



The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting—April 8, 2002

Year 2002 Focus for EDC

Robert Fine, Executive Director, and Pearse Walsh, Chair of the Economic Development Commission (EDC) presented their Strategic Plan for 2002. The Plan focuses on four primary areas of economic development. These include Business Attraction, Business Retention, Business Facilitation, and increasing awareness about the EDC. The Strategic Plan also includes information about the three main initiatives involving the Highway Corridor Coalition, Medical Capability and branding of the Okanagan Valley.

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Executive Director, EDC

Joint Use Examined

The Regional Board gave the go ahead for discussions between Rutland Waterworks and the Regional Parks Department on the installation of a second underground water well and pump house at Mission Creek Regional Park, near Gertsmar Road. Rutland Waterworks has submitted a proposal to work with Regional Parks on the construction of a well and pump house facility, adjacent to an existing one on the same property. Items to be considered in the discussions include compatibility with future park uses and existing zoning bylaws. Staff will also investigate the option to include additional park washroom facilities in the project. Staff will report back to the Regional Board as negotiations progress.

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Director of parks and Recreation

Discussions on Casa Loma Park Path

The Regional Board lent its support to continued negotiations with the Casa Loma Resort Strata to maintain the existing access to the path that runs through their property to Kalamoir Park. The Strata Association is seeking support from the Regional District in dealing with an upper hillside slope stability concern that has affected the pathway and the resort. While some issues regarding subsurface water flow and surface storm water drainage falls outside the legislated responsibilities of the Regional District, the Board directed that the issue be reviewed by the Engineering Committee for possible options and solutions. The Board also gave direction to staff to investigate other options to maintain access to Kalamoir Park from the Casa Loma Area.

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March Building Statistics

During the month of March there were 73 permits issued with a total construction value of \$6,058,772.00. During this period there were also 23 permits completed with a total construction value of \$970,370.64.

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Board to Hold Extra Meeting

The Regional Board is meeting on the Westside on April 29th, following the Public Hearing on the proposed neighbourhood pub license for the Blue Agave Grill. The Public Hearing is scheduled for 7:00pm, on Monday April 29th, in the Westbank Lion's Community Hall, and will be advertised in advance, in accordance with the Local Government Act.

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Chief Administrative Officer

Enjoy the Art Wall

Take a moment to enjoy the artwork of Linda Knowles, this month's featured artist. Linda strives to make a bold statement with movements and with the bright colours in which she delights. She enjoys painting 'slices of life'; and close-up intimate corners in landscape and architecture. Linda's work can be found in local galleries and the Lloyd Gallery in Penticton.

Grants-in-Aid

North Westside Road Volunteer Fire Department - \$1,200 for office equipment - Electoral Area 'G', Director Aaron Dinwoodie.

North Westside Road Ratepayers Association - \$750 for research - Electoral Area 'G', Director Aaron Dinwoodie.
