



AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 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 October 13, 2020, Regular Meeting.

MINUTES:

- Resolution to adopt the Minutes of the September 22, 2020, Regular Meeting
- Resolution to adopt the Minutes of the October 9, 2020, Special Meeting

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:

Gary Wright, New Denver - Municipal Bylaw Violations

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS: - Nil

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION:

- Resolution to receive the following items for information:
 - Forest Enhancement Society of BC (*Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development - Diane Nichols, ADM Chief Forester*)
 - RE: Forest Enhancement Society of BC's 2020 Accomplishments Report (*FESBC - Steven Kozuki, Executive Director*)

STAFF REPORTS:

- Resolution to receive the following items for information:
 - 2020 Annual Report
 - 2019 CARIP Report
 - Housing Needs Assessment (*RDCK - Dana Hawkins, Planner 2*)

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:

Fees & Charges Amendment Bylaw No. - For final adoption
730, 2020

RDCK - Abby Fedorak, Administration - Wood Stove Exchange Program
Assistant Environmental Services

ADJOURNMENT:

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



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

DATE: September 22, 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
- Jessica Rayner, Community Planner
- Press: Valley Voice
- Guests: Nil

CALL TO ORDER:

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION #204

- Moved by Councillor Fyke and seconded that the agenda for the September 22, 2020 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

RESOLUTION #205

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the Minutes of the September 8, 2020 Regular Meeting be adopted as read.

CARRIED

PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:

- Nil

PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

- Nil

OLD BUSINESS:

- Nil

CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION:

RESOLUTION #206

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the following correspondence be received for information:
 - RE: Emergency Paramedics and Dispatchers
(*Ambulance Paramedics and Emergency Dispatchers of BC – Troy Clifford, Provincial President*)

- RE: Universal access to no-cost prescription contraception (*City of New Westminster – Mayor Jonathan Cote*)

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS:

- Nil

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Verbal Reports

- Councillor Fyke reported on the BC Hydro LED Street Light Replacement Program
- Councillor Fyke reported on the West Kootenay 100% Renewable Energy Plan
- Councillor Fyke provided updates on MIABC activities
- Councillor Wagner reported on the North Slokan Trails Society's agreement with BC Parks

Regional District of Central Kootenay

- Councillor Moss reported on RDCK affairs

West Kootenay Boundary Regional
Hospital District

- Councillor Moss reported on WKBRHD affairs

Recreation Commission #6

- Councillor Fyke reported on Recreation Commission 6 affairs

Economic Development Commission

- Nil

Rosebery Trails & Parklands
Commission

- Councillor Wagner reported on Rosebery Trails & Parklands Commission affairs

Treaty Advisory Committee

- Nil

Fire Department Committee

- Nil

Health Advisory Committee

- Draft minutes from the September 14, 2020 meeting were presented for information.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #207

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the Village of New Denver Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 730, 2020 be given first, second and third reading.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION #208

- Moved by Councillor Fyke and seconded that the Village of New Denver express interest in participating in the Regional District of Central Kootenay's proposed Dog Control Service for the Slocan Valley.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION #209

- Moved by Councillor Wagner and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

CARRIED

MAYOR CASLEY

CORPORATE OFFICER



MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING

DATE: October 8, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

PRESENT:

- Mayor Leonard Casley
- Councillor John Fyke
- Councillor Vern Gustafson
- Councillor Colin Moss
- Councillor Gerald Wagner
- Catherine Allaway, CAO
- Press: Nil
- Guests: Nil

CALL TO ORDER:

- Mayor Casley called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RESOLUTION #210

- Moved by Councillor Fyke and seconded that the agenda for the October 8, 2020 Special Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #211

UBCM 2021 CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports Grant Application

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the Village of New Denver partner with the Village of Silverton and the Village of Slocan in an application to the UBCM CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program for funding up to \$450,000; and further, that the Village of Silverton be designated as the lead proponent in this application.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DISCUSSION:

RESOLUTION #212

- Moved by Councillor Moss and seconded that the Council dissolve into Committee of the Whole for discussion at 9:42 a.m.

CARRIED

CERIP Grant Funding

- Staff outlined an application for infrastructure projects at the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre

UBCM Meeting Summary

- Review of outcomes of meetings held virtually with provincial staff during the 2020 UBCM Convention.

RISE AND REPORT:

RESOLUTION #213

- Moved by Councillor Gustafson and seconded that Council rise and report in open meeting at 12:15 p.m.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION #214

- Moved by Councillor Wagner and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 12:15 p.m.
CARRIED

MAYOR CASLEY

CORPORATE OFFICER



New Denver, BC
6 October 2020

Mayor Casley and Council
delivered by hand

REQUEST TO APPEAR AS A DELEGATION

Dear Mayor Casley and Council:

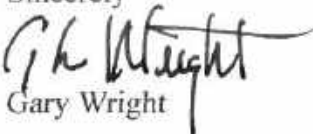
For more than two months now, a steel container has been blocking the Yield sign at the corner of 1st and Josephine. For almost two months, private party garbage cans, a private party composting bin and signpost have been sitting in contravention of the municipal zoning bylaw (#912, 6.1.g) on the public boulevard across from my house. Though reported informally to the village by several residents, no apparent action has been taken by staff or Council to deal with these infractions; hence this formal request.

The issue of the illegal steel container seems pretty simple: it's a traffic hazard. I am certain the RCMP would agree, if asked to investigate and report. Drivers going north on Josephine are not aware they must yield to traffic on 1st. Drivers going north on Josephine cannot even see east up 1st because their view is blocked by the container. If contacting the known owner of the container with a request to remove it to somewhere safe and legal has not brought compliance, I would suggest contacting the municipal solicitor to seek advice on how to best take quick and effective action.

The matter of the composting site is a little more complicated because most of our residents favor some form of "community" composting. That doesn't mean we can ignore our own bylaws. After meeting with the Joracan group (who bought and say they placed the composter on the boulevard with village staff approval), we all agreed that the composter and attendant cans/signs are (1) best placed in alleys rather than on boulevards, and even then, to comply with our OCP and zoning bylaw, (2) could be introduced as a pilot project, reviewable by Council after one year. Our preferred location would be in the alley adjacent to the rear of the Nikkei Centre. A 12-month license could be granted, subject to revocation by the village after a certain number of substantiated complaints. The same thing could be done for the contravening joracan currently on the boulevard at 8th and Union. The requirement for a license gives the village the opportunity to set some enforceable ground rules, and makes it easier to remove items in contravention of same. If successful, I would suggest formally amending both the OCP and the zoning bylaw to permit ongoing placement of appropriate private composters in alleys, subject to municipal licensing.

