



AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS: - Resolution required to add late items, if any

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: - Resolution to adopt the Agenda for the September 8, 2020, Regular Meeting.

MINUTES: - Resolution to adopt the Minutes of the August 11, 2020, Regular Meeting

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: - Nil

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS: -

OLD BUSINESS: - Nil

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION: - Resolution to receive the following items for information:

- RE: The "Langford Decision" and the Application of the Architects Act (*Architectural Institute of BC - Mark Vernon, CEO*)
- Use of Municipal Facilities for Voting Places (*Elections BC - Charles Porter, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer*)
- Recreation Ecology research project in your area (*Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative - Nadine Raynolds, Columbia Headwaters Program Manager*)
- Mandatory Masks (*Therese DesCamp, New Denver*)
- Global Covenant for Mayors for Climate and Energy Commitment Letter (*City of Fernie - Mayor Ange Qualizza*)
- COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund (*Canadian Heritage - Derick McNeil, Acting Regional Director General*)
- National Pharmacare Call to Action (*Town of Comox - Councillor Stephanie McGowan*)

STAFF REPORTS: - Nil

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Verbal Reports -

- Regional District of Central Kootenay -
- West Kootenay Boundary Regional
Hospital District -
- Recreation Commission #6 -
- Economic Development Commission -
- Rosebery Parklands & Trail Commission -
- Treaty Advisory Committee -
- Fire Department Committee -
- Health Advisory Committee -

NEW BUSINESS:

- Slocan Community Health Centre - Request for Temporary Road Closure
- Auxiliary Society - Sue Davies, member - NIMC Special Access Policy Amendments

MOTION TO EXCLUDE:

- Moved by Councillor _____ and seconded that the public interest requires that, as per sections 90(1) (e) and (k) of the *Community Charter*, persons other than members of Council and the CAO be excluded from the meeting as it pertains to land matters and the proposed provision of municipal services.

RECONVENE IN CAMERA:

- Moved by Councillor _____ and seconded that Council recess and reconvene in camera at _____ p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN MEETING:

- Moved by Councillor _____ and seconded that Council reconvene in open meeting at _____ p.m.

**RESOLUTIONS BROUGHT
FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA:**

- Moved by Councillor _____ and seconded that Resolution#_____ be brought forward to the public portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Resolution to adjourn the meeting at ____ p.m.



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

DATE: August 11, 2020
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

PRESENT:

- Mayor Leonard Casley
- Councillor John Fyke
- Councillor Vern Gustafson
- Councillor Colin Moss
- Councillor Gerald Wagner
- Catherine Allaway, CAO
- Press: Valley Voice
- Guests: Kay Costley-White & Birgit Schinke

CALL TO ORDER:

- Mayor Casley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION #182

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the agenda for the August 11, 2020 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

RESOLUTION #183

- Moved by Councillor Gustafson and seconded that the Minutes of the July 13, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted as read.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #184

- Moved by Councillor Gustafson and seconded that the Minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Meeting be adopted as read.

CARRIED

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:

Carpenter Creek Last Wishes Society –
Kay Costley-White & Birgit Schinke

Representatives of the Carpenter Creek Last Wishes Society provided information to Council regarding green burials.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

Roni Jurgensen & Steven Getty

- Ms. Jurgensen & Mr. Getty submitted a request for exclusion from the proposed boundary extension area.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Nil

CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION:

RESOLUTION #185

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the following correspondence be received for information:
 - RE: BC Utilities Commission's Approval of BC Hydro's Application to Amend the Net Metering Service under Rate Schedule 1289 (*City of Fort St. John - Mayor Lori Ackerman*)
 - Letter to Premier and Minister James RE: Covid-19 Economic Recovery (*Hon. Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing*)
 - RE: Strategy for Rural Economic Development Through Health Care (*Village of Kaslo - Mayor Suzan Hewat*)
 - Grant Approval - Active Transportation Network Plan (*Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure - Jesse Skulmoski, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Active Transportation Grants*)
 - Recycling Program Concerns (*Slocan Valley Chamber of Commerce - Emma Beaton, Manager*)
 - UBCM Response to Building BC's Recovery, Together (*UBCM - Maya Tait, President*)

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS:

RESOLUTION #186

- Moved by Councillor Fyke and seconded that the following reports be received for information:
 - Statement of Financial Information
 - 2nd Quarter Financial Update
 - New Denver Volunteer Fire Department Emergency Call Response Update
 - Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre 2020 Operational Plan
 - Kohan Garden 2020 Operational Plan
 - WildSafeBC Update

CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Verbal Reports

- Nil

- Regional District of Central Kootenay
- Councillor Moss advised that a meeting is scheduled for tomorrow.
 - Resource Recovery Manager Amy Wilson answered questions from Council regarding the transition to the new recycling system.
- West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District
- Nil
- Recreation Commission #6
- Nil
- Economic Development Commission
- Councillor Fyke reported that today's meeting was postponed
- Rosebery Trails & Parklands Commission
- Councillor Wagner reported on the RDCK's plans for repairs to the Galena Trail
- Treaty Advisory Committee
- Nil
- Fire Department Committee
- Nil
- Health Advisory Committee
- Nil

NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Moss declared a conflict of interest in the matter at hand and absented himself from the meeting at 8:07 p.m. as he is a Director of the Slocan Community Health Centre Auxiliary Society.

RESOLUTION #187

Request for Temporary Road Closure
(*Slocan Community Health Centre
Auxiliary Society - Sue Davies*)

- Moved by Councillor Fyke and seconded that the Slocan Community Health Centre Auxiliary Society be granted permission to close Bellevue Street in front of the Bosun Hall on Friday, September 11, 2020, subject to their submission to the Village of a satisfactory safety plan outlining the policies, guidelines and procedures that have been put in place to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, and proof of insurance coverage.

