication prior to and after the meeting.

Staff reviewed the history of the area including the agreement between the Town of Ladysmith and the owner of the Holland Creek area property, which included a land-transfer with the assurance of a future Holland Creek crossing to enable the owner to develop the property.

Committee members appreciate that Council received their feedback and unfortunately Council was bound by a past Council-agreement regarding the agreement between the Town of Ladysmith and the owner of the Holland Creek area property. It was determined that this information needed to be supplied prior to the June 7, 2018 meeting and that moving forward with this development, the Town should begin disseminating this information to the public as soon as possible.

REFERRED BY COUNCIL

Ladysmith and District Arts Council – Recommendation for Town of Ladysmith First Poet Laureate

Moved and seconded

2018-19: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee supports this initiative and recommends that Council consider defining the terms and formalize a process to select the successful candidate.

NEW BUSINESS

LOT 108

Moved and seconded

2018-20: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee recommend that Council consider developing a plan for the enhancement and completion of Lot 108 sports complex that may be used in acquiring future grant funding.

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

From: Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer
Meeting Date: December 17, 2018
File No: 0230-20 LGMA
RE: **COMMEMORATIVE TREE PLANTING IN RECOGNITION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSION**

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council, in recognition of the local government profession:

1. authorize staff to proceed with the purchase of a Sequoia tree to be planted at Transfer Beach; and
2. hold a commemorative tree planting ceremony in recognition of the local government profession and staff's ongoing commitment to the community.

PURPOSE:

To obtain Council's approval to join other local governments across BC and plant a commemorative tree in recognition of local government professionals and their ongoing commitment to serve their communities.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

This is a new, one-time initiative.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

At the 1919 Union of BC Municipalities Conference, a resolution was adopted establishing the Local Government Management Association of BC (then called the "Municipal Officers Association of BC"). For the past 100 years, the LGMA has worked to support the learning, leadership, and growth of local government professionals across the province.

To mark its 100th anniversary, the LGMA is encouraging all local governments in BC to plant a tree in celebration of a century of dedication, hard work, and innovation by local government professionals during Local Government Awareness Week, May 19-25, 2019. The LGMA has partnered with BC Hydro's Community Regreening Program and will offer every local government in BC up to \$50 to purchase a tree of their choice in their climate zone. Local governments can choose one of two options:

1. Purchase a tree from existing suppliers and have the LGMA provide a reimbursement of up to \$50; or

2. Select their preferred tree and place an order through LGMA for a cost of up to \$50. LGMA will arrange shipment of the tree to their community.

Selected trees will need to meet BC Hydro's requirements for [planting near powerlines](#). As well, a small, metal, weather-resistant commemorative plaque will be provided by the LGMA to be mounted near the tree. Plaques are made of a substrate coated in an aluminum composite and will be able to live outside in a variety of weather conditions.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council may choose not to proceed with the commemorative tree planting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Infrastructure Services staff will plant and maintain the tree. The estimated cost to purchase the tree will be \$250 and maintenance will be added to their regular schedule. LGMA will reimburse \$50 to the Town.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS:

If Council proceeds with this program, Infrastructure Services staff would plant a Sequoia tree at Transfer Beach.

ALIGNMENT WITH SUSTAINABILITY VISIONING REPORT:

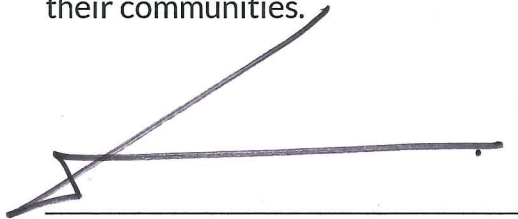
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Community Land Use | <input type="checkbox"/> Low Impact Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green Buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Use Landscapes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Innovative Infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Food Systems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Local, Diverse Economy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable | |

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment & Tax Diversity | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural & Built Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Watershed Protection & Water Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Partnerships |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications & Engagement | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |

SUMMARY:

To mark its 100th anniversary, the LGMA is encouraging all local governments in BC to plant a tree in celebration of a century of dedication, hard work, and innovation by local government professionals during Local Government Awareness Week, May 19-25, 2019. Town staff suggest planting a Sequoia tree at Transfer Beach. This initiative is a unique way to recognize the impact that local government and the people who work within it, have on their communities.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Guillermo Ferrero', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat abstract.

Guillermo Ferrero
Chief Administrative Officer

December 10, 2018