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## **RENEWAL IS COMING TO BEECH STREET THIS SUMMER**

## Upgrades along Beech Street in the downtown core will be completed this summer, an extension to upgrades that have been completed in earlier phases nearby.

With the design phase nearing completion, the City of Campbell River expects work to begin this summer to further improve services and infrastructure along Beech Street, between Alder Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

"By expanding our revitalization work throughout downtown, we further our goals of a more vibrant and accessible city centre that encourages use by our residents as well as visitors," says Mayor Andy Adams. "This renewal project provides for increased residential living downtown and improves the area for a range of users."

Upgrades to this area will add traffic calming measures, improve pedestrian infrastructure and offer opportunity for active transportation modes. Work will include:

- Infrastructure updates: New water, sewer and storm mains and services
- New roadways: Roadway constructed to meet Urban Local Commercial Standards
- Pedestrian-friendly upgrades: Improved lighting, crosswalks and boulevards
- Aesthetics: Upgraded surface finishes matching the adjacent Downtown Revitalization Project (including new tree planting and landscaping)

This stage of the downtown upgrades is the result of an opportunity presented by the proposed construction of a mixed residential-commercial building on a currently-undeveloped lot on the street (325 Beech Street). The Beech Street Renewal Project can be delivered in a short timeframe, thanks to the Refresh Downtown Strategy which was completed in 2017 to prepare advanced plans for upgrades through the downtown core as opportunities arise.

Work is expected to begin in early summer 2022, and be largely complete by fall. Some finishing work, such as planting, may be required in 2023.

For more information and renewal project updates, visit <u>www.campbellriver.ca/beech-street-renewal</u>.

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