Of course, the simplest solution is to remove the contravening material, remind residents that they each own/manage about 6500 square feet of property, and could easily find 40 square feet among them to place their equipment.

Sincerely


Gary Wright



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TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Corporate Officer
SUBJECT: Communications for Information
DATE: October 8, 2020

RECOMMENDATION:

That the following correspondence be received for information:

- Forest Enhancement Society of BC (*Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development - Diane Nichols, ADM Chief Forester*)
- RE: Forest Enhancement Society of BC's 2020 Accomplishments Report (*FESBC - Steven Kozuki, Executive Director*)



Reference:258076

September 14, 2020

Hello All

The Forest Enhancement Society of BC (the society) has been delivering projects that support the province's key commitments to British Columbians to deliver forest stewardship projects across the province. I am very pleased that the society shares the same forest stewardship focus as the province, to protect communities from wildfire risks, addressing climate change by supporting the use of fibre from damaged and low-value forest, and by reducing the amount of slash pile burning through fibre utilization projects. The society is a key contributor to the provincial tree planting program that rehabilitates areas devastated by wildfires and mountain pine beetle, ensuring forest and ecosystem health is given a healthy boost after being impacted by these large natural disturbances. Their work advances environmental stewardship and contributes to provincial and national climate goals.

I want to thank the Forest Enhancement Society of BC for working alongside Indigenous nations, and with companies that help to ensure Indigenous communities share in the economic and environmental benefits of forest carbon projects, demonstrating a progressive path forward for reconciliation.

Sincerely,

Diane Nicholls, RPF
ADM Chief Forester
Office of the Chief Forester

pc: Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource
Operations and Rural Development.



Forest Enhancement
Society of British Columbia



September 15, 2020

Leonard Casley
New Denver (Village)
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New Denver, BC V0G 1S0

Re: Forest Enhancement Society of BC's 2020 Accomplishments Report

Dear Mayor Leonard Casley and Council,

British Columbians are concerned about climate change along with other environmental, safety, and economic concerns. They want to know specifically what their governments are doing to protect communities from wildfire risk, improve wildlife habitat, fight climate change, expand the bio-economy, and enhance B.C.'s forests. The enclosed Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC) Accomplishments Report showcases over 250 projects in communities across rural British Columbia. Citizens and governments alike will be pleased to see real-life projects happening close to where they live.

FESBC achieves this work by granting and coordinating funds provided by the Province of British Columbia and the Government of Canada to third parties who implement projects and treatments on the land base. We are pleased to partner with a range of proponents in delivering these projects, from community forests to municipalities to government agencies, and others. Thirty one percent of the funded projects have First Nations participation and, in many cases, it is a First Nation who is the lead agency that envisions, plans, and delivers these projects.

Look in the report for the projects taking place in and around your community being delivered by people who live in your local area. When the opportunity arises, please thank these people and our governments for assisting B.C. and Canada in achieving our shared vision of enhanced forest resilience for the lasting benefit of British Columbia's environment, wildlife, forest health, and communities. If you are one of the local governments who are directly involved in delivering projects in your area, please accept our gratitude.

If you and your Councillors are interested in further information, please visit our website, www.fesbc.ca, send an email, or give me a call.

Steven F. Kozuki, RPF
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TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Corporate Officer
SUBJECT: Reports for Information
DATE: October 8, 2020

RECOMMENDATION:

That the following reports be received for information:

- 2020 Annual Report
- 2019 CARIP Report
- Housing Needs Assessment (*RDCK - Dana Hawkins, Planner 2*)

DISCUSSION:

Annual Report

The Village of New Denver's 2020 Annual Report is attached for Council's information. A copy is available on the Village's website at <https://newdenver.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Annual-Report-2020-no-financials.pdf> or upon request from the Village Office. Please note that the attached version does not include Appendix A, the Village's audited 2019 Financial Statements – this document is available on the Village's website at <https://newdenver.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Village-of-New-Denver-2019-Final-signed-FS.pdf> or upon request from the Village Office. A Council resolution is required to adopt the 2019 Annual Report.

2019 CARIP Report

The Village of New Denver's 2019 Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Report is attached for Council's information. A copy is available on the Village's website at <https://newdenver.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Carip-2019-Final.pdf> or upon request from the Village Office. Due to COVID-19, the CARIP reporting for 2019 was voluntary.

Housing Needs Report

Recent changes to the *Local Government Act* require municipalities to prepare Housing Needs Reports every 5 years, beginning in 2022. The Village of New Denver partnered with the RDCK to access funding and complete the required assessment and analysis on a subregional basis. A copy of the full report for the Slocan Valley is available on the Village's website at https://newdenver.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/03_Slocan-Valley-Sub-Regional-Report.pdf or upon request from the Village Office. A copy of the Community Summary for New Denver, as well as a summary of the engagement process/survey analysis for our subregion are included in the agenda package. A Council resolution is required to adopt the Housing Needs Report

VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended December 31, 2019

1. Audited Financial Statements

The 2019 Audited Financial Statements are included as Appendix A to this Annual Report

2. Statement of Property Tax Exemptions

The Village of New Denver did not provide any permissive tax exemptions in 2019

3. Declaration and Identification of Disqualified Council Members

No Council Members are/have been disqualified

4. Report Respecting Municipal Services and Operations (Prior Year)

- Mayor's Message
- Progress on 2019 Municipal Priorities
- Municipal Priorities for 2020
- Municipal Priorities for 2021

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

It has been a challenging year to say the least. I'm pleased to say that the Council, staff and residents of the Village of New Denver have risen to the task, and I am proud of what has been accomplished in our community.

The office staff has stepped up to the challenges that have been put in front of them, from all of our staff changes to the unprecedented COVID-19 crisis and the additional workload it has caused. They were able to write an impressive amount of grant applications and were very successful in receiving funding from that hard work. They were able to move forward on the Denver Siding boundary extension proposal, and move forward on an affordable housing project for New Denver. They've made sure the campground continues to bring much needed revenue, and the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre also remains open. So, thank you inside staff!

Our Public Works staff also had its COVID-19 challenges to overcome in order to do their work. They managed to do the repairs on the Silvery Slocan Museum building and start the work on the Knox Hall, coming up with a redesigned plan to make the building look like something the community can be proud of, and that is no small feat! The crew has been working really hard to clean up the public spaces after a very damaging winter, and improving maintenance in the parks, the cemetery and the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre. Thank you outside staff!

To solve our staffing challenges and get the expertise that the Village needs to be successful, we've contracted with the City of Nelson for finance support, and TRUE Consulting for our engineering needs. These arrangements are helping us with the day to day operations and also to move special projects forward. To our staff that have retired or moved on to further careers, I wish you all the best. Thank you for your years of service!