CARRIED

Councillor Moss returned to the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

RESOLUTION #188

Request for Rainbow Crosswalk (*New
Denver Youth Network - Donna Hicks,
President*)

- Moved by Councillor Wagner and seconded that the New Denver Youth Network Society be authorized to install a rainbow crosswalk in New Denver subject to staff approval for design and location.

CARRIED

Mayor Casley declared a conflict of interest in the matter at hand and absented himself from the meeting at 8:20 p.m. as he owns property within the proposed boundary extension area. Acting Mayor Fyke assumed the role of Chair.

RESOLUTION #189

Phased Implementation of Village Tax Rates – Proposed Boundary Extension

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the Village of New Denver's municipal boundary extension proposal include provisions for the implementation of a 5-year phased tax rate increase for properties within the proposed boundary extension area, with tax rates increasing incrementally each year, until they match the tax rates within the Village's original boundaries.

CARRIED

Mayor Casley returned to the meeting at 8:33 p.m. and resumed the role of Chair.

ADJOURNMENT:**RESOLUTION #190**

- Moved by Councillor Wagner and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR CASLEY

CORPORATE OFFICER

DRAFT



The Corporation of the Village of New Denver

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PHONE (250) 358-2316 • FAX (250) 358-7251

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Corporate Officer
SUBJECT: Communications for Information
DATE: September 4, 2020

RECOMMENDATION:

That the following correspondence be received for information:

- RE: The "Langford Decision" and the Application of the Architects Act (*Architectural Institute of BC - Mark Vernon, CEO*)
- Use of Municipal Facilities for Voting Places (*Elections BC - Charles Porter, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer*)
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August 26, 2020

Dear Colleagues:

Re: The “Langford Decision” and the Application of the *Architects Act*

On behalf of the Architectural Institute of British Columbia (the “AIBC”), I am reaching out to all local governments in British Columbia to share and provide context for a recent decision of the BC Supreme Court relating to the *Architects Act*. I hope that you will share this letter with your council and appropriate planning and building staff.

Overview

As a public interest regulator, the AIBC’s position has always been that the *Architects Act* is a public health and safety law that must be appropriately considered by all British Columbians, including local governments. Historically, some local governments have taken the stance that as long as the BC Building Code is complied with, there is no duty to consider whether permit applications are compliant with the *Architects Act*. The case below was an opportunity to find legal clarity and was advanced by the AIBC as a matter of public interest.

***The Architectural Institute of British Columbia v Langford (City)*, 2020 BCSC 801**

In June 2019, the AIBC initiated legal action against the City of Langford arising out of an illegal practice investigation initiated in response to a complaint by a member of the public who expressed concern that no architect has been involved in the planning or design of the building in which he had purchased a unit, contrary to the *Architects Act*. It was a matter of agreement between the parties that the building was of a size that required the involvement of an architect under the *Architects Act*. At issue was a decision by the City’s Chief Building Inspector to issue a building permit, despite the fact that the drawings submitted in support of the permit application were not prepared by an architect, contrary to the *Architects Act*. The AIBC brought a ‘judicial review’ and sought a declaration from the BC Supreme Court that the local government acted unreasonably by failing to consider the *Architects Act* in its permitting decision.

On May 29, 2020, the judgment in the City of Langford judicial review was released, and a declaration was issued by the court on the matter. The court declared that the decision of the Chief Building Inspector to issue a building permit was unreasonable because the drawings submitted in support of the application were non-compliant with the *Architects Act* as they were not prepared by an architect.

The full decision can be read [here](#).

Several highlights from the decision are summarized below:

- The *Architects Act* is clearly a law relating to “health and safety”: Architects’ involvement in projects is intended to minimize public risk, through their specialized training, their regulation by the AIBC, their mandatory insurance coverage, and their mandatory continuing education [paragraphs 88-92];

- “It is not a rational or acceptable outcome that a municipal building permit could be issued for a building which has clearly been designed in contravention of a relevant provincial statute respecting health and safety, that is, the *Architects Act*” [paragraph 96];
- In order for a decision-maker’s decision to be reasonable, all relevant factors must be taken into account, and the requirements of the *Architects Act* were not considered by the local government in this case [paragraphs 106-107];
- The Building Code is a regulation under the *Building Act*, and cannot take precedence over the *Architects Act* (in terms of a local government deciding which ‘laws’ to follow or consider) [paragraphs 110-112];
- Langford’s decision to issue the permit without considering the *Architects Act* was unreasonable, and “Intervention by this court is required to safeguard legality and rationality” [paragraphs 114-115]; and
- The remedy of a “declaration” was appropriate to “provide guidance to municipal officials exercising their permitting powers.” [paragraphs 116-120].

Outcome

This decision confirms that the law in British Columbia requires local governments to consider the *Architects Act* in their building permitting decision-making. Many local governments in B.C. do this already, and the AIBC is regularly contacted by building officials and others for assistance on whether an architect is required for a project. As indicated above, the decision goes further and holds that it is not a “rational or acceptable outcome” that a permit be issued for a building which has clearly been designed in contravention of the *Architects Act*, an Act respecting health and safety.

The judicial confirmation of the status of the *Architects Act* is of benefit to building officials, owners, local governments across the province, and ultimately, the public. The decision is a positive outcome that provides much-needed clarity regarding the intersection of the *Architects Act* and the local government permitting processes for the design and construction of buildings in British Columbia. The decision is not about ‘protecting architects’: the AIBC’s mandate is public protection, including ensuring that only qualified individuals practice architecture, and holding architects to account through the discipline process.

