

West Kelowna

West Kelowna council Council agreed to support three applications for grants through Okanagan Basin Water Board Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Program

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Council Meeting Highlights

Revitalization of Highway Corridor

Resident Mary Mandarino, representing the Westside Residents Association, attended council to request consideration be given to revitalizing the Highway 97 corridor from Daimler Road intersection to Westlake Road and the creation of a central town centre in that area. Support was also sought for the creation of a central community garden and a farmer's market. Council was told a merchants group has been formed to spearhead beautification and revitalization efforts. The group is seeking a partnership with the business community, the municipality and the province. Revitalization in the area would include enhanced accessibility through bike paths and walkways along the corridor and beautification through landscaping. The group requested these items be included in council's current strategic and financial plans.

Document Management System

Council agreed to waive its purchasing policy in order to take advantage of a mutual agreement with the City of Kelowna for a document management system. Council had budgeted \$50,000 in 2009 but costs for the system are estimated at \$149,000. The City of Kelowna has hired Burntsand, a North American based technology service company, to install a document management system and the District could save approximately \$100,000 if Burntsand was to use the City of Kelowna programming codes for the District of West Kelowna installation.

Grant Applications for Water Management

Council agreed to support three applications for grants through the Okanagan Basin Water Board Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Program. The three applications are:

- Larratt Aquatic Consulting, applying for funding for a field trial of crushed limestone to remove phosphorus and to create a sediment cap.
- Westbank Irrigation District, applying for funding for a water supply conservation strategy – climate, weather and runoff monitoring.
- District of West Kelowna, applying for funding towards the development of a Master Water Plan (Phase I).

Pineridge Place Sewer

Council adopted a local area sewer service bylaw for Pineridge Place. The cost for each of the 25 properties for the provision of sewer is \$10,193.

Land Exchange/Road Closure

Council agreed to rescind readings on a proposed land exchange and road closure involving a lake access on Whitworth Road and the proposed exchange will not be pursued. Last month, Council authorized staff to pursue an agreement that will see the exchange of land at the Whitworth Road End for property at 4129 Gellatly Road, adjacent to Marina

Park.

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