New Denver is lucky to have many residents who continue to volunteer their time in service to our community. As always, appreciation and recognition are due to those organizations and individuals for all they do to make our Village the best place it can be. Thank you for your contributions!

Your Council has worked hard over the last year to deliver on some changes, and they have been standing up for New Denver (even if that means a lot of sitting in meetings). The pace of government is slow, but we have been able, with staff's help, to move a lot of things forward in a year of uncertainty. Thank you Council for your persistent efforts!

To the residents and electors, thank you for your understanding and patience over the past year. Remember that we are all trying to get through life as best we can, and life is not perfect. So please, play safe and be kind to others.

Mayor Leonard Casley
August 2020

PROGRESS ON 2019 MUNICIPAL PRIORITIES

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	MEASURES	STATUS
RFP Engineering Services	Hire engineering firm to assist with projects	Contract in place for as-needed engineering services	Complete
Fill Senior Staff Positions	Recruit/hire candidates for senior staff positions	Senior Management Team in place	Complete
Renew Union contract	Collective bargaining process	Union contract in place for coming years	Complete
Obtain additional grant funding	Identify and apply for grant funding	Secure grant funding for municipal projects	Complete

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Knox Hall Renovations	Spend grant funding to improve Knox Hall	Renovated hall available for public use	Underway
Silvery Slocan Museum Stabilization	Spend grant funding to stabilize Museum	Second floor of Museum re-opened to public	Underway
Plan for Centennial Park Improvements	Centennial Park concept planning & consultation	Council adoption of Master Plan for Centennial Park	Planned for 2020
Preserve 1957 Shack (NIMC)	Replace damaged shingles, wall/ceiling coverings	New exterior shakes and interior wall/ceiling coverings	Complete

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Boundary Expansion	Extend municipal boundaries to include Denver Siding	New letters patent for municipality	Underway
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PUBLIC WORKS

Improve Orchard water pressure	Identify constriction and repair	Adequate water pressure to meet fire flows in Orchard	Planned for 2020
Water Master Plan	Create model and master plan for improvements	Council adoption of water system Master Plan	Underway

2020 MUNICIPAL PRIORITIES

OBJECTIVE

MEASURES/STRATEGIES

ACHIEVEMENTS/OUTCOMES

ADMINISTRATION

Improved HR practices	Develop employment contracts and performance monitoring processes	Employment contracts in place and scheduled performance reviews for all staff
Obtain short-term control of Lots 1-12, Block 50	Seek Licence of Occupation from Crown for recycling facility purposes	Licence of Occupation over Crown Lands issued to the Village
IT equipment that meets business needs	Work with consultant to review existing equipment, purchase new as required, optimize configurations	Updated hardware and software installed and connected to network
Increase Asset Management Activities	Work with consultant to seek funding for asset management work	Funding in place to develop municipal asset management program

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Silvery Slocan Museum Stabilization	Hire contractors and spend grant funding to stabilize Silvery Slocan Museum	Museum building stabilized and available for public use
Knox Hall Renovations	Hire contractors and spend grant funding to improve Knox Hall for community use	Renovated hall available for public use
Centennial Park Master Plan	Hire consultant to engage with public and develop plan to guide future amenity development	Park Master Plan presented to Council

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Boundary Expansion	Extend municipal boundaries to include Denver Siding	New letters patent for municipality
Modernize development processes	Hire consultant to establish development servicing standards, providing clarity to potential investors	Servicing standards bylaw adopted by Council
Denver Siding boundary extension	Obtain provincial consent to extend municipal boundaries to include Denver Siding	New Letters Patent for the municipality

2020 MUNICIPAL PRIORITIES CONTINUED

OBJECTIVE

MEASURES/STRATEGIES

ACHIEVEMENTS/OUTCOMES

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Set Fire Department Service Levels	Council to set Service Level for Fire Department response as required by provincial regulation	Service Levels set by Council and forwarded to the Office of the Fire Commissioner
Modernized Fire Department bylaw	Review and update bylaw to clarify services provided by the Fire Department	Council adoption of updated Fire Department Bylaw

PUBLIC WORKS

Improve water pressure to Orchard	Develop plan for the upgrade of water mains crossing Carpenter Creek	Issue tender for replacement of lines or directional drilling work
Improved management of water distribution system	Develop model of water system and master plan for improvements	Presentation of final report to Council
Improved maintenance of public spaces	Hire additional summer staff to assist with grounds maintenance and vegetation removal	Reduced fire hazard and greater civic pride

2021 MUNICIPAL PRIORITIES

OBJECTIVE	MEASURES/STRATEGIES	ACHIEVEMENTS/OUTCOMES
ADMINISTRATION		
Evaluate financial sustainability of specific municipal services	Review municipal service fees and costs to determine if revenues cover expenses	Report to Council regarding financial sustainability of municipal services
Improve access to municipal documents and information	Develop retention and management policies for paper and digital records	Adoption of policy by Council
COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre boardwalk repairs	Secure grant funding to replace boardwalk structure	New boardwalk available for public use
Improve amenities in Centennial Park	Seek grant funding for priority amenities identified in Master Plan	Construction underway for new amenities
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES		
Update Official Community Plan (OCP) & Zoning Bylaw	Review and update OCP/Zoning in consultation with the community	Council adoption of updated OCP & Zoning bylaws
Create Active Transportation Network Plan (ATNP)	Develop ATNP in consultation with the community	Council adoption of ATNP
PROTECTIVE SERVICES		
Modernize Fire Department policies	Review and update Fire Department policies	Council adoption of updated Fire Department policies
Modernize Emergency Program	Hire consultant to update Emergency Program documentation	Updated Emergency Program presented to Council
PUBLIC WORKS		
Improve water pressure to Orchard	Install new water mains to serve the Orchard	New water mains installed and operational
Fewer dead-end water lines	Install hydrants, stand-pipes or loops as needed	Hydrants or stand pipes installed at dead-ends
Upgrade Denver Siding Water System	Expend grant funds to upgrade Denver Siding water system and connect to existing municipal system	Denver Siding water system connected to Village wells

Appendix A:

Financial Statements



2019 Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Survey

2019 Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Survey

Overview

INTRODUCTION:

The 2019 CARIP survey highlights and celebrates local government climate action in British Columbia.

UPDATE, May 2020: In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and in response to a high volume of requests from local governments, CARIP reporting requirements are waived for the 2019 reporting year.

We would be pleased to receive on a voluntary basis CARIP surveys that identify climate actions that your local government undertook in 2019. If a sufficient number of surveys are received by October 1, 2020, an abridged 2019 Annual CARIP Report may be prepared.