While the AIBC is responsible for enforcing the *Architects Act*, the court has made clear that local governments cannot ignore the provisions of the Act and indeed must consider them when making permitting decisions. It is of course understood this expectation is not limited to local governments: Owners, developers and non-architect designers must also comply with the legislation, which has general application.

Exercising discretion reasonably means ceasing the processing of an application that contravenes the *Architects Act*, at any stage in the permitting process, including at development and building permit stages. The AIBC can be contacted in such cases, and we can assist the local government and the parties involved to understand the application of the *Architects Act* if the parties are uncertain as to its application.

Consultation/Working together in the public interest

The AIBC is aware that confusion and possible conflict may arise in cases where the *Architects Act* and the BC Building Code's requirements for professional design and review do not align. The AIBC would like to remind you that it routinely handles queries from local governments, owners and others about specific projects. The AIBC offers resources to assist local governments such as the Appendix to Bulletin 31, which compares the *Architects Act* requirements for architects to the BC Building Code requirements for professional design and review.

The AIBC is also ready to assist you by stepping in to address applicants who are not complying with the *Architects Act* in your jurisdiction. We appreciate the pressure that building officials face on a daily basis balancing applicants' expectations and rights, local bylaws, the Building Code and other applicable laws such as the *Architects Act*. We are here to help.

Prior to this case, a number of local governments had already taken steps to incorporate reference to compliance with the *Architects Act* into their own bylaws to ensure that the requirements of the *Architects Act* are taken into consideration, and the AIBC applauds and encourages such steps. It should be noted that the *Architects Act* cannot be 'written around' by drafting bylaws that purport to prevent its application. It is a law of general application in the province.

The way forward

By working with the AIBC and with Engineers and Geoscientists BC, planning staff and building officials can provide accurate information to applicants and other parties about the requirement for the involvement of architects and engineers. This is a public protection matter.

If you have questions about the Langford Decision or the *Architects Act*'s intersection with local government obligations, I invite you to contact AIBC General Counsel Thomas Lutes at tlutes@aibc.ca or 604.305.2690.

If you require assistance to determine whether an architect is required on a particular project, please contact the AIBC's Lead Practice Advisor and Regulatory Liaison, Maura Gatensby Architect AIBC CP, at mgatensby@aibc.ca or 604.305.2699.

The AIBC is committed to continue working with local governments to make sure that the laws enacted to protect the public are complied with. We welcome dialogue with all local governments on achieving compliance through education and discussion, as 'partners in the public interest'.

Sincerely,



Mark Vernon
Chief Executive Officer

Catherine Allaway

From: Tut, Kuldeep EBC:EX <Kuldeep.Tut@elections.bc.ca>

Sent: August 26, 2020 12:57 PM

Subject: 'ce@newdenver.ca'

Use of Municipal Facilities for Voting Places



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August 26, 2020

Leonard Casley
Mayor of New Denver
115 Slocan Avenue
New Denver, BC V0G 1S0

Dear Mayor:

I am writing to request your support as Elections BC begins to prepare for the next provincial general election. The next provincial election is currently scheduled for October 16, 2021, but recently there has been speculation that it could occur earlier, potentially in the fall of 2020 or the spring of 2021. Part of our mandate is to be prepared for the possibility of the election being held earlier, potentially as early as this fall.

To that end, district electoral officers in each of the province's 87 electoral districts have begun contacting community halls, recreation centres, fire halls, public libraries and other municipal facilities to confirm their availability for use as voting places. Once availability has been confirmed, district electoral officers will work with facility managers to ensure that appropriate security and logistics controls are planned and to address individual concerns.

Elections BC has been working with the Office of the Provincial Health Officer to develop protocols to administer voting safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. We recognize that the pandemic has affected all individuals and organizations in the province, and that you may have questions and concerns about how an election may be held under some level of public health restrictions. Like all organizations, Elections BC is operating under the directives and guidelines of the Office of the Provincial Health Officer. What an election may look like at different times in the future will, of course, be directly impacted by circumstances and the public health guidance at the time.

We have begun planning how our processes will be adapted to permit voting and counting during the pandemic. Our goal is to meet or exceed all requirements established by WorkSafe BC and the Provincial Health Officer. As we move ahead with this planning, consultation with the Provincial Health Officer will continue. Adaptations that Elections BC will be making include:

- Sanitation of voting and related spaces before and after voting
- Modification of voting administration processes to reduce the number of officials and persons present and to ensure physical distancing
- Use of masks where physical distancing cannot be maintained and providing sanitation stations and protective equipment for election workers
- Expanded use of remote voting options such as vote-by-mail and telephone voting, especially for at risk-voters

- More options for in-person early voting to reduce numbers on voting days

If you have any questions after reviewing this letter, please send them to voterservices@elections.bc.ca and a member of my staff will respond as soon as possible.

I hope you will share this information with the appropriate representatives for the facilities in your community. We rely on your assistance to carry out our mandate of administering the electoral process in British Columbia. Thank you for your support and continuing partnership.

Sincerely,

Charles Porter
Deputy Chief Electoral Officer, Electoral Finance and Operations

Catherine Allaway

From: Nadine Raynolds <Nadine@y2y.net>
Sent: August 17, 2020 5:03 PM
To: mayor@newdenver.ca; fyke@newdenver.ca; gutsafson@newdenver.ca; moss@newdenver.ca; wagner@newdenver.ca; office@newdenver.ca
Subject: Recreation Ecology research project in your area
Attachments: Recreation Conservation & You, Columbia Headwaters.pdf

Dear Mayor and Council of New Denver,

I am writing to let you know about a new recreation ecology research project happening in southeastern BC. Dr. Karine Pigeon is leading the research and is a postdoctoral fellow working with Dr. Pamela Wright (University of Northern BC) and Dr. Aerin Jacob (Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative).

