

# REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, September 24, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDEMENT

The Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lifwat People, known in their language as Lifwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwi7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting agenda of September 24, 2024.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of September 10, 2024.

- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTION PERIOD
- 6. MAYOR'S REPORT
- 7. CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS
- 8. INFORMATION REPORTS
  - 8.1 2023 Whistler Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report No. 24-086 File No. 0340-20-2023

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 24-086 and the Whistler 2023 Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report, attached as Appendix A.

8.2 2024 Second Quarter Financial Report No. 24-087 File No. 1880-20-2024

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 24-087 and 2024 Second Quarter Financial Report for the period ended June 30, 2024, attached as Appendix A.

#### 9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

9.1 Expropriation Approval – Portion of Common Property Strata VAS191 Report No. 24-088 File No. 0890-20

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council, as the local approving authority for the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW), as identified in the *Expropriation Act (Act)* and pursuant to section 18 of the Act:

- acknowledge that it has been served with the expropriation notice dated May 6, 2024, and filed in the New Westminster Land Title Office (LTO) under number CB1298899 and with a copy of the Act; and
- b. approve the expropriation contemplated by the expropriation notice; and

**That** Council, as the local approving authority as identified in the Act, authorize and direct the Corporate Officer to:

- sign the Certificate of Approval, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-088, in the form prescribed under the *Expropriation Act General Regulation* (Regulation);
- b. notify or cause to be notified the expropriating authority and each owner, as defined in the Act, of the RMOW's approval of the expropriation;
- make the advance payments as required under section 20(1)(d) of the Act and serve the Notices of Advance Payment in the form prescribed under the Regulation with a copy of all appraisal and other reports on which the advance payment is based;
- d. specify in the Vesting Notice (as defined in the Act) that the relevant lands will be vested in the RMOW free and clear of all charges other than those referred to in section 23(2)(a) to (c) of the Act and the Right of Way having a Registration Number of 486722M;
- e. file or cause to be filed in the LTO Vesting Notices under section 23 of the Act in the form prescribed under the Regulation and then serve a copy of the Vesting Notices on each owner (as defined in the Act); and
- sign or cause to be signed the Notices of Advance Payment and the Vesting Notices.
- 9.2 Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) 2453, 2024 Report No. 24-089 File No. 3900-20-2453

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024- 2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024".

9.3 Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024 Report No. 24-090 File No. 3900-20-3452

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024".

9.4 Council Policy A-29: Fee For Service Report No. 24-091 File No. 0340-20

A presentation by municipal staff.

**That** Council adopt the amended *Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service*, as revised and attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-091.

#### 10. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

# 10.1 Five Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024

**That** Council give "Five Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024" first, second and third readings.

# 10.2 Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024

**That** Council give "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024" first, second and third readings.

#### 11. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 11.1 Nordic Drive Intersection File No. 3009

Correspondence from M. Kerber regarding the Nordic Drive intersection with Highway 99.

#### 11.2 Parking at Rainbow Park File No. 3009

Correspondence from B. Matheson regarding the parking at Rainbow Park.

#### 11.3 The City of Surrey's Streamside Protection File No. 3009

Correspondence from A. Kaps regarding the City of Surrey's decision to review their current streamside protection policies and bylaws.

#### 11.4 Whistler Sports Legacies and Whistler Olympic Park Nordic Trails File No. 3009

Correspondence from B. Sills regarding Whistler Sports Legacies and the reduction of access to nordic ski trails at Whistler Olympic Park.

#### 11.5 Whistler Village Delivery Hours File No. 3009

Correspondence from P.J. Foskett regarding Whistler Village delivery hours.

#### 11.6 Light-up and Proclamation Requests

#### a. World Pancreatic Cancer Day File No. 3009.1

Correspondence from B. Ruby, requesting the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit purple on November 21, 2024, in support of World Pancreatic Cancer Day.

#### b. National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month File No. 3009.1

Correspondence from C. DoCarmo, requesting the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit blue on October 7, 2024, in support of National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month.

#### c. Rail Safety Week Proclamation File No. 3009.1

Correspondence from T.W Banick, requesting that September 23 to September 29, 2024, be proclaimed Rail Safety Week in Whistler.

#### 12. TERMINATION

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of September 24, 2024.



# REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 5:30 p.m. Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre 4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton

Councillor A. De Jong Councillor J. Ford Councillor R. Forsyth Councillor C. Jewett Councillor J. Morden Councillor J. Murl

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, V. Cullen

General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety, T. Battiston

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey

General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development

Services, D. Mikkelsen

General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services,

K. Elliott

Director of Planning, M. Laidlaw

Manager of Legislative Services/ Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght

Manager of Policy Planning, C. Beaubien Manager of Protective Services, L. DeBou Manager of Facility Construction, M. King Capital Projects Supervisor, M. Freno

Planner, J. Rees Planner, L. Clarke

Council Coordinator, P. Mendieta

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized the Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lilwat People, known in their language as Lilwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

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**That** Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting agenda of September 10, 2024, as amended to move agenda item 11.11 to immediately after agenda item 6.2

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of July 23, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTION PERIOD

H. Stippler (of Spring Creek), P. Dorland (on behalf of AWARE) and R. Millikin addressed Council regarding fuel thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program.

#### 5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor and Council provided an update on activities happening within the community.

Mayor J. Crompton announced that Nancy Wilhelm-Morden and Hugh Smythe are to be honoured with the Freedom of the Municipality and that a ceremony to bestow the honour will be held at the Regular Council Meeting on October 22, 2024.

#### 6. LIGHT-UP AND PROCLAMATION REQUESTS

#### 6.1 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

**That** Council receive correspondence from R. Edmondson, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit pink and blue on October 15, 2024, in support of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.2 Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day Proclamation File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from R. Edmondson, refer it to staff and that October 15, 2024, be proclaimed Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day in Whistler.

**CARRIED** 

Mayor J. Crompton called for a recess at 6:06 p.m.

Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting back to order at 6:08 p.m.

#### 7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Fuel Thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

**That** Council receive correspondence from R. Millikin regarding fuel thinning in Whistler under the FireSmart Program and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. INFORMATION REPORTS

8.1 Whistler Emergency Preparedness for Older Adults Assessment and Awareness Campaign – Final Report No. 24-082 File No. 1855-20-0503

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 24-082 regarding the final report for the Whistler Emergency Preparedness for Older Adults Assessment and Awareness Campaign project, attached as Appendix A to Information Report No. 24-082.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

9.1 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District – Regional Growth Strategy Minor Amendment and Regional Context Statement Report No. 24-083 File No. 6480-20-2024

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council has reviewed the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) minor amendment as presented in the referral notice, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-083, and direct staff to communicate to the SLRD that Council supports the minor amendment and provides the following comments regarding proposed policies 11.1(a) and 11.2(a) and Goal 3:

The Resort Municipality of Whistler supports and strongly encourages the
adoption of achieving net zero by 2050 and recommends removing the
reference to "carbon neutral". A net zero commitment will support the
achievement of the greenhouse gas emission (GhG) reduction targets
outlined in the RGS. However, carbon neutrality may limit the region's
ability to achieve these targets, as carbon neutrality can be achieved

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through the purchase of carbon offsets without any or very little reduction in GhG; and

 Any requests for staff time that may arise regarding support for coordination on a Housing Needs Report and/or exploration of the establishment of a Regional Housing Authority would need to be evaluated against existing RMOW priorities and workplans; and further

**That** Council has reviewed the regional context statement (RCS) contained within the "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018", attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report No. 24-083, and direct staff to submit the RCS to the SLRD for its continued acceptance.

**CARRIED** 

# 9.2 DVP01263 - 3250 Arbutus Dr - Building Height and Front Setback Variances Report No. 24-084 File No. 3090-20-1263

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01263, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-084, to vary the building height and front setback for a detached dwelling at 3250 Arbutus Drive.

**CARRIED** 

# 9.3 Municipal Hall Fire Suppression System Project Report No. 24-085 File No. 5330-02-1014-01

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council award the contract for the Municipal Hall Fire Suppression System Project in the amount of \$1,138,623.10 (excluding GST) to Whistler Coast Construction Group Ltd. in accordance with the Tender Award Recommendation, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-085.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

#### 10.1 Emergency Planning Committee

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Emergency Planning Committee of April 30, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.2 Board of Variance

Moved By Councillor J. Murl Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Board of Variance of March 25, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### 10.3 Advisory Design Panel

Moved By Councillor J. Murl
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council receive the Regular Meeting minutes of the Advisory Design Panel of May 15, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 11.1 2025 Council Meeting Schedule

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council endorse the following Council Meeting Schedule for the Resort Municipality of Whistler for 2025:

January 7
January 21
February 4
February 25
March 11
March 25
April 8
April 29
May 13
May 27
June 10
June 24
July 8
July 22

August 12

September 2 September 16
October 7 October 21
November 4 November 18
December 2 December 16

**CARRIED** 

#### 11.2 2025 Acting Mayor Appointments

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council appoint as Acting Mayor for the Resort Municipality of Whistler for the months of January 2025 to December 2025 (inclusive):

January: Jeff Murl February: Jeff Murl

March: Ralph Forsyth April: Ralph Forsyth May: Arthur De Jong June: Arthur De Jong Jessie Morden July: Jessie Morden August: September: Cathy Jewett October: Cathy Jewett

November: Jen Ford December: Jen Ford

**CARRIED** 

#### 11.3 2024-2034 Community Works Fund Agreement

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

**That** Council approve the participation of the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) in the Community Works Fund program led by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and authorize the corporate signatories to execute the 2024-2034 Community Works Fund Agreement on behalf of the RMOW.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 12.1 Short-Term Rentals in Whistler File No. 3009

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Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council receive correspondence from A. and K. Martin regarding short-term rentals in Whistler and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

#### 12.2 Whistler Day Lots File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from F.G. Stroud regarding the cleanliness of the Whistler Day Lots and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

# 12.3 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Review File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from C. Dewar regarding the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Review.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.4 Suicide Prevention Support for Indigenous Children File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from L. Donovan regarding suicide

prevention support for Indigenous children.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.5 Whistler Shelter File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council receive correspondence from E. Przwara regarding the need for a shelter in Whistler and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

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#### 12.6 Whistler Valley Trail Safety File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from S. Youngsman regarding safety on the Whietler Valley Trail and refer it to staff

the Whistler Valley Trail and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.7 Illegal Camping on Cheakamus Lake Road File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

That Council receive correspondence from C. Kaipio regarding illegal camping

on Cheakamus Lake Road and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.8 Fossil Fuel Funding File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from V. Cumming regarding support for a Union of B.C Municipalities (UBCM) resolution to eliminate fossil fuel funding from the Southern Local Government Association and the UBCM.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.9 Construction of Employee Housing at Cheakamus Crossing File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from P. Boulanger regarding the construction of employee housing at Cheakamus Crossing neighbourhood, and refer to staff to forward to the Board of Directors for Whistler 2020 Development Corp.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.10 Off-Leash Dogs in Public Areas File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council receive correspondence from J. Smith regarding off-leash dogs in public areas and refer it to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.11 Addressing Homelessness in Campbell River

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from K. Dahl regarding provincial support to address homelessness in Campbell River.

**CARRIED** 

#### 12.12 Light-up and Proclamation Requests

#### a. National Day for Truth and Reconciliation File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council receive correspondence from P. Lysaght, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit orange on September 30, 2024, in support of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

**CARRIED** 

#### b. World PANS PANDAS Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

**That** Council receive correspondence from K. Popwich, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit red on October 9, 2024, in support of World PANS PANDAS Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### c. Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Murl

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council receive correspondence from K. Keen, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit purple on November 2, 2024, in support of Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### d. Medical Radiation Technologist Week No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council receive correspondence from S. Olma, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit orange and blue on November 3, 2024, in support of Medical Radiation Technologist Week.

**CARRIED** 

#### e. Stomach Cancer Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from S. Koenig, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit blue on November 30, 2024, in support of Stomach Cancer Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### f. Stage Four Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council receive correspondence from L. Inahara, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit green, pink and teal on October 13, 2024, in support of Stage Four Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### g. Eczema Awareness Day File No. 3009.1

Moved By Councillor J. Morden

Seconded By Councillor J. Murl

**That** Council receive correspondence from H. Lawton, refer it to staff and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit blue on November 8, 2024, in support of Eczema Awareness Day.

**CARRIED** 

#### h. Medical Radiation Technologist Proclamation File No. 3009.1

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Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

**That** Council receive correspondence from S. Olma, refer it to staff and that November 3 to 9, 2024, be proclaimed Medical Radiation Technologist Week in Whistler.

**CARRIED** 

#### 13. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor J. Morden

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of September 10, 2024, at 7:11

p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Mayor, J. Crompton Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght



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#### STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-086

FROM: Climate and Environment FILE: 0340-20-2023

**SUBJECT:** 2023 WHISTLER ANNUAL GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY AND CLIMATE

**ACTION PROGRESS REPORT** 

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development Services be endorsed.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 24-086 and the Whistler 2023 Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report, attached as Appendix A.

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to share the Whistler 2023 Annual Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report (2023 Progress Report), attached as Appendix A, and to highlight Whistler's progress towards achieving our climate goals. The 2023 Progress Report provides a summary of Whistler's community GHG emissions for the calendar year 2023 as well as progress towards the six Big Moves and three Adaptation Goals as outlined in the <a href="Big Move Climate Action Implementation Plan">Big Move Climate Action Implementation Plan</a> (Big Moves CAIP). This report also outlines the Resort Municipality of Whistler's (RMOW) corporate GHG emissions for 2023 and provides the first progress report on the <a href="RMOW">RMOW</a> Corporate GHG Reduction Plan.

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#### DISCUSSION

#### **Background**

The RMOW has a special dependence on weather patterns that deliver sufficient snowfall throughout the winter season and summers that are free of wildfires and associated smoke. This intrinsic relationship to the weather has heightened awareness about Whistler's shared responsibility to manage our GHG emissions—and the potential impacts on our community and our economy if we do not.

In recognizing this, Whistler has developed two climate plans that work in unison to target our climate goals. The first of which is the Big Moves CAIP, which was adopted by Council on <u>August 2, 2022</u>. This plan details key initiatives and actions to achieve Whistler's community GHG emissions reduction

targets and addresses both Whistler's climate change mitigation and adaptation planning, two key components of a comprehensive, integrated approach to climate action.

The second is the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan, which was presented to Council on January 5, 2024. This plan established a 2030 GHG emissions reduction target for RMOW Operations that is aligned with Whistler's Climate Action Big Moves Strategy. This plan specifically focuses on reducing GHG emissions from municipal operations, which make up about two per cent of Whistler's total community emissions.

A reporting structure was established to provide progress updates to Council and the Whistler community on these two plans. An annual report is developed each year that includes annual GHG emissions for both the Whistler community and the RMOW. This annual report also includes progress on both the Big Moves CAIP and the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan. In addition, a bi-annual progress report on the Big Moves CAIP is prepared in the winter and presented to Council. The last bi-annual report was presented to Council on March 5, 2024.

#### **Analysis**

The intent of the Annual GHG Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report is to provide transparent access to relevant GHG emissions data, as well as to inform both RMOW and community decisions as they relate to Whistler's climate action and GHG reduction targets. The 2023 Progress Report is divided into five chapters, with Chapter One summarizing the main highlights and take-away points regarding climate action in 2023. Chapter Two outlines Whistler's community wide GHG inventory and Chapter Three highlights progress on the Big Moves CAIP, both mitigation and adaptation. Chapter Four outlines the RMOW corporate GHG inventory and Chapter Five summarizes progress on the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan.

#### Community GHG Inventory

In 2023, Whistler's community wide emissions were estimated to total 136,462 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent ( $tCO_2e$ ). This is a two per cent increase compared to 2022 and three per cent higher than the 2007 baseline year. This means Whistler is not on track to meet the GHG emission reduction target of 50 per cent below 2007 by 2030.

The main reason for this overall increase in GHG emissions is an increase in passenger vehicle emissions. This sector is consistently the largest contributor to Whistler's GHG emissions.

#### Passenger Vehicles

In 2023, passenger vehicle emissions accounted for 53 per cent of community wide emissions in Whistler. Passenger vehicle activity increased relative to 2022 resulting in a three per cent increase in passenger vehicle emissions. Passenger vehicle activity is measured using traffic counter data, which shows that in 2023, the vehicle kilometers travelled in Whistler increased by two per cent relative to 2022. We also know that the number of electric vehicles (EVs) on the road is steadily increasing. In 2023, EVs represented 24 per cent of all new vehicles registered in BC. However, when combined with existing fossil fuel vehicles, this is not yet sufficient to offset the increased emissions from increased passenger vehicle activity.

This trend suggests that enabling mode shift from passenger vehicles to other modes of sustainable transportation is increasingly important for Whistler to achieve its climate targets. Actions to support this include advocacy for regional transit with our neighbouring communities and the Provincial government as well as ensuring funding and resources to implement the Active Transportation Strategy.

#### Existing Buildings

The second largest contributor to emissions in Whistler is the natural gas used in existing commercial and residential buildings. In 2023, natural gas consumption in buildings accounted for 36 per cent of community wide emissions in Whistler. Natural gas consumed by commercial buildings made up 25 per cent, and natural gas used by residential buildings was 11 per cent. When compared to 2022, 2023 natural gas emissions remained at similar levels. The consumption of natural gas in 2022 and 2023 was the highest two years recorded, since data collection began in 2000. However, 2023 had significantly fewer heating degree days than 2022, suggesting that less natural gas would be required for heating when compared to 2022. The fact that consumption did not decrease in 2023 suggests that natural gas consumption in commercial buildings does not always correlate to changes in heating degree days.

To reduce GHG emissions from the built environment, advocacy with the provincial government for a Provincial Retrofit Code and other policy changes that help transition existing buildings to low carbon fuel sources should be prioritized. This should be complemented with continued support for local building owners to pursue low carbon fuel switching by connecting them with relevant resources and incentives.

#### GHG emissions per population equivalent

In 2023, GHG emissions per population equivalent (PE) was 3.35 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/PE. This is a decrease, when compared to 2022. While this is a positive trend, absolute reduction in GHG emissions, regardless of population and visitation is required to achieve our climate goals.

#### Community Energy Consumption

The total community energy consumption in Whistler in 2023 was 3.61 million GJ. This is a two per cent increase compared to 2022 and a 13 per cent increase from the 2007 baseline. Electricity is the most prevalent type of energy consumed in Whistler at 62 per cent of the total energy consumption followed by vehicle fuels (22 per cent) and natural gas (16 per cent).

#### **Big Moves Mitigation Progress**

This section highlights progress towards achieving Whistler's Big Moves goals in the first half of 2024. A comprehensive list of all actions to support progress towards achieving Whistler's Big Moves goals be found in Appendix A.

Despite these achievements, Whistler is not on track to meet its GHG emission reduction target of 50 per cent below 2007 by 2030 without significant efforts and changes throughout the community. More specifically, efforts to move away from fossil fuels in existing buildings and passenger vehicles are needed.

#### Big Move 1 – Move beyond the car

Passenger vehicle GHG emissions data indicates that we are not on track to achieving our Big Move 1 goal. Actions that will meaningfully impact progress towards achieving this goal include advocacy for regional transit and successful implementation of the Active Transportation Strategy.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

 Whistler received 7,650 hours of expansion funding for the Whistler Transit System and implemented half of the expansion starting April 15, 2024. The initial expansion focused on Route 10 service span and remaining expansion hours will roll out mid November 2024.

- \$50,000 was approved by Council to support the Pemberton Commuter.
- The <u>Active Transportation Strategy</u> was adopted by Council on July 23, 2024. The next step is to develop an Active Transportation Network Plan.
- Three smart secure bike parking racks were installed at the following locations:
  - Meadow Park Sports Centre
  - Village Square
  - Whistler Olympic Plaza
- Expansion of the Evolve E-bike Share program launched in spring 2024. As of Sept 8, 2024, over 11,000 trips have been made on the Evolve bikes for a total of 47,700 km travelled. This is a 167 per cent increase compared to 2023.

Big Move 2 – Decarbonize passenger and commercial transportation.

EV adoption and completed or planned installation of EV infrastructure for passenger vehicles suggests that we are progressing towards our Big Move 2 goal. Going forward, continued EV infrastructure installation and shifting focus to support electrification of medium and heavy-duty fleet vehicles in Whistler will be necessary to achieve our 2030 targets.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

- Clean BC Communities Fund is being used to install 41 Level 2 chargers and DC fast chargers between 2023 and 2025. A contract has been awarded to install two DC fast chargers on Main Street. Usage of municipal EV charging network continues to increase, with 2024 having the highest energy use and highest number of charging sessions since municipally owned EV chargers were installed.
- Council Approved License of Occupation (LOA) agreements with BC Hydro to install Level 2 chargers and DC fast chargers at Day Lot 3 and Whistler Conference Centre (WCC) Parking Lots on July 23, 2024.
  - An LOA was signed with BC hydro to install up to 42 Level 2 chargers in Day Lot 3.
     Installation will be completed in two phases with Phase 1 commencing in spring 2025.
  - A second LOA with BC Hydro is proposed for the WCC parking lots: up to eight DC Fast Chargers in the surface lot and up to 10 Level 2 charges in the underground lot.
- BC Transit has announced the design for 16 electric bus chargers at the Whistler Transit Facility with plans to bring in 15 electric busses to Whistler.
- Starting July 1, 2024, daily and monthly parking rates were increased throughout the Village.
- Whistler Blackcomb is conducting a parking study with a roundtable discussion hosted in September 2024.

Big Move 3 – Reduce visitor travel emissions.

GHG emissions per population equivalent trends suggest that we are not on track to achieving our Big Move 3 goal. More effort is needed in our partnerships with the tourism sector to define what critical actions are required to both reduce visitor travel emissions and define tourism in a low carbon world.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

 The Smart Tourism Committee has been established and the first meeting was held in September 2024.

#### Big Move 4 – Build zero emission buildings

Whistler's recent adoption of the <u>Zero Carbon Step Code</u> and planned adoption of progressively higher steps of the Step Code indicate that we are on track to achieve our Big Move 4 goal. Continued support for Step Code implementation and building sector capacity will be essential to maintain this momentum.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

- An energy advisory team was hired to support Step Code implementation. Their work between 2024 and 2026 includes:
  - Development of an engagement plan (completed)
  - Internal capacity building and training for RMOW staff (September)
  - Development of an internal step code compliance monitoring checklist and metrics to track compliance (Alpha model complete)
  - Builder Breakfast engagement and capacity building with industry (Fall 2024 onwards)
- Funds for the energy advisor come from the Codes Acceleration Fund grant in the amount of \$200,000.

#### Big Move 5 – Make existing buildings better:

GHG emissions from natural gas used in existing buildings in Whistler indicate that we are not on track to achieve our Big Move 5 goal. While supporting building owners in adopting low carbon alternatives is important, actions that will significantly impact GHG emissions in the built environment include advocacy for provincial policy supporting the energy transition of our existing building stock.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

- The Retrofit Assist program launched a second intake in the spring of 2024 after the first intake in 2023 was full. The second intake has included:
  - 45 applicants
  - 17 EnerGuide evaluations completed
  - 4 participants completed retrofit
- Retrofit Assist is now being expanded to other municipalities in BC who are applying learnings from Whistler, Squamish and Rossland.
- Successful application to BC Hydro for Implementation Offer funding of \$14,250 to host two
  additional workshops focused on hotel carbon reduction in Whistler. The first workshop was
  held in May 2024 and a second workshop is planned for November 2024. Prism Engineering
  supported participating hotels with energy assessments.
- Successful application to UBC Sustainability Scholar program to develop a covered buildings list, which is the first stage of developing an Energy Reporting Bylaw. The Scholar commenced work on May 15, 2024, and project concluded August 15, 2024.

#### Big Move 6 – Close the loop and shift toward lower carbon consumption.

Landfill tonnage and GHG emissions data suggests that we are moving towards our Big Move 6 target and continued support for the implementation of Whistler's Zero Waste Action Plan remains important.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

• The consultant who conducted the assessment of food service waste management rooms has provided feedback to food service managers and property managers. The RMOW is currently

assessing the benefits of the waste management room assessment to determine if an assessment should be completed for other industries.

- Community climate action events held at the library:
  - Two Repair Café events in partnership with Association of Whistler Area Residents for the Environment (AWARE) and the Waste Management Department.
  - Three "sold out" Beginner Bike Maintenance workshops in partnership with RMOW's Transportation Management Team and AWARE.
  - Expert Panel Series: Michael Allen presented his "Spring Bear Update" to a "sold out" crowd.
  - "How to be Bear Smart in Whistler" program in partnership with RMOW's Bear Smart program assistant.
  - To reduce waste the Summer Reading Club craft programs were planned by soliciting recycled donations from other RMOW staff and departments (e.g., two-litre pop bottles, aluminum pie plates, and plant cuttings), rather than purchasing new materials.
  - Veganuary display to highlight a robust collection of vegan cookbooks available for patrons to borrow.
  - Staff book repair training to extend the life of items in the collection.
  - In partnership with the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, during Food Waste Action Week, an interactive display was held in the lobby to teach people how and where to store food to minimize waste.
  - Earth Day display to promote items from our Sustainability Collection, as well as related resources such as the Seed Library.
- Hired AWARE to engage community about new Provincial *Single Use and Plastic Waste Prevention Regulation* effective July 15, 2024. Engagement focused on bringing awareness to local businesses to support compliance.

#### Big Moves Adaptation Progress:

This section highlights progress towards achieving Whistler's Adaptation Goals in the first half of 2024. A comprehensive list of all actions to support Whistler's Adaptation Goals as outlined in the Big Moves CAIP be found in Appendix A.

Adaptation Goal 1 – Minimize threats from wildfires:

- Implementation of the Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (CWRP) continues in collaboration with relevant partners.
- Related to education and awareness, Council received a presentation on May 28, 2024, about
  wildfire risks and emergency preparedness. A FireSmart community information workshop was
  held at the Whistler Public Library on August 15. Social media posts about FireSmart and fuel
  thinning efforts regularly help residents and visitors learn more about the importance of wildfire
  risk reduction.
- The Wildfire Internal Coordination Group meets monthly to coordinate between RMOW
  departments and track progress on implementation of the CWRP. Collaboration with
  Cheakamus Community Forest (CCF) on landscape level fuel management is ongoing. The
  RMOW continues to access Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF) funding from the
  federal government to treat high-risk areas within the CCF and around Whistler.

- With respect to training for wildfire events, Whistler Fire Rescue Service (WFRS), BC Wildfire, Whistler Blackcomb staff, Pemberton Fire Department and RMOW staff conducted an annual joint wildfire training exercise on May 1. Four WFRS members attended Task Force Team Leader training, bringing the total of our trained members to 10. Wildland Firefighter One Train the trainer was completed for two more staff during a training officer conference in Squamish. Three S-100 & S-185 courses were completed in the spring for total of 46 people certified. Two additional courses are planned for fall.
- With respect to vegetation management to reduce wildfire risk, several high priority areas were treated by fuel thinning in 2024, including:
  - Emerald West (partially complete)
  - o Brio
  - Brio extension (partially complete)
  - Treatment along the Highway 99 corridor within the RMOW has been delayed, awaiting the completion of a Preliminary Field Assessment by the Lílwat First Nation.

#### Adaptation Goal 2 – Increase resilience to extreme weather events:

- A "levels of service" framework for identified natural assets was completed in March 2024 through an internal staff workshop, as part of the municipal natural assets management initiative.
- A draft Fitzsimmons Creek Emergency Response Plan is underway.
- The "Outdoor Potable Water Use Bylaw No. 2179, 2018" was amended in April and is currently being implemented, supported by communications efforts. Initial data indicates a 14.5 per cent decrease in potable water demand for June/July in 2024 relative to 2023.
- A summer student was hired to collect stormwater infrastructure asset information by confirming
  engineering record drawings are accurate and by conducting condition assessments. The next
  step is to identify culverts needing replacement. Stormwater asset replacement design work is
  ongoing, with climate considerations in play for specifications. A list of Highway 99 culverts for
  inspection is being compiled and will be sent to the Provincial Ministry of Transportation and
  Infrastructure for review.
- Rainbow Park has now reopened to the public, with multiple new climate resilient features
  including a non-potable water source for irrigation, more than 50 new trees planted, shade sails,
  improved lake access and altered grading/landscaping to help withstand flooding and to recover
  from flooding more quickly.

#### Adaptation Goal 3 – Protect local ecosystems and biodiversity:

- The new Priority Habitat (PH) mapping series has been completed to accompany the PH Framework (PHF), which was developed in summer 2023. This new mapping series will soon be incorporated into internal and external GIS maps. A PHF implementation plan has been drafted. Next steps include sharing the new PH mapping with key internal and external partners and completing a land use and regulatory analysis of PH areas. The PHF and updated mapping will be presented to Council in fall 2024.
- The "Environmental Protection Bylaw No. 2000, 2012" is being revised to improve the protection
  of streams, riparian areas and biodiversity within the RMOW. A separate Tree Protection Bylaw
  is being drafted to administer tree cutting permits, to improve protection for significant trees and
  trees in riparian areas and to support the climate resilience of the RMOW.

- The <u>2023 Ecosystems & Species Monitoring Report</u> is complete and available on <u>whistler.ca</u>.
   Field work for the 2024 monitoring period is well underway.
- Preliminary monitoring results from 2023 to determine the impacts and effectiveness of wildfire
  fuel thinning within the RMOW and CCF tenure indicate that current fuel thinning methods help
  to lower the risk of wildfire in treated areas. This monitoring program will continue through to
  2025 and future results will be shared once available.
- Implementation of the Invasive Species Management Plan is ongoing, largely through collaboration with the Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council and supported by their fee for service agreement with RMOW. A non-compliance protocol for invasive species is being implemented.

#### **RMOW Corporate GHG Inventory**

Total corporate GHG emissions in 2023 were 2,202 tCO<sub>2</sub>e, which is a 12 per cent decrease from 2022. These emissions are broken down into direct emissions (those controlled by the RMOW) and contracted emissions (those controlled by contractors that the RMOW hires). The RMOW's direct emissions represent 66 per cent of total corporate emissions at 1,444 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Contracted emissions represent 34 per cent of total corporate emissions at 758 tCO<sub>2</sub>e.