Detailed survey instructions, FAQs and definitions can be found in the [2019 CARIP Program Guide](#).

Once the survey is complete, please download a copy of your responses (you will be given the download link at the end of the survey).

SURVEY CONTENT:

Section 1: Local Government Information

Section 2: Narrative Focus

- 2019 Corporate Climate Action

- 2019 Community-wide Climate Action

- 2019 Climate Change Adaptation Action

Section 3: 2019 Carbon Neutral Reporting



Section 1 – Local Government Information

Name of Local Government:

Village of New Denver

Name of Regional District:

Central Kootenay

Does your region have a Regional Growth Strategy (RGS):

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No
- ☐ Don't know

Population:

- ☒ 0-4,999
- ☐ 5,000 to 9,999
- ☐ 10,000 to 49,999
- ☐ 50,000 to 99,999
- ☐ 100,000+

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Section 2 - Narrative Focus

Local government signatories to the B.C. Climate Action Charter have committed to taking climate action by:

- Working towards achieving corporate carbon neutrality;
- Measuring and reporting on their community-wide GHG emissions; and
- Creating complete, compact, energy-efficient communities.

A key part of the 2019 CARIP survey is to highlight and celebrate successful climate actions undertaken by local governments in British Columbia.

In 2019, what actions has your local government taken to support the creation of compact, complete, and energy efficient communities?

Joined West Kootenay Eco Society working group on 100% renewable energy

2019 CORPORATE CLIMATE ACTION:

Corporate climate actions refer to actions that reduce the GHG emissions produced as a result of a local government's delivery of "traditional services", including fire protection, solid waste management, recreational/cultural services, road and traffic operations, water and wastewater management, and local government administration.

In 2019, when it comes to corporate climate action, did your local government undertake any of the following (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Building and Lighting Actions
- ☐ Energy Generation Actions
- ☐ Greenspace Actions
- ☐ Planning Actions

- ☐ Solid Waste Actions
- ☐ Transportation Actions
- ☒ Water and Wastewater Actions
- ☐ Other Climate Actions (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other Climate Actions'

When it comes to corporate Building and Lighting Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ New or upgraded energy-efficient lighting systems
- ☐ New or upgraded energy-efficient heating systems
- ☐ New or upgraded building envelope initiatives
- ☐ Upgrades to amenities in recreation facilities
- ☐ Studies related to building and/or lighting energy efficiency
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to corporate Energy Generation Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Solar power projects
- ☐ Heat recovery or heat reclamation projects

- ☐ Biomass or bio-gas projects
- ☐ Geo-exchange or geothermal projects
- ☐ Studies related to energy generation
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to corporate Greenspace Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Tree planting
- ☐ Greenspace acquisition
- ☐ New or upgraded amenities in parks
- ☐ Invasive species management
- ☐ Plans or strategies related to greenspace
- ☒ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

Wildfire mitigation

When it comes to corporate Planning Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Energy/Emissions Management Plan (New or Updated)
- ☐ Asset Management Plan (New or Updated)

☒ Corporate Climate Action Plan (New or Updated)

☐ Strategic Plan (New or Updated)

☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)

☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

Joined West Kootenay Eco Society working group on 100% Renewable Energy

When it comes to corporate Solid Waste Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

☐ Introduction, expansion or improvement of recycling initiatives at corporate facilities

☐ Introduction, expansion or improvement of composting initiatives at corporate facilities

☐ Communication or education for staff related to corporate solid waste initiatives

☐ Studies or research related to corporate solid waste initiatives

☐ Plans or strategies related to corporate solid waste initiatives

☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)

☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to corporate Transportation Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

☒ Fleet replacement or upgrades

☐ New or improved electric vehicle initiatives

☐ New or improved active transportation infrastructure for staff

- ☐ Communication or outreach for staff related to corporate transportation initiatives
- ☐ New or improved public transportation initiatives for staff
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to corporate Water and Wastewater Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ New or improved water or wastewater infrastructure
- ☐ Studies or research related to water conservation
- ☒ Plans or strategies related to water or wastewater
- ☐ Water reduction initiative(s)
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

As mentioned, a key part of the 2019 CARIP Survey is to highlight and celebrate successful climate actions undertaken by local governments in British Columbia. This question provides local governments the opportunity to demonstrate leadership and innovative approaches to reduce corporate GHG emissions.

When it comes to the corporate climate action, please highlight up to three significant actions focused on reducing GHG emissions that your local government undertook in 2019:

Corporate Action #1

Joined West Kootenay Eco Society working group on 100% Renewable Energy

Corporate Action #2

Corporate Action #3

2019 COMMUNITY-WIDE CLIMATE ACTION:

Community-wide actions refer to actions that reduce GHG emissions across the community (i.e. actions not related to “traditional services” in corporate operations).

When it comes to community-wide climate action in 2019, did your local government undertake any of the following (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☒ Building and Lighting Actions
- ☐ Energy Generation Actions
- ☐ Greenspace Actions
- ☐ Planning Actions
- ☒ Solid Waste Actions
- ☐ Transportation Actions
- ☐ Water and Wastewater Actions
- ☐ Other Climate Actions (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other Climate Actions'

When it comes to community-wide Building and Lighting Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ New or upgraded energy-efficient lighting systems
- ☐ New or upgraded energy-efficient heating systems

- ✓ BC Energy Step Code related projects
- ✓ Incentives/rebate programs related to energy-efficient building or lighting
- ☐ Outreach, education or communication related to energy-efficient building or lighting
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Energy Generation Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Solar power projects
- ☐ Heat recovery or heat reclamation projects
- ☐ Landfill gas capture/utilization projects
- ☐ Micro-hydro projects
- ☐ Studies or research related to energy generation
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Greenspace Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Tree planting
- ✓ Greenspace restoration or maintenance
- ☐ Greenspace acquisition

- ☒ Invasive species management
- ☐ Plans or strategies related to greenspace
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Planning Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Official Community Plan (New or Updated)
- ☒ Climate Action Plan (New or Updated)
- ☐ Regional Growth Strategy (New or Updated)
- ☐ New or updated bylaw(s) or zoning addressing climate issues
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Solid Waste Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ Introduction, expansion or improvement of recycling initiatives
- ☒ Introduction, expansion or improvement of composting initiatives
- ☐ Community clean-up initiatives
- ☐ General waste reduction initiative (including landfill diversion strategies)
- ☐ Outreach, education or communication related to solid waste
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)

☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Transportation Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☐ New or improved active transportation infrastructure
- ☐ New or improved public transportation initiatives
- ☒ New or improved electric vehicle initiatives
- ☐ Outreach, education or communication related to transportation
- ☐ Plans or strategies related to transportation
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

When it comes to community-wide Water and Wastewater Actions, did your local government undertake any of the following in 2019 (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☒ Water restrictions
- ☐ Incentives/rebate programs related to water or wastewater
- ☐ Outreach, education or communication related to water or wastewater
- ☒ Studies or research related to water or wastewater
- ☐ Plans or strategies related to water or wastewater
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

As mentioned, a key part of the 2019 CARIP survey is to highlight and celebrate successful climate actions undertaken by local governments in British Columbia. This question provides local governments the opportunity to demonstrate leadership and innovative approaches to reduce community-wide GHG emissions.