The goal of this collaborative research project is to understand when, where, and how people are recreating in the Columbia Headwaters region of BC (and in the Kananaskis-Ghost area of Alberta). Using this information alongside current wildlife research can assist in better planning to ensure that both wildlife and people are safe.

Attached is a brochure that explains the project and you can find out more and follow the project [here](#).

If you have any feedback or know of any potential synergies or data on specific recreation activities, please contact Karine Pigeon directly at karine.pigeon@unbc.ca or 780-223-7317.

Please feel free to pass along this brochure and the link, and if you would like printed copies I am happy to send you some.

Thanks!

Nadine

Nadine Raynolds

Columbia Headwaters Program Manager
Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative
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Catherine Allaway

From: Mary Therese DesCamp
Sent: August 13, 2020 4:36 PM
To: Catherine Allaway; Mayor@newdenver.ca; fyke@newdenver.ca; gustafson@newdenver.ca; moss@newdenver.ca; wagner@newdenver.ca
Subject: Mandatory Masks

Dear Mayor and members of the Council,

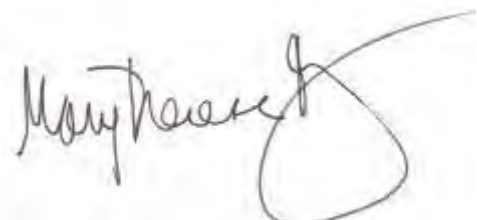
This letter comes to you from the majority of the COVID-19 Community Action Team of the New Denver and Silverton area, and arises from discussion by members of the team regarding the impact of tourist activity in our area during the past month. Just as a reminder, the CCAT has been meeting since March. Among the projects we have developed or supported are a mental health/food sustainability garden box program, involving local volunteers who made and distributed 44-3x5 raised beds; coordinating an effort between non-profit societies and local business to keep essential services open; purchasing materials so that volunteers could make and distribute masks; and supporting small businesses by providing masks and sanitizer.

It has been disconcerting that the provincial government has not issued a health order requiring masks in stores. As the Prime Minister of Ireland said this week when he mandated masks, “When people are given a clear direction, they follow it.” While we appreciate the sentiment that people should want to take care of each other, the responsibility for keeping people safe has essentially been downloaded onto store owners, as have been the necessity for assuring that customers use hand sanitizer, observe the posted limitation on the number of people in the party or attend to the number of people allowed in the store. This is a financial burden as well as a mental health burden. Many visitors to the area seem to be operating under the assumption that because they are in a rural area, there is no disease here. When hundreds of people visit our little grocery store in a single day, the chances are very high that someone is walking in with the virus and endangering others.

With regard to masks, the research is now clear. Wearing a mask not only protects other people, it also reduces the risk of contracting COVID-19, and reduces the severity of symptoms. (See <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23498357/>.) With rising cases in B.C., requiring masks is one concrete step we can take to slow the spread of COVID-19, and still maintain maximum freedom to socialize.

As we go into August with the reasonable expectation of even more visitors, we ask you—we beg you—please, advocate insistently to Provincial government that such a regulation be implemented province-wide.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mary Therese DesCamp". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

Rev. Dr. Mary Therese DesCamp

COVID-19 Community Action Team of New Denver and Silverton

August 19, 2020

File: 0530

Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy
c/o Global Covenant of Mayors Secretariat
Via Email: info@IUC-NA.EU

Reference: Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy Commitment Letter

I, Ange Qualizza, Mayor of the City of Fernie commit to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM), joining thousands of other cities and local governments around the world currently engaged in climate leadership.

GCoM envisions a world where committed mayors and local governments – in alliance with partners – accelerate ambitious, measurable climate and energy initiatives that lead to an inclusive, just, low-emission and climate resilient future, helping to meet and exceed the Paris Agreement objectives.

Whatever the size or location, the mayors and local leaders committed to GCoM stand ready to take concrete measures with long-term impact to tackle the interconnected challenges of climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as access to sustainable energy.

To implement this vision, we pledge to implement policies and undertake measures to (i) reduce / avoid greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, (ii) prepare for the impacts of climate change, (iii) increase access to sustainable energy, and (iv) track progress toward these objectives.

Specifically, within three years of this commitmentⁱⁱ, we pledge to develop, adoptⁱⁱⁱ, use and regularly report on the following:

- A community-scale GHG emission inventory, following the recommended guidance;
- An assessment of climate risks and vulnerabilities;
- Ambitious, measurable and time-bound target(s) to reduce/avoid GHG emissions;
- Ambitious climate change adaptation vision and goals, based on quantified scientific evidence when possible, to increase local resilience to climate change;
- An ambitious and just goal to improve access to secure, sustainable and affordable energy; and
- A formally adopted plan(s) addressing climate change mitigation / low emission development, climate resilience and adaptation, and access to sustainable energy.

The targets and action plans for mitigation / low emission development must be quantified and consistent with or exceed relevant national unconditional^{iv} commitments defined through the UNFCCC (Intended) Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). The targets and action plans should be in line with National

Adaptation Plans, where these exist; and should be consistent with the principles around energy access and urban sustainability embodied in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We will explore the allocation of adequate staff resources and institutional arrangements. This includes governance processes, municipal structures and budget allocations to deliver on this commitment and secure continuity.

We acknowledge that there may be additional regional- or country-specific commitments or requirements that we commit to follow, and that may be agreed through our city networks or through our direct engagement with local partners of GCoM.

The City of Fernie acknowledges that continued engagement in GCoM and associated Regional or National Covenants, as established, is contingent on complying with the above requirements within established timeframes.