The decrease in RMOW corporate GHG emissions is primarily due to a decrease in natural gas consumption at RMOW buildings and facilities. Since 2023 had fewer heating degree days than 2022, less natural gas would be expected to heat these buildings. In addition, GHG emissions associated with the operation of RMOW fleet vehicles decreased by 10 per cent, due to a decrease in diesel fuel consumption and an increased use of more gasoline powered vehicles and EVs.

#### RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan Progress

This section highlights progress towards achieving the targets outlined in the RMOW's Corporate GHG Reduction Plan in 2024.

#### Pathway 1: Fleet

GHG emissions from the RMOW fleet suggest that we are on track to achieving our Pathway 1 goal. In order to stay on track, Zero EV procurement must stay in alignment with the RMOW fleet assessment.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

Two new EVs were added to the RMOW fleet bringing the total EVs in the RMOW fleet to six.

#### Pathway 2: Sewage Management:

GHG emissions from the operation of our wastewater treatment plant suggest that we are currently on track to achieve our Pathway 2 goal. While energy efficiency of our wastewater treatment plant is important, moving heating sources away from fossil fuel will be required to reach our 2030 target.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

A heating and venting feasibility study of the wastewater treatment plant is underway. Results
from this study will help the RMOW to understand options for reducing GHG emissions
associated with heating and venting of the primary treatment building.

#### Pathway 3: Recreation:

GHG emissions from the operation of Meadow Park Sports Centre indicate that we are not currently on track to achieving our Pathway 3 goal, despite an annual decrease in natural gas consumption.

Allocation of budget and resources to conduct the necessary building envelope and low carbon retrofit measures will be required to achieve our 2030 target.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

- An application for the Green Municipal Fund Community Buildings Retrofit Initiative grant is underway. This grant is intended to fund a low carbon retrofit and building envelope repairs at Meadow Park Sports Centre.
- Building envelope repairs conducted at Meadow Park Sports Centre in 2024 include the replacement of the arch window on the arena side of the building.
- Better use of the electric air source heat pump to heat the pool at Meadow Park Sports Centre lowered natural gas consumption and GHG emissions at this facility in 2023.

#### Pathway 4: Contracted Services:

GHG emissions from contracted services are significantly higher than what is required to achieve our 2030 target, indicating that we are not on track to achieving our Pathway 4 goal. To significantly reduce these emissions, the RMOW procurement process will need to incorporate evaluation and prioritization of GHG emissions into contractor selection.

#### 2024 Action Highlights:

 Update of RMOW procurement process to prioritize low carbon contractors to be evaluated by working group in 2024/2025.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Relevant Council Authority/Previous Decisions**

Regular public reports on the community and corporate energy and GHG emissions performance have been published annually since 2013 and bi-annually since 2010 and continue to be part of Whistler's commitment under Whistler's Official Community Plan (OCP), the <u>Big Moves CAIP</u>, the BC Climate Action Charter, the <u>RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan</u>, and the Provincial Local Government Climate Action Program.

#### Relevant Council reports include:

August 2, 2022: Administration Report No 22-114 – Big Moves Climate Action Implementation Plan.

<u>August 1, 2023</u>: <u>Information Report No. 23-083</u> – Whistler Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report.

<u>January 23, 2024</u>: <u>Information Report No. 24-005</u> – RMOW Corporate Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategy.

The Big Moves CAIP supports the OCP and informs the Whistler Transportation Action Plan 2018 - 2028, Council Policy G-28: Green Building Policy, and the Solid Waste Management Strategy and the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Strategy.

#### 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

#### **Strategic Priorities**

☐ Housing	
Ехр	pedite the delivery of and longer-term planning for employee housing
	Action
Mol	bilize municipal resources toward the implementation of the Big Moves Climate Action Plan
☐ Commun	nity Engagement
Stri	ive to connect locals to each other and to the RMOW
☐ Smart To	ourism
Pres	serve and protect Whistler's unique culture, natural assets and infrastructure
☐ Not App	licable
•	ns with core municipal work that falls outside the strategic priorities but improves, maintains lates and/or protects existing and essential community infrastructure or programs

#### **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The OCP is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and long-term community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

The Big Moves CAIP and RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan aim to streamline climate action planning, reporting and to advance climate action mitigation and adaptation and is therefore strongly aligned with the OCP Goals listed below and all associated Objectives and Policies included within the Natural Environment Chapter 7, the Climate Action and Energy Chapter 10, and the Transportation Chapter 11 of the current OCP.

- **5.4 Goal** Reduce the environmental and energy impacts of residential neighbourhoods to improve the quality of life and sustainability of the resort community.
- **5.8 Goal –** Achieve a sustainable community forest, balancing forest harvesting, recreation, visual management, watershed protection, the Squamish Nation and Lílwat Nation cultural values, and community and environmental values in the CCF.
- **6.5 Goal -** Support sustainable diversification compatible with the tourism economy.
- **7.1 Goal –** Whistler's sensitive ecosystems, wildlife, habitat and biodiversity are protected, managed and restored.
- **7.2 Goal –** Natural areas are proactively managed for and resilient to climate change.
- **7.3 Goal** Water quality and quantity in local water bodies, streams and groundwater are protected.
- **7.4 Goal** Air quality is protected.
- **8.6 Goal –** Create and embed effective governance mechanisms and partnerships to create trust, responsibility and accountability.
- **8.14 Goal –** Water is used efficiently, and that water quality is protected throughout Whistler's food system.
- 8.16 Goal Reduce waste from the food system and divert waste from landfills.
- **10.1 Goal** Municipal decision-making is well-structured to achieve energy efficiency goals and GHG reduction targets.
- **10.2 Goal** Substantially reduce GHG emissions from vehicles and transportation.
- **10.3 Goal** Substantially reduce GHG emissions from buildings and infrastructure.
- 10.4 Goal Substantially reduce GHG emissions associated with solid waste management

- **11.2 Goal** Integrate the transportation system with land use planning to minimize the need for travel by motor vehicle.
- **11.3 Goal** Minimize GHG emissions created by the transportation system.
- **11.4 Goal** Support the increased use of preferred modes of transportation for all travel purposes to reduce dependence on private motor vehicles.
- **11.7 Goal** Ensure the transportation system respects Whistler's natural environment, minimizes climate impacts and improves the livability of the resort community.
- **12.3 Goal** Move progressively toward zero waste.

#### **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

The tracking and reporting of energy consumption and GHG emissions does not have direct budget implications beyond the dedication of staff time. However, there are project and operating budgets associated with specific actions in the Big Moves CAIP and RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan. These project and operating budgets are brought to Council through the regular budget planning process.

#### LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as *L'il'wat7úl* and the Squamish People, known in their language as the *Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw* to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for planning on unceded territories, as currently managed by the provincial government; achieve mutual objectives and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy. There are no specific considerations to include in this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT							
	Level of community engagement commitment for this project:						
⊠ Inform	☐ Consult	☐ Involve	☐ Collaborate	☐ Empower			
REFERENCES							
Appendix A – 2023 Whistler Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report							

#### **SUMMARY**

The 2023 Progress Report outlines Whistler's annual community wide and RMOW corporate GHG emissions. It also provides action highlights of Whistler's achievements in 2024 towards each Big Move and Adaptation Goal as outlined in the Big Moves CAIP as well as the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan.

The 2023 Progress Report shows that Whistler is currently not on track to meet its 2030 target without significant effort and changes throughout the community. Actions that will meaningfully impact the

trajectory of GHG emissions in Whistler will require a collaborative effort from the community and provincial government. The 2023 Progress Report also shows that some pathways are currently on track to achieve the targets outlined in the RMOW Corporate GHG Reduction Plan. Several key projects have been identified to continue working towards RMOW's GHG emission reduction target.

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# Whistler Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report

2023 Annual Report



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#### 2023 CLIMATE ACTION SUMMARY

#### **Community Performance**

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## COMMUNITY emissions

Community emissions come from all our community's buildings, vehicles and waste production - residential and commercial.

Community wide GHG emissions in 2023 were 136,462 tCO<sub>2</sub>e



Emissions increased 2% compared to 2022

#### **RMOW Corporate Performance**



# CORPORATE emissions

Corporate emissions come from all municipal operations including snow removal, fire services, community centres and administrative buildings.

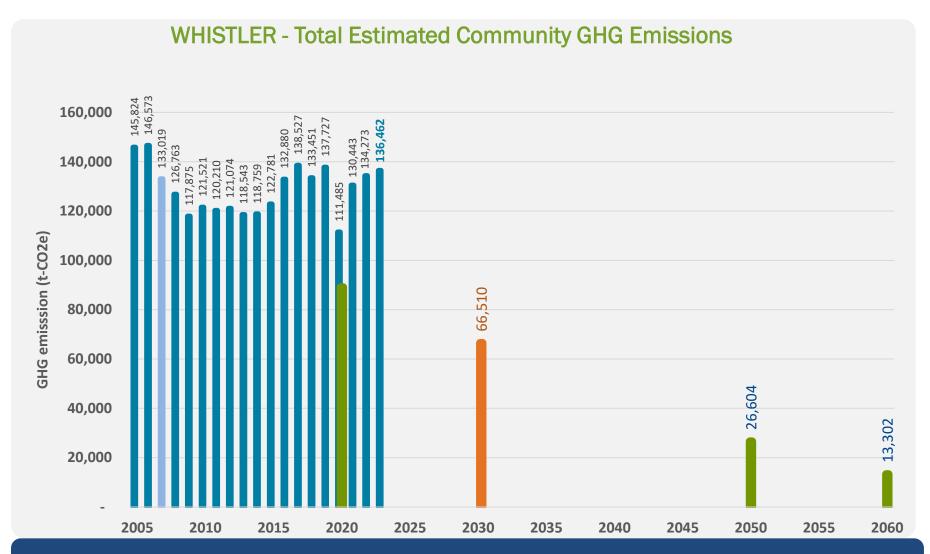
RMOW corporate GHG emissions in 2023 were 2,202 tCO<sub>2</sub>e



Emissions decreased 12% compared to 2022

#### 1. BIG MOVES LEAD INDICATORS - PROGRESS TOWARDS OUR GOALS

		2019 Starting Point	Current	2030 Target	% Char	ge from last year	% Chan	ge from 2019	Are we on Track?
	Community GHG Emissions in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	137,727	136,462	65,500	1	2% increase from 2022	1	1% decrease from 2019	
	RMOW GHG Emissions in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	2,360	2,202	1,100	<b></b>	12% decrease from 2022	<b></b>	7% decrease from 2019	T
***	Passenger Vehicle Emissions in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	70,827	71,638	35,400		4% increase from 2022	1	1% increase from 2019	
***	GHG per Population Equivalent in tCO <sub>2</sub> /PE	3.3	3.4	2.5	<u> </u>	7% decrease from 2022	$\hat{\Box}$	3% increase from 2019	
	Building GHG Emissions from Natural Gas in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	46,589	49,209	33,000		No change from 2022	1	6% increase from 2019	
	Waste to Landfill in tons/year	12,000	11,500	TBD		No change from 2022	<u> </u>	4% decrease from 2019	T



The community of Whistler has committed to community level GHG reductions of 33% by 2020, 80% by 2050, and 90% by 2060 relative to a base year of 2007 (green bars). 2023 emissions are currently 3% above 2007, and 53% above the 2020 target. In 2020, Whistler adopted the Climate Action Big Moves Strategy which sets a new target for the near term of 50% reduction below 2007 levels by 2030 to motivate action and increase accountability (orange bar).

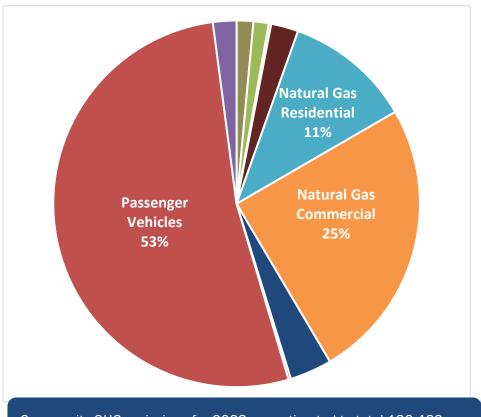
#### COUNCIL DECISIONS RELATED TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN WHISTLER

	Q1/Q2 2023	Q3/Q4 2023	Q1/Q2 2024	Q3/Q4 2024
REPORTS	Bi-annual Big Moves     Climate Action     Implementation Plan     Progress Report	2022 Annual Whistler GHG Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report	<ul> <li>Whistler Corporate GHG         Reduction Strategy</li> <li>Bi-annual Big Moves Climate         Action Implementation Plan         Progress Report</li> </ul>	2023 Annual Whistler GHG Inventory and Climate Action Progress Report
BIG MOVE 1	E-bike share program awarded to BCAA (Evolve) and launched		<ul> <li>Whistler Active Transportation Strategy</li> <li>Whistler Transit Update Report</li> </ul>	
BIG MOVE 2			License of Occupation     Agreement with BC Hydro for     EV chargers in Day Lot 3 and     Conference Centre parking lots	
Big Move			Smart Tourism Progress     Update Report	
BIG MOVE 4	<ul> <li>Building bylaw amended to adopt higher steps of BC Energy Step Code and Zero Carbon Step Code</li> <li>Council resolution for Codes Acceleration Fund application</li> </ul>			
BIG MOVE 5	Green and Inclusive     Community Buildings     Program application for     MPCS retrofit work			FCM Green Municipal Fund Community Building Retrofit grant for MPSC retrofit work

BIG MOVE 6	Zero Waste Action Plan     Progress Report		Zero Waste Action Plan     Progress Report
ADAPTATI ON 1	RFP for Whistler Wildfire Defense Plan	Community Wildfire     Resiliency Plan Progress     Report	<ul> <li>Wildfire and Emergency         Preparedness presentation     </li> <li>Amendments to Wildfire         DPA coming to Council     </li> </ul>
ADAPTATI ON 2	Rainbow Park planned upgrades presented		<ul> <li>UBCM Emergency Preparedness Fund Grant</li> <li>Outdoor Potable Water Usage Amendment Bylaw</li> <li>Recreation Trail Strategy coming to Council</li> </ul>
ADAPTATION 3		Pesticide Amendment Bylaw	<ul> <li>Wildfire and Emergency Preparedness update</li> <li>Priority Habitat Framework and mapping coming to Council</li> <li>Environmental Protection Bylaw amendment and new Tree Bylaw Coming to Council</li> </ul>

#### 2. 2023 COMMUNITY GHG AND ENERGY INVENTORY

#### 2023 Estimated Whistler Community GHG

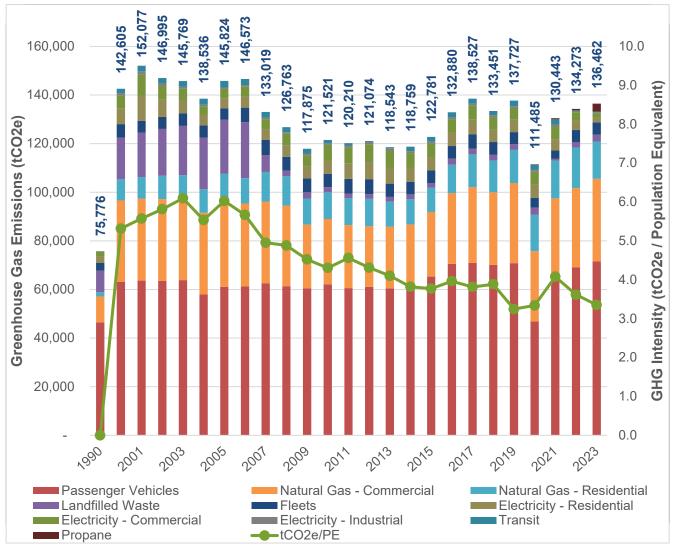


Community GHG emissions for 2023 are estimated to total 136,462 tCO $_2$ e, which is a 2% increase compared to 2022 and 3% higher than 2007 (133,019 tCO $_2$ e). It is a 1% decrease from 2019 (137,727 tCO $_2$ e). Passenger vehicle emissions account for 53% of Whistler's community-wide GHG emissions, followed by natural gas for space and water heating in buildings which accounted for 36% of Whistler's total community-wide emissions in 2023.

Source	tCO2e	%
Passenger Vehicles	73,827	53%
Natural Gas - Commercial	32,442	25%
Natural Gas - Residential	16,537	11%
Fleets	5,205	4%
Landfill	2,156	2%
Propane	462	2%
Electricity - Residential	3,924	1%
Electricity - Commercial	3,400	1%
Electricity - Industrial	550	0%
Transit	355	0%

Total Emissions: 136,462 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

#### Estimated Whistler Community-Level Greenhouse Gas Emissions (1990,2000-Present)

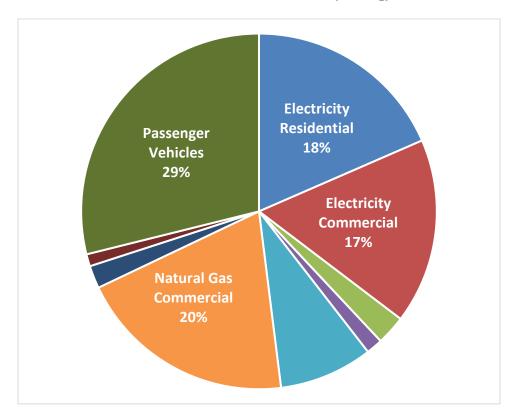


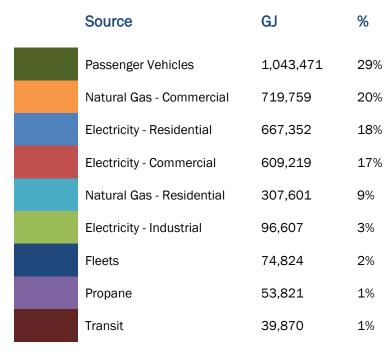
This figure shows a breakdown of Whistler's community-level GHG emissions since 2000 to present. Whistler's 2023 total community wide GHG emissions are approximately 2% higher than 2022 emissions. The main reason for this overall increase in GHG emissions is an increase in passenger vehicle emissions. Vehicle emissions increased by 4% in 2023 compared to 2022. Vehicle kilometers traveled (VKT) in Whistler in 2023 were similar to 2019. The number of electric and hybrid electric vehicles registrations in BC has increased, however, not enough to offset the GHG emissions increase resulting from increased VKT.

The 2022 GHG emissions per population equivalent (PE)¹ decreased by 7% to 3.35 tCO₂e/PE compared to 2022 (3.62 tCO₂e/PE). This means that the PE in Whistler increased from 2022 at a greater rate than the GHG emissions. While a decrease in GHG intensity is a positive change, GHG emissions must decrease regardless of PE. In other words, GHG emissions must be decoupled from PE. More information on Whistler's population equivalent and other monitoring data can be found on the whistler monitoring webpage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The nature of Whistler being a tourism community means the number of people in Whistler on any given day is generally far greater than the population counts provided Canada Census or BC Statistics estimates. The total Population Equivalent is an estimate of the total number of people in Whistler on an average annualized basis. The indicator is often used in 'per capita' measures to normalize the data and make it comparable to other communities.

#### 2023 Estimated Whistler Community Energy Use





The total community energy consumption in Whistler in 2023 was 3.61 M GJ. This was a 2% increase compared to 2022 (3.54 M GJ) and a 16% increase from 2007 (3.1 M GJ). Electricity is the most prevalent type of energy consumed in Whistler at 38% of the total consumption followed by vehicle fuels (29%) and natural gas (29%).

**Total Energy: 3,612,523 GJ** 

# 3. BIG MOVES CLIMATE ACTION IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROGRESS

### MITIGATION - PROGRESS REPORT



### **BIG MOVE 1: MOVE BEYOND THE CAR**

Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point 2019	2020	Annual pro	ogress 2022	2023	Target 2030	Likelihood of achieving target	
50% of all trips in Whistler are by transit and active	Annual transit ridership	Transit Data	3.2 M	1.4 M	1.5 M	2.5 M	3.5 M	4.5 M	MEDIUM	
transport	Proportion of residents traveling to work via public transit, walking or biking <sup>2</sup>	Community Survey	41%	48.5%	50%	53%	49%	50%	HIGH	



 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The proportion of residents travelling to work includes commuting trips by car-pooling which makes up about 8% of the total

	Key Initia	tive	Milestone / Progress Highlight	Responsible
ansportation	1.1	Increase public transport use by keeping fares affordable and service frequent and efficient through finalizing and implementing the BC Transit Future Action Plan and its outlined coordinated approach to make transit a preferred choice for personal transport.	Received 7,650-hour expansion funding and implemented half of the expansion starting April 15, 2024. Initial expansion focused on Route 10 service span. Remaining expansion hours will roll out mid November 2024.  Continue to offer free transit passes to all Grade 7 and high school students in Whistler. Also continuing with free transit to all community members on holidays and summer weekends.	Transit and Transportation Demand Management
Public Transit & Shared Transportation	1.2	Shorten trip times through phased implementation of actions and infrastructure improvements such as queue jumper, bus acceleration lanes, or dedicated bus lanes as identified in the Transit Future Action Plan. Implementation phases are: 1. Gain understanding of critical locations and causes for delays. 2. Improve key intersections and locations. 3. Tackle more difficult to improve sections.	Requested BC transit to review on-time performance by route to see where infrastructure improvements can help with on-time performance.	Transit and Transportation Demand Management
	1.3	Engage with the Provincial government and continue to collaborate with neighbouring communities on efficient and affordable regional transit.	Work ongoing to engage Province and neighbouring communities.  \$50,000 was approved by Council to be awarded to Pemberton Commuter.	Transit and Transportation Demand Management
	1.4	Continually improve accessibility, inclusiveness and the overall travel experience of public transit.		Transit and Transportation Demand Management
	1.5	Continue to improve transit stop infrastructure such as shelters, benches, and accessibility.	Applied for transit shelter funding contribution from BC Transit.  Proceeding with design and highway application to MOTI for Highway 99 and Alpine way	Resort Parks Planning

1.6 Implement affordable and accessible vehicle sharing programs.

Climate & Environment

#### **Key Initiative**

#### Milestone / Progress Highlight

#### Responsible

1.7 Prioritize development and maintenance of safe and accessible active transportation infrastructure, such as closing gaps in the Valley Trail Network, considering new connections that support commuting by bike, increasing secure bike parking, encourage installation of end of trip facilities and improving route safety.

Active Transportation Strategy adopted by Council on July 23, 2024. Next step to develop Active Transportation Comprehensive Network Plan.



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Three smart secure bike parking racks installed at the following locations:

- Meadow Park Sports Centre
- Village Square
- Whistler Olympic Plaza

Three priority projects on the Valley Trail Network have been identified and are underway.

- HW 99 at Bayshores tender ready drawings with MOTI for permit review and approval
- Alpha Lake Park to Alta Lake Road continuing with necessary external approvals.
- Blackcomb Way / Nancy Green Drive recommended for RMI funding in 2025

Park and Valley Trail Strategy project initiated to consider Valley Trail lighting

1.8 Scale up use of e-bikes and other e-mobility devices and address barriers to progress (E.g., Implement e-bike share program, improve route safety, add secure bike parking and e-bike charging infrastructure).

Work ongoing to include micromobility and e-bike regulatory updates in Park Use Bylaw.

Municipal e-bike fleet continues to be used by municipal staff. Need identified for secure parking and regular maintenance.

Expansion of Evolve E-bike Share program launched in spring 2024. As of Sept 8, 2024, 47,700 km were travelled on the Evolve bikes with over 11,000 trips. This is a 167% increase compared to 2023.

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Ē	Milestone		Milestone / Progress Highlight	Responsible
onsideratio	1.9	Continued commitment to ensuring that Whistler is made up of increasingly complete and compact neighbourhoods.		Planning
Land Use Co	1.10	Ensure the development of compact neighbourhood nodes, by only considering development within the WUDCA <sup>3</sup> and prioritizing development in existing neighborhoods with	New density guidelines from the Province have been incorporated into the Zoning Bylaw.  Lake Placid Road sub-area plan to increase density in this	Planning
		access to transit, employment, and services.	area.	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Schedule A (Whistler Land Use Map and Designations) establishes the Whistler Urban Development Containment Area (WUDCA), which focuses Whistler's urban development within the Whistler valley corridor between Cheakamus Crossing and Function Junction to the south, and Emerald Estates to the north, and is consistent with Whistler's Settlement Area Map (Map 1b) of the RGS. Within this corridor, the OCP seeks to maintain a comprehensive network of natural areas, open space and parks that separate and provide green buffers between developed areas. Residential accommodation, visitor accommodation, commercial, light industrial, institutional and community facilities are directed to be located primarily within the WUDCA. More information here: <a href="https://www.whistler.ca/ocp/introduction-and-planning-context">https://www.whistler.ca/ocp/introduction-and-planning-context</a>





Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point		Annual p	orogress		Target	ikelihood of achieving target	
2000 dodi		Course	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030		
50% of all motor-vehicle km travelled are from zero-emission vehicles	# of ZEV's registered in Whistler	ICBC	77	121	123	132	256	3,300	MEDIUM	



Key Ini	tiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight		Responsible
2.1	Expand accessible and affordable public EV charging network for residents and visitors as laid out in the Whistler EV Strategy.	Clean BC Communities Fund being used to install 41 Level 2 chargers and DC fast chargers between 2023 and 2025. A contract has been awarded to install two DC fast chargers on Main Street. Continue to see increasing usage of municipal EV charging network.  Council Approved License of Occupation agreements (LOA) with BC Hydro to install Level 2 chargers and DC fast chargers at Day Lot 3 and Conference Centre Parking Lots on July 23, 2024.  LOA signed with BC hydro to install up to 42 EV chargers in Day Lot 3. To be completed in two phases with Phase 1 commencing in spring 2025.  Proposed LOA with BC Hydro for installation of up to 8 DC fast chargers in the conference centre surface parking lot and up to 10 Level 2 chargers in the conference centre underground parking lot.	* *	FCM / Climate & Environment
2.2	Incentivize residential (single-family and multi-unit) building EV charging installations by providing top-ups to Provincial incentives or by adopting ZEV-ready building requirements.			Climate & Environment / Planning
2.3	Electrify private and public fleets to take on a leadership role and establish Whistler as an EV-friendly community.	Two electric vehicles (F150 Lightning and an E-Transit) were added to the RMOW fleet. Up to four additional EVs anticipated to be added to the RMOW fleet before the end of 2024.  Currently one Level 2 EV charger installed at the Public Works Yard for RMOW electric fleet. Installation of additional EV chargers at the Public Works Yard to be considered in 2025 budget.	<b>*</b>	
		Centralized charging station (seacan) at the Public Works Yard has allowed for the expansion of battery hand tool fleet for Resort Operations and other departments.		

2.4	Work with BC Transit to move to a zero-emissions transit fleet.	BC Transit has announced the design for 16 electric bus chargers at the Whistler Transit Facility with plans to bring in 15 electric busses to Whistler.	Transportation Demand Management
2.5	Support the shift to low carbon transportation options (E.g., EVs) through awareness, partnerships and outreach initiatives for residents, businesses, commuters and visitors.		Climate & Environment
2.6	Host webinars and other outreach events to inform fleet operators on medium and heavy-duty fleet electrification		Climate & Environment
2.7	Strategically increase parking costs to discourage the use of single occupancy vehicles.	Starting July 1, 2024, daily and monthly parking rates were increased throughout the village.  Whistler Blackcomb parking study under way with a roundtable discussion hosted on Sept 19, 2024.	Day Lot Operating Committee



# **BIG MOVE 3: REDUCE VISITOR TRAVEL EMISSIONS**

Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point		Annual progress			Target	Likelihood of achieving target	
			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030		
Whistler is a low carbon visitor destination	GHG emissions per population equivalent	Annual Report	3.6	3.68	4.27	3.90	3.35	2.5	Low	
uesunation	Total landfilled waste in kg per population equivalent	RMOW data / Wastech	325	374	368	318	284	65	Low	



Key Ini	tiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight	Responsible
3.1	Partner with the tourism and outdoor recreation sectors to define tourism and outdoor recreation in the future low-carbon world and to show leadership in facilitating and marketing a low-carbon vacation destination.	Balance Model Version 3 review is complete, and work is ongoing to develop scenarios aligned with the Whistler Sessions.	Climate & Environment / Economic Development
		The Smart Tourism Committee has been established and the first meeting was held in September 2024.	
		FE&A team has been working with 3 <sup>rd</sup> party event coordinators to ensure climate emergency plans are included in event planning process. Positive example from 2024 Crankworx rolling out backup plan due to weather impacts.	
3.2	Partner with resort organizations and regional partners to encourage alternatives to personal vehicles travelling to and within Whistler, for example through marketing and communication, to achieve at least 50 per cent of international visitors arriving by bus or shuttle.		Climate & Environment
3.3	Promote Whistler's businesses that are leading on climate action.		Climate & Environment / Economic Development
3.4	Partner with resort organizations to encourage high quality/gold standard greenhouse gas offset purchases and carbon neutral vacations used as a short-term approach until direct reductions in the emissions related to travel can be achieved.	Quantification of GHG emissions related to visitation planned for later in 2024.	Climate & Environment
3.5	Partner with resort organizations to create marketing and communication about the benefits of longer duration travel and fewer annual trips.	RMOW supported proposed "Don't Love it to Death" signs which were installed across Whistler.	Climate & Environment / Economic Development
3.6	Partner with car rental agencies and shuttle bus companies to make EVs available for visitors, support the electrification of shuttle busses, and incentivize bus travel and capacity.		Climate & Environment



### **Indicators**

Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point 2019	2020	Annual p	rogress 2022	2023	Target		of achieving
All new buildings achieve the top step in B.C.'s Energy Step Code	% new Part 9 buildings at highest BCESC step	RMOW building department records	0	1	1	0	0	100%	1	MEDIUM
	% of new Part 3 buildings at highest BCESC step	RMOW building department records	0	0	0	0	0	100%		MEDIUM
	GHG emissions from buildings <sup>4</sup> in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	50,500	55,400	54,700	57,315	56,61 7	40,000	1	MEDIUM

When you see this symbol, it highlights an action or milestone that offers significant impact to reaching our goals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> GHG emissions from buildings include all GHG emissions related to natural use (residential and commercial) as well as electricity use (residential, commercial, and industrial).