When it comes to the community-wide climate action, please highlight up to three significant actions focused on reducing GHG emissions that your local government undertook in 2019:

Community-Wide Action #1

EV Charging Station

Community-Wide Action #2

Community-Wide Action #3

2019 CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS AND ADAPTATION ACTION:

This section of the 2019 CARIP survey is designed to collect information related to the types of climate impacts local governments are experiencing and how they are being addressed.

Please identify the climate impacts that are most relevant to your local government (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☒ Increased temperatures increasing wildfire activity
- ☒ Extreme weather events contributing to urban and overland flooding
- ☐ Changes to temperature and precipitation causing seasonal drought
- ☐ Warmer winter temperatures reducing snowpack
- ☐ Sea level rise and storms causing coastal flooding and/or erosion

☒ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)

☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

Wildfire smoke impacting population health

In 2019, did your local government take any of the following actions in an effort to consider or address the impacts of climate change? (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

☐ Emergency response planning

☒ Asset management

☐ Infrastructure upgrades

☒ Public education and awareness

☐ Strategic and financial planning

☐ Risk and vulnerability assessments

☐ Risk reduction strategies

☐ Official Community Plan policy changes

☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)

☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

In 2019, did your local government partnered with any of the following organizations to prepare for, and adapt to, a changing climate? (PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

☐ Adaptation to Climate Change Team (SFU)

☐ Columbia Basin Trust

- ☐ Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (UBCM)
- ☐ Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- ☐ Fraser Basin Council
- ☐ Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (UVIC)
- ☐ Other (PLEASE SPECIFY)
- ☐ Don't know

Please specify 'Other'

As mentioned, a key part of the 2019 CARIP survey is to highlight and celebrate successful climate actions undertaken by local governments in British Columbia. This question provides local governments the opportunity to demonstrate leadership and innovative approaches to adapting to a changing climate.

When it comes to climate preparedness and adaptation actions, please highlight up to three significant actions/initiatives that your local government undertook in 2019:

Adaptation Action #1

Continued Wildfire Mitigation activities on private and public lands

Adaptation Action #2

Adaptation Action #3

Section 3: 2019 Carbon Neutral Reporting

In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, CARIP reporting requirements, including carbon neutral reporting requirements, are waived for the 2019 reporting year.

We would be pleased to receive on a voluntary basis where available reports on local governments' progress in achieving their corporate carbon neutral goal under the B.C.

Climate Action Charter, before October 1, 2020. Local governments may report corporate emissions and reduction data in this section of the survey.

Working with B.C. local governments, the joint Provincial-UBCM Green Communities Committee has established a common approach to determining corporate carbon neutrality for the purposes of the Charter, including a Carbon Neutral Framework and supporting guidance for local governments on how to become carbon neutral.

Prior to completing this portion of the survey, please ensure that you are familiar with guidance available on the B.C. Climate Action Toolkit website, specifically the Workbook and Becoming Carbon Neutral: A Guide for Local Governments in British Columbia.

Please note: As a result of the BC Recycling Regulation, local governments are no longer required to account for GHG emissions from vehicles, equipment and machinery required for the collection, transportation and diversion of packaging and printed paper, in their annual CARIP reports.

2019 CARBON EMISSIONS

Did your local government measure corporate GHG emissions for 2019?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't Know

If your local government measured 2019 corporate GHG emissions, please report the number of corporate GHG emissions (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e)) from:

Service Delivery Type	2019 Corporate GHG Emissions
Services Delivered Directly by your Local Government	26.5 tCO ₂ e
Contracted Services	

TOTAL A - CORPORATE GHG EMISSIONS (DIRECT + CONTRACTED) FOR 2019:

2019 CARBON REDUCTIONS

To be carbon neutral, a local government must balance their TOTAL corporate GHG emissions generated in 2019 by one or a combination of the following actions:

- Undertake Green Communities Committee-supported Option 1 Project(s)
- Undertake Green Communities Committee-supported Option 2 Project(s)
- Purchase carbon offsets from a credible offset provider

For more information about options to balance or offset corporate GHG emissions please refer to *Becoming Carbon Neutral: A Guidebook for Local Governments in British Columbia*.

If applicable, please report the 2019 GHG emissions reductions (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e)) being claimed from any of the following Option 1 GHG Reduction Projects:

Option 1 GHG Reduction Projects	2019 GHG Emissions Reductions
1A Energy Efficiency Retrofits	
1B Solar Thermal	
1C Household Organic Waste	
1D Low Emission Vehicles	
1E Avoided Forest Conversion	
1F Trenchless Technology	

TOTAL B - REDUCTIONS FROM ALL OPTION 1 PROJECTS FOR 2019:

If applicable, please report the names and 2019 GHG emissions reductions (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e)) being claimed from Option 2 GHG Reduction Projects:

	Names of Option 2 GHG Reduction Projects	2019 GHG Emissions Reductions
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

5.		
6.		

TOTAL C - REDUCTIONS FROM ALL OPTION 2 PROJECTS FOR 2019:

2019 CARBON OFFSETS

If applicable, please report the name of the offset provider, type of project and number of offsets purchased (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂e)) from an offset provider for the 2019 reporting year:

	Name of Offset Provider	Name of Project	2019 GHG Emissions Reductions
1.	The Nature Conservancy of Canada	Darkwoods	26.5
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

TOTAL D - OFFSETS PURCHASED FOR 2019:

TOTAL REDUCTIONS AND OFFSETS FOR 2019 (Total B+C+D):

Corporate GHG Emissions Balance for 2019

Your local government's corporate GHG emissions balance is the difference between total corporate offsettable GHG emissions (direct + contracted emissions) and the GHG emissions reduced through Green Communities Committee Option 1 and Option 2 projects and/or the purchase of offsets.

CORPORATE GHG EMISSIONS BALANCE FOR 2019 = (Total A – (B+C+D))

26.5

If your corporate GHG emissions balance is negative or zero, your local government is carbon neutral. CONGRATULATIONS!