Name and title of person signing this commitment

Mayor Ange Qualizza
City of Fernie
501 – 3rd Avenue, PO Box 190
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www.fernie.ca
Ange Qualizza: ange.qualizza@fernie.ca
Fernie: 5,300 Inhabitants, 13.5 sq. kilometres
Mandated by the Council of the City of Fernie on July 13, 2020.

Sincerely,

Ange Qualizza
Mayor
(attachment: Certified Resolution of Council)



ⁱ “Avoid emission” via low emission development

ⁱⁱ Flexibility is allowed to suit differentiated local circumstances and needs.

ⁱⁱⁱ According to the city and local government’s procedures

^{iv} Many countries have submitted two sets of NDC targets: unconditional targets, to be implemented without any explicit external support; and conditional targets. The latter are more ambitious than unconditional targets and require external support for their fulfilment. The cities and local governments committing to the GCoM are required to commit at least to the equivalent of their country’s unconditional targets, but are encouraged to be more ambitious where possible.

CERTIFIED RESOLUTION

I, Suzanne Garand, Corporate Officer, for the City of Fernie, Province of British Columbia hereby certify the following to be a true and correct copy of the following resolution adopted by the Council for the City of Fernie on Monday, July 13, 2020 at the Regular Meeting of Council:

Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Change

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Mayor Qualizza join the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy by submitting the commitment letter to the Global Covenant of Mayors Secretariat.

CARRIED

Sincerely,



Suzanne Garand
Corporate Officer

August 19, 2020

Catherine Allaway
CAO
The Corporation of the Village of New Denver
Post Office Box 40
New Denver, British Columbia
V0G 1S0

Title: Fonds d'urgence relatif à la COVID-19 / COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund

Dear Catherine Allaway,

On behalf of the Minister of Canadian Heritage, it is my pleasure to inform you that your application for funding has been approved.

A grant in the amount of \$10,000 will be awarded to help your organization carry out its activities, under the Museums Assistance Program, COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund Component. This funding will be allocated over one government fiscal year 2020-2021 and will be subject to certain terms and conditions, the appropriation of funds by Parliament, and the budget levels of the Program.

One of our program representatives may be in contact with you in the near future to review the terms and conditions related to this funding. As you may already know, the Government of Canada is committed to promoting workplaces free from harassment, abuse and discrimination. I would like to seize this opportunity to remind you of your responsibility to provide a work environment where harassment, abuse and discrimination are not tolerated.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and the members of your organization the greatest success in your endeavours.

Sincerely,



Derick McNeil
Acting Regional Director General

National Pharmacare Call to Action

**From The Office of
Councillor Stephanie McGowan
Town of Comox**

Dear Community Leaders,

With the economy in crisis because of COVID-19, now is the time for the federal government to fulfill its promise to implement a universal, public national pharmacare program. The need for pharmacare has never been starker.

Rapid implementation of a universal pharmacare system could help Canadian households, businesses, and municipalities and avoid needless suffering.

Prior to COVID-19, Canada's patchwork of private and public drug plans left [1 in 5 Canadians with little or no prescription drug coverage](#). Canadians were already three times more likely to [skip prescriptions because they could not afford them](#) than residents of comparable countries with universal pharmacare systems, like the United Kingdom. COVID-19 will make this worse.

[Over 3 million Canadians have lost their jobs](#) because of the COVID-19 pandemic and 2.5 million more are working less than half of their usual hours. All 5.5 million of these Canadians now have less income to pay for medicines that they or their family members need. Those who were fortunate enough to have had work-related health insurance may lose that too.

Even before COVID-19, [thousands of Canadians already ended up in hospital](#) and [hundreds of Canadians died](#) every year as a result of their inability to afford the medicines they need. More will do so as a result of their reduced incomes and loss of drug coverage – right at a time when we need Canadians to avoid hospitals as much as possible.

Canada's patchwork of private and public drug plans is not just letting patients down, it is also costing far more than a universal pharmacare system would. Canada spends at [least 50% more per person on pharmaceuticals](#) than countries with universal, single-payer pharmacare systems. Other countries spend less because they use their nation-wide purchasing power of to negotiate [lower prices for brand name and generic drugs](#).

The inefficiency in Canada's system is placing a heavy financial burden on Canadian households and employers. Local governments are among those bearing this burden. In 2015, Canada's local governments spent an [estimated \\$500 million](#) to provide private drug coverage for our public sector employees. The costs of these plans have increased dramatically since, driven by increased availability and use of [high-cost medicines](#), the costs of which are very difficult for individual employers to manage.

Having multiple drug plans operating in every province – including multiple private plans for public sector employees – needlessly duplicates administrative costs and reduces Canada's power to effectively manage prices. Wasteful spending on these drug plans has long diverted resources from services that Canadians need from local governments. Now, with reduced local government revenues stemming from the COVID-19 mitigation efforts, the cost of these plans are an even greater problem across the country.

It is therefore time for the federal government to implement the long-promised universal, comprehensive, public pharmacare plan. Since the 1960s, five separate national commissions have recommended that medically necessary prescription drugs be included in Canada's universal, public health insurance system. Just last year, Trudeau's [Advisory Council on the Implementation of National Pharmacare](#) produced an evidence-based and practical implementation plan that would begin this year.

The creation of a universal pharmacare plan was in the [Liberal platform](#), in mandate letters for the [minister of health](#) and [deputy prime minister](#), and a top of the priority of the [NDP](#), whose support is critical in this minority parliament.

COVID-19 has made the case for implementing universal even stronger.

The federal government has the opportunity right now to provide an immediate \$3.5 billion for universal, public coverage of between 100 and 200 medicines of greatest importance to the health of the Canadian population. This would [improve access to essential treatments](#) when Canadians most need it while, according to the governments' own estimates, save Canadian households and employers [billions of dollars more than it cost government to run](#).

