

# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES DASHBOARD



## Invest in Infrastructure

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**STATUS LEGEND** completed on track potential or emerging issue delay identified

	Initiative	Status	Update
<b>MUNICIPAL WATER</b>	Commissioning and opening of the Rose Valley Water Treatment Plant		Operational as of November 2023.
	Update to the Water Master Plan		Draft Water Master Plan was received on January 17, 2026. Departmental comments are being provided and discussed with AECOM. Following the City's consolidated input, the draft will be shared with Council and the public.
	An Upland Watershed and Storage Protection Strategy		The draft Water Master Plan identifies a formal long-term upland storage protection strategy (raising dams, new dams, lake supplementation) and notes several future capital projects and studies. Estimated costs and timelines have been provided for future planning and budgeting requirements.
	Upgrades to the Powers Creek Water Treatment Plant		As stated in the Q4 2025 update, finalization of the Water Utility Master Plan will provide the schedule and costs for the Powers Creek Water Treatment Plan upgrades. The Master Plan is planned to be completed prior to the end of 2026. Additional minor upgrades will also be identified in an Asset Management document created for the facility.
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	The upgrade and expansion of the Johnson Bentley Memorial Aquatic Centre		No new update. Long-term plan for this facility and future aquatic centre needs to be reviewed and discussed with Council.
	New Sports Fields and additional Parks, including Dog Parks		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewing levels of service and capacity.</li> <li>• Memorial Park Plan Phase 1 consultation complete. Reviewing feedback for Council workshop this spring.</li> <li>• P3 sports facility being considered. In the meantime, the Mar Fee Park Plan is on hold.</li> <li>• Dog Park Strategy presented to Council in March. Design guidelines being created now. Upgrades to existing dog parks planned for 2026.</li> <li>• Ongoing development application reviews. Ongoing park development oversight with developers (Shannon Lake North)</li> </ul>
	An Interconnected Pathways Strategy		Rec Trails Master Plan completed in 2024.
	The development of additional Accessible Recreational Spaces in our parks and recreation facilities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smith Creek Playground RFP being released in Spring.</li> <li>• MBCC restoration will have upgraded accessibility features.</li> <li>• Consideration for accessibility improvements as part of Anders Tennis Court improvements</li> </ul>

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<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	Upgrades to Old Okanagan/Butt Road intersection		The project is substantially completed. Some minor deficiencies remain.
	Implementation of a Stormwater Drainage Program for older neighbourhoods		Council approved the development of an annual stormwater drainage program that is carried out by the capital construction crew. Various projects in the drainage system have been completed in existing neighbourhoods. This work is expected to continue on a yearly basis.
	Pedestrian improvements, including those aimed at making sidewalks more accessible		The Brentwood Road Sidewalk project has been awarded to Stantec Consulting. The design is planned this spring in anticipation of construction in the summer 2026.
	Upgrades to Shannon Lake Road from IR #9 to Swite Road		The project is completed.
	Improvements to Elliott Road from Smith Creek Road to Reece Road		The design has advanced to 75% and the RFP to secure a contractor is expected to be issued in summer 2026.
	Construction of the Ministry of Transportation and Transit's planned intersection upgrades and other Highway 97 improvements within West Kelowna		Staff continue to meet with the Ministry of Transportation and Transit to provide feedback on the conceptual design of transit-planned intersection improvements. Participated with Kelowna, Vernon, and Penticton on a joint Highway 97 advocacy prioritization.
	Meaningful investment to improve the existing public transit system in West Kelowna, including the number of routes and frequency of service, the incentives offered youth and others to encourage ridership, and the introduction of innovative offerings such as on-demand transit		2025 saw additional City investment in transit (Hwy 97 Route), with additional route improvements not funded by BC Transit.
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING</b>	Prepare for funding opportunities by developing shelf-ready infrastructure plans		In Q1 2026 staff have advanced RFPs to secure consultants to complete the design of potential shelf-ready projects which include sanitary lift station designs, and the Harold Road Booster Station. Additionally, the Rose Valley Dam spillway RFP was issued in March.
<b>CIVIC FACILITIES</b>	New City Hall/Library building		Opened May 2024
	Replacement of Fire Hall #32		Operational as of October 2025
	Establishment of a purpose-built Operations Yard		Operational as of May 2025