If your local government was carbon neutral in 2019, please record any emissions reductions you will be carrying over for future years and the source of the reductions, including the year they were earned (e.g. organics diversion, 2019 100 tCO₂e):

	Source of Carryover Emission Reduction	Year Earned	GHG Emissions Reductions
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

TOTAL E - BALANCE OF REDUCTIONS ELIGIBLE FOR CARRY OVER TO NEXT YEAR

0

GREEN COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE CLIMATE ACTION RECOGNITION PROGRAM:
The joint Provincial-UBCM Green Communities Committee is suspending the Climate Action Recognition Program for the 2019 reporting year. This multi-level program provides the Green Communities Committee with an opportunity to review and publicly recognize the progress and achievements of each Climate Action Charter (Charter) signatory.

Recognition is typically provided on an annual basis to local governments who demonstrate progress on their Charter commitments, according to the following:



Level 1 – Demonstrating Progress on Charter Commitments: For local governments who demonstrate progress on fulfilling one or more of their Charter commitments.

Level 2 – Measuring GHG Emissions: For local governments that achieve Level 1, who measure their corporate GHG emissions for the reporting year and demonstrate that they are familiar with their community’s energy and emissions inventory (i.e. CEEI).

Level 3 – Accelerating Progress on Charter Commitments: For those local governments who have achieved Level 1 and 2 and demonstrate significant action (corporately or community-wide) in reducing GHG emissions in the reporting year (e.g. through undertaking a GHG reduction project, purchasing offsets, establishing a reserve fund).

Level 4 - Achievement of Carbon Neutrality: For local governments who achieve corporate carbon neutrality in the reporting year.

Based on your local government's 2018 CARIP Climate Action/Carbon Neutral Progress Survey, please check the Green Communities Committee Climate Action Recognition Program level that best applies:

- ☐ Level 1 – Demonstrating Progress on Charter Commitments
- ☐ Level 2 – Measuring GHG Emissions
- ☐ Level 3 – Accelerating Progress on Charter Commitments
- ☒ Level 4 - Achievement of Carbon Neutrality
- ☐ Don't know

Related to Level 3 recognition, if applicable, please identify any new or ongoing corporate or community-wide GHG reduction projects (other than an Option 1 or Option 2 project) undertaken by your local government that reflects a significant investment of time and/or financial resources and is intended to result in significant GHG reductions:

Does your local government set aside funds in a climate reserve fund or similar?

- ☐ Yes



- ☒ No
- ☐ Don't know

VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER

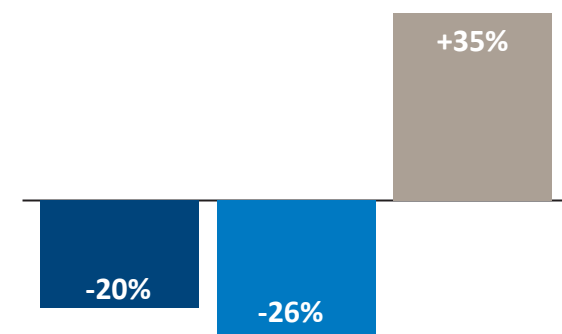
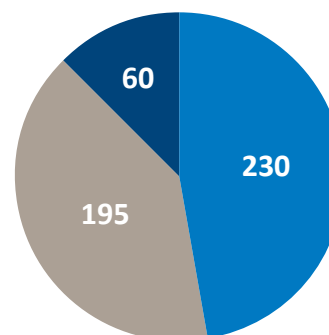
Community Summary



POPULATION

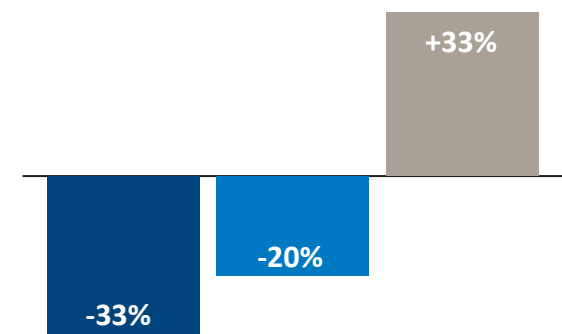
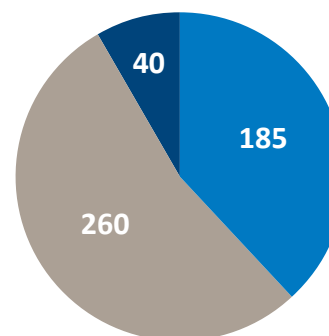
2016

Change: '06-'16



2025

Change: '16-'25



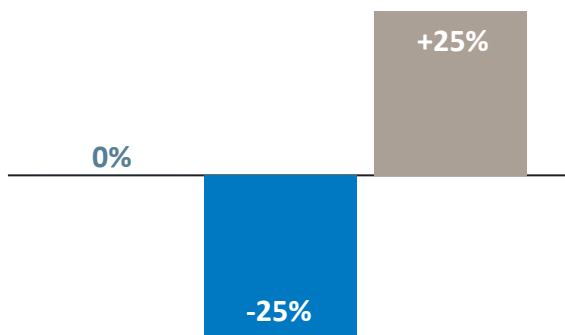
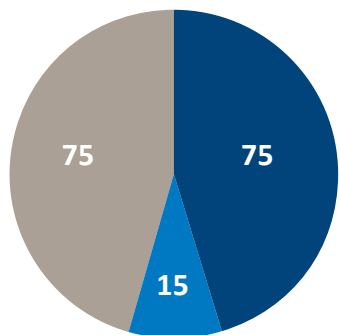
■ Youth (< 20) ■ Working Age (20-64) ■ Seniors (65+)

- New Denver's population fell 9% to 485.
- Projections anticipate the population to stay constant until at least 2025.
- Although the population may remain the same, the distribution of cohorts will change, resulting in a potential significant increase in median age from 58.5 (2016) to 72.8.