We ask municipalities to join us in requesting that the federal government by sending your own message or inserting your community name and letterhead on the attached document requesting the Federal Government follow through with their Advisory Council's recommendations and move forward with implementing this program. All messages should be sent to:

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Patty Hadju
Address Locator 0900C2
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hcminister.ministresc@canada.ca

Special thanks to:
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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL DECISION

SUBMITTED BY: Catherine Allaway

DATE: September 4, 2020

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

PURPOSE: To seek Council authorization for a temporary road closure on a portion of Kildare Street

RECOMMENDATION:

That Kildare Street be closed from Slocan Avenue to the alley north of 713 Kildare on Friday, September 11, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. to ensure the safety of pedestrians;

And further, that Resolution #187/20 be rescinded.

ALTERNATIVES & IMPLICATIONS:

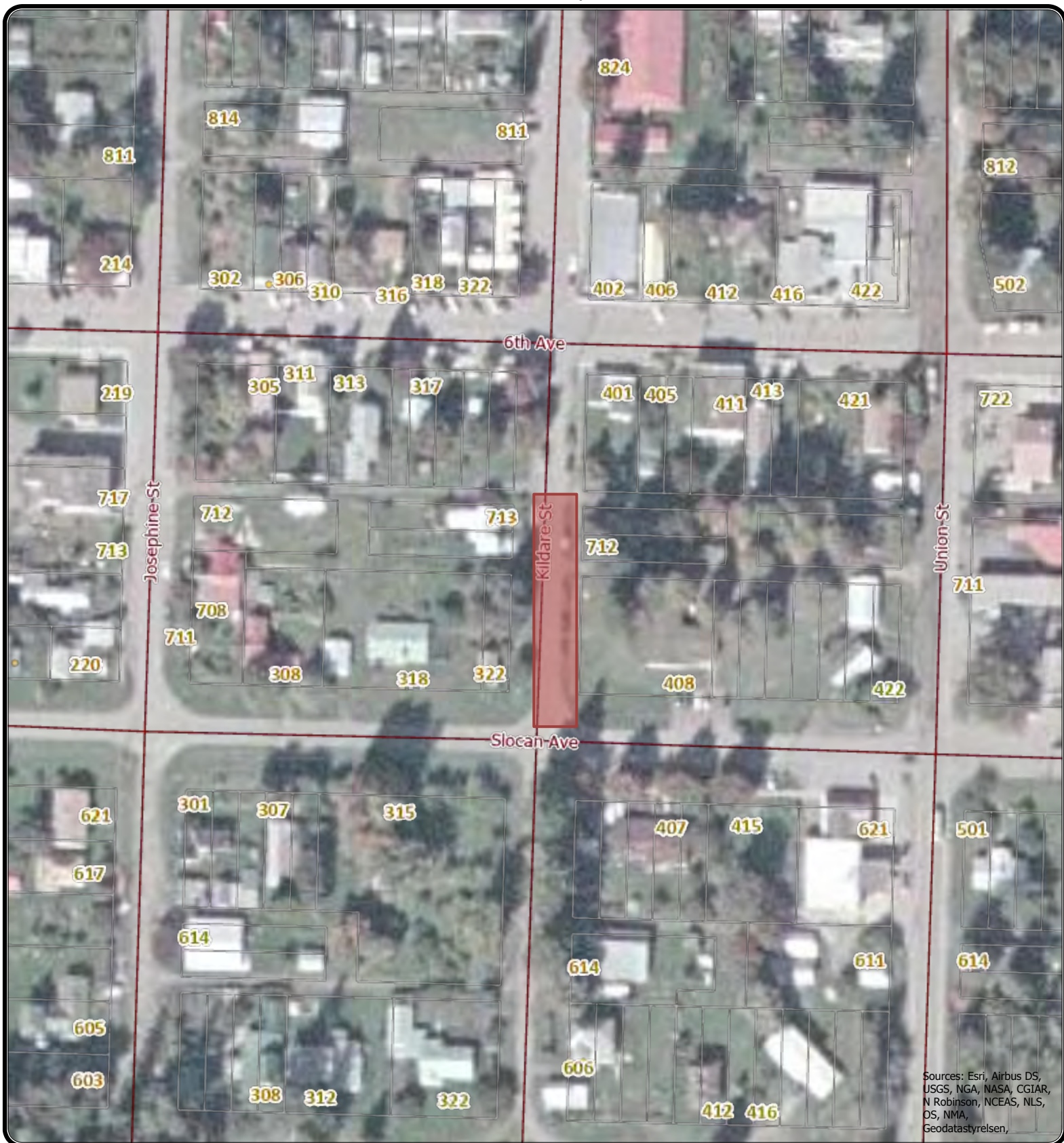
If Council does not approve the temporary road closure request at this location the event can still proceed. High volumes of vehicular and pedestrian traffic will be concentrated in the area as customers visit the Friday Market and the Slocan Community Health Centre Auxiliary yard sale.

