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CITY OF SALMON ARM

Mayor Harrison and Councilors City of Salmon Arm 500 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4H2

Dear Mayor Harrison and Councilors,

#### RE: PUBLIC SAFETY ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AVE. SE – 400 Block thru 600 Block

We the undersigned have grave concern for the public safety (pedestrians, cyclists and motorists) on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE from the 400 block thru to the 600 block. We are well aware of the future plans for Auto Road to connect with Foothills Road. However, although the city's planning department has confirmed that there is a long-range plan for Auto Road, they have also indicated there is no timeline established for this project, given the issues of private property.

There are many issues that highlight our concerns:

- The major concern revolves around the SPEED OF TRAFFIC, BOTH DOWNHILL AND UPHILL
  - O Downhill traffic often is well above the posted speed, making it very difficult to both enter (especially from the west) and exit 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE safely. With a vehicle, there is literally only a second to avoid fast downhill traffic on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE. Cyclists or pedestrians need to listen for downhill traffic and make a mad dash across 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE to avoid being hit. The situation is grim under the best of driving conditions and it is worse in winter.
  - Uphill traffic often sees this as an opportunity to 'put the pedal to the metal', so that entering 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE from either 5 St. SE or 6 St. SE regularly results in someone rapidly being on one's tail (occasionally with road rage).
  - Winter roads are another issue with vehicles sliding down the hill, some ending up in ditches or over the bank – the stop sign at 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE and 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE has been taken out numerous times this past winter, as every winter.
  - The concrete barriers at 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE and 10 Ave. SE are doing their job in protecting the uphill traffic on 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE. We know this from the marks and debris left from repeated crashes.
  - o The 'S' curve below 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE has been the scene of numerous accidents, some very serious, again due to downhill speed, despite the warning sign.
- Significant increase in the **VOLUME OF TRAFFIC** in both directions in recent years.
  - Given the future residential subdivision development near this area, the volume will only increase.

- o Commercial traffic, in particular gravel trucks, has greatly increased as well.
- Periodically commercial highway transports use 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE because their GPS tell them it is the shortest route from highway 97B to the west end of Salmon Arm, ie going to Kamloops.
- VISIBILITY RESTRICTIONS are along 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE continue to be an issue
  - Thank you to city staff for trimming the bushes/trees on the uphill section of 10<sup>th</sup>
     Ave at 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE. There is a need to do more bush/tree trimming on the south
     side of 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SE.
  - O Pedestrians walking uphill or downhill are in jeopardy given the speed of vehicles. They are ESPECIALLY AT-RISK walking around the inside corner at 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE and 10 Ave. SE as the walking lane narrows and traffic regularly cuts the corner (as is visible from tracks up the side of the road). It is a question of time before someone is seriously hurt or killed walking around that corner (at the least there should be a warning to pedestrians in both directions informing them of the danger and indicating that they need to use the outside corner of that curve.
  - For traffic stopped on 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE waiting to enter 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, 2 to 3 vehicles can be hidden in the uphill curve, only to be discovered after a vehicle pulls out beyond the point of no return.
  - Likewise, at the same intersection, traffic coming uphill can be hidden from view.
  - Traffic, in particular cyclists, coming uphill planning to turn into 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE, are placed at risk from restricted uphill visibility and oncoming vehicle speed.
  - Vehicles trying to enter 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE whether from driveways or from 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE are at risk both by the volume and the speed of traffic
  - Towing a trailer while trying to enter 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE or turn off 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE to 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE only increases the risk of an accident.

Something must be done. We encourage council to direct the city to:

- Lower speed zone (30 km/hr.) with highlighted signage and enforcement,
- Institute traffic calming measures such as rumble strips or speed bumps.
- Do more bush/tree trimming along the sough side of 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SE on the south side.

We hope these measures are put in place before more accidents or sadly, a death occurs. In the meantime, all of us are regularly challenged and concerned that this traffic situation exists.

On behalf of the undersigned, thank you for your earnest consideration.