Key I	nitiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight	Responsible
4.1	Adopt progressively higher steps on the BC Energy Step Code to address new building envelope improvements and regulate GHG emissions from new buildings by either incentivizing low carbon energy systems or by adopting the Province's GHG targets within the buildings code.	<ul> <li>Energy advisory team hired to support Step Code implementation. Their work between 2024 and 2026 includes:         <ul> <li>Development of an engagement plan (completed)</li> <li>Internal capacity building and training for RMOW staff (September)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Development of an internal step code compliance monitoring checklist and metrics to track compliance (Alpha model complete)</li> <li>Builder Breakfast engagement and capacity building with industry (Fall 2024 onwards)</li> <li>Funds for the energy advisor come from the Codes Acceleration Fund grant.</li> </ul>	Climate & Environment / Building / Planning
4.2	Collaborate with the Province on low carbon performance requirements and GHG emission limits for new buildings.	Continue to collaborate with the Province on the implementation of BC Energy Step Code and Zero Carbon Step Code.	Climate & Environment / Building
4.3	Promote capacity building opportunities and develop outreach campaigns for step code and low carbon energy systems for the building industry, home buyers, and realtors.	<ul> <li>Energy advisory team hired to support Step Code implementation. Their work between 2024 and 2026 includes:</li> <li>Development of an engagement plan (completed)</li> <li>Internal capacity building and training for RMOW staff (September)</li> <li>Development of an internal step code compliance monitoring checklist and metrics to track compliance (Alpha model complete)</li> <li>Builder Breakfast engagement and capacity building with industry (fall 2024 onwards)</li> <li>Funds for the energy advisor come from the Codes Acceleration Fund grant.</li> </ul>	Climate & Environment
4.4	Discourage carbon-based heating of outdoor spaces such as patio heaters, fossil fuel burning fire pits, heated driveways, outdoor hot tubs, pools and saunas, etc. through policy and/or permit changes.	Energy advisory team hired and tasked to identify opportunities. Research to be completed with a recommendation in 2025.  Funds for the energy advisor come from the Codes Acceleration Fund grant.	Climate & Environment / Planning
4.5	Encourage low carbon design (efficient use of materials and optimized spaces), low carbon material use (E.g., mass timber, lower GHG-intensive cement, recycled		Climate & Environment

	materials), and low carbon construction practices (E.g., limited construction site heating) of new buildings.		
4.6	Build RMOW staff capacity related to embodied carbon emissions.		Climate & Environment
4.7	Demonstrate RMOW leadership when it comes to new municipal building construction with the goal to develop guidance and inspiration.	Construction is underway for new energy efficient building as part of South Whistler Water Supply Project.	Facility Construction Management
4.8	Streamline the municipal building permit process to minimize administrative burden for property owners, developers and RMOW staff as relates to additional GHG related tasks and requirements.	Energy advisory team hired to support Step Code implementation. Their work between 2024 and 2026 includes identifying opportunities to prioritize permitting process to support higher Steps / lower GHGs.  Funds for the energy advisor come from the Codes Acceleration Fund grant.	Building Department
4.9	Provide financial incentives/rebates for testing air tightness during and after construction.		Building Department / Climate & Environment
4.10	Develop a roadmap to require embodied carbon calculations for Part 3 buildings as part of permit submissions.		Climate & Environment





Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point		Annual p	orogress		Target	Likelihood of	achieving target
2030 doai			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030		
20 in 2022 homes switch from fossil fuel heating to a heat pump, 61 per year	# of heat pump incentives accessed (goal 20 for 2022, 61 per year thereafter)	Retrofit Assist	0	0	1	1	4	500		MEDIUM
thereafter	Natural gas use from residential buildings in 1000 GJ	Annual Report	273	300	312	333	307	218		LOW
	Natural gas use from commercial buildings in 1000 GJ	Annual Report	661	580	626	673	720	400		LOW



# Action Highlights & Milestones

**Key Initiative** Milestone / Progress Highlight Responsible Retrofit Assist program launched second intake in the spring of 5.1 Develop and implement a program that supports Climate & 2024 after first intake was full. energy efficiency and low carbon heating system retrofits in single family homes. The program is to 45 applicants address barriers to retrofits, support energy 17 EnerGuide evaluations completed assessments to identify the best retrofit 4 participants completed retrofit opportunities, identify financial incentives, and provide municipal top ups. Retrofit Assist now being expanded to other municipalities in BC applying learnings from Whistler, Squamish and Rossland. RMOW continues to top up Provincial Clean BC Better Homes rebate. • Fuel switch to air source heat pump \$350 Heat pump water heater \$1,000 Electric service upgrade \$500 Contractor incentive \$300 5.2 Collaborate with the Province on the proposed Climate & retrofit code. The Green Municipal Fund Community Buildings Retrofit grant 5.3 Demonstrate RMOW leadership for municipal Facility was identified as a suitable grant for proposed Meadow Park Construction building efficiencies and GHG emission reductions Sports Centre envelope repairs and low carbon retrofit. Preby identifying retrofit opportunities in all corporate Management application for grant currently underway. In the interim arena buildings, developing a timeline and implementing. arched window replacement completed which will improve energy efficiency. Successful application to BC Hydro for a full time two-year Corporate Energy Manager position at the RMOW. Position is 50% funded by BC Hydro and the remaining 50% is funded by the RMOW through existing 2024 budget. Interviews for this position will be held in fall 2024.

		Awarded BC Hydro and Clean BC grant funding for Prism Engineering to conduct an energy study at Municipal Hall, Public Works Yard and Maury Young Arts Centre.	
		Annex construction almost complete. New structure includes energy efficiency improvements such as heat pumps, external insulation and window upgrades.	
		RFQ issued for Spruce Grove Field 3 lighting replacement.	
		Wastewater treatment plant heating and venting feasibility study underway with presentation of recommendations to internal staff planned for fall 2024.	
5.4	Develop education and outreach materials such as a retrofit toolkit on energy efficiency retrofits and low carbon energy systems for home and business owners as well as contractors and other retrofit stakeholders.		Climate & Environment
5.5	Discourage carbon-based heating of outdoor spaces (e.g., patio heaters, fossil fuel burning fire pits, heated driveways, outdoor hot tubs, pools and saunas, etc.) and identify policy and/or a regulatory mechanism to regulate outdoor heating.	Energy advisory team hired and tasked to identify opportunities.  Research to be completed with a recommendation in 2025.	Planning Department
5.6	Work with operators and managers of larger commercial buildings (especially hotels) to advance this Big Move in their building(s) by sharing information on best practices and benchmarking.	Successful application to BC Hydro for Implementation Offer funding of \$14,250 to host two additional workshops focused on hotel carbon reduction in Whistler. First workshop was held in May 2024 and second workshop planned for November 2024. Prism Engineering supported participating hotels with energy assessments.  Nominated for 2024 Climate & Energy Action Award for this project.	Climate & Environment
5.7	Support strata residents, councils, and property management companies to implement energy efficiency and low carbon heating system retrofits. Explore the option to expand the retrofit program from single family homes to multi-unit buildings and other building types.		Climate & Environment

5.8 Advance a system of voluntary and mandatory energy benchmark reporting across Whistler's large energy consumers.

Successful application to UBC Sustainability Scholar program to develop a covered buildings list, which is the first stage of developing an Energy Reporting Bylaw. Scholar commenced work on May 15, 2024, project concluded August 15, 2024.



Climate & Environment





Community 2030 Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point	An	nual progress	5		Target	Likelihood of achieving target
			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2030	
Reduce waste sector emissions by	Waste diversion rate	RMOW Solid Waste	45%	43%	49%	47%	47%	95%	MEDIUM
95%	Tonnes of waste to landfill	Wastech	12,000	12,000	11,000	11,500	11,561	2,400	LOW
Zero waste targets	GHG emission from waste sector	Wastech/ RMOW data	2,391	2,934	690	2,156	2,837	TBD	HIGH



Key Ir	nitiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight	Responsible
6.1	Continue commitment to implement Whistler's Zero Waste Plan with its goal to move progressively toward Zero Waste in a cost-effective, efficient and environmentally sound manner, and substantially reduce GHG emissions associated with waste management, and embodied in products.	Scale plaza construction to twin existing scale is complete. Completion of this project will make the transfer station more efficient.  Hired AWARE to engage community about new Provincial Single Use and Plastic Waste Prevention Regulation effective July 15, 2024. Engagement focused on bringing awareness to local businesses to support compliance.	Solid Waste
6.2	Improve organic waste reduction and landfill diversion from commercial operations and multi-unit residential buildings.	Consultant has finished providing feedback to food service managers and property managers on the assessment of waste management rooms. Currently assessing the benefits of the waste management room assessment to determine if an assessment should be completed for other industries.  Solid waste communications plan for 2024 is ongoing. Outreach also happened in person at events such as the Inside Scoop and the spring AWARE garage sale and clothing swap.	Solid Waste
6.3	Reduce construction waste focusing on organic materials such as waste wood.	Deconstruction, materials selection and construction waste education resource under development. Engagement planned for winter 2024/2025.	Solid Waste
6.4	Demonstrate RMOW leadership by embedding GHG emissions and waste considerations into municipal operations and procurement practices. Conduct regular interval audits and reporting to understand RMOW progress towards meeting and beating the 80 per cent waste diversion goal as outlined in the Zero Waste Plan.		Solid Waste/ Finance
6.5	Engage with residents, visitors and local businesses to advance sustainable consumption, to support locally reusable products and packaging, a local shared economy, and other local carbon reduction projects.	<ul> <li>Two Repair Café events in partnership with AWARE and the Waste Management Department.</li> <li>Three "sold out" Beginner Bike Maintenance workshops in partnership with RMOW's Transportation Management Team and AWARE.</li> </ul>	Solid Waste

		<ul> <li>Expert Panel Series: Michael Allen presented his     "Spring Bear Update" to a "sold out" crowd.</li> <li>"How to be Bear Smart in Whistler" program in     partnership with RMOW's Bear Smart program     assistant.</li> <li>To reduce our environmental footprint, the Summer</li> </ul>	
		Reading Club craft programs were planned by soliciting recycled donations from other RMOW staff and departments (e.g., 2-litre pop bottles, aluminum pie plates, and plant cuttings), rather than buying new materials.  • Veganuary display to highlight our robust collection of	
		<ul> <li>vegan cookbooks available for patrons to borrow.</li> <li>Staff book repair training to extend the life of items in our collection.</li> </ul>	
		In partnership with the SLRD, during Food Waste     Action Week, we hosted an interactive display in our     lobby to teach people how and where to store food to     minimize waste.	
		<ul> <li>Earth Day display to promote items from our Sustainability collection, as well as related resources such as the Seed Library.</li> </ul>	
6.6	Develop a renewable energy strategy focused on exploring potential renewable energy production opportunities and partnerships.		Climate & Environment
6.7	Use low carbon fuels for waste-related transportation to reduce transport emissions.		Solid Waste

### ADAPTATION - PROGRESS REPORT



ADAPTATION GOAL 1: Minimize wildfire threats to human health and safety, private property,

infrastructure, wildlife, and natural assets.

Key In	itiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight		Responsible
A1.1	Implement the Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (CWRP) in collaboration with relevant partners.	Education – Presentation to Council on May 28, 2024, on wildfire and emergency preparedness. FireSmart community information workshop at the Library on August 15.	*	Climate & Environment / Protective Services
		Community planning – Updates to Wildfire DPA planned for 2024 / 2025 OCP update		
		Interagency Cooperation – Wildfire Internal Coordination Group meets monthly to coordinate between RMOW departments and track progress on implementation of the CWRP. Collaboration with CCF on landscape level fuel management ongoing. Continue to access DMAF funding to treat high-risk areas within the CCF and around Whistler.	*	
		Training –WFRS, BC Wildfire, W/B staff, Pemberton FD, RMOW conducted annual joint wildfire training exercise on May 1st. 4 WFRS members attended Task Force Team Leader training March 7 & 8. Bringing total TFT trained members to 10. Wildland Firefighter 1 Train the trainer done for 2 more staff during training officer conference in Squamish. Three S-100 & S-185 courses completed in spring 2024 for total of 46 people certified. 2 additional courses planned for fall.	*	
		Emergency planning – Updates to public facing evacuation brochure. Poster for hotel guests to get them signed up for Whistler Alert. Evacuation exercise in April involved several different stakeholders involved with a great turnout. Identified lessons learned to implement going forward. Monitoring what happened in Jasper to apply lessons learned.		

		Vegetation management – High priority fuel treatment areas completed in 2024:	
		<ul> <li>Emerald West (partially complete)</li> <li>Brio</li> <li>Brio extension (partially complete)</li> <li>HW 99 delayed, awaiting Preliminary Field Assessment from Lil'wat First Nation</li> </ul>	*
A1.2	Continue to implement Wildfire Protection Development Permit Areas through the OCP.	Ongoing, existing exceptions will be reviewed as part of the amendments to the Wildfire DPA in the Planning Department.	Planning Department



# ADAPTATION GOAL 2: Increase the resilience of built assets, infrastructure and services to endure extreme weather and environmental events.

Key In	itiative	Milestone / Progress Highlight		Responsible
A2.1	Review and improve stormwater management plans to ensure capacity and resilience in consideration of anticipated climate changes.	Design work to replace old culverts will consider climate change (e.g. higher peak flow, higher storm frequency and intensity)  Bayshores culvert repair  Meadow Creek (Alpine) culvert replacement	,	Engineering, / Climate & Environment
		A levels of service framework for identified natural assets was completed in March 2024, as part of the municipal natural assets management initiative.		
A2.2	Update flood hazard plans in consideration of anticipated climate changes, such as storm frequency and intensity.	Modelling on 21 Mile / Alta Creek complete. Currently evaluating recommendations to identify next steps. Planning anticipated for 2025.		Flood Protection Systems / Planning
		Drainage model review for large watercourses in Whistler is ongoing.		
		21 Mile complete     Fitz modelling approach:		
		Fitz modelling annually		
		Draft Fitz Emergency Response Plan underway.	X	
		Advanced warning system on Fitz debris flow barrier being installed.		
A2.3	Update plans and policies to protect the quality and quantity of Whistler's potable water and fire-fighting water supply from potential contamination and drawdown related to the	Outdoor Potable Water Use Bylaw has been implemented. Initial data indicates a 14.5% decrease in potable water demand for June/July in 2024 relative to 2023.	*	Roads & Drainage / Emergency Planning / Parks & Village Ops
	anticipated impacts of climate change (i.e., extreme rain/snow events and longer hotter drier summers).	Installation of ICI meters continues. Mock billing still planned for 2024.		

		Drafting RFP to update Long Term Water Supply Plan for Whistler. Implementation in 2025.  Once through cooling bylaw update planned for 2024.  Communications for Outdoor Potable Water Use bylaw is underway. Website updated, door hangars and pamphlets.  Continuing to install sub-surface irrigation and continuing to convert lawns to lower-water need planting. Example is outside Municipal Hall where lawn was replaced with pollinator garden.	
A2.4	Develop strategies to improve public safety measures related to the potential impacts of extreme rain/snow events, extreme heat events, and wildfire and smoke events (E.g., transportation/service disruption, emergency preparedness).	Continued collaboration with the RMOW Communications department on extreme weather and hazards. Updates to RMOW Storms webpage to ensure information is up to date.  Heat response plan is focused on emergency situations. Gap identified to communicate to the community during non-emergency events (i.e. heat warning) and how to respond.  Plans to work with Vancouver Coastal Health to help identify vulnerable people in the community and establish a communications network to reach this population.  Continue to collaborate with the Hotel Association of Whistler on evacuation planning for hotel guests.  Continue to communicate with the community and guests about Whistler Alert. E.g. posters with instructions for hotel guests to sign up for Whistler Alert at hotel check-in desks.  Misting stations ongoing for key summer locations.	Roads & Drainage / Emergency Planning / Parks & Village Ops
A2.5	Develop strategies to increase the resilience of recreation trails and other outdoor recreation assets to better endure extreme rain/snow events.	Recreation Trail Strategy is working through final development. Conversations are ongoing with Lil'wat Nation and Squamish Nation.  X140 CECAP Trail Hardening work ongoing.	Resort Parks Planning / Parks & Village Ops

Rainbow Park reopened, with multiple new climate resilient features (E.g. non-potable water source for irrigation, additional trees, shade sails, improved lake access and grading/landscaping to help withstand flooding and recover from flooding more quickly). Meadow Park splash pad and playground replacement project advanced to tender ready state. Meadow Park non-potable irrigation well advanced to Provincial permit application stage (submitted April 2024) and design consultant retained. MPSC usage increase during weather events (cold snap and rain events in January and warm weather in December) A2.6 Whistler Sessions Scenarios are integrated into ongoing RMOW CAO / Economic Facilitate and promote community economic diversification opportunities as a means to corporate initiatives and narrative. Various meetings. Development / Parks Planning increase Whistler's climate resilience (E.g., communications and engagements continue to feature Whistler cultural tourism development, learning & Sessions. In partnership with Arts Whistler, a thought provoking and education opportunities, weather-independent engaging workshop Four Futures: Art Party Engagement Night was tourism/recreation offerings). held in May where artists showed and spoke about art pieces inspired by the scenarios, and attendees participated in interactive displays contemplating Whistler's future. Whistler Sessions scenarios were also featured in presentations and displays during the Community Conversations: Strategic Priorities community open house event in June. Whistler Sessions Scenarios were also embedded into the Smart Tourism visioning process currently underway with the goal to encourage broad and diverse thinking contemplating potential implications in Whistler's future. Meadow Park Sports Centre ice rink acts as a cooling centre during heat events in the summer. MPSC has seen increased usage during heat events in the summer and poor snow quality events in the winter. Pass sales that have returned to pre-pandemic levels. Specifically saw increased attendance for drop-in sports during poor snow quality events over the winter. A2.7 Integrate climate change considerations into Summer student was hired and is collecting stormwater Finance / Climate & the corporate asset management system. infrastructure asset information. Confirming engineering record Environment drawings are accurate and condition assessment. Next step is to identify culverts for replacement. Stormwater asset replacement design work is ongoing. List of HW 99 culverts for inspection being compiled and will be sent to MOTI for review.



# ADAPTATION GOAL 3: Protect, support and increase the resilience of local ecosystems, natural assets and biodiversity

Key Initiative		Milestone / Progress Highlight		Responsible
A3.1	Develop policy, planning and legislative strategies to protect and restore local ecosystem health and support continued provision of natural infrastructure services.	The new Priority Habitat mapping has been completed; waiting for GIS team to load on internal/external GIS maps. Priority Habitat Framework implementation plan is drafted. Next steps include sharing new Priority Habitat mapping with key internal/external partners and completing a land use/ownership analysis of Priority Habitat areas. The PHF and mapping will be presented to Council in fall 2024.  Ongoing environmental input on proposed development and rezoning referrals.  The internal Tree Working Group (TWIG) continues to work on improvements to tree cutting regulations and processes.	*	Climate & Environment, Planning
		The Environmental Protection Bylaw is being revised and a new Tree Bylaw is being drafted, targeting Council adoption of both bylaws by end of 2024.	*	
		Gaps in the OCP Schedule J (Riparian DPA map) have been flagged for next OCP update, along with improvements to the GIS hydrology layer.		
		Protection of biodiversity, ecosystem health and climate reslience in planning design and construction of parks and trails projects is ongoing for existing and new projects. This is also a key component of the emerging Park and Valley Trail Strategy which was initiated in Q2 2024.		
A3.2	Continue to monitor ecosystem health and biodiversity.	2023 Ecosystems & Species Monitoring Report is complete and available on Whistler.ca. Monitoring field work for 2024 is well underway.	*	Climate & Environment

		Preliminary monitoring results from 2023 (RMOW and CCF tenure) to determine the impacts / effectiveness of wildfire fuel thinning were presented to RMOW staff in 2024. Results showed that fuel thinning lowers the risk of wildfire in treated areas. Monitoring program will continue through to 2025 and future results will be shared once available.	<b>*</b>	
A3.3	Prevent and minimize the spread of invasive species.	Ongoing implementation of the Invasive Species Management Plan and collaboration with SSISC (supported by the RMOW fee for service agreement). Non-compliance protocol for invasive species is being implemented with improvements as we go.		Climate & Environment
		SSISC has provided invasive species content expertise to the draft revision of the Environmental Protection Bylaw, targeting Council adoption of this bylaw by end of 2024.		
		SSISC conducted regular spring "invasive species 101" training for RMOW staff: Resort Operations (landscaping, horticulture, trails), Roads and FireSmart crews.		
		A monitoring site visit of the Emerald Forest was conducted with Resort Operations, Climate & Environment and The Land Conservancy (RE: conservation covenant). Some invasive species were noted in the north gravel pit area; SSISC is following up with treatment/removals in this important conservation area.		
		Resort Operations Manager is a member of SSISC, and this is helping to support increased internal prioritization of invasives mgmt.		
A3.4	Manage the Cheakamus Community Forest in a way that prioritizes and supports healthy, biodiverse and climate resilient forests.	CCF has provided RMOW with maps of logging plans for internal GIS to support municipal planning. RMOW plans to share Priority Habitat maps with CCF once available on GIS.		Climate & Environment
		CCF continues implementation of Ecosystem Based Management approach to forestry.		
A3.5	Support environmental integration and education opportunities.	The 2024 Corporate Plan/ 2023 Annual Report featured a one-page update regarding the Climate Action strategic priority. The Community Conversations: Strategic Priorities event and associated materials that occurred in June, coinciding with the Corporate Plan release, also focused on information updates, discussions and engagement for the four strategic priorities including Climate Action.		Climate & Environment, Corporate Planning

#### 4. 2023 RMOW CORPORATE GHG AND ENERGY INVENTORY

Total corporate GHG emissions in 2023 were 2,202 tCO $_2$ e. These emissions are broken down into direct emissions (those controlled by the RMOW) and contracted emissions (those controlled by contractors that the RMOW hires). The RMOW's direct emissions represent 66% of total corporate emissions at 1,444 tCO $_2$ e. This is a 16% decrease from 2022 (1,727 tCO $_2$ e). The decrease in direct emissions is due to a decrease in natural gas consumption at RMOW buildings and facilities. 2023 was warmer on average with an 11% decrease in heating degree days $^5$  compared to 2022, indicating that less natural gas was required to heat municipal buildings.

Contracted emissions represent 34% of total corporate emissions at 758 tCO $_2$ e. This is a 3% decrease from 2022 (781 tCO $_2$ e). Contracted emissions are GHG emissions generated by the consumption of fossil fuels in the delivery of municipal services by a third party. Contracted emissions in 2023 did not change significantly when compared to 2022.

The charts below depict RMOW's corporate GHG emissions by service area.

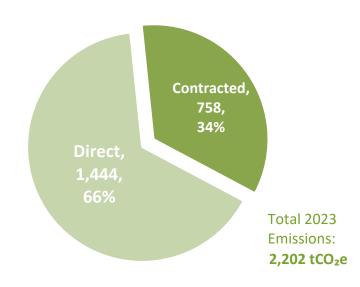
# **Direct RMOW Corporate GHG Emissions**

# 1. RMOW Fleet (includes fuel consumption for RMOW operated fleet vehicles, excluding school buses and RCMP which are captured in community emissions) represents 26% of corporate emissions in 2023, or 563 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. This is down 10% when compared to 2022 due to a decrease in diesel consumption. Looking at fleet usage by RMOW division, Infrastructure Services (IS) utilizes fleet vehicles the most. This

division includes roads crews, solid waste, water utility, sewer utility and facility construction management operations.

- 2. Recreation (includes natural gas and electricity for Meadow Park Sports Center and Olympic Plaza) represents 18% of corporate emissions in 2023, or 399 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. This is a 17% decrease when compared to 2022. This is due to a decrease in natural gas consumption at Meadow Park Sports Center resulting from improved equipment efficiency and fewer heating degree days.
- 3. **Sewage Management** (includes the operation of the wastewater treatment plant and associated facilities such as pump stations, lift stations etc.) represents 8% of corporate emissions in 2023 or 185 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. This is a 35% decrease from 2022, due to a decrease in natural gas consumption at the wastewater treatment plant resulting from fewer heating degree days.

**<sup>2023</sup> RMOW Corporate GHG Emissions in tCO<sub>2</sub>e** 

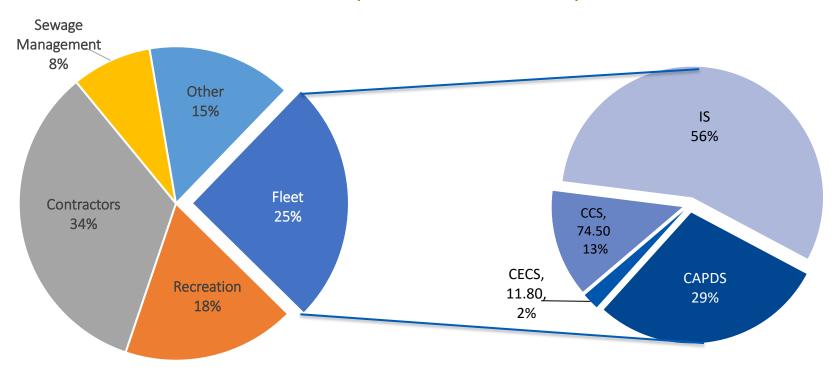


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Heating degree day is the difference between outside temperature and a comfortable interior temperature. This is used to determine energy requirements for heating buildings.

#### **Contracted GHG Emissions**

- 1. **Solid Waste Management** (includes solid waste management transportation) makes up over half of contracted emissions. These emissions are a result of solid waste being transported to the Whistler Transfer Station. Emissions related to solid waste were 376 tCO<sub>2</sub>e in 2023, which is a 1% increase compared to 2022. This is consistent with the tonnage of waste transported to the Whistler Transfer Station remaining relatively stable year over year.
- 2. **Other contractors** (includes other contracted traditional services such as operational work related to water, sewer, roads or parks and recreation) represents the other half of contracted emissions. This year, emissions from these contractors decreased by 13% compared to 2022. This is due to the nature of the contracts in 2023, which consumed slightly less fuel than 2022.

#### 2023 RMOW Corporate GHG Emissions in tCO2e by Service Area

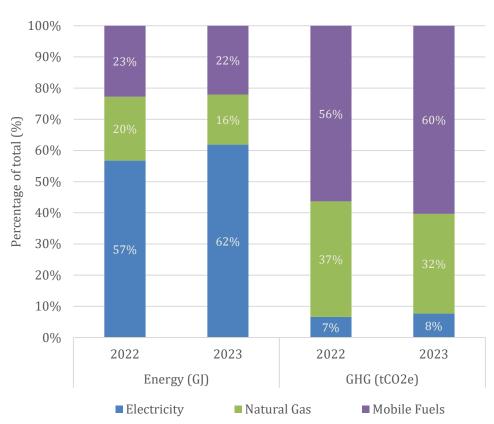


RMOW divisions: IS – Infrastructure Services, CAPDS – Climate Action, Planning and Development Services, CECS – Community Engagement and Cultural Services, CCS – Corporate Services and Public Safety

#### **GHG Emissions by Energy Type**

Different energy types contribute to GHG emissions differently, which is determined by an emissions factor. In BC electricity has a very low emissions factor, whereas other fuels such as natural gas and mobile fuels (diesel and gasoline) have much higher emissions factors. The figure to the right shows the percentage distribution of the RMOW energy consumption and related GHG emissions in 2023 compared to 2022. This figure highlights that while electricity makes up 62% of the energy consumed by the RMOW, it only amounts to 8% of our corporate GHG emissions in 2023. However, natural gas which makes up 16% of energy consumed amounts to 32% of corporate GHG emissions in 2023. Mobile fuels make up roughly 20% of energy consumed, which in 2023 represent 60% of total corporate emissions.

# 2022 vs 2023 Percentage Distribution of RMOW Energy Consumption and GHG Emissions by Energy Type



# 5. RMOW CORPORATE GHG REDUCTION PLAN PROGRESS

# PATHWAY 1: RMOW FLEET ELECTRIFICATION

RMOW Corporate	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point	Annual progress	Target	Likelihood of achievin target
Goal			2023		2030	
	GHG emissions from RMOW fleet transport in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	563		280	HIGH
	GHG emissions from RMOW fleet transport relative to annual target in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	-184		0	HIGH
50% below 2007 by 2030	Number of ZEVs in fleet	Fleet Manager	6		110	MEDIUM
	Percentage of ZEVs in fleet	Fleet Manager	4		66	MEDIUM
	Difference between number of ZEVs in light duty fleet and ZEV procurement plan	Fleet Manager	-4		0	HIGH

# PATHWAY 2: SEWAGE MANAGEMENT

RMOW Corporate Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point 2023	Annual progress	Target 2030	Likelihood of achieving target
	Annual natural gas consumption at wastewater treatment plant in GJ	Annual Report	2,652		TBD	MEDIUM
50% below 2007 by 2030	GHG emissions from wastewater treatment plant in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	185		62	HIGH
	GHG emissions from wastewater treatment plant relative to annual target in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	-254		0	HIGH

# **PATHWAY 3: RECREATION**

RMOW Corporate Goal	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point 2023	Annual progress	Target 2030	Likelihood of achieving target
	Annual natural gas consumption at Meadow Park Sports Centre in GJ	Annual Report	7,294		TBD	MEDIUM
50% below 2007 by 2030	GHG emissions from Meadow Park Sports Centre in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	481		62	MEDIUM
	GHG emissions from Meadow Park Sports Centre relative to annual target in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	60		0	MEDIUM

# **PATHWAY 4: CONTRACTED SERVICES**

RMOW Corporate	Indicator	Data Source	Starting point	Annual progress	Target	Likelihood of achieving target
Goal			2023		2030	
	Percentage of contractors providing fuel data	Annual Report	2		100	Low
50% below 2007 by 2030	GHG emissions from contracted services in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	721		145	Low
•	GHG emissions from contracted services relative to annual target in tCO <sub>2</sub> e	Annual Report	247		0	Low

### 6. APPENDICES

- A Summary of Corporate Carbon Neutral Commitment Verified Emission Reductions (VERs)
- **B** SUMMARY OF RMOW 2021 TRADITIONAL SERVICES GHG INVENTORY

### APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF 2023 CORPORATE CARBON NEUTRAL COMMITMENT

Verified Emission Reduction (VERs): The RMOW has purchased and retired Verified Emission Reduction credits equal to its entire corporate carbon footprint for every year between 2010 and 2023 inclusive, a summary is provided below:

Year	VERs	Project	Certification Standard	Registry	Vendor
2010	1,145 tonnes	Mare Monastir Wind Farm, Turkey	Gold Standard – project reference: GS368	GS APX Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
	1,145 tonnes	Sun Select Aldegrove Biomass Boiler, British Columbia	ISO 14064-3 and CDM additionality tool	Markit Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
2011	1,063 tonnes	Mare Monastir Wind Farm, Turkey	Gold Standard – project reference: GS368	Markit Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
2011	1,063 tonnes	Sun Select Aldegrove Biomass Boiler, British Columbia	ISO 14064-3 and CDM additionality tool	Markit Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
2012	973 tonnes	Mare Monastir Wind Farm, Turkey	Gold Standard – project reference: GS368	Markit Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
	974 tonnes	Sun Select Aldegrove Biomass Boiler, British Columbia	ISO 14064-3 and CDM additionality tool	Markit Registry	Offsetters Clean Technology Inc.
2013	1,617 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2014	1,805 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2015	1,751 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2016	1,810 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2017	2,385 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest

2018	2,177 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2019	2,360 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2020	2,641 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2021	2,257 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2022	2,509 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest
2023	2,202 tonnes	Cheakamus Community Forest, British Columbia	BC Emission Offsets Regulation using the BC Forest Carbon Offset Protocol	Markit Registry	Cheakamus Community Forest

Since 2013 the RMOW has purchased VERs from the Cheakamus Community Forest (CCF) to offset 2013 - 2023 corporate emissions. More information about the project can be found on the Cheakamus Community Forest (CCF) website (<a href="https://www.cheakamuscommunityforest.com/">https://www.cheakamuscommunityforest.com/</a>)

RMOW staff are confident in the benefits of supporting a local offset project, the co-benefits associated with the project approaches, and the independent, third-party rigor that is being applied to the CCF project. Consistent with our commitments in both the UBCM Climate Action Charter, and the RMOW Carbon Neutral Plan, the RMOW remains committed to achieving carbon neutrality with respect to all corporate operations. All RMOW departments have been charged internally for the costs associated with the RMOW carbon neutrality commitments. All departments continue to use the price signals that these costs imply (\$25/tCO<sub>2</sub>e) to improve financial decision making and preference cost-effective projects and initiatives that are capable of continuously reducing carbon emissions and decreasing carbon costs across corporate operations. Note that consistent with Provincial policy, the carbon neutral commitment of the RMOW includes an estimate of the contracted emissions associated with 'traditional services of local government' (e.g., any contracted snow clearing in the Village, solid waste collection contracts etc.)

