



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Thursday, February 14, 2019
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 495 Hot Springs Road
Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Facio.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. DELEGATIONS

5. REPORTS FROM STAFF

- (a) Report of Community Services Coordinator – February 11, 2019
Re: Resort Development Strategy Projects (2019-2021)

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For information purposes.

6. BYLAWS

7. QUESTION PERIOD (*pertaining to agenda items only*)

8. ADJOURNMENT



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and Council **DATE:** February 11, 2019
FROM: Rhonda Schell **FILE:** 2240-35
Community Services Coordinator
SUBJECT: Resort Development Strategy Projects (2019-2021)

ISSUE:

This issue was first brought before Council at the February 4, 2019 Council Meeting where staff reported on the Resort Development Strategy Committee recommendations. At that meeting, the matter was deferred to a Special Council Meeting on February 14, 2019 for further discussion.

This report is to provide more information on all projects that were considered by the Resort Development Strategy Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Resort Municipality Initiative (RMI) is administered by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, and Culture. All RMI communities must complete and submit a draft multi-year Resort Development Strategy (RDS) to the Province by March 15, 2019. A Resort Development Strategy (RDS) identifies projects and guides how RMI funds are spent. The projects identified in the RDS must be based on tourism infrastructure that will attract visitors, increase overnight stays, and lengthen the tourism season.

Under the RMI guidelines eligible projects include:

- Resort infrastructure (capital projects) – minimum of 70% of annual funds
- Resort services (programs and events) – up to of 30% of annual funds
- Administration – up to of \$10,000 of annual funds

DISCUSSION:

The Provincial Government provided an estimate of annual RMI funding of \$450,000 for 2019-2021. A total of \$100,000 has been committed to programming and administration costs in each year, leaving a balance of approximately \$1,050,000 for capital projects over the three year period.

The following projects were considered by the Resort Development Strategy Committee.

Project	Estimate	Maintenance Costs	Operational Costs	Notes
Public Art on Lagoon	\$ 200,000	Low	None	Scalable
Village Centre WiFi	5,000	Low	None	Infrastructure only. Operational costs paid for by Tourism.
Synthetic Outdoor Rink	395,000	Low	Offset by revenue.	Includes site prep, beautification, and lighting.
Boat Launch Upgrades	10,000	Low	None	
Solar Charging/ Conversation Station	10,000	Low	None	Approximately \$3000 each
Water Bottle Refill	5,000	Low	Minimal	
Sidewalk to Ranger Station	365,000	Low	Minimal	
Misting Station	60,000	Low	Lower than lawn watering or showers.	Installed in multiple locations.
Mountain Biking Park			N/A	No space for this project within the village.
Lagoon Bridge or Lookout		Low	Low	Needs master plan.
Splash Park		High	High	
Lillooet West				Needs master plan

CONCLUSION:

Once projects that are a priority for the village are identified, public consultation process takes place (usually two weeks). Then, a draft strategy with more detailed budgets will be presented to Council for consideration.

Staff is requesting direction from Council on the capital projects to pursue so that staff can move forward to a public consultation process and prepare the draft strategy document for adoption by Council at the March 4, 2019 Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

REVIEWED BY:

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