Bruce Weicker 661 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SE

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WE THE UNDERSIGNED ARE CONCERNED WITH THE TRAFFIC ISSUES AS NOTED IN THE ABOVE LETTER.

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From: Lorraine Prosser

Sent: August 9, 2020 1:03 PM

To: Alan Harrison

Subject: Please help animals in our community

Dear Alan Harrison (Mayor), Salmon Arm,

The wide-spread use of poisons in rodent control is killing our wildlife and harming greenspaces and waterways. Municipalities can play a key role in reducing rodenticide use and educating residents on preventative and alternative control measures.

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Thank you,

Lorraine Prosser

From: DAVE MARTINUK

Sent: August 16, 2020 3:08 PM

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Thank you,

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From: SAHRA JAGT

Sent: August 16, 2020 2:40 PM

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Thank you,

SAHRA JAGT

From: Cathy Meakes

Sent: August 17, 2020 7:35 PM

To: Alan Harrison

Subject: Rat poison kills wildlife

Dear Alan Harrison (Mayor), Salmon Arm,

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Thank you,

Cathy Meakes

From: Warren Bell

Sent: August 19, 2020 3:38 AM

To: Alan Harrison

Subject: Animals are important to me

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Thank you,

Warren Bell

From: Emery Shipmaker

Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 8:46 AM

To: Chad Eliason

Subject: Lemonade stand for cross walk

Dear Mayor and council,

I am having a lemonade stand to raise money for a crosswalk.

Why i'd like a crosswalk is because i live in upper Raven and Lakeshore is just down the road. It is a really busy road and my mom won't let me cross it because it is dangerous but then i can't play with my friends in lower Raven, walk on the foreshore trail or go to the park so i'd love it if you'd help build a crosswalk.

My friends and i are having the lemonade stand on Thursday, August, 20th we are having it from 9:00am - 12:00pm by the Raven sign.

Thank you,

**Emery Shipmaker.** 

From: Shannon Hecker

Sent: August 14, 2020 11:25 AM

To: Rob Niewenhuizen
Cc: Dawn Dunlop

Subject: Re: CMHA event

Hi Rob,

The Safer From Suicide Action Team has done an annual Lantern Walk at Mcguire Lake Park for the past four years. Due to Covid-19 concerns around large social gathering and physical distancing we have had to innovate. We decided that we would like to address, even in a small way, isolation, uncertainty, rising unemployment and financial strain.

The action team is asking the city permission to line the walkway of the Marine Peace Park wharf out to the pier with lanterns from 6-9pm on September 10th, 2020. We will use LED candles for most and, depending on fire restrictions, there may be tea lights.

We discourage large gatherings but encourage a walk with your loved ones to show the community a way that we combat isolation and create connection. There will be no speeches, acknowledgment or music as we have had in the past. There will be hand sanitizer available. In terms of safety, we also need to acknowledge that suicide is a difficult topic and people may feel particularly vulnerable during this time. Therefore, we will have resources available, a person for support while in the park and therapeutic support available via zoom for the days after.

Here are the details:

Where: Marine Peace Park

When: 6-9pm

What: Walk the Wharf for hope, help and healing

Who: All in the community are welcome. They will need to practice physical distancing and there will be Action Team members present at the beginning of the walk and end to monitor.

Why: To raise awareness around suicide prevention and life promotion. To show up for each other in hope, help and healing in difficult times.

Please let me know if you or the city council have any questions.

Thank you, Shannon

#### Shannon Hecker, MA

#### Manager of Wellness Programs & Innovation

I respectfully acknowledge that I live and work within the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Seewepeme Nation.

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August 14, 2020

Dear Community Leaders and Staff Members,

RE: Repurposing Public Space for Cycling and Walking in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Interior Health is encouraging community leaders to consider the opportunity to repurpose public spaces like roadways for walking and cycling in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Doing so will help ensure that people can travel, exercise and meet essential needs safely, and will support our collective efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19 in our communities.

