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Public hearing for 241 Jacqueline Rd.

Council held a Public Hearing for 241 Jacqueline Road to amend existing zoning (residential estate) to add secondary residence as a permitted use at 241 Jacqueline Rd. to support the hobby farm operation on the property in addition to the existing house. The Official Community Plan (OCP) designates this property as estate with the intent that it is developed as a mix of large lot residential and small scale farming operations. The applicant intends to use the property as a small scale farm and requires additional assistance operating the farm and property, and proposes a secondary residence for her parents to live in. Staff recommends approval of the proposal as it is generally consistent with the OCP and zoning bylaw with the condition that future subdivision of the property is restricted through a restrictive covenant to ensure the property remains as a large parcel able to accommodate a small scale farming operations. The proposed bylaw was given first and second reading on Sept. 22, 2016.

Public hearing on zoning text amendment related to marijuana operations

Council held a public hearing for a text amendment to the Zoning Bylaw to update the definition of marijuana operation and permit the use in certain zones. On May 16, 2016 the City adopted a zoning bylaw amendment that formally recognized this land use in the zoning bylaw, in response to marijuana retail outlets that had illegally established in the city. The use was not added as a permitted use to any of the zones within the zoning bylaw at that time to give staff additional time to review federal legislation and recommend how medical marijuana facilities could potentially be permitted in Campbell River. The proposed amendment recommends a further change to the definition of marijuana operation to directly connect the use with Health Canada licensing, which establishes a series of regulations around security, quality control, and many other elements that a facility must abide by as conditions of their license. Secondly, the amendment proposes to allow marijuana operations in the I2, A1 and A2 zone as, due to Health Canada licensing requirements, the use is substantially the same as other light industrial uses permitted in these zones. Retail sales of either medical or recreational marijuana remains prohibited throughout the city. The proposed bylaw was given first and second reading on Sept. 22, 2016.

Two video awards for City of Campbell River

Mayor Andy Adams announced two Videographer Awards of Distinction for the 2015 City videos *Campbell River Smile* and *Revitalizing Downtown, Campbell River's People Place*. Approximately 16 per cent of the estimated 1,5000 entries from 16 countries in the international competition received awards of distinction for exceeding industry standards. The City's communications department scripted and produced both videos. See *Revitalizing Downtown, Campbell River's People Place* at <https://youtu.be/fb-BMxQRQpg>. View *Campbell River Smile* at this link: <http://goo.gl/m61lrm> or click on the Parks and Recreation video tour in the Image Gallery at www.campbellriver.ca.

Campbell River Children's Charter presentation

Joyce McMann, Cheryl Jordan of Success by 6/CR Family Network gave a presentation showcasing the final draft of the Campbell River Children's Charter, which will be referred to the City's Community Service, Recreation & Culture Committee for their recommendation.

Campbell River Athletic Association proposal for field and field house at Willow Point Park

Richard Stephens, facility committee advisor and Erin Young, president of the Campbell River Athletic Association (CRAA) gave a presentation regarding upgrades and use of the fieldhouse and field #2 at Willow Point Park. The CRAA requests Council's consideration for a partnership to repair the exterior and interior of the fieldhouse, and establishment of a grass surface on field #2 during the 2017 budget process. They also request that Council consider a lease and priority use agreement between themselves and the City.

Permissive Tax Exemption bylaw amendment

Council made a minor amendment to the proposed Permissive Tax Exemption (PTE) Bylaw for the years 2017-2019. After considering additional information from the local charity Total Christian Ministries, the City's Community Partnership Committee recommended a 100 per cent PTE be granted to the organization, in recognition of considerable local benefit to other non-profit organizations through free advertising on Spirit FM 88.7, the radio station run by Total Change Ministries. The PTE bylaw is expected to be adopted at the Oct. 24, 2016 Council meeting.

First and second reading for Official Plan amendment and rezoning application for Quinsam Coal Mine – public hearing to follow

Council gave first and second reading to a proposed Official Community Plan amendment to designate unaddressed (Quinsam Coal Mine extension property) business and industrial service area and to rezone unaddressed (Quinsam Coal Mine extension property) from upland resource to industrial. A public hearing will be held Oct. 24.

First and second reading for subdivision and covenant related to 35 Rockland Road – public hearing to follow

Council gave first and second readings to a proposed bylaw to rezone a portion of land identified to be subdivided from 35 Rockland Rd. and consolidated with 1345 Galerno Rd. The City and the applicant have entered into a purchase and sale agreement with the condition that this land be rezoned from public assembly to residential, with a covenant placed on this land that prohibits future development, construction or tree removal. A public hearing will be held Oct. 24, 2016.