FAMILIES

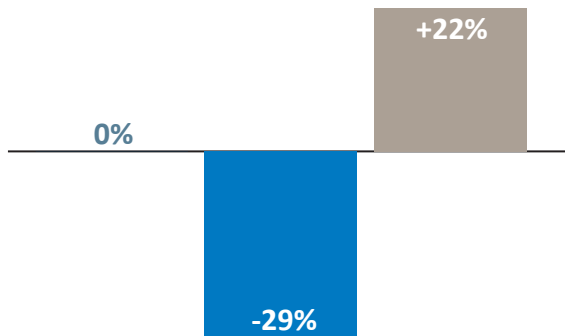
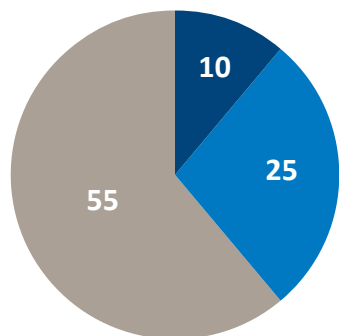
Owners 2016

Change: '06-'16



Renters 2016

Change: '06-'16



■ Families w/out Children ■ Families w/ Children ■ Non-families (e.g. singles/roommates)



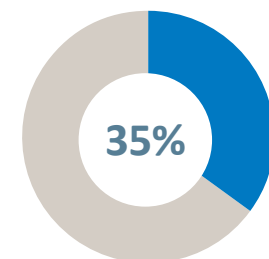
Non-families are the only family type to increase between 2006 and 2016, likely attributed to seniors who have lost a spouse or partner.

HOUSEHOLDS



Total permanent households grew 6% between 2006 and 2016 to 255.

Households that Rent



Household Rental

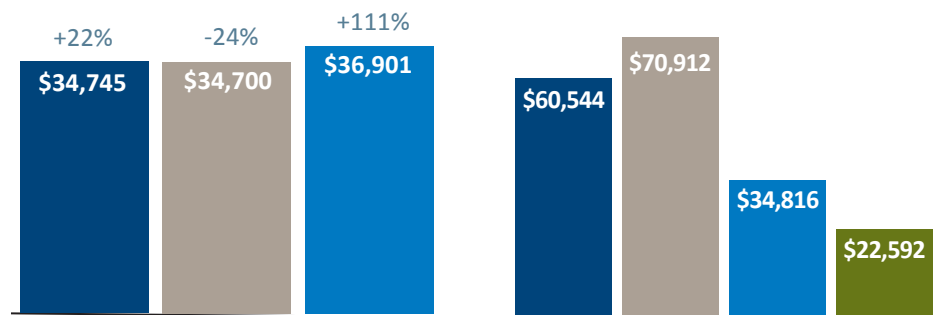
↑ 6%

Household Ownership

↑ 3%

INCOME

Median HH Income '15 • Change: '05-'15



■ Total Households
■ Owner Households
■ Renter Households

■ Couple w/o Child ■ Couple w/ Child
■ Lone Parent ■ Singles/Roommates

Households Earning more than \$100,000

↑ 100%

Households Earning less than \$100,000

↑ 0%

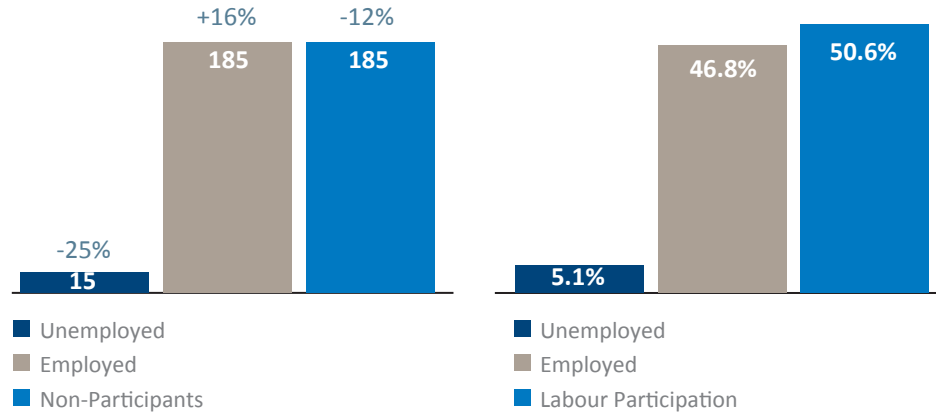
30%

of New Denver residents are in "Low Income" according to Statistics Canada; 55% of children below 18 belong to a low income household.

EMPLOYMENT

Labour Force '16 • Change: '06-'16

Labour Rate 2016



- The labour force increased between 2006 and 2016, due to overall growth in employed persons; unemployed persons and the unemployment rate decreased during this time.

Largest Industries	Total Employed	% Share of Labour Force	%Δ ('06-'16)	% Renters Employed
Retail	35	17.9%	+ 40%	43%
Administration	25	12.8%	-%	100%
Health Care	25	12.8%	+ 25%	80%

63%

of workers commute within New Denver.



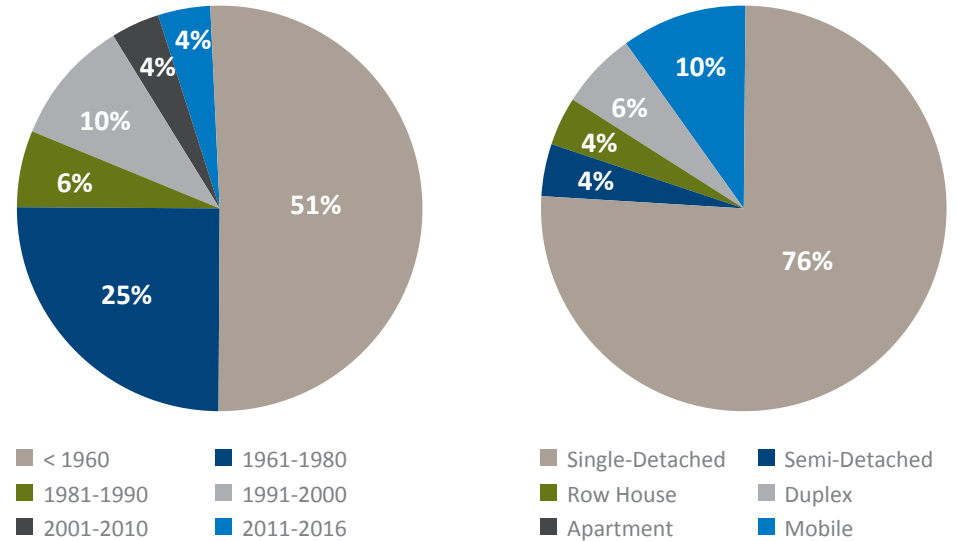
29%

of workers commute to another RDCK community.