Available data and local observation within some Interior Health communities are showing an increase in pedestrian and cycling volumes during the pandemic. To sustain this shift in transportation mode in the long term and to reap the host of population health benefits this can bring, an opportunity exists to consider enhancing and increasing safe pedestrian and cycling infrastructure now and into the future. As we enter the height of summer, we will continue to see more pedestrians and cyclists on our streets. Maintaining appropriate physical distance can become challenging when sidewalks, walkways and cycling paths are congested.

Communities across Canada have implemented measures to create more space for pedestrians and cyclists (e.g. Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg). Similar reallocation of public space has occurred across British Columbia, in communities of all sizes (e.g. Vancouver, Kelowna, Nelson). Additional communities could repurpose public space for pedestrian and cyclist use and realize the following:

- Maintain lower outdoor disease transmission: The Provincial Health Officer has emphasized
  that COVID-19 transmission risk associated with outdoor activity is extremely low as long as
  physical distancing is maintained<sup>i</sup>. Therefore, creating additional space for people to get outside
  and move at safe physical distance is paramount to limiting the spread of the virus in our
  communities.
- Promote physical activity and positive mental health: When transportation networks are designed to make active transportation safe, people of all ages and abilities are encouraged to choose walking and cycling as modes of travel. This is particularly important during times when people are faced with additional pressures, work stress and financial strain, as well as disruptions in normal routines that may contribute to heightened anxiety and other mental health concerns that may persist post-pandemic. Creating additional space for walking and cycling provides more opportunity for people to choose healthier transportation options that are associated with better physical and mental wellbeing and greater opportunities for social connectedness. Healthy behaviours that start now could persist beyond the pandemic and have the potential to improve population health in the longer term. Of note, those most vulnerable people in society have the most to gain from public investment in walkability.
- Prevent injury: Creating transportation networks that are conducive to walking and cycling decreases reliance on personal vehicles and makes it safer for everyone. In the current

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pandemic context, people using sidewalks and walkways for transportation may be required to step into traffic lanes when approaching oncoming pedestrians or outdoor queues to maintain physical distancing, creating the possibility of injury. While creating adequate space now will allow for recommended physical distancing to be done safely, safe transportation networks that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists will continue to reduce the risk of road user injuries beyond the pandemic.

• Improve air quality and reduce climate change impacts: Decreased use of personal vehicles will reduce the burning of fossil fuels and reduce the rate and severity of climate change impacts. Creating opportunities for active modes of travel by creating more space for walking and cycling, and therefore less space for vehicular traffic, will reduce overall emissions and create more pleasant environments for living, working, travelling and playing ill, iv

We encourage you to review the recommendations on the <u>BCCDC website</u> as well as the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>Street Rebalancing Guide</u> developed by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Urban Systems. The guide includes a toolbox and design guidance for communities to temporarily redesign streets and thereby improve physical and mental health, safety and wellbeing of residents. Information describing how these projects can transition from temporary to permanent features in the community is also included. It is important to balance the needs of different users of public spaces and to prioritize the most vulnerable members of community when determining the best strategies for your context. Some examples to consider are:

- Full street closures or shared use of streets;
- Dedicated pedestrian and bicycle lanes;
- Temporary parklets and patios.

Though many of the examples in the Guide are for larger urban centres, there are opportunities to apply the principles in smaller communities throughout the Interior. This may include re-thinking access to trails and waterfront or the ways in which downtown streets can be used differently that can further promote health and safety of locals and seasonal tourists.