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## Pursue Economic Growth & Prosperity

We will work with stakeholders throughout the region to advocate for and support efforts aimed at helping West Kelowna businesses prosper. With a focus on the future, we will advance opportunities to expand our economy, increase employment, and develop the community in ways that contribute towards prosperity for all.



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ECONOMIC PROSPERITY	Launch the new West Kelowna Economic Development Corporation		Board established and meetings commenced in Q4 2025.
	Create a West Kelowna Economic Development Strategy in partnership with the Economic Development Corporation		Working on a grant application and request for proposal for inaugural strategic planning to start in Q2 and be completed by Q4.
	Explore opportunities for new revenue generation		Fortis revenue sharing agreement signed in 2025. Boat launch commercial fee program is being implemented. Miscellaneous small grants. Six Provincially funded police officers (valued at >\$1,500,000 per year)
SUPPORT FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES & ENTREPRENEURS	The development of a West Kelowna Innovation Centre, complete with opportunities for post-secondary services, co-work facilities and business accelerator services		To be assigned to the new Economic Development Corporation, for consideration.
TOURISM	Support our partners, including through advocacy, in identifying and addressing recovery needs		Community has substantially recovered from the 2023 wildfire.
	Undertake a review of the City's Tourism Function to ensure it meets the needs of the City's hospitality, viticulture and other tourism-focused industries		No new update. To be assigned to the new Economic Development Corporation, for their consideration.
WESTBANK FIRST NATION	Work with Westbank First Nation to pursue common economic development goals and joint actions		Economic Development Corporation has started reaching out to Westbank First Nation's Economic Development Department.

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## Strengthen Our Community

We will provide opportunities for the residents of West Kelowna to build connections, celebrate successes, embrace the community's strengths and diversity, address shared needs, and contribute to shaping the community's future.



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<b>COMMUNITY GROWTH</b>	A review of the Zoning Bylaw in response to directions set out in the City's new Official Community Plan, as well as provincial legislative changes designed to increase residential densities		Adopted in May 2025.
	A review of, and revisions to, the Westbank Town Centre Revitalization Plan		Contract awarded to Modus Consulting. Stakeholder consultation to occur in April.
<b>HOUSING</b>	Complete and implement the West Kelowna Housing Strategy		Adopted in November 2024.
	Develop a Property Acquisition Strategy to identify and acquire lands for use in civic projects, including those in support of attainable housing and priority housing projects, such as seniors housing and non-market housing		Land Strategy consideration in Spring (April/May).
<b>ACCESSIBILITY</b>	We will work to ensure that residents and visitors with different abilities are able to use and enjoy our sidewalks, pathways, parks, trails, facilities, beaches and other attractions. We will work in collaboration with Council's Accessibility Committee on the provision of an Accessibility Plan for community review		Accessibility Plan endorsed in January 2025. Future accessibility audits and projects to be brought forward to Council.
<b>GATHERING PLACES</b>	Returning the Mt. Boucherie Community Centre for public use		Project is currently tracking to be on time and on budget.
	Expanding the offerings at Memorial Park		Memorial Park Concept Plan initiated. Events Currently Offered (2026): Westside Daze, Canada Day, Music in the Park, Pop Ups on the Plaza, Light Up Firework Show, West Kelowna Multiculturalism Day, Movie Nights in the Park.
	Opening the new City Hall/Library Building		Opened May 2024.
	Incorporating community amenities into the project for replacing Fire Hall #32		The following was included in the Fire Station #32 replacement project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Lakeview Heights Community Hall</li> <li>• Upgrades to Anders Park with three new pickleball courts, a new sport court, and a new playground</li> <li>• New public plaza.</li> </ul> Operational as of November 2025.
	Increasing accessibility at civic facility gathering spaces		MBCC restoration project will have improved accessibility features.
<b>ART &amp; EVENTS</b>	The development of Festivals and Events Policy to guide the City in its support for existing and new events in West Kelowna		Deferred to 2027 due to workload and conflicting priorities.
	The development and implementation of a Public Art Strategy		Deferred to 2027 due to workload and conflicting priorities.