# APPENDIX B: SUMMARY OF RMOW 2023 TRADITIONAL SERVICES GHG INVENTORY

# Resort Municipality of Whistler

# 2023 BC Traditional Services GHG Inventory

Reporting Entity: Resort Municipality of Whistler

Reporting Year: Calendar Year 2023

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Inventory Scope: BC Traditional Services Inventory "TSI"

Quantification Methodology: 2023 B.C. Best Practices Methodology for Quantification GHG Emissions,

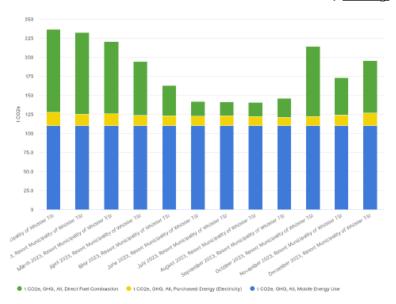
**Local Governments & Public Sector Organizations** 

System Support: SoFi GHG Reporting by GHG Accounting Services

<u>Data collection:</u> Resort Municipality of Whistler

<u>Data Entry:</u> Data Upload and Manual Entry Client

#### Total TSI GHG Inventory: 2,202 t CO2e



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#### Total Energy Consumption by Energy Type for Traditional Services Inventory:

	Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI
Natural Gas Stationary [GJ]	13,932
Propane [I]	8,257
Electricity [kWh]	14,900,039
Gasoline [I]	129,773
Diesel [I]	379,055
Propane [I]	1,692
Gasoline - Car [I]	8,414

#### Category 1:

		Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI			
Direct Fuel Combustion	14,141	709	0.013285	0.013287	712

#### Category 2:

Resort Municipality of		Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI
Purchased Energy (Electricity)	14,900,039	168

#### Category 3:

		Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI			
Mobile Energy Use	19,103	1,281	3.07	19.1	1,321

#### **Biogenic GHG Emissions:**

	Res	Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI		
Direct Fuel Combustion				
Mobile Energy Use		48.5	48.5	
Total		48.5	48.5	

#### Totals by Service Delivery:

	Delivered Directly	Contracted Services	Total
2023	1,444	758	2,202

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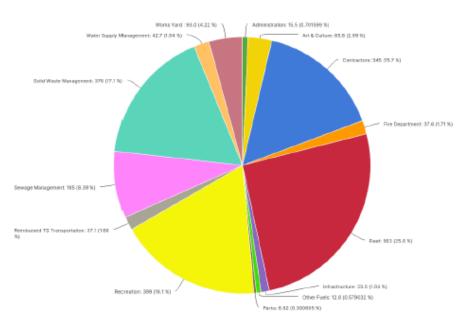
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#### Summary:

	2023	
Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI	2,202	2,202

# Overview by Service Areas:

Energy t 002e, 0H0, All, 2023



#### Top GHG Emitters:

	t CO₂e, GHG	%
Total Resort Municipality of Whistler TSI	2,202	100
Fleet	563	25.6
Recreation	399	18.1
Solid Waste Management	376	17.1
Contractors	345	15.7



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# STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-087

**FROM:** Finance **FILE:** 1880-20-2024

**SUBJECT:** 2024 SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety be endorsed.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 24-087 and 2024 Second Quarter Financial Report for the period ended June 30, 2024, attached as Appendix A.

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of this quarterly report is to provide Council with a comparison of the annual budget amounts with actual year-to-date revenues and expenditures for operating departments and projects, and to advise Council of the status of the investment holdings as of June 30, 2024.

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#### **DISCUSSION**

#### Background

At the end of the second quarter of 2024, the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) overall operating revenues were at 100 per cent, and operating expenditures 97 per cent of their budgeted amounts. Budgeted operating amounts have been amended once so far in 2024, and the numbers presented here and in Appendix A reflect the as-amended figures.

As of June 20, 2024, actual net project expenditures reached 25.4 per cent of total budgeted expenditures for the year.

Investment income for the six months ended June 30, 2024 was \$1,993,402 (unaudited). This amount is 92 per cent of the total budgeted investment income for the quarter and compares to prior-year amounts of \$1,610,152. A greater portion of interest income is typically collected in the second half of the year, compared to the first half. This reflects the impact of mid-year tax collection on short-term investment balances.

Additional commentary and financial information are provided in the report attached as Appendix A.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

#### 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

#### **Strategic Priorities**

☐ Housir	ng
E	expedite the delivery of and longer-term planning for employee housing
☐ Climat	te Action
M	Mobilize municipal resources toward the implementation of the Big Moves Climate Action Plan
□ Comm	nunity Engagement
S	trive to connect locals to each other and to the RMOW
☐ Smart	Tourism
P	reserve and protect Whistler's unique culture, natural assets and infrastructure
⋈ Not A	pplicable
	ligns with core municipal work that falls outside the strategic priorities but improves, maintains, pdates and/or protects existing and essential community infrastructure or programs

#### **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The Official Community Plan (OCP) is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and long-term community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

This report moves the RMOW towards the goals and objectives of the OCP. It does so by ensuring transparency and accountability to stakeholders and the community, as well as educating and engaging Whistler businesses, residents, and visitors by providing timely and accurate information to illustrate connections between policy and community financial health. Additionally, this report aligns with the objectives of the OCP by:

- Continuously evaluating Whistler's method of infrastructure financing (6.1.1.1), and
- Ensuring the Five-Year Financial Plan provides the framework for the efficient financial planning and investment consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the OCP (6.3.1.1).

#### **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no direct external costs to prepare the quarterly financial report. All internal costs are accommodated within the annual operating budget of the RMOW.

#### LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as *L'il'wat7úl* and the Squamish People, known in their language as the *Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw* to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for unceded land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.

There are no specific considerations to include in this report.				
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT				
Level of community engagement commitment for the	is project:			
☐ Involve ☐ Coll	aborate   Empower			
Financial information continues to be reported publ	icly on a regular basis.			
REFERENCES				
Appendix A – Quarterly Financial Report for the six	months ended June 30, 2024			
SUMMARY				
Through ongoing quarterly reporting, municipal oper presented with comparison to the annual budget. In required by the <i>Council Policy A-3: Investments Policy A-3: Investment</i>	vestment holdings and performance are reported as			
SIGN-OFFS				
Written by: Reviewed by:				
Carlee Price, Chief Financial Officer	Ted Battiston, General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety			
	Karen Elliott, Acting Chief Administrative Officer			

# **SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

For the period ended June 30, 2024

Resort Municipality of Whistler whistler.ca



# **COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS**

1H	First Half (commonly paired with year, ex. 1H23)
1Q	First Quarter
2H	Second Half
2Q	Second Quarter
3Q	Third Quarter
4Q	Fourth Quarter
CAO	Chief Administrative Officer
CAPD	Climate Action, Planning and Development
CECS	Community Engagement and Cultural Services
CSPS	Community Services and Public Safety
EFT	Exchange-traded Fund
IS	Infrastructure Services
LT	Long-term
MFA	Municipal Finance Authority
MRDT	Municipal Regional District Tax
RMI	Resort Municipality Initiative
RMOW	Resort Municipality of Whistler
TAG	Transit Advisory Group
WWTP	Waste Water Treatment Plant
YOY	Year Over Year

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Quarterly financial reporting is prepared by the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) as a means of providing the community and Council with a regular overview of financial information.

This report includes three sections.

1 Revenue & Expenditures presents a review of consolidated revenues for the organization by

category, and breakdown of both revenues expenditures by

operating department. (pp 2-7)

2 Project Expenditure discusses project spending, both in aggregate and at the individual

project level. (pp 8-14)

3 Investments reviews the RMOW's investment portfolio and associated income for

the period. (p 15)

All financial information is based on preliminary, unaudited information reported from the municipal financial system as of the report date. All revenue and expenditure amounts are presented on a non-consolidated basis which may give rise to some variations from amounts included in the actual Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw. Non-consolidated means that subsidiary companies of the municipality (Whistler Housing Authority for example) are not included and interdepartmental sales and purchases have not been removed. Department results and project expenditures are supplementary information and provide additional detail for readers. Quarterly financial reporting follows the fiscal year of the municipality which is January 1 through December 31.

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#### **REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES OVERVIEW**

#### Revenue

Revenue ended the first half of 2024 at 100 per cent, and divisional operating expenditures at 97 per cent of budgeted amounts. Operating budget amounts have been amended once in 2024, and the figures presented here reflect as-amended amounts.

For the first half of the year, MRDT continued to show signs of weakness. Compared to 2023, Total MRDT revenues were -5.3 per cent lower in the first quarter and -10.1% lower in the second quarter. July, August and December are critical months for tourist visitation and results from these next months will largely determine whether full year expectations for MRDT are at risk. MRDT revenues fund important tourist-facing programs and amenities, the costs for which are largely locked in early in the year. This means that the amount of MRDT left for things like support for employee housing, depend on total year revenue outcomes. 3Q results should shed additional light.

Dayskier parking also showed signs of slowing, with actual revenues up +0.5 per cent in 1H24 compared to the prior year (1H23 by comparison, was up +25.7 per cent relative to to 1H22). Slowing tourist visitation is likely a factor here, but also potentially a shift in behavior within the local population away from single occupant driving to other modes of transportation, which would be good news. Recall that additional transit hours were added in the spring of 2024, including improved frequency on Route 10 (Valley Express) which has been received well by the community. Transit fares were up +27.3 per cent YOY in 1H, and on a monthly basis are now tracking higher than typical monthly results in the pre-pandemic period. This is also good news.

Building department revenues continue to track below expectations, down -41.1 per cent compared to 2023 levels, and well below the significant growth that was expected in the original 2024 budget. An update to expectations for this department is included in the forthcoming Five-Year Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw.

#### Divisional Operating Expenditures

Divisional operating expenditures for the quarter were at 97 per cent of budgeted amounts for the first half.

As is typical early in the year, where once-annual expenditures land in the quarter, expenditures initially appear out of step with budgeted amounts. Budgeted amounts are for the most part spread evenly over the twelve months of the year. This was the case in 1H24 for Legislative Services (insurance renewal), and Village Events & Animation (Summer Concer Series invoices). Fee for Service payments fluctuate throughout the year based on the terms agreed to in each Fee for Service agreement. Several larger payments landed in 2Q resulting in a significant expenditure variance for CECS Division Administion in the first half, however this will balance out over the coming quarters.

Expenditures across most other departments were within 10 per cent of budgeted amounts, which is slightly higher than is typical for this point in the year but not alarming. Expenditure variances will continue to be monitored closely as the year progresses.

# **REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES TABLE**

# **Resort Municipality of Whistler**

Summary of Operational Results

For the six months ended June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

	1H 2024 Budget amended	1H 2024 Actual	% of Budget	1H 2023 Actual	YOY Change
Revenues					
Property Tax	61,401,607	61,815,124	101%	57,181,336	8%
User Fees	13,196,775	13,275,273	101%	12,685,751	5%
Programs & Admissions	1,485,018	1,565,239	105%	1,332,139	17%
Permits and Fees	5,050,524	4,437,392	88%	4,902,196	-9%
Grants Revenue	501,958	860,377	171%	1,405,328	-39%
Transit Fares, Leases and Rent	1,636,599	2,287,478	140%	1,872,476	22%
Works and Service Revenue	347,500	233,012	67%	637,817	-63%
RMI and MRDT	8,593,791	8,226,517	96%	8,685,797	-5%
Investment Revenue	2,170,742	1,993,482	92%	1,610,152	24%
Other Revenue	1,970,980	1,697,206	86%	12,758,547	-87%
_	96,355,494	96,391,100	100%	103,071,539	-6%
Divisional Operating Expenditures					
Mayor and Council	342,163	341,563	100%	336,804	1%
CAO Office	1,045,736	1,082,388	104%	995,411	9%
Community Engagement and Cultural Service	7,862,701	8,446,017	107%	7,760,660	9%
Climate Action, Planning and Development	10,354,069	9,744,892	94%	9,289,839	5%
Infrastructure Services	13,020,712	11,668,044	90%	11,427,630	2%
Corporate Services & Public Safety	11,488,392	11,474,102	100%	11,026,113	4%
	44,113,773	42,757,006	97%	40,836,456	5%
Corporate Expenditures					
External Partner Contributions	8,361,432	3,038,660		4,605,987	
Long Term Debt	737,480	102,452		102,452	
Debt Interest	315,500	461,098		315,698	
Other General Corporate Expenditures	442,633	114,005	-	268,460	

# **Resort Municipality Of Whistler**

**Comparative Summary of Department Operations: REVENUES** 

For the six months ended June 30 (unaudited)

	Budget 1H 2024	Actual 1H 2024	% of Budget	Actual 1H 2023	Change YOY
Mayor & Council	-	-		-	
Mayor and Council Total	-	-		-	
Administrator	-	24		-	
Human Resources	-	(311)		(20,000)	
CAO Office Total	•	(287)		(20,000)	
Communications	-	-		-	
<b>CECS Division Admin</b>	-	-		-	
Village Events and Animation	(63,250)	(39,339)	62%	(33,533)	17.3%
Whistler Public Library	(99,176)	(70,258)	71%	(114,547)	-38.7%
Recreation	(821,263)	(827,370)	101%	(850,451)	-2.7%
<b>Meadow Park Sports Centre</b>	(1,218,664)	(1,307,233)	107%	(1,084,995)	20.5%
Community Engagement & Cultural Svcs	(2,202,353)	(2,244,201)	102%	(2,083,526)	7.7%
CAPD Division Admin	-	-			
Parks Planning	(10,000)	(1,469)		(6,866)	-78.6%
Resort Operations	(414,011)	(558,223)	135%	(479,514)	16.4%
Climate & Environment	(625)	(285)		(349)	
Planning	(280,600)	(146,229)	52%	(274,080)	-46.6%
Transportation Planning	(1,034,954)	(1,778,908)	172%	(1,447,436)	22.9%
<b>Building Department Services</b>	(1,608,126)	(861,059)	54%	(1,410,613)	-39.0%
Climate Action, Planning & Development	(3,348,316)	(3,346,173)	100%	(3,618,859)	-7.5%
Facilities	(244,812)	(105,845)	43%	(101,225)	4.6%
IS Division Admin	-	-		-	
Engineering Services	(6,750)	(8,055)		(9,757)	
Roads and Drainage	(2,500)	-		(11)	
Central Services	(2,312,738)	(815,468)	35%	(1,643,256)	-50.4%
Solid Waste	(5,582,473)	(5,569,658)	100%	(5,600,267)	-0.5%
Water Fund	(8,106,795)	(8,237,954)	102%	(7,885,163)	4.5%
Sewer Fund	(9,734,937)	(9,441,593)	97%	(8,800,656)	7.3%
Infrastructure Services Total	(25,991,005)	(24,178,573)	93%	(24,040,335)	0.6%
Finance	(66,686)	(75,818)	114%	(82,410)	-8.0%
Legislative Services	(13,228)	(8,437)	64%	(10,526)	-19.9%
Information Technology	(32,400)	(35,100)	108%	(31,500)	11.4%
Protective Services	(3,608,907)	(3,673,306)	102%	(3,492,600)	5.2%
RCMP	(262,458)	(210,532)	80%	(233,297)	-9.8%
Fire Rescue Service	(219,603)	(221,587)	101%	(192,571)	15.1%
CSPS Division Admin Corporate Services & Public Safety Total	- (4,203,282)	- (4,224,780)	101%	(4,042,904)	4.5%

# **Resort Municipality Of Whistler**

**Comparative Summary of Department Operations: EXPENDITURES** 

For the six months ended June 30 (unaudited)

	Budget 1H 2024	Actual 1H 2024	% of Budget	Actual 1H 2023	Change YOY
Mayor & Council	342,163	341,563	100%	336,804	1.4%
Mayor and Council Total	342,163	341,563	100%	336,804	1.4%
Administrator	379,020	410,560	108%	430,853	-4.7%
Human Resources	666,716	670,762	101%	564,558	18.8%
CAO Office Total	1,045,736	1,081,322	103%	995,411	8.6%
Communications	404,631	452,527	112%	336,405	34.5%
<b>CECS Division Admin</b>	817,410	1,026,381	126%	762,929	34.5%
Village Events and Animation	1,967,252	2,217,450	113%	2,289,810	-3.2%
Whistler Public Library	805,367	827,630	103%	774,947	6.8%
Recreation	1,582,872	1,529,467	97%	1,383,782	10.5%
Meadow Park Sports Centre	2,285,169	2,392,186	105%	2,212,786	8.1%
Community Engagement & Cultural Svcs	7,862,701	8,445,640	107%	7,760,660	8.8%
<b>CAPD Division Admin</b>	183,350	196,161	107%	173,045	13.4%
Parks Planning	344,284	363,798	106%	361,103	0.7%
Resort Operations	3,327,256	3,338,174	100%	3,140,361	6.3%
Climate & Environment	428,006	404,044	94%	342,885	17.8%
Planning	1,271,922	1,179,385	93%	1,075,170	9.7%
Transportation Planning	3,589,581	3,276,207	91%	3,460,090	-5.3%
<b>Building Department Services</b>	1,209,670	991,722	82%	737,185	34.5%
Climate Action, Planning & Development	10,354,069	9,749,492	94%	9,289,839	4.9%
Facilities	1,450,093	1,157,200	80%	1,392,861	-16.9%
IS Division Admin	362,193	438,198	121%	317,810	37.9%
Engineering Services	291,976	293,433	100%	293,705	-0.1%
Roads and Drainage	1,494,473	1,549,997	104%	1,342,935	15.4%
Central Services	1,670,934	1,554,990	93%	1,393,993	11.5%
Solid Waste	3,441,834	2,873,711	83%	3,022,808	-4.9%
Water Fund	1,777,170	1,317,048	74%	1,495,964	-12.0%
Sewer Fund	3,392,315	2,922,319	86%	2,472,054	18.2%
Infrastructure Services Total	13,880,988	12,106,897	87%	11,732,130	3.2%
Finance	870,271	960,165	110%	890,884	7.8%
Legislative Services	1,264,031	1,495,984	118%	1,307,807	14.4%
Information Technology	1,507,599	1,629,840	108%	1,516,054	7.5%
Protective Services	1,954,563	2,105,778	108%	1,972,552	6.8%
RCMP	2,699,475	2,062,293	76%	2,434,350	-15.3%
Fire Rescue Service	3,018,959	3,039,929	101%	2,732,296	11.3%
CSPS Division Admin	173,494	178,666	103%	172,168	3.8%
Corporate Services & Public Safety Total	11,488,392	11,472,656	100%	11,026,113	4.0%
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#### **PROJECTS**

Projects aim to deliver specific unique and non-recurring outcomes (often, but not always capital in nature) to the community. Because these works can be significant in size, particularly in aggregate, they are funded from municipal reserves. Each year, projects and the planned spending associated with each are presented for consideration with the Budget Guidelines. Individual project budgets may be revised throughout the year and when necessary, changes to divisional project budget allocations may be made via amendments to the Five-Year Financial Plan.

In the first half of 2024, \$11.0 million was spent on municipal projects, or 25.4 per cent of total budgeted amounts of \$43.5 million. This compares to average project spending numbers for the first six months of the last five years of 14.9 per cent.

Good progress was made on project delivery in the first half, across divisions. Reinvestment in existing assets remains a priority for the RMOW, and critical infrastructure like Meadow Park Sports Centre, Whistler Village Parkades (WVLC) as well as water and wastewater infrastructure benefitted from renewal spending in the first half.

The RMOW has several standalone multi-million dollar projects under way, each of which span multiple years. These include: upgrades to Municipal Hall and the Public Safety Building, and the rejuvenation of both Rainbow Park and Meadow Park. In addition, a renewal of the wastewater system is under way, which spans a large number of individual assets within the system and over the period 2021 – 2028 proposes work valued at over \$63 million. Given the scale, scope, and financial impacts of these projects, regular updates on them can be expected going forward.

Important to note that project budget expenditures noted in the following tables are net of grant funding. For this reason, numbers related to projects that benefit from grant funding can seem unusual. Spending may appear to be in excess of planned budget (where grant funding is received after work is completed) or the total spending amount may at times be negative (where grant funding is received before work is completed). These amounts typically normalize as the year progresses.

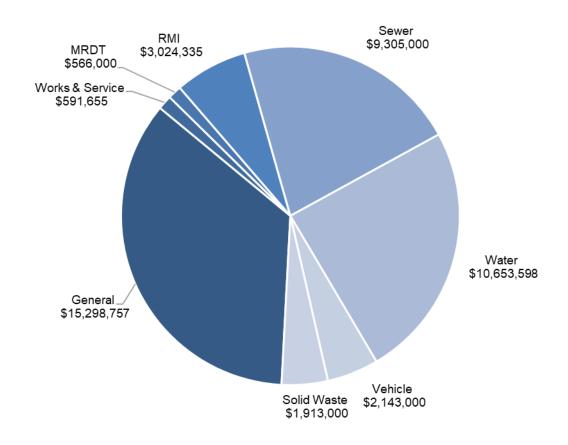
# Summary of Project Expenditures For the six months ended June, 2024 (unaudited)

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		2024 Budget	Expenditures	Budget
CAO Office				
A089	CAO Initiatives	45,000	(31,625)	-70%
A102	Smart Tourism Strategy	50,000	20,518	41%
H002	Collective Bargaining	30,000	3,390	11%
H015	Cultural Awareness	20,000	-	
H017	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	35,000	15,000	43%
	al: CAO Office	180,000	7,283	4.0%
	on, Planning and Development			
A074	Interpretive Panels	40,371	11,252	28%
A094	Lamppost Banners	26,000	25,704	99%
B010	Parks	396,500	9,765	2%
C012	Conference Centre Annual Building Reinvestment	150,000	-	
P005	Village Enhancement	75,000	12,449	17%
P053	Parks and Valley Trail Strategy	35,000	-	
P064	Planning Initiatives	174,000	(210,863)	-121%
P079	Energy & Climate Program	28,300	91,222	322%
P081	Recreational Trail Maps Upgrade and Web Maps	41,683	6,338	15%
P085	Building Department Initiative	180,000	31,219	17%
P086	Park Use Bylaw Update and E-Device Policy Adoptior	20,000	12,000	60%
P091	Data Collection and Monitoring	15,000	4,848	32%
P093	Disc Golf Feasibility Study	15,000	-	
P100	EV Chargers	(183,638)	75,909	-41%
P101	Parks Accessibility	11,493	-	
P102	River of Golden Dreams Improvements	192,000	19,747	10%
P106	Priority Habitat Management Strategy	30,000	-	
P109	Railway Crossings Safety Improvements	84,177	-	
P113	Public Art Repair	20,000	64	0%
P115	Alpha Lake Projects	173,470	10,926	6%
P116	Millar Creek Lands Acquisition	180,000	17,336	10%
P117	Active Transport Infrastructure - Secure Bike Parking	73,700	6,381	9%
P118	Environmental Protection Bylaw Update	35,000	24,111	69%
P119	Taluswood Park Rejuvenation	50,000	5,000	10%
P121	Lakeside Park Climate Adaptation & Resilience	15,000	15,000	100%
S018	Community Wildfire Protection	858,944	329,302	38%
T021	Valley Trail Reconstruction	75,000	23,510	31%
T080	Pemberton Commuter	50,000	-	
X008	Recreation Trail Program	75,000	23,317	31%
X012	Park Operations General Improvement	200,000	112,264	56%
X079	Seismic and emergency power review	35,000	-	
X084	Tennis Court Reconstruction	20,000	-	
X086	Park and Trail Asbuilt Surveys	26,000	17,830	69%
X116	Meadow Park Rejuvenation	750,000	71,947	10%
X117	Valley Trail Access and Safety Improvements	365,507	21,596	6%
X121	Recreational Trails and Trailheads	15,000	8,587	57%
X130	Park Washroom Rejuvenation	239,000	144,049	60%
X140	CECAP Trail Hardening	20,000	-	

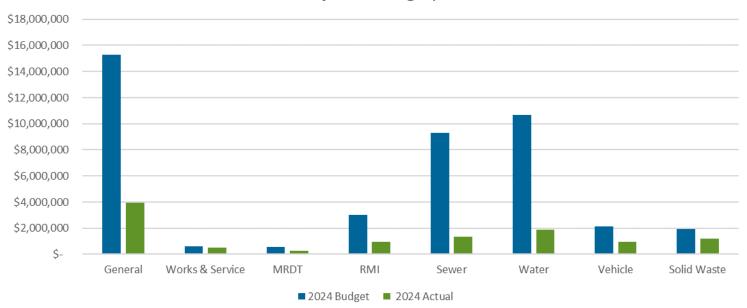
			1H24	% of
		2024 Budget	Expenditures	Budget
Climate Actio	on, Planning and Development (con't)			
X145	Rainbow Park Rejuvenation	965,064	619,401	64%
X152	Village Stroll Tree Strategy	105,999	524	0%
X166	Building energy efficiency review	22,000	-	
X179	Recreational Trail Bridge Replacement	89,123	16,814	19%
X194	Blackcomb Way Glacier Lodge Sidewalk Replacemer	75,000		
	al: Climate Action, Planning and Development	5,864,693	1,557,549 #	26.6%
=	ingagement and Cultural Services			
A088	Cultural Initiatives	65,000	50,500	78%
A095	Whistler Institute	50,000	50,000	100%
A100	Targeted Engagement	75,000	3,937	5%
A101	Website Development	100,735	15,892	16%
L002	Library Collection	155,000	82,187	53%
L012	Library Enhancement Grant	111,000	27,320	25%
M001	Recreation Equipment	127,940	29,542	23%
M002	Recreation Infrastructure Replacement	940,000	142,215	15%
P033	Whistler Olympic Plaza Ice Rink	42,625	20,591	48%
	al: Community Engagement and Cultural Servi	1,667,300	422,184	25.3%
Corporate Se	ervices & Public Safety			
C075	Asset Retirement Obligations	30,000	12,000	40%
C080	Legislative Services	80,000	63,118	79%
C085	Protective Services	240,000	165,666	69%
C087	Digitization of Records	265,000	152,025	57%
1001	Computer Systems Replacement	165,500	27,795	17%
1005	Local Infrastructure & Server Room	452,500	81,647	18%
1006	Corporate Software	244,875	115,320	47%
1014	RMOW Geographic Information System (GIS)	38,000	-	
1017	RMOW City Works	154,445	58,607	38%
P120	Public Safety and Civic Building Strategy	50,000	-	
S013	Firefighting Equipment and Replacement	210,200	150,715	72%
S056	Wildfire Protection	140,000	79,163	57%
	al: Corporate Service & Public Safety	2,070,520	906,056	43.8%
Infrastructure	e Services			
B001	Municipal Hall	1,632,480	347,405	21%
B002	Public Safety Building	2,407,599	1,032,321	43%
B003	Public Works Yard	442,500	116,195	26%
B004	Meadow Park Sports Centre	591,655	494,244	84%
B005	Library	115,000	10,465	9%
B007	Fire Halls	300,500	151,641	50%
B008	Other Buildings	388,000	64,446	17%
B012	Whistler Village Land Company	168,000	96,720	58%
B017	Solid Waste Buildings and Structures	178,000	71,956	40%
B018	The Point	50,000	9,674	19%
B200	Electrical Services	192,500	63,436	33%
B700	Village	240,000	85,404	36%
B703	Domestic Water Upgrades	40,000	8,516	21%
B707	Transit Shelters	105,000	3,972	4%
E063	Compost Facility Annual Reconstruction	100,000	-	

		2024 Budget	1H24 Expenditures	% of Budget
Infrastructur	e Services (con't)			
E088	Solid Waste Annual Reconstruction	1,520,000	1,118,103	74%
E130	Solid Waste Outreach Program	90,000	27,467	31%
E200	Water Annual Upgrades	300,000	49,839	17%
E201	Reservoirs and Intakes Upgrades	450,000	17,396	4%
E202	Water Well Upgrades	300,000	-	
E203	Water Pump Station Upgrades	5,213,598	766,918	15%
E204	Pressure Reducing Valve Station Upgrades	75,000	-	
E205	Watermain Upgrades	2,550,000	964,845	38%
E206	Water SCADA Upgrades (Sewer)	185,000	-	
E206	Water SCADA Upgrades (Water)	185,000	-	40/
E208	Water Metering Program Implementation	1,070,000	14,895	1%
E210	Water Operating Capital	510,000	85,552	17%
E300	Sewer Annual Upgrades	250,000	7,522	3%
E301	Sewer Lift Station Upgrades	450,000	2,462	1%
E303	Sewer Trunk Main Upgrade	50,000	12,335	25%
E306	Sewer SCADA Upgrades	185,000	- 57 504	00/
E310 E320	Sewer Operating Capital Improvements	675,000 1,650,000	57,584	9% 16%
E320 E400	Sewer Main Upgrades		261,351	16%
E400	WWTP Annual Upgrades WWTP Primary Treatment Upgrades	150,000 2,150,000	18,250 356,931	12% 17%
E401	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•	
E402	WWTP Fermenter Upgrades WWTP Biological Reactor Upgrades	350,000 150,000	149,324 10,376	43% 7%
E404	WWTP Solids Handling Upgrades	850,000	357,656	42%
E405	WWTP Solids Halldling Opgrades  WWTP Secondary Treatment Upgrades	100,000	8,662	9%
E406	WWTP SCADA Upgrades	35,000	0,002	370
E407	WWTP Tertiary Treatment Upgrades	1,500,000	40,879	3%
E408	District Energy System Upgrades	100,000	19,571	20%
E409	WWTP Building Upgrades	350,000	37,648	11%
E410	WWTP Operating Capital Upgrades	125,000	-	1170
T001	Upgrade Roads	1,590,000	117,530	7%
T006	Fitzsimmons Creek Gravel Removal	475,000	14,130	3%
T027	Fitzsimmons Creek Debris Barrier Monitoring	100,000	30,382	30%
T028	Bridge Reconstruction Program	60,000	6,509	11%
T052	Flood Plain Mapping & Mitigation	270,000	4,691	2%
T057	Air Quality Monitoring Cheakamus Crossing	65,000	10,250	16%
T061	Traffic Studies and Initiatives to support TAG	70,000	32,338	46%
T063	Traffic Light System renewals	20,000	-	
T075	Highway Intersection Upgrades	20,000	-	
T077	GIS Layer Update - Transportation	20,000	-	
X133	Solid Waste Building Upgrades	25,000	-	
Y001	Fleet Replacement	2,143,000	949,878	44%
Y014	Central Services Annual Reconstruction	335,000	26,411	8%
<b>Division Total</b>	al: Infrastructure Services	33,712,832	8,134,080	24.1%
Total RMOV	V	43,495,345	11,027,152	25.4%

# 2024 Project Funding Sources By Reserve



2024 Project Funding By Source



#### **INVESTMENTS**

Long-term investment holdings of the RMOW at June 30,2024 had a value of \$64,730,451. A list of these holdings is provided below.

