



## INFORMATION ONLY COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

Date: September 28, 2021

From: Paul Gipps, CAO

Subject: **Major Projects and Initiatives Update**

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide an update on Major Projects and Initiatives underway and being planned.

### BACKGROUND

#### **Rose Valley Water Treatment Plant**

The Rose Valley Water Treatment Plant is in full construction and the project is proceeding well at this time. The final design on the interconnect for the neighbourhoods of Pritchard and Sunnyside is well underway and hoping to be tendered in the next few months. This phase of the project is the last big ticket item to tender and will provide more certainty on the overall project cost and completion timing.

#### **City Hall**

Construction of City Hall will begin in earnest this week as the new skateboard park was opened last Tuesday. To date the City has awarded 2 tenders for this project including site servicing and foundation. Bird Stuart Olson, JDA and team have done an excellent job working collectively to keep the project within the project budgets. Over the next few weeks, the access off of Old Okanagan Highway, site servicing and foundation work will become very evident. Westbank First Nation Archeological team have been very helpful as we have begun excavations and guided us through the culturally significant areas to date.

Starting in early 2022, Mt Boucherie Community Center Look Ahead will begin. This will be the planning for the re-programming of this facility to return to active recreation opportunities for the public and will include public consultation.

## **Bartley, Stevens, Shannon Lake**

Upgrades including a new roundabout, sidewalks and bike lanes have begun construction and are in full swing. This project will bridge winter as coordinating the utility movements won't be complete in time to meet the paving window. Temporary traffic management plans such as turning lanes and four way stop will be put in place as the project proceeds. Public Works and Parks Operations Yard site work and utility installation will be coordinated during this time to avoid future traffic interruptions.

## **2022 Strategic Priorities**

Discussions with Council will see a draft budget brought forward in early November to coincide with the Budget deliberations later that month.

From these discussions, staff will prepare a draft budget focusing on areas such as:

- Police Services, such as additional RCMP members for a Traffic Division;
- Partnership opportunities with BC Housing to develop Supportive Housing and other housing continuum projects such as market housing for Seniors;
- Sidewalk and other active transportation projects across the City including areas such as Shannon Lake, Old Okanagan Highway, Boucherie and Rose Valley;
- Public Works and Parks Operations Yard facilities;
- Improvements to intersections including Butt Road and design work for Asquith/Shannon Lake Road;
- Paving program for regular road rehab.

## **APPROVED FOR THE AGENDA BY**

Paul Gipps, CAO

### **Attachments:**

1. Picture 1
2. Picture 2