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## Foster Safety and Well-being

We will pursue through direct action, advocacy, and collaboration with local and regional service providers, investments in community health, needs-based housing, emergency preparedness, policing, fire and other services that foster safety and well-being in West Kelowna.



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<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	The design and build of Fire Hall #32		Project completed October 2025.
	Completing the Fire Services Plan to ensure that the service is keeping pace with the changing community		Further action pending permit application for high buildings
	Continued investment in Wildfire Mitigation efforts		In February, UBCM announced that the provincial FireSmart grant program was not funded beyond 2027 and a limited closed intake for non-fuel mitigation activities would close on April 30. Our 2026/27 program design will need to be adapted, expecting award of grant in August 2026. Advocacy work ongoing with the province regarding this change at staff and political levels.
	Increased Police Services dedicated to West Kelowna, and for provincial recognition of and resourcing for its rural policing responsibilities		Active Provincial negotiations. Province committed to three new officers in 2026 and another three in 2027, plus one support staff. Also, Province committed to a forward-looking funding strategy so the Westside communities do not start funding the Province's obligation again. Five City positions allocated but on-hold pending the negotiation outcome.
	A Redundant Power Supply to increase the resiliency of West Kelowna and the Greater Westside in the face of disasters and other events that threaten the community's primary supply		Council is actively lobbying, including Minister Dix in March 2025 and BC Hydro senior staff once in Q3 2025 and Q1 2026. Schedule is 2029 - 2033 for the construction phase
	De-regionalization of RCMP Services Policing in Central Okanagan		Active Provincial negotiations. Shared services agreements being finalized with Lake Country, Kelowna, Peachland, Province and RCMP
<b>TRUTH &amp; RECONCILIATION</b>	We will continue dialogue and action that further develop respectful and trusting relationships with all Indigenous Peoples as we work to advance reconciliation		Council to Council meeting in Q3-2025 plus another in Q2-2026. Tall building Fire Services agreement drafted. Joint negotiations on the new policing deal. Active staff-to-staff engagement
<b>CLIMATE ACTION</b>	Developing a Natural Asset Management Plan to identify natural resources and ecosystems that are incorporated by the City into its delivery of municipal services		Complete.
	Updating (as necessary) and implementing the Green Fleets Strategy for City of West Kelowna vehicles and equipment		Complete.
	Implementing the recommendations of the Transportation Master Plan to provide, and help the community shift towards, additional sustainable travel options		The Transportation Master Plan was presented to Council on April 14, 2026.
	Creating a Corporate Climate Action Plan		Complete.
<b>COMMUNITY HEALTH</b>	Continued advocacy for additional services connected to the West Kelowna Urgent and Primary Care Centre, and to other health service providers in the community		Council is actively lobbying for increased mental health services with the Province and Interior Health resulting in a Foundry expansion into West Kelowna, a preliminary mental health services analysis and commitment for a business case
	Implementing the West Kelowna Housing Strategy to facilitate the development of a range of housing types, including housing options for target groups, such as low income seniors, to address issues of attainability and homelessness		Completed in 2024.
	Identifying and supporting the building of low-income housing		BC Housing Community Housing Fund closed due to provincial budget cuts resulting in the application for the Delray project to not be approved. Project Development Fund grant funding received from federal government (\$250k) and the City is proceeding with development permit drawings. Conversations regarding reverter clauses are continuing.