ANALYSIS:

- A. Background:** At the August 11, 2020 Council meeting, a resolution was adopted authorizing the closure of Bellevue Street in front of the Bosun Hall. The authorization was conditional on the submission of a satisfactory COVID-19 safety plan and proof of insurance coverage, as usual for all events taking place on municipal property. The requirement for insurance coverage is cost prohibitive for the Slocan Community Health Centre Auxiliary Society, so they would like to relocate their event on to private property where these rules won't apply. The event is now proposed for 713 Kildare Street, across the alley from the Friday Market venue.
- B. Discussion:** As the Slocan Community Health Centre Auxiliary Society's yard sale fundraiser will occur at the same time as Friday Market, a large volume of pedestrian traffic is expected in the vicinity. Closing a portion of the street to vehicular traffic for the duration of the event will help to ensure public safety. There are no objections to this proposal from the Friday Market organizers as the alley between 713 Kildare Street and the Friday Market will remain open to allow access for pick ups and drop offs.
- C. Legislative Framework:** Traffic and Streets Regulation Bylaw No. 558, 2002
- D. Attachments:** map showing location of proposed road closure
- E. Council Strategic Priority:** Nil
- F. Communication Strategy:** Affected property owners will be given advance notice of the closure.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Nil

RDCK Map



Sources: Esri, Airbus DS,
USGS, NGA, NASA, CGIAR,
N Robinson, NCEAS, NLS,
OS, NMA,
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Legend

- RDCK Roads
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- Cadastre
- Civic Address

Map Scale:

1:2,280

Date: September 4, 2020



The mapping information shown are approximate representations and should only be used for reference purposes. The Regional District of Central Kootenay is not responsible for any errors or omissions on this map.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL DECISION

SUBMITTED BY: Theresa Tremaine, Community Services Assistant
SUBJECT: NIMC Special Access Policy Amendments

DATE: September 3, 2020

PURPOSE: To seek Council approval for changes to the NIMC Special Access Policy.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the amended Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Special Access Policy be adopted as presented.

ALTERNATIVES & IMPLICATIONS :

1. **Amend the NIMC Special Access Policy as presented.** *Staff will prepare the amendments to the Fees & Charges bylaw for consideration by Council at the next Regular meeting.*
2. Direct staff to prepare alternate amendments to the NIMC Special Access Policy. *A revised proposal will be presented to Council for consideration at a future meeting.*
3. Do not make any changes to the NIMC Special Access Policy at this time. *Any commercial request will require a Council decision.*

ANALYSIS:

- A. Background:** The current NIMC Special Access Policy #246/18 does not address requests from commercial projects. There have been a number of requests for Special Access to the NIMC in 2020, some of which are commercial in nature. Without clear policy to guide staff responses to these inquiries it is taking a considerable staff time to communicate with the various groups.
- B. Discussion:** The rise in special access requests that we are receiving this year has highlighted some gaps in the current special access policy. Further clarity is required in dealing with commercial organizations as well as categorising commercial projects and non-profit/educational projects. Historically, the NIMC has not been staffed to levels that are necessary to meet current demand. In addition, each project involves several hours of back and forth correspondence regarding the request which takes considerable staff time. Changes to the policy are needed so that the Village can recover costs, streamline the process, and ensure consistency of procedures for each applicant for fairness.

The current proposal includes the following changes to the policy:

- The definition of Non-Commercial Production has been amended to include “student projects, research projects and projects conducted by a not-for-profit organization or academic institution”. This removes “public education” projects from the Non-Commercial class.
- Special Access Condition section 1 has been amended to broaden the policy so that it applies to commercial activities as well as non-commercial activities.
- Special Access Condition section 7 has been amended to limit the non-commercial classifications to (a) Officially recognised educational institutions including public and private schools, colleges and universities and (b) non-profit societies. This removes (c) Public broadcasting institutions

and producers creating educational and public interest programs; and (d) Material to be used expressly in the development of creative projects such as plays, performances and theatre that will be performed for a public of under 2000. This will ensure that the non-commercial description is easily identified and limited to true non-commercial projects.

- Special Access Condition section 19 has been amended to provide for a signed declaration by the user assuming responsibility for any damages caused to the NIMC or Village property where a liability insurance policy is not required.
- The Application Process section has been updated to include references to submission of a written request and/or order form as an initial step.
- The Application Process section has been amended to reference the Special Access Policy, Usage Agreement and Price List.
- Inclusion of a Usage Agreement and Price List for services so that staff can consistently apply rules and recover costs. These elements mirror the conditions imposed by the Nikkei National Museum and Cultural Centre (NNMCC) for access to their collections. The proposed price list for services will not result in significant costs for individual projects but will allow the Village to recover costs incurred during the delivery of additional services. If the proposed policy changes are approved by Council, staff will prepare the required amendments to the Fees & Charges bylaw, to authorize the charging of applicable fees.

C. Legislative Framework: Nil

D. Attachments: Proposed NIMC Special Access Policy; NIMC Usage Agreement; NIMC Price List

E. Council Strategic Priority: Nil

F. Communication Strategy: The policy will be available on the Village of New Denver website.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The proposed changes to the NIMC Special Access Policy will slightly increase municipal revenues by allowing for cost recovery in situations requiring special access or reproductions from the collection. The fees that are proposed are in line with those charged by the Nikkei National Museum and Cultural Centre (NNMCC) which has a collection with similar content.



Village of New Denver

POLICY:	Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Special Access		
Effective Date: DRAFT September 3, 2020	Authorized By:	Replaces: Policy adopted August 15, 2018 (Resolution #246/18)	

PURPOSE:

To guide staff responses to requests for access to the site and the permanent collection for viewing, research, or study, or to photograph, sketch, or film.

Scope:

This policy applies to requests for special access to the site, and the collection at the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre for research, or study, or to photograph, sketch, or film. Still photography and filming for personal use is permitted at the Centre, does not require prior approval and is not subject to this policy.

Definitions:

Village of New Denver ("Village")	The Corporation of the Village of New Denver
Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre ("NIMC")	Property located at 306 Josephine St., New Denver, BC, that is owned by the Village of New Denver. Includes all site elements (including but not limited to the grounds, gardens, buildings, infrastructure and displays.)
Permanent Collection ("Collection")	The group of objects and archival material brought together in order to represent and document the life and condition of the Nikkei living the New Denver Orchard and surrounding West Kootenay camps between 1942 and 1957 and supporting material.
Archival Material	Information records pertaining to the life and condition of the Nikkei living in the New Denver Orchard and surrounding West Kootenay camps between 1942 and 1957. These records can consist of a variety of media including textual material and audio visual recordings.
Artifact	An object remaining from a particular period which in this case pertains to the Nikkei living in the New Denver Orchard and surrounding West Kootenay camps between 1942 and 1957.