Interior Health is committed to working with our communities to create and enhance health-promoting environments for people to travel safely while also complying with physical distancing guidelines. We would be happy to support any funding application processes to enable this work in your communities. We appreciate your ongoing attention to the health, safety, and wellbeing of your residents.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to email our Healthy Communities team at <a href="https://health.ca">hbe@interiorhealth.ca</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sue Pollock, FRCPC Medical Health Officer SP/Is

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## **Healthy Communities**

Monthly Newsletter



August 2020

## **Community Recognition**

#### Heat Workshops Hosted in Lytton and Osoyoos



The Town of Osoyoos, Village of Lytton, Interior Health and community partners participated in Heat Alert Response System (HARS) workshops facilitated by Shift Collaborative in Osoyoos on March 4<sup>th</sup> and in Lytton on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Participants gathered during these dynamic and interactive workshops to 1) explore different practices and approaches to respond to extreme heat 2) learn about how to develop a HARS for their community, and 3) develop strategies for how

all participants can take action to mitigate impacts of extreme heat. These communities were selected for the exploratory workshops based on heat data for the Interior. Check out related heat planning resources in the following sections of this newsletter.

#### City of Penticton Bylaw Rewards Youth Safety Efforts

In partnership with the Penticton RCMP and the South Okanagan Similkameen Brain Injury Society (SOSBIS), the City of Penticton's Community Safety Bylaw Officers began patrolling Okanagan Beach July 16, 2020 handing out positive tickets to youth demonstrating good safety practices. The Positive Ticket program encourages young people to be safe by wearing helmets and appropriate safety gear. Read <u>about it here</u>.

## **Events & Learning Opportunities**

#### Webinar: Summer 2020-Extreme Heat and COVID-19

Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> 2020, from 10:00am to 12:00pm PDT hosted by the National Heat Health Community of Practice (HCoP). Communities across Canada have been successfully managing issues related to both the COVID-19 pandemic and the warmer summer temperatures. The purpose of this HCoP session is to address and learn from this novel issue while discussing the options that decision-makers should take into account when managing this combined risk. Speakers will focus on various aspects of extreme heat in the context of COVID-19. This live, virtual webcast can be accessed here. Presentations will be followed by a panel discussion, featuring health officials from across Canada.

### **Advancing Healthy Public Policy**

#### Making a Vision Zero Commitment in Canada



Vision zero is a road safety framework traffic safety initiative based on the idea that there should be no fatalities or injuries while using the transportation system. This <u>resource</u> has two tools: "Indicators of a Vision Zero Community" and a three-part guide to "Becoming a Vision Zero Community". The paper is designed for both local government staff and decision makers as they play pivotal roles in road safety planning. The following <u>link</u> contains 3 videos from recent online presentations: reallocating street space from cars to cycling and walking following the COVID-19 crisis, increasing opportunities for pedestrians to physically distance, and maintaining traffic safety.

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#### 2020 Declaration for Resilience in Canadian Cities & Podcast

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented a unique opportunity for us to re-think how our recovery planning can influence our health, access to housing, the quality of our air and water, and the long-term financial viability of our cities. Renowned urban planner Jennifer Keesmat, is encouraging municipalities and decision makers to sign the 2020 Declaration as a starting point for effecting the type of change we need in our cities for to move forward in an equitable and sustainable way.

Want to learn more? Listen to Jennifer on The Conference Board of Canada's podcast (episode #6) – <u>Bright Future</u>.

#### Heat Alert & Response Planning Toolkit

Episodes of very hot weather, also known as heatwaves, are dangerous for the health and wellbeing of your community and can cause illness and death. Even though we often have hot summers in British Columbia's interior, we can expect an increase in the frequency, duration, and severity of extreme heat events due to climate change.

In collaboration with Shift Collaborative, Interior Health has

developed <u>a toolkit</u> to provide local governments and community partners with practical information and resources that will assist them in developing and implementing systems and strategies to respond to extreme heat, specifically in rural communities. For more information, check out our <u>Extreme Heat</u> webpage and <u>BCCDC</u> for COVID-19 considerations for heat response planning.

#### Alcohol Information Sheet

Interior Health is committed to improving the health and wellness of all members of our communities by working collaboratively with local governments and community partners to develop healthy public policy that creates environments for good health, including reducing harms associated with alcohol use. The intent of this <u>information sheet about alcohol</u> is to provide municipalities with health research and information to support decision making around alcohol consumption bylaws in public spaces. Please contact <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhealth.ca">HBE@interiorhealth.ca</a> for consultation inquiries.