The RMOW holds investment balances in order to earn investment income on funds that are not currently required for operations, projects or near-term capital purposes. Funds held for long-term capital purposes often make up the largest portion of the investment holdings. These amounts represent savings accumulated over time that will typically not be expended until years in the future. Operating cash balances also exist, particularly in 3Q when most property tax payments are received by the RMOW. Conversely, investment holdings are often at their lowest in the months just prior to the property tax collection date.

Investment income for the three months ended June 30, 2024 was \$1,193,482 (unaudited). This represents 92 per cent of the total budgeted investment income for the period. While long-term investment balances can be expected to remain reasonably steady throughout the year, interest income also includes income generated from short term deposits. Because the value of these changes meaningfully through the year, as described above, the interest generated by these investments will also tend to be highest in the second half of the year and lower in the first half. The seasonal nature of short term investments also means that outcomes for the year are quite dependent on prevailing rates at the time that taxes are collected. In 2023, the investing environment was quite favourable, and interest income for that year reflected this. For 2024, rates have been lower for depositors and so the outcome in this year might be expected to be slightly less impressive.

Within the longer-term investment portfolio, RMOW continues to seek opportunities to maximize investment income while also guarding against future uncertainty. The shift away from individual bond holdings continues with a preference for MFA pooled investment products.

Investment income is allocated to reserves to fund future expenditures with some allocated to operations throughout the year.

Investment	Par Value 06/30/2024
Pooled Funds & ETFs	
MFA Short Term Bond Fund	31,568,284
MFA LT Investment - FFDMAC	2,026,873
iShares, 1-5yr Laddered Govt Bond Index	4,986,723
LT Deposits	
Kootenay Savings	3,000,000
Canadian Wetern Bank	5,000,000
Coast Capital	10,000,000
Coast Capital	1,651,547
Bonds	
Municipal Finance Authority BC	4,986,156
Province of BC, Due 12/18/2027 1.89%	1,510,868
Total LT Investments	64,730,451



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# STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-088

FROM: Parks Planning FILE: 0890-20

**SUBJECT:** EXPROPRIATION APPROVAL – PORTION OF COMMON PROPERTY STRATA

VAS191

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development Services be endorsed.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council, as the local approving authority for the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW), as identified in the *Expropriation Act* (Act) and pursuant to section 18 of the Act:

- (a) acknowledge that it has been served with the expropriation notice dated May 6, 2024, and filed in the New Westminster Land Title Office (LTO) under number CB1298899 and with a copy of the Act; and
- (b) approve the expropriation contemplated by the expropriation notice; and

**That** Council, as the local approving authority as identified in the Act, authorize and direct the Corporate Officer to:

- (a) sign the Certificate of Approval, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-088, in the form prescribed under the *Expropriation Act General Regulation* (Regulation);
- (b) notify or cause to be notified the expropriating authority and each owner, as defined in the Act, of the RMOW's approval of the expropriation;
- (c) make the advance payments as required under section 20(1)(d) of the Act and serve the Notices of Advance Payment in the form prescribed under the Regulation with a copy of all appraisal and other reports on which the advance payment is based:
- (d) specify in the Vesting Notice (as defined in the Act) that the relevant lands will be vested in the RMOW free and clear of all charges other than those referred to in section 23(2)(a) to (c) of the Act and the Right of Way having a Registration Number of 486722M;
- (e) file or cause to be filed in the LTO Vesting Notices under section 23 of the Act in the form prescribed under the Regulation and then serve a copy of the Vesting Notices on each owner (as defined in the Act); and
- (f) sign or cause to be signed the Notices of Advance Payment and the Vesting Notices.

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report seeks Council's approval for the expropriation of a portion of the Common Property of Strata VAS191 located at 1400 Alta Lake Road (Tamarisk Common Property) pursuant to the *Expropriation Act* (Act).

☐ Information Report	□ Administrative Report (Decision or Direction)

#### **DISCUSSION**

#### Background

Since 2018 the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) has been working towards acquiring a portion of the Tamarisk Common Property for future public recreation use.

The subject strata lands are approximately 0.38 hectares in size (0.95 acres) and located near the railway crossing of Alta Lake Road (a Location Map is attached as Appendix B). The land of interest is a triangular, "hooked" parcel (a parcel of land where a portion of the parcel is physically separated from the primary parcel), situated adjacent to the CN Rail right of way and separated from the rest of the Tamarisk strata by unceded lands currently managed by the Crown, Millar Creek and an undeveloped municipal road right of way. It is also bounded on the north side by the CN Rail right of way.

The subject land is further encumbered by existing private and public sewer lines as well as a BC Hydro statutory right of way located on the northwestern corner. While most of the property is undeveloped, an informal footpath traverses the property and allows access to the lands beyond and ultimately to Alpha Lake.

The subject Tamarisk Common Property is functionally landlocked and largely undevelopable. Current zoning regulations, on-site sewer infrastructure, the BC Hydro statutory right of way, setbacks for railway and riparian purposes, separation from a developed road, an odd shape and flood risks prevents development of the site other than non-motorized recreational use.

Between 2018 and 2021 the RMOW and the Tamarisk Strata explored options for the RMOW to acquire the Tamarisk Common Property for public recreation use. Options included securing a statutory right of way over a portion of the lands as well as a typical sale, purchase and subdivision approach. However, neither of these options proved viable, and all parties agreed in principle that expropriation would be the most appropriate approach moving forward.

The expropriation approach was purposely paused in 2021 to allow the provincially mandated Land Use Contract (LUC) Termination process to conclude, which Tamarisk was a part of. While the property acquisition effort had no bearing on the outcome of the LUC termination process, there was a concern that the acquisition process could create friction and potentially compromise the province's mandated deadline. Successful conclusion of the LUC termination process has since occurred and is no longer a consideration.

The acquisition process was restarted in 2023. Guided by the Act, a new appraisal was undertaken by a third-party appraiser, which determined a \$105,000 value. Notices of Expropriation were posted on site and delivered to all property owners, as well as registered lenders and charge holders. A 30-day Period of Inquiry opened on August 12, 2024, allowing for an owner to request an inquiry into whether the expropriation is necessary to achieve the objectives of the local government or whether those objectives would be better achieved by choosing an alternate site or by varying the amount of land to be taken. No inquires were received by the September 11, 2024 closing date.

Council now needs to consider approving the expropriation via resolution as the "approving authority" as identified in the Act. With approval, the RMOW (as expropriator) has 30 days to pay the registered owners and charge holders and within 30 days of making the payment must file a Vesting Notice with

the Land Title Office which transfers registered ownership of the lands. Once the Vesting Notice is filed, RMOW will own the lands.

Each registered owner and charge holder has one year from the time of receipt of the payment to apply to the BC Supreme Court for additional compensation. If one or more owners applies for a compensation hearing, the RMOW will be required to respond, which will require additional time and costs. As a contingency, staff will include this possibility in the 2025 municipal budget.

#### **Acquisition Rational**

The RMOW seeks to acquire the Tamarisk Common Property and an adjacent lake front parcel. Once both parcels are secured, the RMOW will be able to develop and provide public access to Alpha Lake and seeks to construct a Valley Trail connection between Alta Lake Road and Alpha Lake Park.

While acquisition of the Tamarisk Common Property does not directly provide lake access itself, once acquisition of the second lakefront parcel from the province is achieved (anticipated to be in early 2025) then legal public access to Alpha Lake will be possible at this location.

Lake access points are in very high demand during summer months. Pressures on Whistler's lake front parks have increased through the pandemic, and with local population growth and regional visitor volumes. Looking to the future, these demands will continue to increase with local and regional population forecasts - Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley Regional Districts are anticipated to house an additional 1.5 million residents over the next 25 years. Additionally, hotter summer weather because of climate change will further increase public demand for lake access.

Acquiring the two parcels of land, modestly developing a small lake front park, providing public lake access and potentially a Valley Trail connection between Alta Lake Road and Alpha Lake Park is supported by numerous RMOW policy documents including the Official Community Plan (OCP), the <a href="2023 - 2026 Strategic Plan">2026 Strategic Plan</a>, the <a href="Recreation and Leisure Master Plan">Recreation and Leisure Master Plan</a>, the <a href="2020 Big Moves Climate">2020 Big Moves Climate</a> Action Strategy, and the <a href="Active Transportation Plan">Active Transportation Plan</a>. These are discussed in further detail in the Policy section of this report.

Provision of lake access at this location also contributes to the creation of more complete communities, where a range of recreational and other services are located within proximity to residential neighbourhoods and are accessible by pedestrians and bicycles. Existing and future Whistler Housing Authority (WHA) developments along Alta Lake Road are in very close proximity to the subject site, and nearby WHA developments in Creekside, Bayshores, Spring Creek, Nita Lake Estates and Cheakamus Crossing (Whistler's largest concentration of employee restricted housing) are all within a 15-minute bicycle ride. The Tamarisk and adjacent Twin Lakes Stratas also possess a relatively high population density, although each have their own private lake access.

A conceptual park and Valley Trail development plan prepared for initial discussions with the Tamarisk Strata in 2019 is provided in Appendix C. It is important to note this is a conceptual plan, and that the final plan is to be informed by community engagement as well as other design inputs. Ultimately it may be somewhat different than what is currently shown.

Given alignment with municipal policy statements, increasing demand for lake access, the Common Property's relatively low cost and high value as parkland, and opportunities for active transportation connectivity, it is appropriate for the RMOW to secure the subject strata Common Property and adjacent unceded lands currently managed by the provincial government.

For information purposes, the connecting Valley Trail segment referenced in this report is currently in the design and external permitting phase. Acquisition of the subject strata land is not entirely required to make this connection however it would be highly beneficial given environmental, cost and user demand concerns with alternative alignments.

#### **Analysis**

Guidance provided by the Act and Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors has been followed. The next step is for the local approving authority to approve the expropriation. Whistler Council is that approving authority as per the Act, requiring Council to approve the expropriation through resolution and authorize the Corporate Officer to take the necessary steps to complete the expropriation.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Relevant Council Authority/Previous Decisions**

The <u>2020 Big Moves Climate Action Strategy</u> identifies a need to grow active transportation. This would be enabled through the provision of a relatively level Valley Trail connection across the subject lands proposed to be acquired.

Other Policies considered are the <u>2023 – 2026 Strategic Plan</u>, the <u>Recreation and Leisure Master Plan</u> and the Active Transportation Plan.

#### 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

#### **Strategic Priorities**

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Expedite the delivery of and longer-term planning for employee housing

Mobilize municipal resources toward the implementation of the Big Moves Climate Action Plan

☐ Community Engagement

Strive to connect locals to each other and to the RMOW

Preserve and protect Whistler's unique culture, natural assets and infrastructure

- Preserving and protecting Whistler's unique culture, natural assets and infrastructure is achieved in in part through designing parks infrastructure, programming and transportation options to encourage dispersion. Securing the subject land, and in the future developing the site as a light footprint park providing lake access and potentially Valley Trail connectivity achieves this.
- With respect to protecting natural assets and infrastructure, potential future municipal improvements would result in legal, managed and controlled lake access, improving the current unmanaged condition.

# ☐ Not Applicable

Aligns with core municipal work that falls outside the strategic priorities but improves, maintains, updates and/or protects existing and essential community infrastructure or programs

#### **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The OCP is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and long-term community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

Should Council concur with the recommendation of this report and approve the expropriation, future park and Valley Trail development aligns with all four of the OCP's Vision Characteristics – sense of place, environment, community and tourism-based economy.

Numerous goals, objectives and policies within Chapters, 7, 9, 10 and 11 (Natural Environment; Learning, Culture, and Recreation; Climate Action and Energy; Transportation respectively) further support securing the subject land and, in the future, modestly developing the site as outlined in this report.

OCP Schedules E1 Transportation Cycling Network Plan, E2 Recreation Trails Plan and E3 Transportation Network propose a shared multi-use trail (Valley Trail) connection in relation to the subject land.

## **Recreation and Leisure Master Plan**

Continually increasing demand for lake access and the challenges around the acquisition of land to meet existing and forecasted demands was highlighted in this 2015 document.

#### **Big Moves Climate Action Strategy**

Provision of a Valley Trail through the lands would connect the recently completed Millar Creek Valley Trail (from Function Junction and serving Cheakamus Crossing) to Pine Point and Alpha Lake Parks and the remainder of the network. This aligns with the Big Moves strategy to "move beyond the car by enabling more active transportation."

Valley Trail network connectivity is also supported in the recently adopted Active Transportation Plan.

#### **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

Funding for acquisition of the subject lands is included in the current "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Bylaw 2424, 2024", drawing on the General Capital Reserve.

Funds will be included in the upcoming municipal budget process to address the possibility of a BC Supreme Court challenge for additional compensation as mentioned earlier in this report.

Property acquisition is not eligible for Resort Municipality Initiative (RMI) funding; however RMI funds can be used to design and construct parks and Valley Trail segments.

#### LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for planning on unceded territories, as currently managed by the provincial government; achieve mutual objectives and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.

Should Council support the recommendation of this report and the subject land be acquired by the RMOW, consultation with the Lílwat Nation and Skwxwú7mesh Nation will be undertaken with respect to any future site development planning.

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Level of comr	munity engage	ment commitm	nent for this project:	:		
	☐ Consult	☐ Involve	☐ Collaborate	☐ Empower		
Should Council support the recommendation of this report and the subject land be acquired, community engagement will be considered in any future site development planning.						
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Funds exist w	vithin the curre	nt Five-Year F	inancial Plan to fina	alize this acquisition.		
SIGN-OFFS						
Written by:			Reviewe	d by:		
Martin Pardo Manager Pa	•			kelsen, Manager Climate Action, Planning and ment Services		

Acting Chief Administrative Officer

James Hallisey,

# Form 5 (Section 18(2))

# **Certificate of Approval of Expropriation**

TO: The Owners Strata Plan VAS191 1400 Alta Lake Road Whistler BC V8E 0G9

AND: Each individual and entity named in Schedule C hereto, being the owners of strata lots located within Strata Plan VAS191 and the owners of charges against title to such strata lots and the common property of Strata Plan VAS191

AND: BC Hydro and Power Authority (Right of Way 486722M)
333 Dunsmuir Street
Vancouver BC V6B 5R3

AND: Terasen Gas (Whistler) Inc. (FortisBC) (SRW BH229348 (see BV392623, BK365287))
1075 West Georgia Street
Vancouver BC V6E 3C9

AND: His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of British Columbia (Covenant A39723)

Ministery of Transportation & Infrastructure

PO Box 9055 Prov Stn Govt

Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

AND: Resort Municipality Of Whistler 4325 Blackcomb Way Whistler BC V8E 0X5

AND: Registrar
New Westminster Land Title Office

#### TAKE NOTICE that

 The Resort Municipality Of Whistler, 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler BC, V8E 0X5 Tel: 604-932-5535, has approved the expropriation contemplated in the Expropriation Notice dated May 6, 2024, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule A, registered in the New Westminster Land Title Office under number CB129889, and affecting the following portions of land: <u>Legal Description</u>: Common Property, Strata Plan VR191, District Lot 3361, Group 1, New Westminster District

Civic Address: 1400 Alta Lake Road, Whistler, BC V8E 0G9

<u>Portions of Lands being expropriated</u>: That area shown outlined in heavy black and labeled "A AREA = 0.391ha" on Reference Plan EPP104967 prepared by Trevor Burton, B.C.L.S. and completed and checked on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule B.

Title:

30 days after approval, to pay to an owner the amount the expropriating authority estimates is or will be payable to that owner as compensation, other than for business loss referred to in section 34(3).

DATED at Whistler, British Columbia this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Resort Municipality of Whistler

by \_\_\_\_\_\_
Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

2. The expropriating authority is required under section 20(1) of the Expropriation Act, within

#### **SCHEDULE A**

Charge, Notation or Filing

NEW WESTMINSTER LAND TITLE OFFICE

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1. Application **Deduct LTO Fees:Yes** Document Fees: \$32.51

Jordan Adam YOUNG ANDERSON 201-1456 St. Paul St Kelowna BC V1Y 2E6 6046897400

File No.: 9040-9 **Expropriation Notice-Common Property, VAS191** 

2. Description of Land

PID/Plan Number **Legal Description** 

**VAS191 COMMON PROPERTY, STRATA PLAN VAS191** 

3. Nature of Charge, Notation, or Filing

Affected Number **Additional Information** Type

**EXPROPRIATION ACT NOTICE (PROVINCIAL)** 

4. Person Entitled to be Registered as Charge Owner

RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER

4325 BLACKCOMB WAY WHISTLER BC V8E 0X5

#### **Electronic Signature**

Your electronic signature is a representation that (a) you are a subscriber under section 168.6 of the Land Title Act, RSBC 1996 c.250, and that you are authorized to electronically sign this application by an e-filing direction made under section 168.22(2) of the act, and

Jordan Christopher Digitally signed by Adam GV6R7Q

Jordan Christopher Adam GV6R7Q

Date: 2024-05-03 11:13:28 -07:00

(b) if this application requires a supporting document, that you are a designate authorized to certify this application under section 168.4 of the Land Title Act, RSBC 1996 c.250, that you certify this application under section 168.43(3) of the act, and that the supporting document or a true copy of the supporting document, if a true copy is allowed under an e-filing direction, is in your possession.

#### **Expropriation Act**

#### Form 1

(Section 6(1))

#### **Expropriation Notice**

Expropriation	Notice No			
(to	be filled in	n by Land	Title	Office)

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Vancouver Land Title Office

#### TAKE NOTICE that:

The Resort Municipality Of Whistler, 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler BC, V8E 0X5 Tel: 604-932-5535 (the "Expropriating Authority"), intends to expropriate an interest in a portion of the land (the "Lands") of which the Owners Strata Plan VAS191 and the owners of all strata lots therein are the registered owners. The Lands and the relevant portion thereof is described as follows:

<u>Legal Description</u>: Common Property, Strata Plan VR191, District Lot 3361, Group 1, New Westernington District

Westminster District

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- 2. The nature of the interest in the Lands intended to be expropriated is fee simple.
- The work or purpose for which the interest in the Lands is required is to provide public pedestrian access to Alpha Lake.
- 4. The approving authority for this expropriation is the Resort Municipality Of Whistler, 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler BC, V8E 0X5 Tel: 604-932-5535.
- 5. Where an owner is eligible under section 10 of the Expropriation Act to request an inquiry, the minister and the expropriating authority must be served with a Notice of Request for Inquiry (Form 2), a copy of which is attached hereto, within 30 days after the date this Expropriation Notice is served on the owner.
- 6. Where less than an entire parcel is affected by the expropriation and a fee simple interest is intended to be expropriated, a copy of a reference or explanatory plan must be attached to this Expropriation Notice and the application to file the notice in the Land Title Office must be accompanied by a plan package that complies with section 67(s) of the Land Title Act.

Dated at Whistler, BC this 18 day of April, 2024.

Resort Municipality of Whistler

Name:

Title:

Resort Municipality of Whistler

Name: Title:

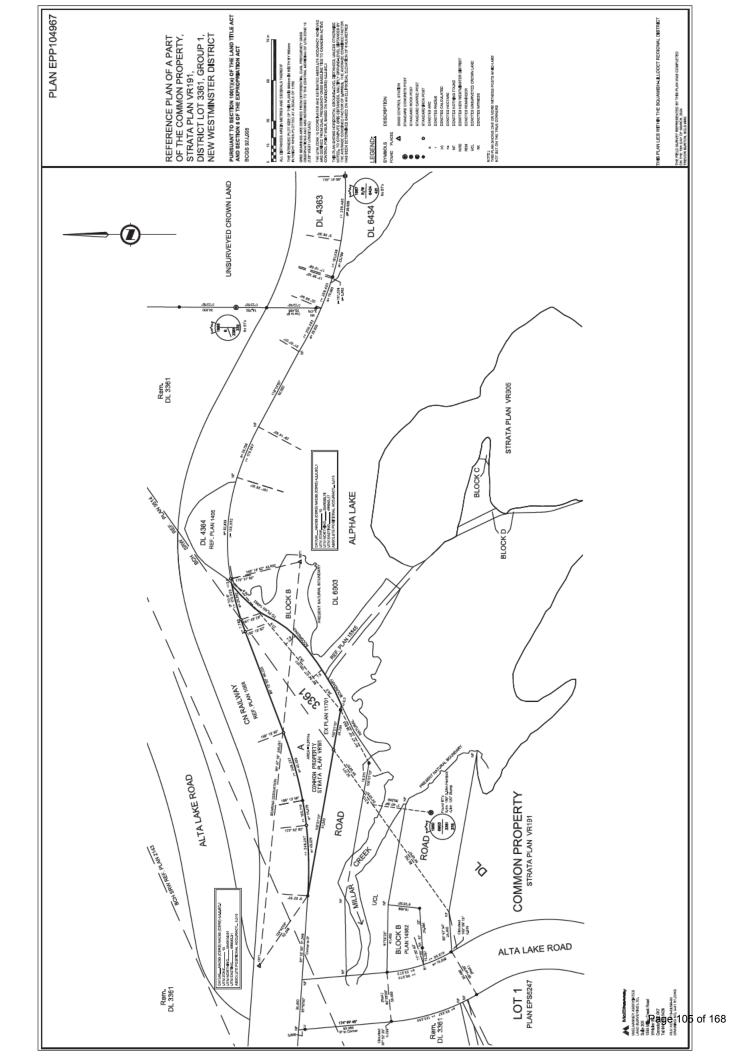
CORPORATE OFFICER

JACK CROMPTON

**MAYOR** 

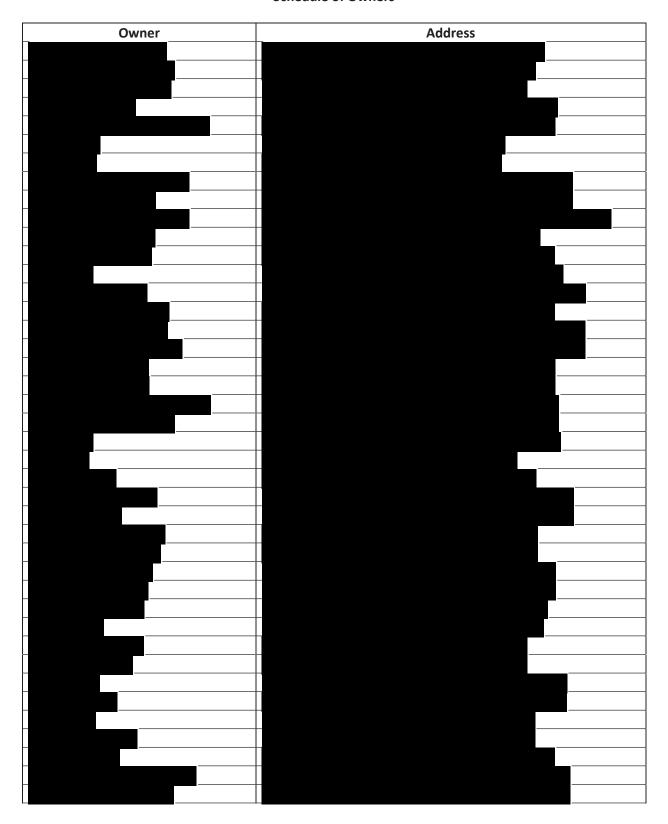
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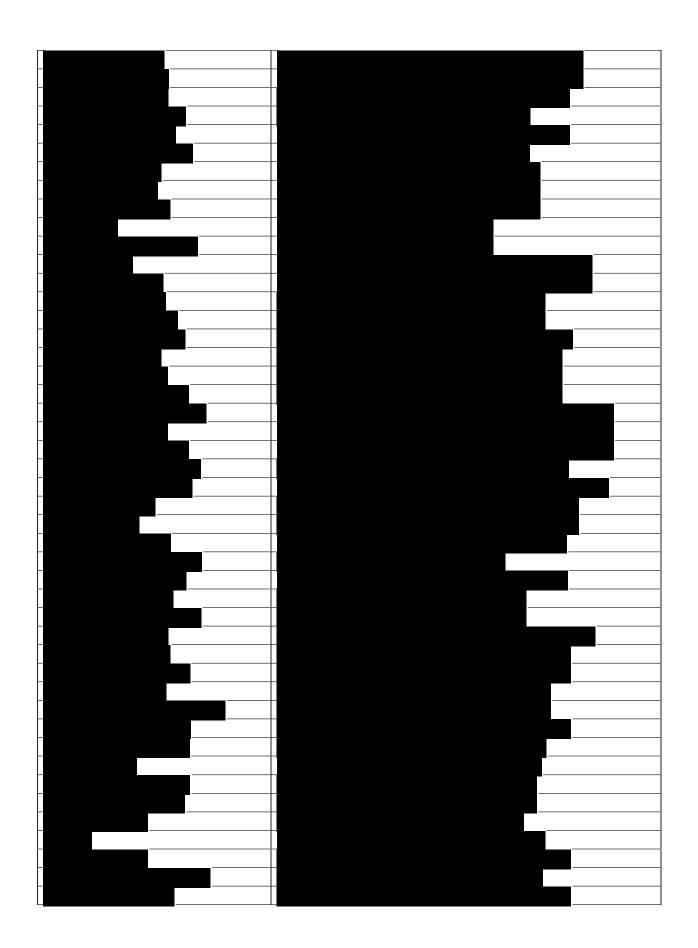
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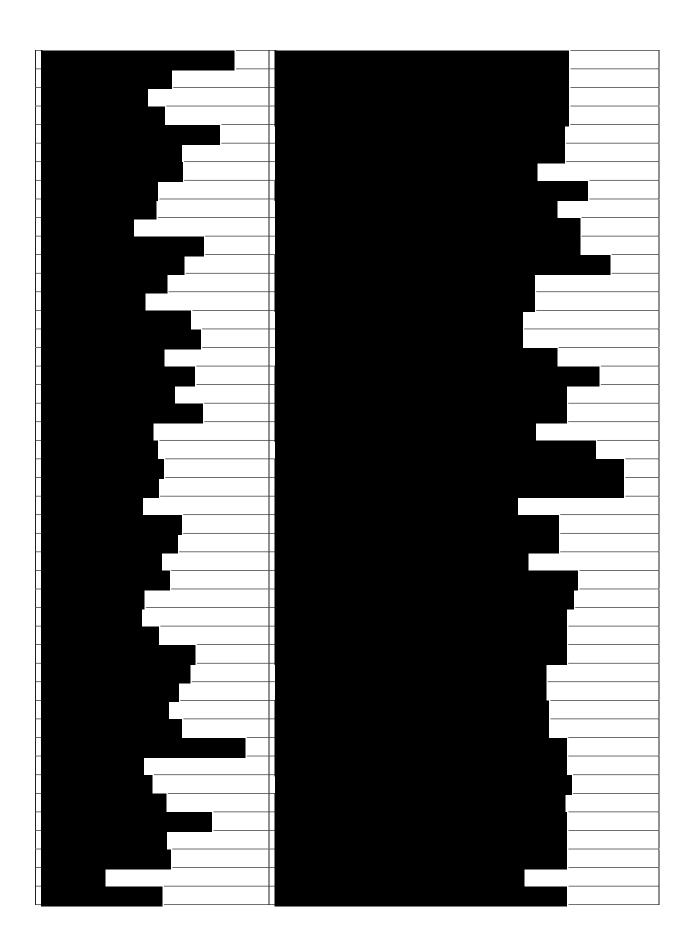