Staff	An employee of the Village of New Denver assigned to a project.
Non – Commercial Production	Any project that is not primarily intended for or directed towards commercial advantage or monetary compensation. This category includes, but is not limited to: student projects, research projects and projects conducted by a not for profit/educational group or organization.
Special Access	Any access other than regular visitor admission. This includes access during regular opening hours as well as after-hours and off season.

OBJECTIVES:

- To provide and control special access to the NIMC’s Collection and site.
- To assist researchers, artists, photographers, and members of the public in accessing the NIMC’s Collection and site.
- To provide a high level of service in response to requests to utilize the NIMC for the purpose of research and inquiries about other forms of special access to the NIMC Collection and the physical site.
- To build the NIMC’s public profile through involvement with educational institutions, artists, photographers, and members of the public.
- To minimize disruption of normal NIMC activities as a result of research and special access to the Collection and site.
- To recover costs associated with providing this service.
- To preserve the institutional reputation, public image, and integrity of the NIMC.

SPECIAL ACCESS CONDITIONS

1. The approval of projects requesting special access to the NIMC shall be based on the guidelines and definitions within this policy.
2. Anyone can make an application for special access to the NIMC's Collection and site. Research visits are NOT restricted to those affiliated with other museums or academic institutions.
3. Anyone wishing to have special access to the site and Collection for research or study, or to photograph, sketch, or film, must complete the Village of New Denver's Special Access Application Form.
4. Any staff decisions made under this policy may be appealed in writing to the Council of the Village of New Denver.
5. The Village may share information contained in the application with stakeholders as part of the application process.
6. The Village of New Denver reserves the right to reject applications which:
 - a) Conflict with other events at the NIMC;
 - b) Jeopardize the security or safety of the collection or site;
 - c) Subject the site, items in the Collection, or the culture from which they come, to misrepresentation or disrespect;
 - d) Cannot be met because of limited time or staff resources.
7. The following are specifically included in the non-commercial classification:
 - (a) Officially recognised educational institutions including public and private schools, colleges and universities;
 - (b) Non-profit societies;
8. Staff availability and conflict with other Village of New Denver events may impact processing times and scheduling of access. Requests may be denied due to staff availability.
9. Access may be denied or revoked at anytime if it is negatively impacting visitor experience or the integrity of the site.
10. Special access may be limited to avoid disruption to daily activities or the general visitor experience at the NIMC.
11. Requests should indicate the specific object(s) or archival material to be accessed.
12. All requests should describe the scope of the project and (if applicable) the medium in which the object(s) will be reproduced, e.g. print, video, etc.

13. Village staff must be present for the duration of the special access.
14. Requests to handle, move, or transport specific artifacts or archival material must be included in the application. No handling of items in the Collection is allowed without the express written consent of the Village of New Denver.
15. The reproduction of any image of an object in the NIMC Collection or of the site is limited to what has been approved specifically in the application, and permission is granted for one-time use only.
16. Should the applicant wish to reproduce the material gathered, the applicant must seek written approval for each additional use.
17. Images of objects in the NIMC's collection or of the site cannot be cut or altered in any manner which will distort them without prior approval from the Village of New Denver.
18. A copy of the final project may be required by the Village of New Denver as a condition of approval.
19. All applicants may be required to carry \$2 million liability insurance with the Village of New Denver listed as an additional named insured. Applicants may be required to provide the Village of New Denver with a copy of the insurance policy and certificate. If insurance policy is not required
20. Fees for special access may apply.
21. All applicable fees should be made payable to the Village of New Denver.



APPLICATION PROCESS

- ☐ A written request is submitted to Village of New Denver staff.
- ☐ Village staff will review the request and contact the applicant for further clarification if necessary. A completed Collection Access request form will typically be required.
- ☐ Staff will determine if the application can be approved and will provide fee estimates.
- ☐ For approved projects, the signed usage agreement, required fees and insurance policy or declaration must be received before site access can be arranged through the Village office.
- ☐ Once the project is completed and the site has been checked for any damage, a final invoice will be sent to cover any further costs associated with the project;

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ☐ The applicant submits a completed Collection Access Application Form, as well as the following;
- ☐ A letter of intent, including a brief description of the project, that specifies the exact nature of the proposed activities to take place at the NIMC, details of the distribution or intended use of the final product.
- ☐ Project Script (draft version is acceptable).

Available Information

Copies of the Corporation of the Village of New Denver's Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Access Policy and additional information are available from:

Village of New Denver Municipal Office:

115 Slocan Avenue, PO Box 40, New Denver, BC, V0G 1S0 Canada

Email: office@newdenver.ca

Phone: 250-358-2316

newdenver.ca

NIMC Usage Agreement

Contact Information

Name:

Address:

Organizations:

Phone:

Email:

List of Items (include accession numbers if possible):

Intended Use:

☐ Non-profit/education

☐ Commercial

☐ Personal

Description of project:

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Signature

Date

Museum Authorized Personnel

Date

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Item	Price
Filming on site	\$75 for first 3 hours, \$25 for each additional hour
Research Services	\$30 per hour
Commercial use fees for print publication	\$40
Commercial use fees for television, film or online	\$75
Shipping	Based on postal/courier charges
Rush order	Double
Reproductions	
72 dpi resolution digital file of a scanned photograph or archival record (retrieved from online database collection).	FREE
300 dpi resolution digital file of a scanned photograph or archival record	\$25
Custom dpi resolution digital file	\$40

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