## Rapid Action Resources for Local Governments: 1 - Community Food Production

As the COVID-19 pandemic unfolds, social and economic impacts continue to emerge for communities here in British Columbia. One of the areas of concern identified for our province has been food security in its many forms. Local governments in B.C. are being asked to invest in programming and implement policy to support food security. This first piece in a series created by Plan H explores some considerations around non-commercial, community-level food production and how these activities can lead to greater food security in your communities.



## Street Space: Resources for Creating Cycling and Walking Space

BCCDC's <u>Street Space</u> webpage outlines information about reallocation of street space for cycling and walking during the pandemic and into the future including benefits, how-to guidance, key considerations and additional resources. Check out links to the <u>COVID-19 Street Rebalancing Guide</u> and <u>guidelines</u> from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

## **Funding News**

#### Housing Needs Report Funding Program

We know that our health and housing are closely linked and Housing Needs Reports are a key step to assess housing stock in our communities. Many local governments throughout the Interior have already received funding for their reports and the <a href="next intake deadline">next intake deadline</a> is coming up on October 16, 2020. Prospective applicants should be advised that based on available funding, this will likely be the final intake of this funding program.

The links between health and housing are clear. Talk to us if you would like help with accessing population health data, collecting health evidence related to housing, organizing community engagements, or facilitating dialogue sessions! We can also write letters of support to support your application.

## Municipal Natural Assets Inventory - Seeking Expressions of Interest

A natural asset inventory is the gateway to a full natural asset management program. Municipal Natural Assets Initiative (MNAI) is pursuing several funding opportunities that would allow them to subsidize multiple local governments across Canada to develop their natural asset inventories starting this fall. If your municipality is interested, be sure to fill out an <a href="Expression of Interest">Expression of Interest</a>.

#### Reminder!

Up to date COVID-19 Information can be found at <a href="https://news.interiorhealth.ca/covid-19/">https://news.interiorhealth.ca/covid-19/</a> including <a href="testing-information">testing information</a> and <a href="testing-information">shareable resources</a>. Information specific to Communities can be found here.

#### Sincerely,

Your Healthy Communities Team

#### healthycommunities@interiorhealth.ca

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From: Stephen Lowry

Sent: August 15, 2020 2:28 PM

To: Alan Harrison

**Subject:** SACP Resumption of Services

Dear Alan, Salmon Arm Citizens Patrol is about to resume partial services. Please see the attached for particulars.

Sincerely

Stephen

# Limited SACP Resumption of Services Speed Watch

August 15, 2020

City of Salmon Arm Mayor Alan Harrison, Councillors and Staff:

#### Dear Mayor Harrison:

We are extremely pleased to announce that Salmon Arm Citizens Patrol is about to resume partial services for the City of Salmon Arm. As you are aware, SACP suspended all services March 12 due to mandated pandemic restrictions.

This resumption of servicers is in accordance with supplied guidelines, namely "Crime Prevention Volunteers - Standard Activity Descriptions" and "RCMP Volunteer Cleaning Instructions". Additionally, all members have signed a "Covid-19 Assumption of Risk Form" as required by the City, and an SACP office contact sheet and cleaning protocol is in effect.

Speed Watch members have undergone a recent "dry land" training review of electronic tablet usage and reporting procedures, and an "on the street" training session on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE near Mayfair Farms is scheduled for Thursday, August 20. This will involve a larger than normal number of SACP members and radar boards will be positioned in both directions.

It is intended that Speed Watch patrols targeting school zones will commence the week of September 7 and continue into early October bearing in mind continued RCMP and BC Health Covid-19 Guidelines.

Intended next steps are foot patrols to conduct "Lock Out Auto Crime" and "Stolen Auto Recovery" however the resumption of normal automobile patrols remains prohibitive at this time.

Sincerely

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Stephen Lowry: Vice-President