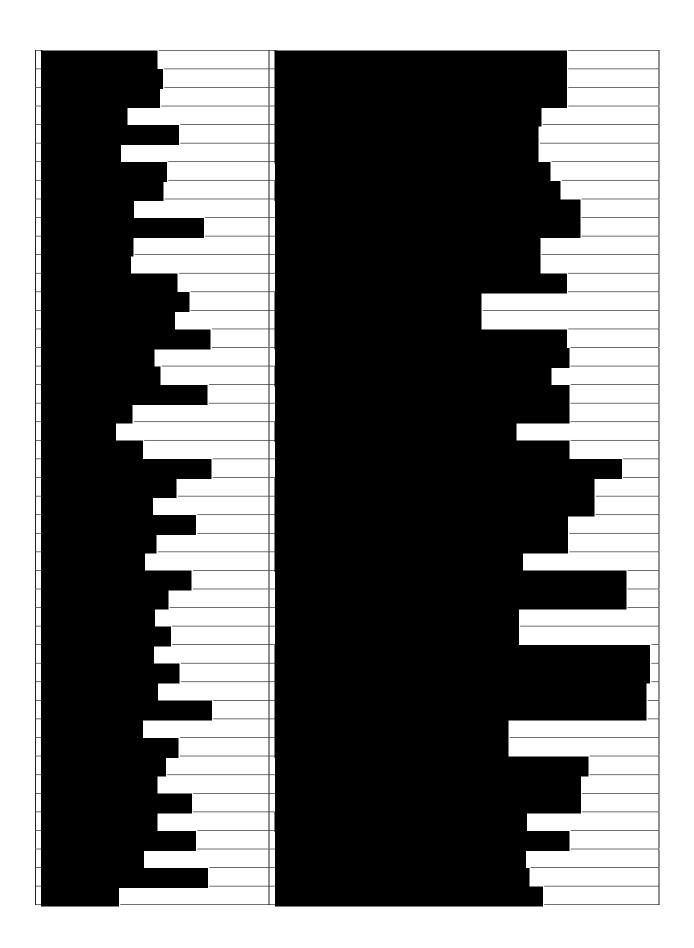
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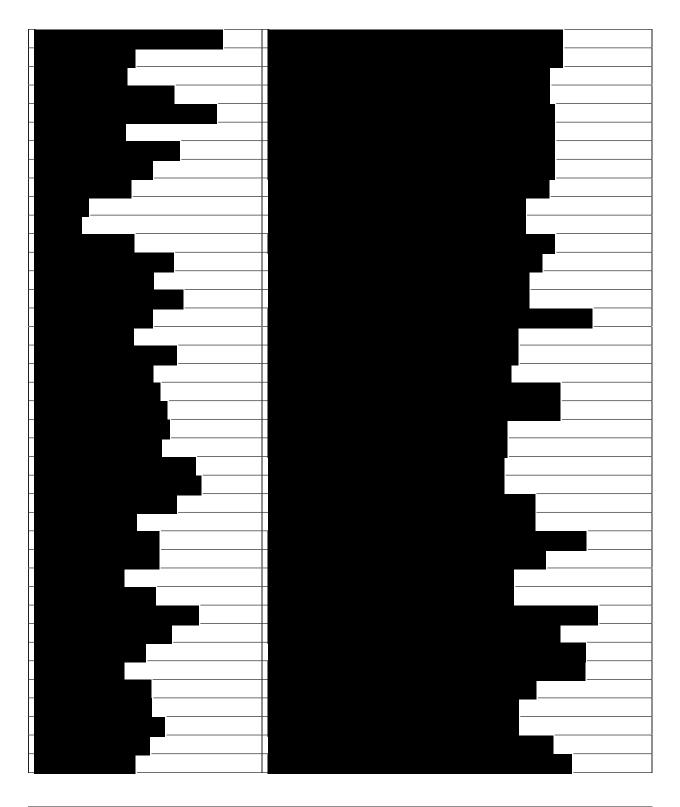
# **Schedule of Owners**







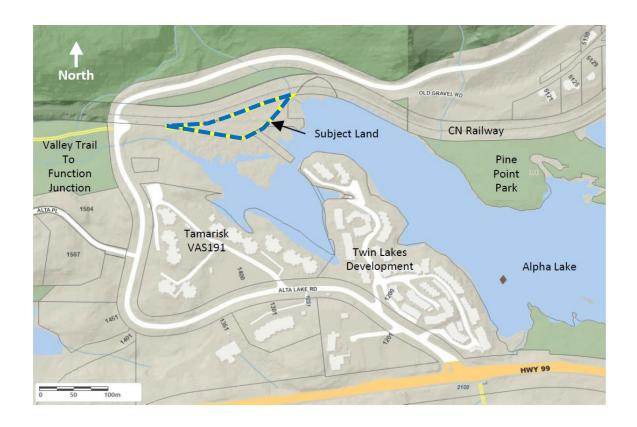




Lender	Address
Royal Bank of Canada	4000 Whistler Way, Whistler BC V8E 1H8
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	4370 Lorimer Road, Unit 138, Whistler BC V8E 1A6
CIBC Mortgages Inc.	4338 Main Street, Unit 102, Whistler BC V8E1B4

The Bank of Nova Scotia	2010 Innsbruck Drive, Unit 101, Whistler BC V8E 1M4		
First National Financial GP Corporation	6-1140 Pender Street West, Vancouver, BC V6E 4G1		
North Shore Credit Union	101 - 1095 West Pender Street, Vancouver BC V6E 2M6		
Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	898 W Pender St, Vancouver BC V6C 1J8		
Computershare Trust Company of Canada	510 Burrard St, Vancouver, BC V6C 3B9		
Scotia Mortgage Corporation	2010 Innsbruck Drive, Unit 101, Whistler BC V8E 1M4		
Blueshore Financial Credit Union	4403 Hastings Street, Burnaby BC V5C 2K1		
HSBC Bank Canada	885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver BC V6C 3E9		
Coast Capital Savings Credit Union	445 Broadway W, Vancouver BC V5Y 1R4		
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	4338 Main Street, Unit 102, Whistler BC V8E 1B4		
Bank of Montreal	455 W Georgia Street, Vancouver BC V6B 1B3		
Antrim Balanced Mortgage Fund Ltd.	9089 Glover Rd, Langley BC V1M 2R8		
Equitable Bank	777 Hornby Street, Suite 1240, Vancouver BC V6Z 1S4		
Hongkong Bank of Canada	885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver BC V6C 3E9		
Investors Group Trust Co Ltd	1800-666 Burrard St, Vancouver, BC V6C 2X8		

# **Location Map**





#### RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER

 4325 Blackcomb Way
 TEL
 604 932 5535

 Whistler, BC Canada V8E 0X5
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 1 866 932 5535

 whistler.ca
 FAX
 604 935 8109

# STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-089

**FROM:** Finance **FILE:** 3900-20-2453

**SUBJECT:** FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN 2024-2028 AMENDMENT BYLAW

(TRANSIT, INVICTUS AND WHA EQUITY) 2453, 2024

#### RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Corporate Services & Public Safety be endorsed.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024- 2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024".

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report seeks consideration of the first three readings of the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024" (Amendment Bylaw), a bylaw to amend the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Bylaw No. 2424, 2024" (Financial Plan) for the purposes discussed below.

☐ Information Report ☐ Administrative Report (Decision or Direction)

## **DISCUSSION**

## **Background**

The purpose of this Amendment Bylaw is to update the Resort Municipality of Whistler's (RMOW) Financial Plan to include current expectations around both revenues and expenditures related to Transit, the Building Department and Resort Municipality Initiative (RMI) programs and to add a project to capture planned spending on the Invictus Games initiatives. The total impact of these changes on Schedule A of the Financial Plan is an increase in total revenues of \$92,250, an increase to total expenditures of \$37,078 and an increase to reserve contributions of \$55,172. Schedule B shows an increase in outgoing funds of \$3.2 million, an increase in planned expenditures of \$892,071 and an increase in transfers from reserves of \$4.1 million.

#### Analysis

#### **Transit**

On July 23, 2024, Council supported the following recommendations:

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**That** Council authorize the execution of the "2024-2025 Whistler Transit System Annual Operating Agreement – Effective April 1, 2024" between British Columbia Transit and the Resort Municipality of Whistler for the provision of Transit services, attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-078; and

**That** Council direct staff to bring forward a budget amendment to adjust the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024 - 2028 Bylaw No. 2424, 2024" to reflect the increases in the Whistler Transit System operating costs.

In addition to the changes to the volume of transit service available in Whistler, increased contribution from RMI funding has been approved for 2024 by the province as part of the process that governs the spending of RMI funds. More detail on the nature of and reasons for this increase follow in the section titled "RMI Changes" below.

The proposed changes to the Financial Plan for 2024 including both revenue and expenditures are as follows:

Category	Change	Net Change
Transit Revenues	(491,736)	
Transit Expenditures	633,000	
RMI Support for Transit	(151,000)	(9,736)

The amount of added costs that are not expected to be recovered through fares or through the increased RMI contributions (the net change in the table above \$9,736) will be offset by a decrease in the contribution to the General Operating Reserve.

## **Building Department**

Changes are proposed to both revenue and expenditure budgets for the Building Department. At the time the budget was originally created, there was ongoing growth in demand for building permits and corresponding growth in revenue. In addition, the RMOW has committed to reducing permit wait times by 50 per cent<sup>1</sup> which required a significant expansion in staffing. The original budget reflected a sharp increase in revenues and a smaller increase in staffing and related expenditures.

Through the first eight months of 2024, the number of permit applications received has flattened relative to 2023. Four staff have been added (one of these at half-time), and wait times have in fact fallen, by 50 per cent or more in the case of commercial and multi-family residential, and over 40 per cent in the case of single-family residential. However, the nature of the work has fundamentally shifted. The shift has been away from higher-value, whole-home projects to lower-value renovation projects. Since the cost of the permit depends on the estimated value of the work, this has resulted in a decline in the revenues being generated per permit. Year-to-date results show a 27 per cent decline in value for the average permit in 2024 compared to 2023. In addition, the number of large payments related to large and complex individual projects has fallen. Combined, these factors translate into the first half of the fiscal year Building Department revenues that are -39.0 per cent lower in 2024 than for the same period in 2023.

Proposed is a new revenue budget for 2024 that considers the first half of 2024 outcomes and adds the assumption that the second half of 2024 shows only modest further declines in building permit volume and value relative to the first half of 2024. New revenue estimate is just over \$1.7 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>January 9 COTW</u> meeting presentation by General Manager of Climate Action, Planning and Development Services, Dale Mikkelsen

On the expenditure side, adjustments are being made both to staffing and to expenditures that are not payroll related. These have a combined total value of nearly \$450,000. In total, the proposed changes are:

Category	<i>Before</i>	<b>After</b>	Change	Net Change
Building Dept Revenues	(3,191,251)	(1,726,267)	1,464,984	
Building Dept Expenditures	2,294,227	1,844,912	(449,315)	1,015,669

The net effect of these changes of just over \$1.0 million is proposed to be paired with a reduction in the General Operating Fund contribution.

## **Whistler Housing Authority Equity support**

On <u>July 23, 2024</u>, Council supported the following recommendations:

**That** Council approve the allocation of \$3.2 million, from the Employee Housing Reserve Fund and contributions from Tourism Whistler to the Whistler Housing Authority Ltd. for the purchase of Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2, Lot 5, located at 1475 Mount Fee Road; and

**That** Council direct staff to prepare an amendment to the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Bylaw No. 2424, 2024" to capture this change.

The proposed changes to the Financial Plan for 2024 include:

- a) an adjustment on Schedule B to reflect the planned transfer of Employee Housing (EH) Reserve funds to Whistler Housing Authority (WHA) for this purpose (\$3.1 million), and
- b) a small reduction on Schedule A of incoming Municipal Regional District Tax (MRDT) revenues (\$100,000). This is due to the fact that a portion of Tourism Whistler's commitment to employee housing will flow directly to WHA in support of their Lot 5 purchase, along with the contribution of EH Reserve funds from year-end 2023.

## **Invictus Games Contribution**

On July 23, 2024, Council supported the following recommendations:

**That** Council direct staff to use the MRDT reserve to support the Festival Events and Animation (FE&A) team's investment in the Invictus Games Vancouver Whistler 2025; and

**That** Council direct staff to bring forward a budget amendment to adjust the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024- 2028 Bylaw No. 2424, 2024" to reflect the amount and the source of funds for the FE&A program investment.

The proposed changes to the Financial Plan for 2024 include adjusting the planned spending from the MRDT Reserve on Schedule B to accommodate the new \$240,000 expenditure.

## Resort Municipality Initiative (RMI) update

In 2024, an additional amount of RMI funding has been granted to the RMOW by the province on the basis of strong tourism performance in 2023. The added amount was just over \$1.1 million. 90 per cent of this amount will be received in 2024 and the balance in 2025.

This added amount is proposed to be allocated to the following activities, with the remainder moving into the RMI Reserve:

Changes to 2024 RMI	Resulting	
funding	increase	New Budget
RMI Revenue	1,029,498	
Alpine Ranger Program	4,400	66,671
Bear Awareness Program	10,000	30,000
Village Shuttle	151,000	1,106,000
Interpretive Panels	40,380	80,751
Rainbow Park	300,000	1,265,064
Recreational Trail Bridges	311,000	400,814
Reserve Transfer	212,718	

The effect of this change on Schedule A is an increase in Revenues of approximately \$1.0 million, an increase in operating spending of approximately \$150,000 and an increase in the transfer to the RMI reserve of \$880,000. Schedule B shows an increase in planned project spending, and planned transfers from the RMI Reserve of approximately \$650,000.

#### **Debt Interest**

Changes to budgeted amounts for 2024 interest payments on RMOW debt are required to reflect new rates of interest. The effective rate on Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) debt changes periodically and the direction and magnitude of the resulting change in the interest rate depends on a few factors, including when the rate was last reset. In this case, 2024 debt interest due from the Sewer Fund increases by \$210,000 and the Solid Waste Fund by \$84,000.

Offsetting reductions in the planned Capital Reserve contribution for each fund are proposed.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

# Relevant Council Authority/Previous Decisions

Council considered and ultimately supported spending recommendations on Transit (<u>Administrative Report No. 24-078</u>), WHA Equity Support (<u>Administrative Report No. 24-081</u>), and the Invictus Games (<u>Administrative Report No. 24-080</u>) on July 23, 2024.

The Financial Plan was adopted on January 23, 2024.

#### 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

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Expedite the delivery of and longer-term planning for employee housing

Mobilize municipal resources toward the implementation of the Big Moves Climate Action Plan

☐ Community Engagement

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2024** 

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## **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The Official Community Plan (OCP) is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and long-term community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

Chapter 6 of the OCP addresses Economic Viability and includes the statement: "The municipality is committed to being fiscally responsible and at the same time must continue to invest in infrastructure, amenities and services, which are integral to the authentic Whistler Mountain experience."

The above proposed changes to the Financial Plan aim to deliver three specific investments in a fiscally responsible fashion and consider changing circumstances. Amendments to the Financial Plan are a key mechanism by which the RMOW ensures that the community remains current on the state of financial affairs, in a transparent fashion.

#### **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

The Financial Plan sets the budget for the next five years and is prepared annually. It can be revised at any time by bylaw as is proposed.

The total impact of the changes described in this report amend the Financial Plan as follows:

- a) on Schedule A of the Financial Plan there is an increase in total revenues of \$92,250, an increase to total expenditures of \$37,078 and an increase to reserve contributions of \$55,172.
- b) Schedule B shows an increase in outgoing funds of \$3.2 million, an increase in planned expenditures of \$892,071 and an increase in transfers from reserves of \$4.1 million.

Relative to the original Financial Plan the changes are as follows:

- c) On Schedule A, and increase in total revenues of \$222,502, and increase in planned expenditures of \$587,338 and a decrease to reserve contributions of \$364,836
- d) Schedule B shows a decrease in total planned expenditures of \$1.3 million, and an increase in transfers from reserves excluding the Cheakamus Crossing Affordable EH Reserve of \$1.9 million.

# LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as *L'il'wat7úl* and the Squamish People, known in their language as the *Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw* to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for Crown land planning; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy.

There are no specific considerations to include in this report.

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COMMUNITY	ENGAGEME	NT			
Level of comr	Level of community engagement commitment for this project:				
⊠ Inform	☐ Consult	☐ Involve	☐ Collaborate	☐ Empower	
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million. Contr	ibutions to res	erves are large	ly unchanged, with a	from all reserves increases by \$4.1 a higher amount moving into RMI and Solid Waste Capital reserves.	

## **SIGN-OFFS**

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# STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-090

FROM: Whistler Fire Rescue Services FILE: 3900-20-3452

**SUBJECT:** FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY AMENDMENT BYLAW (APPOINTMENT OF FIRE

INSPECTORS AND INVESTIGATORS) NO. 2452, 2024

## RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Corporate Services and Public Safety be endorsed.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council consider giving first, second and third readings to the "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024".

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report seeks Council's consideration for the first three readings of the "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024" (Amendment Bylaw) to meet the requirements of the new *Fire Safety Act* (FSA) that came into effect on August 1, 2024.

□ Information Report	□ Administrative Report (Decision or Direct	tion)

## DISCUSSION

## **Background**

As announced by the province on August 1, 2024, the new FSA came into effect, introducing a new single standard of fire safety in BC. This comes after several years of consultation with the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) and the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) to ensure the new FSA will meet members' needs. The FSA, and the associated regulations, contribute to protecting people and communities through regular fire safety inspections and effective enforcement. The intent of the new FSA is to help prevent fire-related tragedies, preserve human life, and reduce property and economic loss due to fires.

The FSA addresses significant advancements in fire protection technology and a deeper understanding of fire behavior since 1979. It was developed and implemented in response to recommendations from BC Coroner's reports and this legislation reflects close collaboration with UBCM, the Fire Chiefs' Association of BC, regional districts and other key fire service partners.

It is important to note that the FSA meets the B.C. government's commitment to achieve a single standard of fire safety in the province and will:

- 1. enable local authorities to designate personnel to carry out fire inspections and fire investigations,
- 2. establish an administrative penalty enforcement model to address non-compliance issues in a more direct, timely and effective manner, and
- 3. implement a risk-based approach for fire safety compliance monitoring in municipalities.

During fall 2024 and winter 2025, the OFC has indicated that it will work closely with all partners to ensure a measured implementation of the FSA requirements.

## **Analysis**

The Amendment Bylaw has been prepared for Council consideration of first, second, and third readings. With the new FSA coming into effect on August 1, 2024, the current "Fire and Life Safety Bylaw No. 2201, 2019" (Current Bylaw) requires the following amendments to meet the new FSA requirements:

- 1. Replacing "Fire Services Act" with "Fire Safety Act" in all places where the legislation is referred to in the Current Bylaw.
- 2. Replacing the definition of "Fire Inspector" in section 3.3 (m) with "means those personnel designated to conduct fire safety inspections as set out in Section 4.10".
- 3. Adding the definition of "Fire Investigator" as section 3.3 (n) as "means those personnel designated to conduct fire investigations as set out in Section 4.11".
- 4. Adding a new section 4.10 as follows:

"The following persons and/or roles and such other personnel who may be designated by the Fire Chief from time to time, are designated as Fire Inspectors to conduct fire safety inspections:

- (a) Fire Chief
- (b) Deputy Fire Chief
- (c) Captains
- (d) Fire Prevention Officer
- (e) Fire Training Officer
- (f) Firefighter/Inspector"
- 5. Adding a new section 4.11 as follows:

"The following persons and/or roles and such other personnel who may be designated by the Fire Chief from time to time, are designated as Fire Investigators to conduct fire investigations:

- (a) Fire Chief
- (b) Deputy Fire Chief
- (c) Captains
- (d) Fire Prevention Officer"

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The amendments proposed provide improvements in administrative efficiency, additional flexibility and authority for appointing inspectors and investigators. The OFC is setting up information sessions in the coming months to provide more information on some of the other changes to the FSA as there is a one-year transition period to fully incorporate all the new requirements under the FSA.

#### **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

## **Relevant Council Authority/Previous Decisions**

<u>December 17, 2019 – Administrative Report No.19-162</u>: Council considered the first three readings of the Current Bylaw and was subsequently adopted on January 7, 2020.

## 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

## **Strategic Priorities**

☐ Housing	
Expe	edite the delivery of and longer-term planning for employee housing
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Mobil	ilize municipal resources toward the implementation of the Big Moves Climate Action Plan
□ Communi	ity Engagement
Strive	e to connect locals to each other and to the RMOW
☐ Smart To	urism
Prese	erve and protect Whistler's unique culture, natural assets and infrastructure
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•	s with core municipal work that falls outside the strategic priorities but improves, maintains tes and/or protects existing and essential community infrastructure or programs

## **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The Official Community Plan (OCP) is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and long-term community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

The Current Bylaw and Amendment Bylaw supports the OCP in all areas, particularly Chapter 5 Land Use Development, Chapter 8 Health Safety and Wellness, Chapter 10 Climate and Energy, Chapter 12 Infrastructure and Chapter 13 Development Permit Areas.

## **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no budget considerations. Staff note that all personnel to be designated as fire inspectors or investigators have the required training for these new designations. Ongoing training is included in the Whistler Fire Rescue Services department operating budget.

# LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

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and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy. There are no specific considerations to include in this report. **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** Level of community engagement commitment for this project: ⋈ Inform ☐ Consult ☐ Involve ☐ Collaborate □ Empower This report seeks to keep the public informed of the FSA and associated updates to the Current Bylaw. REFERENCES "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024" (included in Council Package) SUMMARY This report presents "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2452, 2024" for Council consideration of first, second and third readings. The Amendment Bylaw has been prepared pursuant to the new FSA and incorporates and updates the relevant sections of the Current Bylaw to update terminology and designate certain roles as Fire Inspectors and Fire Investigators. SIGN-OFFS Written by: Reviewed by: Pauline Lysaght, Thomas Doherty, Fire Chief Manager of Legislative Services/ Corporate Officer Ted Battiston. General Manager of Corporate Services and **Public Safety** Karen Elliott.

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# STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENTED: September 24, 2024 REPORT: 24-091

FROM: Community Engagement and Cultural FILE: 0340-20

Services

**SUBJECT:** COUNCIL POLICY A-29: FEE FOR SERVICE

## RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**That** the recommendation of the General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services be endorsed.

## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That** Council adopt the amended *Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service*, as revised and attached as Appendix A to Administrative Report No. 24-091.

## **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

Staff, at the request of Council, undertook a review of <u>Council Policy A-29: Fee for Service</u> (Policy) in 2024 and are seeking adoption of the amended Policy attached as Appendix A.

#### **DISCUSSION**

#### Background

The current Policy was approved by Council on <u>November 16, 2021</u>. The intent of the Policy is to provide a mechanism by which the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) can partner with local not-for-profit (NFP) organizations in the delivery of services and/or programs that are deemed necessary to the community of Whistler and if not provided by the NFP organization would necessitate delivery by the RMOW. The expectation is that the NFP organization has the expertise and experience to deliver the service and provide value for money to the taxpayer.

Staff have been using the Policy since 2021 to guide the annual FFS application and evaluation process. The Fee for Service (FFS) program now provides just over \$1.2 million dollars in funding annually to select NFP organizations located in Whistler. After implementing the Policy over the last several years, staff have identified opportunities for the Policy to provide greater clarity, consistency, transparency and accountability for staff, Council, FFS recipients, potential applicants, and the community. Staff sought Council's direction at the end of the budget process in 2023 to review the policy.

Staff are bringing forward amendments to the Policy to provide greater clarity on eligibility for the FFS program, introduce evaluation criteria that extend beyond the Official Community Plan (OCP) and

Corporate Plan, increase transparency on the funding decision process, introduce a process for how new applicants to the FFS program could be considered, and ensure the policy references sound procurement practices to ensure value for money for the tax payer.

Staff also interviewed the Executive Directors of each of the current FFS organizations to understand their experience of the process over the last several years. The feedback staff received was generally positive and staff heard that the Policy is often an example referenced by NFP organizations in other communities as setting a high standard. These leaders requested that staff make the process as administratively simple as possible, provide better direction on the ability to enter into multi-year agreements, build inflationary increases or flexibility into multi-year agreements, improve clarity on how annual funding levels are decided and ensure a standardized reporting process. Other suggested improvements were to move the application to an online format in the future.

Staff reviewed policies from the City of Coquitlam and the Vancouver Parks Board to understand how those organizations receive, evaluate and make decisions on unsolicited proposals to partner with the municipality to support services and/or programming. These policies informed the addition of the new FFS applicant process.

## **Analysis**

The FFS program provides an important mechanism for the RMOW to effectively partner with NFP organizations in Whistler to deliver services on behalf of the RMOW in a cost-effective manner. The FFS program was never intended to become a primary funding mechanism for NFP organizations in Whistler, but rather to remain a very select program limited to providers of services deemed necessary and that the RMOW would itself deliver if not provided by the FFS recipient organization. As a result, the revised Policy seeks to continue to strike a balance between having policy objectives and an application process that limits participation while also introducing a pathway for new applicants. The current Policy is silent on how the RMOW would contemplate adding a new FFS recipient.

The amended Policy attached as Appendix A to this report has undergone significant edits, additions and deletions from the original, making a tracked changes version less than helpful. Below is a description of the more substantive changes staff made to the Policy.

- The Policy Objectives were clarified to highlight that FFS funding is meant to supplement, not entirely replace an organization's other funding sources.
- A Definitions section was added to the Policy to clarify important terms.
- A section on the Scope of the Policy was added to point to other opportunities for funding for NFP organizations as FFS is not intended to be a primary funding avenue for NFP organizations in Whistler.
- Value-in-Kind (VIK) is no longer referenced and will be coming forward as a separate policy for Council's consideration later this fall. There are many organizations in Whistler, not just FFS recipients, that receive VIK in various forms and staff believe a stand-alone policy will help the RMOW better manage our current obligations and any future requests.
- References to specific OCP goals and policies and excerpts from old Corporate Plans were removed to avoid the Policy becoming outdated when these plans are updated, while still guiding FFS recipients to the documents they need to reference in their applications.
- Eligibility requirements were strengthened to ensure compliance with municipal regulations and policies and to ensure the programs and services provided by FFS recipients were open to all.

- Financial Considerations were maintained to enable the RMOW to reduce funding amounts at any time due to economic challenges, and wording was also added to clarify that multi-year FFS Agreements ensure a base-line level of funding, but do not automatically include annual adjustments for inflation.
- FFS recipients will be required to add a member of Council to their Board of Directors if the
  annual funding level exceeds \$100,000 a level of materiality where RMOW oversight is a
  sound investment of a Council member's valuable, but limited time. The current policy requires
  this step regardless of the level of funding. Implementing this change would only impact one of
  the five current FFS recipients as four already receive over \$100,000 in annual funding.
- Changes were made to the application process for current FFS recipients and a new section
  added to describe how the RMOW would receive, evaluate and bring forward proposals from
  new applicants. These changes introduce submission dates and revised evaluation criteria.
  Flow chart diagrams have been created and attached to this report as Appendix B and C to
  support clarity about the application, evaluation and decision-making process. More detail on
  each of these application processes is provided below.
- A new section was added to make FFS recipients and new applicants aware that the
  information and documents submitted as part of the FFS application process are subject to the
  provincial Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

## **Application Process for Current FFS Recipients**

In contemplating the feedback received from existing FFS Recipients to streamline, enable multi-year agreements, provide funding flexibility and staff's commitment to ensure transparency and good governance over what amounts to a substantial financial commitment, the process for existing applicants incorporates the following changes:

- While the OCP remains the overarching and most important reference document for FFS
  recipients, wording has been introduced to also draw their attention to how their
  services/programs align with Council's Strategic Plan, the Corporate Plan, the Big Moves
  Strategy and other important RMOW plans and strategies.
- The application template is no longer appended to the Policy, rather the types of information it will request is listed. Staff's intention is to streamline the application process and use continuous feedback from FFS recipients to adjust year-to-year without having to amend the Policy.
- Current FFS Recipients will be able to enter into three-year agreements with the opportunity to
  extend for up to three more years. This simplifies the administration for the participating
  organizations as well as RMOW staff.
- Although current FFS recipients requested that multi-year agreements automatically include annual funding adjustments, staff felt that this did not align with the RMOW's current budget practices, did not acknowledge how quickly RMOW revenues can be impacted by macroeconomic trends, and potentially limited Council discretion. As an alternative, staff have introduced a process, whereby a FFS recipient can submit a request to staff by September 1 of each year of the agreement for an annual adjustment. Council can then consider this request during the budget process within the context of all other pressures and priorities on municipal finances.

- Staff have introduced a review process prior to any renewal of the FFS Agreement to ensure the
  partnership continues to meet expectations in terms of the quality of the relationship, the
  outcomes expected and that value for money is being achieved. This process ensures that
  every three years both partners have a chance to reflect, learn and adjust in a spirit of
  continuous improvement.
- The application and renewal process for current FFS recipients now also references the option for staff to initiate a procurement process through a 'Request for Expression of Interest' or a 'Request for Proposal' as a means to ensure value for money being achieved. Staff can also recommend to Council that the FFS Agreement be amended prior to renewal or that the relationship with the FFS recipient be wound down if the goals of the program or the value for money are no longer being achieved.

