



# The Board Reports

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## Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting– November 19, 2007

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### Westside Directors Thanked For Service

On behalf of the Regional Board, Chair Robert Hobson expressed thanks to the three Westside Electoral Area Directors: Len Novakowski, David Knowles and Aaron Dinwoodie. With the formation of the new Westside District Municipality, this Board meeting was the last for the Directors. Chair Hobson thanked them for their work over the years on behalf of the entire Westside community and wished them the best in their future endeavours.

### Alternative Approval Process Result

The Regional Board has received the result of the recent Alternative Approval Process for a proposed bylaw to fund the operation and maintenance of the Killiney Beach Recreation Building. A total of 363 electors returned response forms, which is greater than the minimum ten per cent of signatures required and prevents the Board from proceeding with the bylaw without first holding a referendum to seek elector approval. Regional District staff will review the options with the Electoral Area Director.

### Alcohol Serving Agreement

The Regional Board has approved entering into an agreement with Vision Sports Group LLP for serving alcohol at Westside Warriors games in Royal LePage Place. Among the terms of the agreement, the Regional District will receive ten per cent of gross revenues. Vision Sports will also provide an alcohol-free area during games and ensure a designated driver program is in place.

### Westbank Development Rezoning

The Regional Board has adopted Official Community Plan and rezoning bylaws for a proposed development on the site of the former Westbank Packinghouse. The applicant proposes construction of one nine to ten storey senior's condominium building of approximately 180-units, a nine to ten storey supported living building with about 160-units, one eight storey commercial strata building and a three storey parkade on three parcels totalling 2.35-hectares between Elliot and Brown roads.

### Solid Waste Management Bylaw Amended

The Regional Board has adopted amendments to the Solid Waste Management Bylaw which affects the rates for curbside waste and recycling pickups in the Westside and Central Okanagan East Electoral Areas. The bylaw changes are required as a result of increased costs for garbage, yard waste and recycling collection as well as higher costs for the processing and marketing of recyclables associated with negotiating short-term contracts with service providers. The updated bylaw also provides for the future construction of a Westside Landfill waste transfer station. Customers in the two Electoral Areas will see utility billing and parcel tax rates rise just over \$12 to \$110.10 to reflect the increases in the new contracts.

### Regional Board and Committee Changes

In light of changes resulting from the incorporation of the new Westside District Municipality, the Regional Board has approved a restructuring of its meeting schedule and its committees. Starting in January, the Regional Board will move to one regular monthly meeting. In addition a daytime meeting of the Governance and Services Committee will be scheduled to deal with matters previously discussed by five separate committees (Air Quality, Engineering, Parks, Planning and Environment and Transportation). The Board also agreed to immediately release appointed members that served on several advisory bodies (Westside Fire, Westside South Advisory Planning, Westbank Town Centre and the Westside Parks and Recreation Commission). Certificates of Appreciation will be presented to the members of those advisory committees.

### Auburn Road Multi-family Development

The Regional Board has adopted a rezoning application for a proposed 'resort-style' multi-family residential development adjacent to Auburn Road. The applicant plans to construct 220-units in three terraced apartment buildings along with a private recreation facility on the 12.5-hectare property. As well, the applicant will donate approximately 7.6-hectares for an open space park.

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The Board Report is a bi-weekly publication of the Regional District of Central Okanagan. The Regional Board meets every second Monday night at the RDCO at 1450 KLO Road. The public is welcome to attend.

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### **Multi-family Rezoning Applications Approved**

The Regional Board has adopted a bylaw discharging a Land Use Contract and Official Community Plan and Rezoning bylaws for a proposed multi-family development adjacent to Shannon Way. The applicant plans a 40-unit residential townhouse project in four four-plex and four six-plex buildings on the one hectare parcel.

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### **Crystal Resort Official Community Plan**

The Regional Board has given second and third reading to an Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw for Crystal Ski and Golf Resort. A number of environmental issues raised earlier in the process have been addressed by the applicant and reflected in the amendments to the bylaw. Prior to final reading, the Board has asked that jurisdictional issues be resolved between the applicant and the Telemark Cross Country Ski Club.

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### **Development Permit Applications Approved**

The Regional Board has approved Development Permits for the form, character and landscaping of the following applications:

- Shannon Ridge Properties – two buildings with shared underground parking including an eight unit two storey townhouse and a 52-unit four-storey apartment building on a one-hectare parcel along Shannon Ridge Drive.
- West Wynd Village Shopping Centre Ltd. – two four-storey commercial/residential buildings with a total of 51-units on a 1.76-hectare property at 2528 Main Street in Westbank.

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### **Okanagan Valley Governance Committee**

The Regional Board has agreed to an expansion of the committee of appointed political representatives looking at valley-wide governance options. The Board has approved adding Kelowna Mayor Sharon Shepherd to the committee. Ministry of Community Services Minister Ida Chong has agreed that the Mayors of Kelowna and Penticton be added to the governance study committee. As the Mayor of Vernon is already a member of the committee, the Regional District of North Okanagan will appoint an additional representative.

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### **October Building Statistics**

In October, the Regional District approved 89 building permits for construction projects in the Westside and Central Okanagan East Electoral Areas totalling over \$20.2 million. That compares with 99 permits issued for projects valued at more than \$18.2 million in the same month last year. During the first ten months of 2007, 954 projects have received building permits worth a total of \$165.2 million. From January through October last year, 1,008 projects were approved for construction worth more than \$119.8 million.

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### **Transit Ambassador Christmas Bus**

The Regional Board has approved a regional grant-in-aid of \$2,500 to help the Transit Ambassador Volunteers operate the popular Christmas Bus program. BC Transit has been asked to match the local government funding.

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### **Regional District Art Wall**

The work of Kelowna artist Jeannine Cradduck is on display through December on the Art Wall in the Regional District of Central Okanagan administration office, 1450 KLO Road. Viewing is available during regular office hours, weekdays (excluding holidays) from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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### **Next Regional Board Meeting**

The next scheduled regular meeting of the Regional Board will be Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007 following the Inaugural Meeting which is scheduled to begin at 7:00 pm in the Woodhaven Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna.

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