Council approves major development permit for \$1 million expansion and redevelopment of downtown casino

Council approved a development permit for a 242m² (2,609ft²) addition to an existing casino building at 111 St. Ann's Rd. with a landscaping security of \$5,495. The proposed addition includes a new two tiered patio/deck with a total area of 242m² (2,609ft²) and a total of 101 seats. The lower level deck would be enclosed with a glass wall and the roof can slide open during warmer weather. The upper level patio would be unenclosed and built 2.7m (9.0ft.) higher than the lower level patio. The parking and garden area surrounding the patio would also be reconfigured and enhanced. Staff recommended approval of the proposed \$1 million expansion as it is generally consistent with the development permit guidelines.

Council approves development permit for 4001 Midport Road

Council approved a development permit for a 1748m² (18,812ft²) warehouse building. The building would be used for the storage of materials associated with the existing landscaping and compositing operation, located near the centre of the 6.7ha (16.5ac) parcel; as a result, it will not be easily seen from the Island Highway. Staff recommended approval of this proposal as it addresses the intent of the design guidelines due to the location and visibility of the building.

Economic development officer's update

Economic development officer Rose Klukas gave an update of activities and provided a strategic framework document to Council. The economic development officer (EDO) acts as a catalyst for the development and implementation of strategies to attract and sustain business development in Campbell River by raising the profile of the community as a great place to live, visit and do business.

Building on Council's strategic initiatives, the EDO has focused on the following areas as foundations to the success of economic development:

- Relationship building
- First Nations
- Business Retention and Expansion
- Promotion of Campbell River
- Technology Sector

The EDO has also drafted a strategic framework designed to adapt to changes and chart an innovative course for economic development within the City of Campbell River. The framework highlights goals and strategic initiatives for the EDO.

Time extension for hedge relocation at 291 Thulin St.

Council has extended until Jan. 31, 2017, the time permitted for the owner of 291 Thulin St. to move the hedge out of the Thulin St.-3rd Ave. intersection. The extension was granted to allow the owner to move the cedar hedge during the winter season when hedge will be dormant.

Council supports change to liquor primary license for Rip Tide Pub

Council supported granting a structural change to a liquor primary license to allow for additional serving capacity because the Rip Tide is a popular and well-established community pub with no significant history of noise and disturbance, and Council received no concerns after providing notice of the application mailed directly to all properties within 100 metres of the site.

Maritime Heritage Centre sewer chamber replacement work awarded

Council approved this work to be done by Upland Contracting Ltd. for up to \$172,590 excluding GST, with \$50,000 from a budget re-allocation from the Sewer Main Replacement project.

Council and Rotary Club to partner on Dick Murphy Park viewing platform

Council directed staff to execute a memorandum of understanding with the Rotary Club of Campbell River for the construction of the viewing platform at Dick Murphy Park on the Tyee Spit. The City will contribute \$25,000 toward the project's \$35,000 total cost, to allow the Rotary Club \$10,000 for contract administration, qualified environmental professional services and a small contingency.

Beautification – Partnering Agreements

Council approved in principle two partnering agreements with local business improvement areas which, once formally approved, will see City funding of works completed to benefit those areas. For the Downtown Heart of the City BIA, power washing of sidewalks and leaf clearing will take place over the coming months.

In Willow Point, Christmas lighting will be purchased and installed for the holiday season.

Both funding arrangements are being made under the City's beautification grant program, which makes funding up to \$10,000 available to the four local business areas including Downtown BIA, Willow Point BIA, Pier Street Association, and Campbellton Neighbourhood Association for beautification programs beneficial to the area and to the community as a whole.

Provincial recognition for City's carbon reduction and measurement

A letter from the joint Provincial-Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), Green Communities Committee (GCC) congratulates the City for its successful efforts to measure and reduce corporate greenhouse gas emissions for 2015. The City has been awarded with level 2 recognition for measurement for the completion of a corporate carbon inventory for 2015 and demonstrated familiarity with the Community Energy and Emissions Inventory.

Budget announcement from the Vancouver Island Regional Library board

Bruce Jolliffe, chair of the Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) board of trustees advised the City that VIRL has adopted a 2017-2021 financial plan, which includes an average increase of 4.25% for Vancouver Island communities, a per capita increase of \$1.59.