# **Process to Assess New FFS Applicants**

The current Policy is silent on unsolicited proposals from eligible NFP organizations in Whistler to participate in the Policy. It is also silent on how the RMOW might reach out to the NFP community to solicit a proposal when staff identify an unmet need. The revised Policy introduces a process that provides sufficient time for staff and Council to evaluate the opportunity as well as incorporate a final decision into the annual budget process. This process introduces predictability, timelines, rigour and transparency. The following additions have been made to the Policy to enable this process:

- If the RMOW initiates a process to find a Whistler NFP organization to fulfill an unmet service or programming need under the FFS program, then staff would prepare a report to Council for preliminary feedback and direction to undertake a public procurement process. Council can direct that the proposal is not supported, and no further action is taken. Staff will always recommend a public procurement process to align with <a href="Council Policy F-29: Procurement Policy">Council Policy F-29: Procurement Policy</a> (Procurement Policy) to ensure the process is fair, transparent and provides the opportunity for staff and Council to evaluate potentially multiple solutions and approaches prior to making a decision to proceed or not.
- In the case of unsolicited applications, FFS applicants would submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) by January 31 of any year, with the understanding that if successful, funds would be awarded in the following fiscal year. Staff would evaluate the information in the LOI and if sufficient information is received, staff would present the opportunity to Council.
- Council would then direct a high-level value for money assessment be conducted by staff or no
  further action would be taken. The value for money assessment would include but is not limited
  to: evidence of demand in the community for the service and/or program, operating costs if the
  service or program was provided by the RMOW versus the FFS applicant, likely sustainability of
  the program based on revenue potential, the level of funding requested and if it can be
  accommodated in the Five-Year Financial Plan (5YFP).
- Based on the outcomes of the analysis, staff prepare a report for Council and likely recommend
  a public procurement process in line with the Procurement Policy, or that the proposal does not
  provide value for money and no further action should be taken. In situations where the
  partnership is unique or the NFP is uniquely positioned to deliver the service and/or program,
  Council could direct that the NFP be invited to apply in the next FFS intake process.
- Should Council want to add a new FFS applicant to the FFS program, the final determination will be made through the annual budget process as Council will need to identify how to fund the

new applicant or redistribute the existing FFS funding envelope between all recipients. No final decision is made until the 5YFP is adopted.

Staff believe the amendments to the Policy balance rigour of the process with administrative efficiency as well as limits participation in the program to NFP organizations that meet specific criteria, while now providing clarity on how new applicants can be considered.

#### **OPTIONS**

Currently section 8.5.3 in the Amended Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service is proposed as:

8.5.3 FFS Recipient obligations including, but not limited to: progress reports and presentations to Council, First Nations land acknowledgement, acknowledgement of the RMOW's contribution, RMOW elected official appointment to the Board of Directors of the FFS Recipient if the annual FFS funding amount exceeds \$100,000.

Should Council not wish to implement a threshold of \$100,000 annually to install an elected official for oversight purposes, staff recommend that Council put forward the following resolution for adoption.

**That** Council adopt amendment *Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service*, as revised and attached as Appendix A to Report No. 24-093, with an amendment to clause 8.5.3 as follows:

8.5.3 FFS Recipient obligations including, but not limited to: progress reports and presentations to Council, First Nations land acknowledgement, acknowledgement of the RMOW's contribution, RMOW elected official appointment to the Board of Directors.

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Committee of the Whole (COTW) reviewed and discussed the draft Policy on <u>September 10, 2024</u>. No amendments were put forward by Council at that meeting. The Committee passed the following recommendation to Council at the September 10, 2024 meeting:

**That** the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that *Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service*, as revised and attached as Appendix A to Report to Committee of the Whole No. W24-001, be brought forward to the next Regular Council Meeting for approval.

Since that meeting, staff identified an inconsistency in our practice with regard to section 8.5.3 regarding the obligations of FFS Recipients that are captured in their FFS Agreements. The existing Policy, and amended Policy presented to COTW, indicate that a Council member *and/or a staff member* is to be appointed to the Board of FFS Recipients. It has not been the practice of Council to appoint a staff member to the Board of Directors of FFS Recipients and so staff have removed this reference.

Council will also note that another change that was highlighted in the COTW staff report, but not discussed at that meeting was also in section 8.5.3 indicating that a Council member would only be appointed to the FFS Recipient Board of Directors if the annual funding amount exceeds \$100,000. This change is explained more fully in the Analysis section above, but should Council not wish to make this change, an alternative resolution appears in the Options section of this report.

## **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

## Relevant Council Authority/Previous Decisions

The draft revised Policy now incorporates reference to the Procurement Policy to support the principles of the policy for ensuring goods and services are acquired in an efficient and cost effective manner with the primary objective being to provide the best value to the tax payer.

Council approved the original Policy on November 16, 2021, Administrative Report No. 21-130

## 2023-2026 Strategic Plan

The 2023-2026 Strategic Plan outlines the high-level direction of the RMOW to help shape community progress during this term of Council. The Strategic Plan contains four priority areas with various associated initiatives that support them. This section identifies how this report links to the Strategic Plan.

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M Not Applicable

Aligns with core municipal work that falls outside the strategic priorities but improves, maintains, updates and/or protects existing and essential community infrastructure or programs

## **Community Vision and Official Community Plan**

The OCP is the RMOW's most important guiding document that sets the community vision and longterm community direction. This section identifies how this report applies to the OCP.

There are several chapters in the OCP that support the Policy outcomes to provide services and/or programs that enhance community life in Whistler, provide good value for money, and help the RMOW achieve the goals and objectives of the OCP and its Corporate Plans.

Chapter six of the OCP focuses on Economic Viability and has several goals, objectives and policies that align with the proposed Policy. For example:

- 6.1. Goal: Provide effective and appropriate municipal infrastructure (including facilities and amenities) that minimizes taxpayer costs, and consider allocating the value of infrastructure replacement to future users.
- 6.4.1.3. Policy: Emphasize resourcefulness across the municipality while delivering costeffective and affordable service excellence.

Chapter eight of the OCP focuses on Health, Safety and Well-being and aligns well with the intent of the Policy to provide tangible and intangible benefits to the Whistler community through partnership. The services and/or programs offered by FFS recipients provide opportunities to connect community, build social cohesion and improve quality of life which are all policy goals outlined in this chapter. Most relevant to the Policy is Goal 8.6 which includes objectives and policy statements related to good governance, a robust budget and decision-making process that helps to achieve the community's vision and goals, and the importance of collaborating with community partners.

8.6. Goal: Create and embed effective governance mechanisms and partnerships to create trust, responsibility and accountability.

## **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS**

The FFS program is currently funded primarily from general revenues including taxation with most of the funding for Arts Whistler and the Whistler Offroad Cycling Association amounts being funded from the Municipal and Regional District Tax (hotel tax). Both funding sources are influenced by macroeconomic trends that can impact Whistler, reducing revenue and jeopardizing the funding available to all municipal services including FFS recipients.

The draft policy now enables multi-year agreements that provide a baseline level of funding to enable the organization to deliver the services identified by the RMOW. While current FFS recipients would like to see annual inflationary increases built into the multi-year agreements, this does not reflect current practice for other municipal expenditures, but staff do recognize that these organizations face many of the same financial pressures that confront the RMOW. Therefore, staff have included a process, whereby current FFS recipients can request an annual increase by September 1 for the following year. Staff have also included the following wording in the Policy that provides for Council discretion while also maintaining fiscal responsibility.

At the outset of annual budget deliberations, a recommendation is put forward by staff regarding the total budget for FFS for the coming year, along with specific amounts for recipient organizations. As with all recommended budget amounts, Council can direct changes to the total amount, and to amounts earmarked for each individual organization, including those cases where Council wishes to support a new applicant that has completed the staff and Council review process. Offsetting funding sources must be identified where funding amounts increase. This process of revision will be considered complete at the time of the adoption of the 5YFP, which typically occurs early in the fiscal year.

# LÍLWAT NATION & SQUAMISH NATION CONSIDERATIONS

The RMOW is committed to working with the Lílwat People, known in their language as L'il'wat7úl and the Squamish People, known in their language as the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw to: create an enduring relationship; establish collaborative processes for planning on unceded territories, as currently managed by the provincial government; achieve mutual objectives; and enable participation in Whistler's resort economy. This section identifies areas where RMOW activities intersect with these relationships.

Staff will request through the FFS Agreement obligations that FFS recipients make land acknowledgements as part of their practice. The application process will also ask how FFS recipients or applicants support Reconciliation and how their work in Whistler supports a good working relationship and collaboration with the L'il'wat7úl and the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Level of community engagement commitment for this project:								
☐ Inform		☐ Involve	□ Collaborate	☐ Empower				
The Executive Directors of the existing FFS recipients were all interviewed as part of the Policy review process to hear their feedback and thoughts on what is working with the current Policy and what could be improved.								
REFERENCES								
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Appendix A – Revised Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service

Appendix B – Flowchart diagram of Proposed FFS Recipient Application/Renewal Process

Appendix C - Flowchart diagram of Proposed New FFS Applicant Review Process

#### **SUMMARY**

Staff are presenting a revised draft *Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service* to Council for approval. The revised Policy aims to clarify the intent of the Policy and introduces a review process for current FFS recipients and an application process for prospective new FFS applicants. In addition, the Policy guides decision-makers to ensure all FFS Recipients are addressing services and/or programming needs deemed necessary to Whistler and that the partnerships provide value for money for the taxpayer.

## **SIGN-OFFS**

Written by:

Reviewed by:

Karen Elliott, General Manager of Community Engagement and Cultural Services Dale Mikkelsen, Acting Chief Administrative Officer



# THE RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER COUNCIL POLICY

POLICY NUMBER: A-39	DATE OF RESOLUTION: NOVEMBER 16, 2021 AMENDED:			
NAME: FEE FOR SERVICE				

#### 1. PURPOSE OF POLICY

The purpose of this Policy is to establish certainty, fairness and accountability in the process for the submission, evaluation and approval of FFS proposals for both FFS Recipients and FFS Applicants.

#### 2. FFS OBJECTIVE

- 2.1. The RMOW provides FFS funding to local NFP Organizations that provide programs and/or services that Council considers necessary to move the RMOW toward achieving the vision, goals and objectives identified in the OCP.
- **2.2.** The objectives to this Policy are to:
  - **2.2.1.** Achieve value for money in the delivery of services deemed necessary while ensuring the community's priorities are met and the public interest is protected;
  - 2.2.2. Leverage the expertise of community organizations in the delivery of ongoing, innovative or unique services or programs deemed necessary to achieve the goals and priorities of the RMOW and that provide both tangible and intangible benefits to the RMOW:
  - **2.2.3.** Deliver services and/or programs through FFS Recipients that if not provided by them would necessitate delivery by the RMOW;
  - **2.2.4.** Work to increase value for the services provided by FFS recipients by enabling them to leverage the FFS financial support to secure additional sources of funding through, for example, donations and/or grants; and,
  - **2.2.5.** Supplement, not replace, the FFS Recipient's funding sources to ensure stability of the services provided on behalf of the RMOW.

#### 3. DEFINITIONS

**3.1. Corporate Plans:** includes documents such as the RMOW Corporate Plan, Five-Year Financial Plan, Council Strategic Plan, the Big Moves Climate Action Plan, and other Master Plans or Strategies adopted by Council.

- **3.2. FFS:** means Fee For Service, which is a source of funding for select Whistler-based NFP Organizations that provide services and/or programs deemed necessary to achieve the goals and priorities of the RMOW and if not provided by the NFP Organization would necessitate delivery by the RMOW.
- **3.3. FFS Funding Agreements:** means an Agreement between the RMOW and an FFS Recipient that receives FFS funding that stipulates the terms and conditions between the two parties for the delivery of services and or programs by the FFS recipient in exchange for an annual funding contribution provided by the RMOW.
- **3.4. FFS Recipient:** means an NFP Organization receiving FFS funding from the RMOW where the allotment of funds has been approved by Council in the current Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw.
- **3.5. FFS Applicant:** means an NFP Organization that meets the eligibility requirements of the FFS Policy and submits a letter of intent to apply to become part of the FFS program.
- **3.6. MDRT:** Municipal District Regional Tax.
- **3.7. Not-for-profit (NFP) Organization:** means an independent, democratic organizations that is required to comply with the *Societies Act* in British Columbia as well as their own constitution and bylaws. A NFP may have charitable status as defined by the Canada Revenue Agency. The NFP Organization must be based in the RMOW.
- 3.8. OCP: means the RMOW's "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2199, 2018".
- **3.9. Policy:** means Council Policy A-39: Fee for Service.
- 3.10. RMOW: means the Resort Municipality of Whistler.
- **3.11. Value-in-Kind**: means non-financial contributions by the RMOW to a NFP Organization, such as reduced rent in an RMOW owned building.

## 4. SCOPE OF POLICY

- **4.1.** FFS provides funding to a limited number of NFP Organizations that deliver services or programs that the RMOW deems necessary and would otherwise deliver itself to help achieve its vision, goals and objectives.
- **4.2.** The following does not fall within the scope of this Policy:
  - **4.2.1.** Requests for sponsorship;
  - **4.2.2.** Public art;
  - 4.2.3. Donations; and
  - 4.2.4. Value-in-Kind contributions and
  - **4.2.5.** Funding under Council Policy A-7: Community Enrichment Program.

**4.3.** The Policy and process of evaluation is guided by the *Community Charter*, specifically sections 8(2), 24(1) and (2). In addition, the Policy and process are guided by the OCP and Corporate Plans. Applicants should refer to these documents to understand how their services and programs align with the vision, goals and objectives of the RMOW.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY

- **5.1.** FFS Recipients must be NFP Organizations located in the RMOW and serve the residents of the RMOW, however services provided by the FFS Recipients may extend through the Sea to Sky corridor.
- **5.2.** Services or programs provided by FFS Recipients must create both tangible and intangible benefits for residents and visitors.
- **5.3.** Services or programs offered by FFS Recipients must be open to all; any restrictions must be within the framework of the *Constitution Act, 1982, Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.
- **5.4.** FFS Recipients must follow all RMOW policies, plans, bylaws and other applicable regulations.

#### 6. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- **6.1.** FFS Funding Agreements are only final when the associated spending is adopted by Bylaw in the Five-Year Financial Plan.
- **6.2.** The RMOW may choose to fund the FFS program through general taxation, or through the MRDT for FFS Recipients who provide visitor-serving programs and services, or a combination of both. Both sources of funding are subject to macroeconomic trends which may impact the funds available for the FFS program.
- **6.3.** FFS Funding Agreements must include a clause permitting the RMOW to rescind funds due to significant and unforeseen revenue shortfall and include termination clauses should the terms of the agreement not be upheld by the recipient.
- **6.4.** FFS Funding Agreements for FFS Recipients will be for up to three years with an option to renew for up to three years.
- **6.5.** The first FFS Funding Agreement for first-time FFS Recipients will be for two years with an option to renew for another year.
- **6.6.** FFS Funding Agreements provide FFS Recipients and new applicants with certainty of baseline funding. Any requested funding increases are decided by Council during the RMOW budget and Five-Year Financial Plan decision-making process.

#### 7. APPLICATION PROCESS

- **7.1.** The application process varies slightly between FFS Recipients and FFS Applicants.
- **7.2.** Common elements of the application process include:

- **7.2.1.** The application process may be revised at the sole discretion of the RMOW.
- **7.2.2.** Applications will be evaluated using the following weighting:
  - **7.2.2.1.** 40% for the extent to which the proposed service is necessary to Whistler and addresses a community need or service gap.
  - **7.2.2.2.** 10% for thoroughness, accuracy, clarity of the application.
  - **7.2.2.3.** 30% for the extent to which the applicant is uniquely positioned to deliver the services and provide value for money to the RMOW and tax payers.
  - **7.2.2.4.** 20% for alignment with the OCP and other Corporate Plans.
- **7.2.3.** Applications will be evaluated on their own merit and as potential components of the RMOW's total FFS portfolio.
- **7.2.4.** In accordance with the *Community Charter* the RMOW will give public notice of its intention to provide assistance to the FFS recipients and will do so before the assistance is provided, and will describe the nature, term and extent of the proposed assistance.
- **7.3.** FFS Recipients that also receive Value-In-Kind support from the RMOW will have a separate operating agreement or licence to occupy agreement.

#### 8. APPLICATION PROCESS FOR FFS RECIPIENTS

- **8.1.** RMOW staff will initiate the FFS application process for FFS Recipients in a timely manner that ensures the funding can be approved within the annual budget process.
- **8.2.** Unless an existing FFS Funding Agreement is eligible for renewal, at the invitation of the RMOW, FFS Recipients must submit an application using a template provided by the RMOW. The application will require information related to:
  - **8.2.1.** Name of the FFS Recipient;
  - **8.2.2.** Organizational status (NFP/Charity) and governance structure;
  - **8.2.3.** The mission, mandate and FFS Recipient's objectives;
  - **8.2.4.** Cost benefit rational including a description of the service/programs the FFS Recipient delivers, how the FFS Recipient is uniquely positioned to resolve a service gap or unmet need in the RMOW that is aligned with the OCP and Corporate Plans;
  - **8.2.5.** A description of how the service/programs benefits the RMOW, citizens and visitors including both tangible and intangible benefits;
  - **8.2.6.** A description of how the FFS Recipient's programs and/or services support Reconciliation or relationship building with the Lílwat People and Squamish Nation;
  - **8.2.7.** Proposed key performance indicators:

- **8.2.8.** Annual operating costs of the program/service:
- **8.2.9.** Amount/range of funding requested for the year and what portion of overall funding this would represent for the FFS Recipient; and
- **8.2.10.** Financial statements for the most recent fiscal year.
- **8.3.** Applications will be evaluated using weighting listed in 7.2.2.
- **8.4.** At the outset of annual budget deliberations, a recommendation is put forward by staff regarding the total budget for FFS for the coming year, along with specific amounts for FFS Recipients. As with all recommended budget amounts, Council can direct changes to the total amount, and to amounts earmarked for each individual FFS Recipient. Offsetting funding sources must be identified where funding amounts increase. Funding amounts are not final until the Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw is adopted.
- 8.5. Successful FFS Recipients will enter into FFS Funding Agreements which include:
  - **8.5.1.** Term (duration). FFS Funding Agreements will be for three years with the option to renew for up to three more years.
  - 8.5.2. Annual Funding Amount. FFS Funding Agreements will secure an annual base level of funding for the duration of the agreement and the timing of payments in each year. Any requests by FFS Recipients to increase the annual baseline funding during the term of the agreement must be received in writing by September 1 with supporting information about why the increase is necessary. Funding increases are not guaranteed and must be determined by Council through the annual budget process.
  - **8.5.3.** FFS Recipient obligations including, but not limited to: progress reports and presentations to Council, First Nations land acknowledgement, acknowledgement of the RMOW's contribution, RMOW elected official appointment to the Board of Directors of the FFS Recipient if the annual FFS funding amount exceeds \$100,000.
  - **8.5.4.** RMOW obligations include but are not limited to: timely execution of the application and renewal process, timely delivery of funds, responsiveness and availability of RMOW staff.
  - **8.5.5.** General Terms including but not limited to indemnity, liability, insurance requirements, jurisdiction, assignment of the Agreement, dispute resolution, termination.
- **8.6.** Prior to renewing existing eligible FFS Funding Agreements, RMOW staff will evaluate the impact of the FFS Funding Agreement with the FFS Recipient during the first six months of the last year of the agreement. The review ensures the partnership continues work for both parties and meets the following criteria:
  - **8.6.1.** Alignment with RMOW Goals, Priorities and Values, including:
    - **8.6.1.1.** The services and or programs remain consistent with the OCP and the RMOW's goals, priorities and Corporate Plans;
    - **8.6.1.2.** The FFS Recipient has a good reputation in the community; and

- **8.6.1.3.** There is a positive working relationship between the FFS Recipient and the RMOW:
- **8.6.2.** Management and Governance, including:
  - **8.6.2.1.** The FFS Recipient is in good standing, in compliance with its Constitution and Bylaws, if applicable and all legal requirements;
  - **8.6.2.2.** The FFS Recipient is implementing best practices and has policies in place to manage quality and risk; and
  - **8.6.2.3.** The Boards and staff of the FFS Recipient have the skills and capacity to lead effectively;
- **8.6.3.** Operation and Outcomes;
  - **8.6.3.1.** The FFS Recipient exhibits good financial planning showing operating and capital reserves, as applicable, for future sustainability.
  - **8.6.3.2.** The FFS Recipient is complying with all terms of the FFS Funding Agreement;
  - **8.6.3.3.** Any facilities used by the FFS Recipient are well maintained and operated; and
  - **8.6.3.4.** The FFS Recipient is meeting the outcomes of the FFS Funding Agreement as intended and reports out as required on key indicators of their success and continues to provide value for money in the provision of services and/or programs to the RMOW community.
- **8.6.4.** If RMOW staff determine the partnership continues to meet the goals and objectives of the FFS Funding Agreement and value for money expectations, staff will renew the agreement and baseline funding amounts for the subsequent three-year period will be determined during the annual budget process.
- **8.6.5.** If RMOW staff determine that the partnership is no longer meeting the goals and objectives of the FFS Funding Agreement or meeting value for money expectations, staff can recommend to Council in advance of the renewal of the FFS Funding Agreement or the next application process, one or more of the following:
  - **8.6.5.1.** A change in the terms of the FFS Funding Agreement:
  - **8.6.5.2.** Initiation of a public procurement process such as a Request for Expression of Interest or a Request for Proposal to ensure value for money;
  - **8.6.5.3.** That the FFS Recipient is not invited to continue in the program and the services they offer are provided by the RMOW, another organization or cease to be provided.
- **8.6.6.** Council can exercise their discretion at any time and request that staff undertake a public procurement process, such as a Request for Expression of Interest, or a Request for Proposal for services provided by a FFS Recipient to ensure continued value for money.

## 9. APPLICATION PROCESS FOR FFS APPLICANTS

- **9.1.** RMOW staff may identify new FFS opportunities to fulfill an unmet service or programming need. Alternatively, a RMOW NFP Organization may identify an unmet need and submit and unsolicited proposal for consideration.
- 9.2. If the RMOW initiates a process to find a NFP Organization to fulfill an unmet service or programming need under the FFS program then staff would prepare a report to Council for preliminary feedback and direction in order to undertake a public procurement process. Council can direct that the proposal is not supported and no further action is taken. Council may also direct a public procurement process to assess what NFP Organizations are capable of fulfilling the role and are interested in the opportunity. The results of the procurement process would then be presented to Council and a decision made to invite a NFP Organization to apply in the next FFS application intake or no further action is taken.
- **9.3.** If the RMOW receives an unsolicited proposal, it must be from a new FFS Applicant that meets the eligibility requirements as described in section 7.2.2.
- 9.4. All new FFS Applicants must submit a letter of intent prior to January 31 of any year in order for staff and Council to complete the evaluation process prior to the FFS application process and budget decisions for the following year. The letter of intent should be no more than five pages in length and include the following information:
  - **9.4.1.** Name or the FFS Applicant;
  - **9.4.2.** Organizational status (NFP/Charity) and governance structure;
  - **9.4.3.** The FFS Applicant mission, mandate and objectives;
  - **9.4.4.** Description of the service/programs the FFS Applicant delivers and how these resolve a service gap or unmet need in the RMOW that is aligned with the OCP and Corporate Plans:
  - **9.4.5.** Description of how the service/programs benefits the RMOW, citizens and visitors and the tangible and intangible benefits;
  - **9.4.6.** A description of how the FFS Applicant's programs and/or services support Reconciliation or relationship building with the Lílwat Nation and Squamish Nation;
  - **9.4.7.** Expectations regarding roles and responsibilities of the FFS Applicant, the RMOW and any other partners who may be involved;
  - **9.4.8.** Identify any potential risks and how they might be managed;
  - **9.4.9.** Estimated operating costs of the program/service;
  - **9.4.10.** Amount/range of funding requested per year and what portion of overall funding this would represent for the FFS Applicant;
  - **9.4.11.** Financial statements for the most recent fiscal year should be appended to the letter of intent.

- **9.5.** Staff will conduct an initial assessment of the proposal based on the evaluation criteria in this Policy. If the proposal has merit, staff will present the opportunity to Council. At this meeting, Council will be asked to provide initial feedback with possible direction to end the process or for staff to complete a high-level value for money assessment.
- **9.6.** Staff complete the high-level value for money assessment and return to Council with a recommendation. If the proposal does not have merit, Council will direct staff at this meeting to take no further action except to notify the FFS Applicant.
- 9.7. If staff determine the proposal has merit, but that there may be other NFP Organizations capable of, or interested in providing the same service, or the evidence of value for money is somewhat weak, staff will recommend to Council that a competitive procurement process is initiated (e.g. Request for Expressions of Interest or Request for Proposal), prior to any decision to have the proponent participate in the next application intake process. Staff would evaluate any submissions and bring a recommendation forward to Council at which point Council can direct staff to take no further action or invite the successful FFS Applicant to apply in the next FFS Applicant intake process.
- **9.8.** Staff may recommend not entering into a public procurement process due to the uniqueness of the opportunity and the nature of the partnership, and strong evidence that the arrangement will provide good value for money. In these cases, Council can direct staff to invite the FFS Applicant to participate in the next FFS Application intake process.
- **9.9.** If an NFP Organization is invited to participate in the next FFS Application intake process they would then follow sections 8.2 to 8.5 listed above.
- 9.10. At the outset of annual budget deliberations, a recommendation is put forward by staff regarding the total budget for FFS for the coming year, along with specific amounts for Recipient Organizations. As with all recommended budget amounts, Council can direct changes to the total amount, and to amounts earmarked for each individual organization, including those cases where Council wishes to support a FFS Applicant that has completed the staff and Council review process. Offsetting funding sources must be identified where funding amounts increase. This process of revision will be considered complete at the time of the adoption of the Five-Year Financial Plan, which typically occurs early in the fiscal year.
- **9.11.** Final determination of a FFS Applicant's participation in the FFS program is determined through the annual application and Council approval of the current Five-Year Financial Plan Budget.

## 10. RIGHT TO WITHDRAW

**10.1.** The RMOW reserves the right to withdraw from the process and terminate any further discussions without any compensation to the FFS Applicant or any related consultants, companies, individuals, agencies, vendors, etc. for any time or costs incurred.

# 11. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT

**11.1.** The RMOW is subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Most information submitted to the RMOW in connection with a transaction of official business is public information subject to disclosure upon written request. All information provided to

the RMOW will be handled in accordance with the Act and the requirements of the Act while in the RMOW's possession. All documents submitted by a FFS Applicant and FFS Recipient should be regarded as public records and subject to disclosure, unless the information is accepted from the requirements of the Act (i.e. trade secrets and proprietary information).

**11.2.** FFS Applicants and FFS Recipient are encouraged to submit trade secrets, financial records and proprietary or other confidential information which may be exempt from disclosure under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* enclosed in a separate, sealed envelope marketed "confidential".

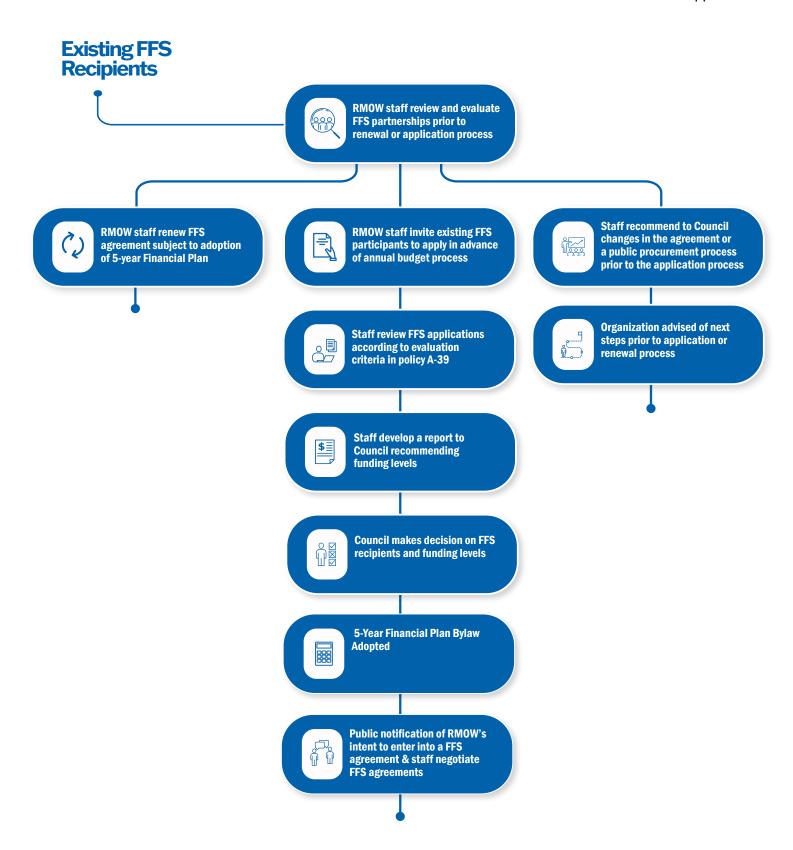
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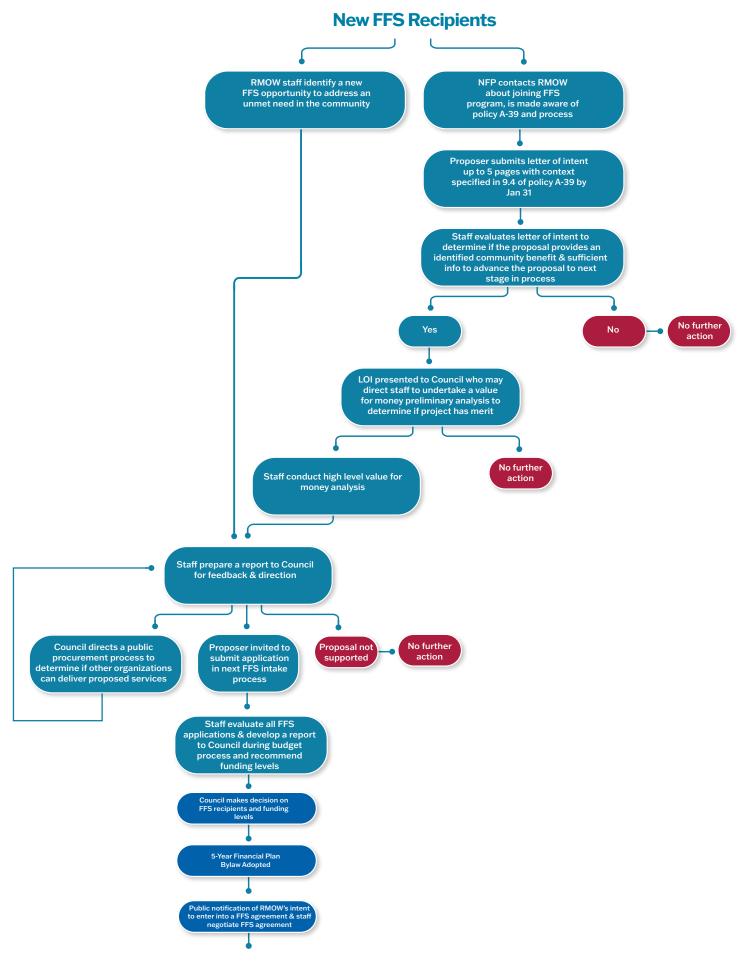
Council Policy F-29: Procurement Policy

## 13. OTHER

This is a living document and, as such, is subject to regular review and amendment.

Certified Correct:		
P. Lysaght,		
Manager of Legisl	ative Services/Corporat	e Officer





## **RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER**

# FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN 2024 – 2028 AMENDMENT BYLAW (TRANSIT, INVICTUS AND WHA EQUITY) NO. 2453, 2024

# A BYLAW TO AMEND THE FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN 2024 – 2028 BYLAW NO. 2424, 2024

**WHEREAS** the Council must have a Financial Plan pursuant to Section 165 of the *Community Charter* 

**AND WHEREAS** the Council deems it necessary, expedient and appropriate to amend the Five-Year Financial Plan for the years 2024 to 2028;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

#### **CITATION**

1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw (Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity) No. 2453, 2024" (Bylaw).

#### **AMENDMENTS**

2. Schedules A and B of the "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024 – 2028 Bylaw No. 2424, 2024" are repealed and replaced with the following Schedules attached to and forming part of this Bylaw:

Schedule A – Consolidated Operating Summary Schedule B – Consolidated Project Summary

Schedule B – Consolidated Project Summary				
GIVEN FIRST, SECOND and THIRD READINGS this day of, 2024.				
ADOPTED this day of, 2024.				
J. Crompton,	P. Lysaght, Corporate Officer			
Mayor	Corporate Officer			
I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a				
true copy of "Five-Year Financial Plan 2024-2028 Amendment Bylaw				
(Transit, Invictus and WHA Equity)				
No. 2453, 2024".				

Schedule A

Resort Municipality of Whistler Five-Year Financial Plan 2024 - 2028

Consolidated Operating Summary

REVENUE	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
General Fund					
Property Taxes	51,389,495	55,099,817	59,078,023	63,343,457	67,916,854
Other Property Tax	1,329,399	1,425,382	1,528,294	1,638,637	1,756,947
Government Grants	1,094,916	1,099,916	1,104,916	1,109,916	1,114,916
Fees and Charges	20,284,805	22,389,266	23,620,676	24,919,813	26,290,402
Investment Income	3,776,649	3,587,817	3,498,121	3,410,668	3,325,401
RMI Grant	6,511,237	5,351,487	5,351,487	5,351,487	5,351,487
MRDT	15,622,863	15,935,320	16,254,027	16,579,107	16,910,689
Works and Service Charges	480,000	472,500	465,000	457,500	450,000
Water Fund					
Parcel Taxes	4,540,640	4,722,266	4,911,156	5,107,602	5,311,907
Fees and Charges	3,614,494	3,759,074	3,909,437	4,065,814	4,228,447
Works and Service Charges	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Sewer Fund					
Parcel Taxes	4,718,655	5,048,961	5,402,388	5,780,555	6,185,194
Fees and Charges	5,290,943	5,661,309	6,057,601	6,481,633	6,935,347
Works and Service Charges	175,000	170,000	165,000	160,000	155,000
Solid Waste Fund					
Fees and Charges	8,282,471	8,696,595	9,131,424	9,587,995	10,067,395
Government Grants	549,491	554,491	559,491	564,491	569,491
	127,701,058	134,014,199	141,077,041	148,598,676	156,609,478
EXPENDITURE					_
General Fund					
Payroll and Goods & Services	68,886,153	73,664,958	78,778,439	84,147,001	88,929,351
Debt Interest & Principal	226,905	226,905	226,905	226,905	226,905
Partner Organizations	9,813,936	10,304,633	10,819,864	11,360,858	11,928,901
Contingency	275,000	320,000	340,000	370,000	390,000
Water Fund					
Payroll and Goods & Services	3,579,810	3,776,700	3,984,418	4,203,561	4,434,757
Debt Interest & Principal	-	-	-	-	-
Sewer Fund					
Payroll and Goods & Services	6,837,337	7,213,391	7,610,127	8,028,684	8,470,262
Debt Interest & Principal	1,117,183	1,195,462	1,156,323	1,175,892	1,166,107
Solid Waste Fund					
Payroll and Goods & Services	6,891,399	7,270,426	7,670,299	8,092,166	8,537,235
Debt Interest & Principal	446,873	446,873	446,873	446,873	446,873
	98,074,596	104,419,347	111,033,249	118,051,940	124,530,390

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TRANSFERS TO (FROM)	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
OTHER FUNDS / RESERVES —					
Interest Paid to Reserves	3,398,984	3,229,035	3,148,309	3,069,601	2,992,861
Recreation Works Charges Reserve	265,000	260,000	255,000	250,000	245,000
Transportation Works Charges Rese	215,000	212,500	210,000	207,500	205,000
RMI Reserve	1,835,868	1,606,137	1,418,870	1,222,239	1,015,776
MRDT Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Employee Housing Reserve	2,512,962	2,169,924	1,800,361	1,402,757	975,523
Transit Fund	1,118,995	850,000	200,000	(800,000)	(600,000)
General Capital Reserve	7,960,657	8,796,126	9,931,181	11,176,114	12,247,933
Vehicle Replacement Reserve	1,690,000	1,916,250	2,142,500	2,368,750	2,595,000
General Operating Reserve	2,289,904	1,805,036	1,629,115	1,808,859	1,964,447
Water Works Charges Reserve	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Water Capital Reserve	4,375,324	4,504,640	4,636,175	4,769,856	4,905,597
Water Operating Reserve	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Sewer Works Charges Reserve	175,000	170,000	165,000	160,000	155,000
Sewer Capital Reserve	1,755,078	2,001,417	2,393,539	2,757,612	3,184,172
Sewer Operating Reserve	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Solid Waste Capital Reserve	1,493,690	1,533,787	1,573,743	1,613,448	1,652,778
Solid Waste Operating Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
_	29,626,462	29,594,852	30,043,792	30,546,736	32,079,087
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	29,991,298	30,020,202	30,458,406	30,761,986	32,307,462
REVENUE LESS EXPENDITURE					
AND TRANSFERS	0	0	0	0	0

Schedule B

Resort Municipality of Whistler Five-Year Financial Plan 2024 - 2028

Consolidated Project Summary

2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
F FUNDING				
5,188,490	1,216,016	415,258	502,758	572,696
(3,200,000)	-	-	-	-
3,800,000	17,000,000			
5,788,490	18,216,016	415,258	502,758	572,696
3,911,811	2,104,381	1,845,370	1,804,588	1,903,684
17,620,186	17,210,461	12,283,236	10,790,872	4,178,787
2,703,910	2,902,684	25,000	100,000	25,000
510,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
13,556,050	4,145,000	5,145,000	5,475,000	6,650,000
800,000	700,000	650,000	900,000	800,000
8,443,950	9,700,000	11,300,000	7,825,000	6,925,000
90,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	-
303,000	628,000	378,000	353,000	178,000
1,520,000	400,000	150,000	150,000	-
15,933,220	16,398,220	16,883,220	17,378,220	17,878,220
49,458,907	38,050,526	32,036,606	27,658,460	20,885,471
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# **RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER**

# FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY AMENDMENT BYLAW (APPOINTMENT OF FIRE INSPECTORS AND INVESTIGATORS) NO. 2452, 2024

# A BYLAW TO AMEND THE FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY BYLAW NO. 2201, 2019

WHEREAS the Council has adopted "Fire and Life Safety Bylaw No. 2201, 2019";

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of British Columbia has amended and renamed the *Fire Services Act* to the *Fire Safety Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council deems it necessary and expedient to amend the Resort Municipality of Whistler "Fire and Life Safety Bylaw No. 2201, 2019";

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

### **CITATION**

1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the Resort Municipality of Whistler "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Investigators) No. 2201, 2024".

# **AMENDMENTS**

- 2. "Fire and Life Safety Bylaw No. 2201, 2019" (Fire Safety Bylaw) is amended by:
  - a) Replacing "Fire Services Act" with "Fire Safety Act" in all places where the legislation is referred to in the Fire Safety Bylaw;
  - b) Replacing the definition of "Fire Inspector" in Section 3.3 (m) with "means those personnel designated to conduct fire safety inspections as set out in Section 4.10":
  - Adding the definition of "Fire Investigator" as Section 3.3(n) as "means those personnel designated to conduct fire investigations as set out in Section 4.11";
  - d) Realphabetizing the remaining definitions in Section 3.3 after "Fire Investigator" with the next alphabetical letter;
  - e) Adding a new heading immediately after Section 4.9 as "Appointment of Fire Inspectors and Fire Investigators";
  - f) Adding a new Section 4.10 as follows:

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"The following persons and/or roles and such other personnel who may
be designated by the Fire Chief from time to time, are designated as Fire
Inspectors to conduct fire safety inspections:

- (a) Fire Chief
- (b) Deputy Fire Chief
- (c) Captains
- (d) Fire Prevention Officer
- (e) Fire Training Officer
- (f) Firefighter/Inspector"; and
- g) Adding a new Section 4.11 as follows:

"The following persons and/or roles and such other personnel who may be designated by the Fire Chief from time to time, are designated as Fire Investigators to conduct fire investigations:

- (a) Fire Chief
- (b) Deputy Fire Chief
- (c) Captains

Fire Inspectors and Investigators)

No. 2452, 2024.

(d) Fire Prevention Officer".

GIVEN FIRST, SECOND and THIRD I	READINGS this	day of, 20	)24.
ADOPTED this day of	, 2024.		
J. Crompton, Mayor	P. Lysa Corpor	ight, ate Officer	
I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true copy of "Fire and Life Safety Amendment Bylaw (Appointment of			

Dear Sirs,

We are part time residents at Whistler, living at the struggled with the difficulty of making a left turn from Nordic Drive onto the highway to access businesses at Creekside Village. That intersection is EXTREMELY dangerous. Has the idea of putting in a traffic light or a 4 way stop or a center lane pull-out been considered?

As Creekside Village becomes more vibrant, solving the problem at that intersection becomes exceedingly important. Changes there will save lives and prevent accidents.

Thanks for your consideration!

Maureen Kerber

Whistler BC Canada

From: Bianca Matheson
To: corporate
Cc:

Subject: Re: Rainbow park parking

**Date:** Tuesday, September 10, 2024 9:12:06 AM

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Yes please Arthur, thank you

I got a response saying road is not wide enough but its the same road we parked on for 20 years, and its narrow through the housing area also (we had property expropriated to make more road - but its still narrow in some places more than the section North\_; and even narrower when contractors have to block the whole lane off otherwise their trades have no parking and no place to work.

Parked cars on the road act to slow traffic down a lot and a lot of traffic is going to the park and parking so going very slow during the daytime. If people are on the road it slows even more. Then this spreads the parking closer to the park on both sides not just the south; which means less people on the road for less time and no one on the tracks to the North, as the south of the park/ housing section of the road now is clogged with people walking both on the road and on the tracks.

So it makes way more sense - us residents all see it everyday and we all agree it makes more sense to allow parking both sides of the park.

# Thanks

### Bianca

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On Aug 21, 2024, at 2:29 PM, corporate < corporate@whistler.ca> wrote:

Dear Bianca Matheson,

Thank you for writing to the Resort Municipality of Whistler.

I would like to inquire if you want your letter included in the September 10 Regular Council Agenda as correspondence. Once it is included in the Council Agenda, it will become part of the public record.

To learn more about writing to Council, please visit: Writing to Council | Resort Municipality of Whistler

Sincerely,

Pilar Mendieta
RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER

**T**: 604-935-8117

**From:** Bianca Matheson < biancamatheson@icloud.com >

**Sent:** Monday, August 19, 2024 4:23 PM

**To:** Engineers < <a href="mailto:Engineers@whistler.ca">Engineers@whistler.ca</a>; corporate < <a href="mailto:corporate@whistler.ca">corporate@whistler.ca</a>; Jack Crompton < <a href="mailto:jcrompton@whistler.ca">jcrompton@whistler.ca</a>; Arthur De Jong < <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Ralph Forsyth <a href="mailto:rforsyth@whistler.ca">rforsyth@whistler.ca</a>; Arthur De Jong < <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Ralph <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">Forsyth@whistler.ca</a>; Arthur De Jong < <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Ralph <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Arthur De Jong <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Ralph <a href="mailto:adejong@whistler.ca">adejong@whistler.ca</a>; Arthur De Jong <a href="mail



Subject: Fwd: Rainbow park parking

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HI THERE Whistler Council and Engineering

I have not heard back after sending this twice so am circling back to a few council members

I am not sure why there are tow away signs all to the north of Rainbow park but council sent this to ByLaw who do not make the rules. They put more bylaw presence on the road which did not solve the problem; they were towing disgruntled tourists from parking North of the park (where it makes sense to park and no one is walking down the tracks )- We have had children crying in our driveway as they have to park over 1 km from the park and carry all their stuff.

It's not good to have tourists have a bad experience just driving to enjoy the park and Whistler . Bylaw said Engineering make the rules for parking and I sent this to them twice and no reply.

Not sure if council can draw some attention to this matter. My neighbours are all keen for the parking to be extended to the North East side of the park to ease the massive amounts

of cars all down the residential street. Builders are having trouble parking also and there is a lot of construction, it would be much more sensible to spread the parking out. This is happening on weekdays, residents have to put no parking signs and cones out. But the biggest problem is there are limited places you can access the lakes for SUP and swimming etc and people need more parking near.

See below for the letter.

Re - sending this as have not heard. Council sent this to the city and Bylaw told me to send it to Engineering who apparently make the decisions .

Hi Engineering Department RMOW

See below was sent to Bylaw after council requested RMOW to action the original request.

Simply increasing Bylaw does not solve the issue. Bylaw said it is engineering who make the parking regulations. Please see correspondence below. I have copied a few of the residents of the street after their input.

### Dear RMOW

The residents of Alta Lake road were pleased that council were quick to refer this for action by the city.

Respectfully this solution of increasing Bylaw along Alta Lake road does not solve our problem. It is not illegal to park in someones driveway and parking along our neighbourhood street is allowed which leaves no parking for our visitors.

Our direct request was for council and city to consider opening the parking to the North of Alta Lake road where it used to be possible to park until 2022 when the tow away signs were erected, causing this problem for residents. Prior to this parking on the North East side of Alta Lake road was allowed for many years.

We requested consideration for the parking north of the park to be re-opened.

The best course of action would be to cover or take down the tow away zone signs. For several reasons as residents, who observe this daily note; t this is an easy and effective solution. Some of the reasons are listed below:

- 1. Road parking North is closer to the park than many of the houses they are parking outside. Many residents are having to put cones up in their areas.
- 2. If one is parked to the North it is not possible to access the railway tracks. This prevents people walking down the tracks to get to the facilities . Currently people are walking the tracks with their gear for their park stay in way larger numbers than when parking to the North was allowed.
- 3. Parking on the North side will slow traffic along the approach to the park

from the North and to the residential area. People slow down when cars are parked to the side and they then drive slower through the neighbourhood. We have noted cars going faster since the tow away signs to the North were erected.

- 4. Currently cars do park despite the signs and are being towed. This upsets visitors, causing their day to be ruined. The park is a draw for tourists and locals alike. It does not serve the greater interests of tourism to have people upset.
- 5. The parking lot was not finished ahead of August long weekend as stated and the contractors say it is not close. Even so this will fill fast and the problem will persist.

Can we please have Bylaw allow parking to the North of the park?

We have spoken to many of our neighbours (some copied here) who agree and have more to add. Many of us live full time along this road and summer is when those with part time places are also present. It would be great to solve this problem which we believe would be quite easy.

Thanks so much for your time and consideration

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On Jul 25, 2024, at 4:10 PM, Bylaw Services <a href="mailto:SylawServices@whistler.ca">SylawServices@whistler.ca</a> wrote:

Hello Bianca and Ross.

We want to inform you that we have increased our

bylaw presence and patrols on Alta Lake Rd.

The Upper and Lower gravel parking lots at Rainbow Park will reopen ahead of the August long weekend. We hope this will help reduce the parking impacts aroudn the park and along the road.

Please feel free to contact us directly via <a href="mailto:bylawservices@whistler.ca">bylawservices@whistler.ca</a> or by calling 604-935-8280 if this area needs our attention.

Kind regards,

# **Bylaw Services**

RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER TEL: 604-935-8280 bylawservices@whistler.ca

# Whistler: A place where our community thrives, nature is protected and guests are inspired

The Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lil'wat People, known in their language as Lïlwat7úl, and the Squamish people, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

Dear Mayor and council



Our neighbours and ourselves have experienced a lot of cars along Alta lake road parking across our access and driveways since the park re opened. A lot of full time residents live in this area. Builders are also complaining there is no room for trades.

This has also led to people walking across our properties and the easements carrying all sorts of objects from paddle boards deck chairs, esky's, BBQs etc sometimes down the railway tracks.

We would respectfully like the council to consider reinstating parking on the road north of the park to alleviate some of this traffic. Now that there is tow away signs north of the park people are crowding their vehicles full of stuff south.

We understand there is movement to encourage people to take the bus and some people may do this; but the reality is that most of these people want their water toys, chairs, kids equipment etc with them and need to bring their vehicle. In reality they all try to park somewhere. Many locals used to use the bike concierge which is a great idea; people wanting to do water sports however bring their vehicles to carry the equipment and many non locals drive to the park also .

As long term residents; we also note that (to our knowledge) there was no real impairment to residents or in general with the previous parking arrangement. In fact; it slows the traffic around the park if there are cars parked on the east side of the road north of the park. It seems that this parking could easily be extended 500-800 m or more without any impact. Also it is not possible to get to the tracks from the North so it would stop a lot of this walking down the tracks traffic.

Thoughts?

Thank you for your time

Bianca Matheson and

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# Mayors of British Columbia's municipalities (per emails) and

# **Metro Vancouver Climate Action Committee Members:**

Dominato, Lisa (C) - Vancouver

Johnstone, Patrick (VC) - New Westminster

Baillie, Tim - Langley Township

Berry, Ken – Lions Bay

Bose, Mike - Surrey

Carr, Adriane - Vancouver

Gu, Alison - Burnaby Lahti

Meghan - Port Moody

Marsden, Dennis - Coquitlam

McCutcheon, Jen - Electoral Area A

McNulty, Bill - Richmond

Pope, Catherine – North Vancouver District

Ross, Jamie - Belcarra

Ruimy, Dan – Maple Ridge

Wallace, Rosemary - Langley City

(A) On Monday, September 9/24 this came to vote at the City of Surrey council's Public Hearing, as reported by Now-Leader's Tom

Zytaruk https://www.surreynowleader.com/local-news/surreys-proposed-change-to-streamside-protection-policy-slammed-7528453

# Surrey's proposed change to streamside protection policy slammed

'It degrades, it destroys, it goes backwards,' Deb Jack of Surrey Environmental Partners said of the proposed policy change

**(B)** October 2023, it was Clr Bose who seconded Clr Kooner's motion regarding bringing this forward. (page

40/41) https://www.surrey.ca/sites/default/files/minutes/MIN\_RCPH\_2023\_10\_30.pdf "Moved by Councillor Kooner Seconded by Councillor Bose

That Council:

- 1. Direct staff to review:
- (a) How the City's environmental policies, including part 7A streamside protection of the zoning bylaw and the sensitive ecosystems development permits, can be better aligned with the provincial regulations;
- (b) The scope and role of the Advisory Design Panel (ADP) and commenting on development applications; and

- (c) Policies and procedures, regulating erosion and sediment control measures on development sites.
- 2. Direct staff to report back with recommended changes to bylaws, policies and procedures before the end of December 2023 and to advance development applications for residential buildings of six stories or less, commercial and industrial buildings, to Council without first referring them to ADP until this report is received by Council. Carried"

# This motion---to comply with provincial stream setbacks---is a degradation of Surrey's present bylaws.

Have you---as representatives at Metro Vancouver for your councils; <u>and</u>, you mayors of B.C. jurisdictions---considered the ramifications of this City of Surrey's motion on the decisions of your councils?

Since the setback changes to provincial standards could be up to ten metres less than City of Surrey's present bylaws, are taxpayers going to be faced with massive buy-back expenses?



To: Lil'wat Nation Cheif and Council

Squamish Nation Chief and Council

**RMOW Mayor and Council** 

Board of Directors, SLRD

Board of Directors, Whistler Sports Legacies

Re: 2010 Whistler Spoiled Legacy

Twenty-six years ago, I was summoned into the, then Mayor Hugh O'Reilly's office, to meet with and two businessmen wishing to initiate a bid for the 2010 Winter Olympic Games. What followed over the next ten years was an incredible journey as we literally built the winning bids and moved on to the Games preparation. Along the way, I worked with some truly visionary persons whose focused mission it was to expand public Nordic skiing participation in Western Canada.

Much compromise was required from all of the stakeholders including both First Nations and the people of BC. The common bond that glued the consensus to-gether was the Olympic ideal of good sportsmanship and fair competition. In fact, all of the land tenure that Whistler Olympic Park now sits on was graciously forfeited by the pre-existing cross-country operator with the understanding that to-gether, in a Post Games environment, that the two entities would co-operate in building North America's most comprehensive Nordic ski facility.

For seventeen years the two entities operated SKI Callaghan as a joint venture agreement. During that time, we built visitation from 35,000 to almost 1 million skier visits. For seventeen years, a common, one price admission ticket provided access to 112 km of groomed cross country and snowshoe trails. By all measures, the people of BC had been rewarded in their trust of the operators to fulfill this vision.

So..... what happened? I was shaken by the recent Whistler Olympic Park press release that stated this year's season pass offering (and day tickets) would only provide access to their own facilities including a much-reduced trail system of 55 km. Has petty bureaucracy and empire building suffocated the notions of fair play?

Of late, Whistler Olympic Park's focus appears to have shifted to more of a private sector management philosophy with increasingly more emphasis being placed on commercial film locations and RV Campgrounds. This, despite an on-going substantial annual stipend from the provincially funded Legacy fund and an enduring exemption from paying property taxes, provided on an annual basis by both the Regional District and the RMOW taxpayers.

Its time someone sat the WLS Management team down and reminded them that they exist only at the community's will. They are not a private corporation and must answer to the public's expectations for co-operation in delivering service and access on lands belonging to all of us.

More important, they should adhere to their own mandate to Grow Sport or lose the support our governments provide to them in the form of tax relief and funding.

**Brad Sills** 

Founder, SKI CALLAGHAN (ret)



Whistler, BC



### Dear Whistler Council

As a visitor to your lovely village, firstly I must say how much my wife and I have enjoyed our few days with you. There has been one matter however that has been of some annoyance and that is the delivery lorries. Each morning we have been woken by delivery lorries. Whilst we appreciate their need, it is the fact that they leave their engines running whilst parked and unloading their stock. Where they are delivering frozen or fresh food that is more understandable but where they are not they should switch off their engines. This would be good both for the environment and visitors and residents.

Could I suggest that the hours of entry into the village for delivery lorries who must keep their engines running be restricted and that all other deliver lorries are required to switch off their engines when not moving. I would point out that in England it is an offence to leave an engine running when a vehicle is unattended. If the Council does not have the power to introduce such restrictions, it could make a request of all businesses that they make a similar request to their suppliers. Hopefully some of them would be willing to agree to take such action which, in the case of switching off engines, would save them fuel and money.

Just a thought to make your village an even nicer place to say

Peter J Foskett
Watergates Cottage,
Colerne Wiltshire

Hello,

I am writing on behalf of Pancreatic Cancer Canada, as well as the 7,100 Canadians who are diagnosed with pancreatic cancer each year and their loved ones whose lives are forever changed by the diagnosis. We are asking landmarks across Canada to light up purple in honour of **World Pancreatic Cancer Day on November 21, 2024**. We would be honoured to see the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge illuminated as part of this nationwide event. I have attached the completed request form.

World Pancreatic Cancer Day is an annual global event to raise awareness, honour those we've lost, and demand improved survival rates for those facing the world's toughest cancer.

Pancreatic cancer is currently the third leading cause of cancer-related deaths in Canada, yet it continues to be underfunded, overlooked, and outpaced in research. Pancreatic Cancer Canada is committed to raising the survival rate through investments in research, increased awareness, and specialized care and support for patients and their families.

You can learn more about our mission and advocacy efforts on our website:

https://pancreaticcancercanada.ca/

We hope you will join us on November 21.

Thank you,

Beth Ruby

Director, Marketing & Communications

Direct: 416.548.8077 ext. 1009

Mobile: 514.441.2069

Pancreatic Cancer Canada

316-4211 Yonge Street

Toronto, ON M2P 2A9

Toll Free: 1-888-726-2269



# **Landmark Lighting Request Form**

Please complete the form and scan/email to <a href="mailto:corporate@whistler.ca">corporate@whistler.ca</a> along with your cover letter addressed "To Mayor and Council" with information regarding your campaign or cause. We will contact you to confirm the status of your request.

Contact Name	Beth Ruby	
Organization	Pancreatic Cancer Canada	
Business Address	316-4211 Yonge Street	
City/Province/Postal Code	Toronto, ON, M2P 2A9	
Business Phone Number	416.548.8077 ext. 1009	
Business Email	bruby@pancreaticcancercanada.ca	
Website Address	pancreaticcancercanada.ca	
Brief description of the event associated with your request - 75 words or less (Information here will be used for communications and the sign on the bridge. RMOW will edit copy if necessary.)	World Pancreatic Cancer Day is an annual global event to raise awareness, honour those we've lost, and demand improved survival rates for those facing the world's toughest cancer.	
Optional: Social Media Campaign Title (include hashtags)	#survivalnotsympathy #worldpancreaticcancerday	
Landmark Choice	X Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge	
Date of Event	November 21, 2024	
Colour Request	Purple	

Signature:	STRUBY	
Date: 202	24-09-05	

This application does not guarantee that your event lighting request will be approved or your date is available.

Carolina DoCarmo

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9/13/2024

Mayor and Council

Fitzsimmons Creek Bridge

Whistler Village, Canada

Dear Mayor and Council,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am reaching out on behalf of STOMP Out Bullying®, the leading national nonprofit organization dedicated to transforming the culture for all students by addressing and preventing bullying, cyberbullying, and digital abuse. Our mission is to educate against discrimination, promote civility, and support those at risk, ensuring safer and more inclusive environments for students across the country.

October is National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month, and we are excited to kick off the month with World Day of Bullying Prevention® on October 7th. On this day, we ask buildings around the globe to light blue to signify the importance of bullying prevention. STOMP Out Bullying® created this campaign to encourage students and adults alike to #BeKind and #BlueUp by wearing blue shirts or using blue lighting to show support for ending bullying.

In 2022, Fitzsimmons Creek Bridge played a crucial role in this initiative by participating in our campaign. Your commitment to lighting up the bridge in blue helped raise awareness and demonstrate solidarity with our global effort to combat bullying. Your participation was instrumental in highlighting the importance of creating safe and supportive environments for all individuals.

We chose blue because, in many diverse cultures, it symbolizes peace, importance, and confidence. Over the past 18 years, this global initiative has made a significant impact, and we are proud of its continued success.

We would be honored to have Fitzsimmons Creek Bridge participate again this year in lighting your bridge blue to support bullying prevention. By doing so, you will join a worldwide movement dedicated to making bullying history.

We are eager to discuss how STOMP Out Bullying® can collaborate with your community to further this cause. Please contact me at cdocarm@stompoutbullying.org to arrange a meeting at your convenience.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a meaningful difference. We look forward to the possibility of working together to promote a safer and more supportive environment for everyone.

Sincerely,

Carolina DoCarmo

**Executive Assistant** 

STOMP Out Bullying®



# **Landmark Lighting Request Form**

Please complete the form and scan/email to <a href="mailto:corporate@whistler.ca">corporate@whistler.ca</a> along with your cover letter addressed "To Mayor and Council" with information regarding your campaign or cause. We will contact you to confirm the status of your request.

Contact Name	Carolina DoCarmo		
Organization	STOMP Out Bullying		
Business Address	220 E 57TH ST 9-FL STE G		
City/Province/Postal Code	New York NY 10022-2820		
Business Phone Number	8776028559		
Business Email	cdocarm@stompoutbullying.org		
Website Address	https://www.stompoutbullying.org/stomp-out-bullying-lights-usa-canada-blue-2022		
Brief description of the event associated with your request - 75 words or less (Information here will be used for communications and the sign on the bridge. RMOW will edit copy if necessary.)	Light Blue on October 7th to Support Bullying Prevention Please join us again at STOMP Out Bullying October is National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month. On October 7th we kick off the month with World Day of Bullying Prevention®. On that day we ask buildings around the globe to light blue To signify its importance, STOMP Out Bullying™ created WORLD DAY of BULLYING PREVENTION® which is observed on the 7th Monday of every October (this year October 7th.) On this day, students and adults alike are encouraged to #BeKind #BlueUp by wearing our blue shirt		
Optional: Social Media Campaign Title (include hashtags)	https://www.facebook.com/STOMPOutBullying/ https://x.com/STOMPOutBullyng https://www.youtube.com/user/LoveOurChildrenUSA		
Landmark Choice	☐ Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge		
Date of Event	10/07/24		
Colour Request	Royal Blue		

Signature: _	Carolina	DoCarmo
Date: 10/0	07/23	

This application does not guarantee that your event lighting request will be approved or your date is available.

Good morning, hope you are well.

I was reviewing my list of BC communities that have yet to Proclaim Rail Safety Week in 2024 and was wondering if CN will expect your support this year?

If so, we would ask that you and council consider adopting the attached draft proclamation and that if you do choose to do so, please send a copy of the signed proclamation via email to myself and rsw@cn.ca. Alternatively, you can also sign the proclamation online by clicking here.

If I can be of any help in achieving your support, please let me know

Have a great day and hope to see you at UBCM.



Tyler W. Banick (He/Him)

Manager, Public Affairs | British Columbia

Stakeholder Relations

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CN Emergencies 24/7 - 1-800-465-9239

Rail Safety Week is September 23-29

Take the Safety Pledge

# **RESOLUTION**

# IN SUPPORT OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 23 to 29, 2024;

**WHEREAS**, 229 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2023; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 39 avoidable serious injuries;

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

**WHEREAS** Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

**WHEREAS** CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested City Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

It is proposed by Councillor	
seconded by Councillor	

It is hereby **RESOLVED** to support national *Rail Safety Week* to be held from September 23 to 29, 2024.