HOUSING

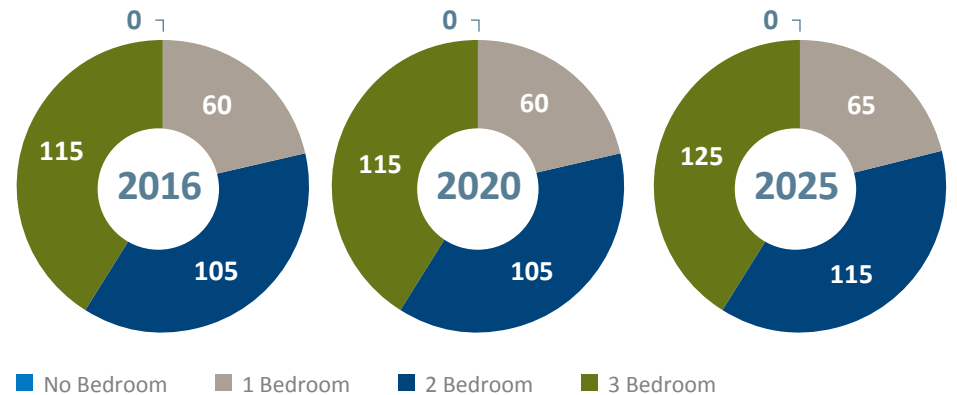
Dwelling Age 2016

Dwelling Type 2016



- About 80% of owner households occupy a home built before 1980 versus about 70% of renter households.
- New Denver historically builds 1 unit annually. Housing projections anticipate an annual private market demand of 3 new units.

HOUSING DEMAND



HOUSING PRICE & AVAILABILITY

* adjusted for inflation ** CMHC

	2019	average annual %Δ*
Median House	\$195,100	-2.0%
Single-detached	\$217,731	-3.0%
Median Rent**	\$863	2.0%
1 Bedroom	\$800	2.0%
3 Bedroom	\$1,110	0.5%

20 residential properties sold in 2019;
65% were single-family homes.

According to CMHC, **less than 1%** of RDCK rentals are vacant.

ENERGY POVERTY

11.3%

Average amount of household after-tax income spent on energy, considered to be below the "energy poverty" line (10%).



Households pay about **\$2,400** per year for utilities and **\$3,300** for gas.

SHORT-TERM RENTAL (STRs)

\$11,100

Average additional income annually per listing STRs generated.

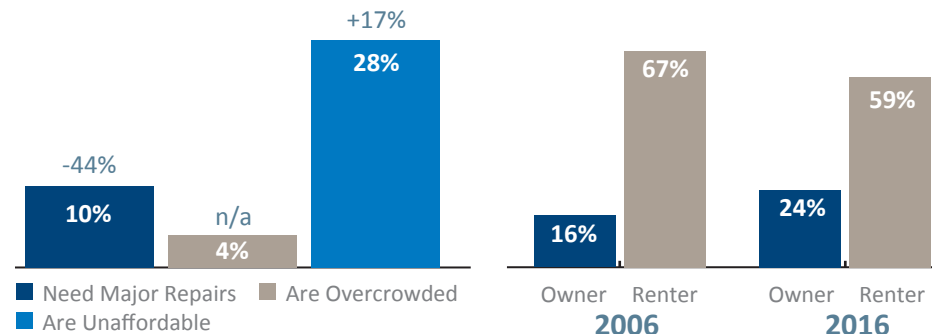


- In 2019, New Denver had maximum 17 dwellings advertised or booked as an STR at one time.
- A maximum of 14 units at any given time were entire homes/apartments available more than half of the year, possibly rendering them unavailable for long-term tenancy.

HOUSING CONDITION

% of HHs '16 • Change: '06-'16

Core Housing Need: '06-'16

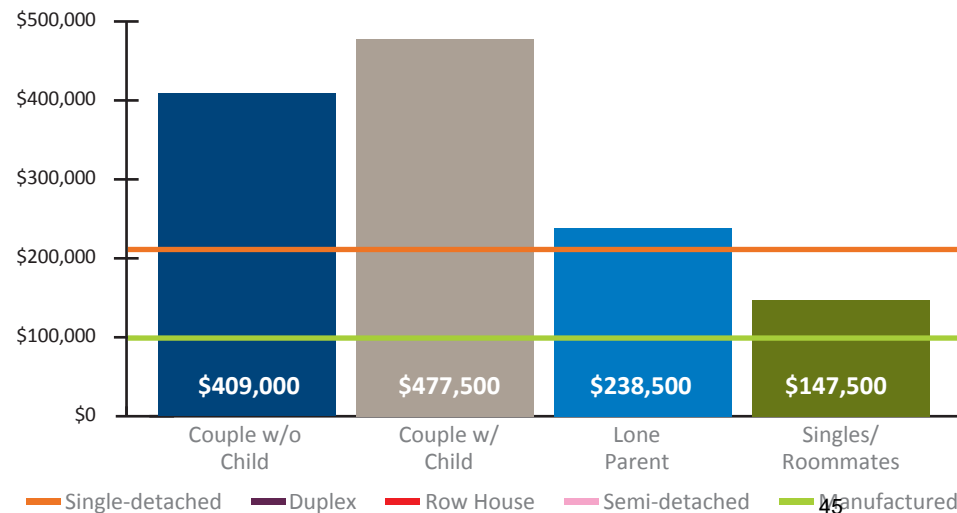


- The number of unaffordable homes grew by almost 20% since 2006.
- Renter households are about 2x more likely to be in Core Housing Need.

HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

- Couples can afford all New Denver dwelling types.
- The median lone parent can almost reasonably afford a single-family home.

Max Affordable House Price by Family Type (vertical bars) vs. Market Price (horizontal lines) 2019 estimates



SLOCAN VALLEY SUBREGION

VILLAGES OF SLOCAN, SILVERTON, NEW DENVER AND ELECTORAL AREA H

KEY THEMES & POINTS

- Experiences of housing affordability and suitability in the Slocan Valley subregion differ significantly between renters and homeowners.
 - Almost half of all owners (48%) no longer pay a mortgage, which significantly decreases their monthly housing costs, in comparison to a majority of renters (58%) who pay between \$500 - \$999 per month for housing costs.
- There is a general lack of affordable and available rental housing in the Slocan Valley Subregion.
- Over 80% of survey respondents live in a single-detached home, whereas no survey respondents reported living in apartments, condos or townhomes demonstrating a need for more diverse housing options.

SURVEY RESPONDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

RESPONDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

The Slocan Valley subregion refers to the various communities located within the Villages of Slocan, Silverton, New-Denver and Electoral Area H. This subregion is home to an ageing population. A majority of survey respondents (73.9%) are aged 40 years or older. 32.8% of those who responded to the survey were retirement age (65 years+). In the Slocan Valley subregion 24.6% of respondents identified as male, 68.9% as female, and 4.9% as Non-Binary. The Slocan Silverton subregion received 50 complete surveys and 13 partially complete surveys.

INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT DEMOGRAPHICS

Members of the Slocan Valley communities also have a broad range of annual incomes and employment statuses. 47.6% of respondents make less than \$30,000.00/year. Whereas, 24.5% of respondents make over \$60,000.00/year. A majority of the survey respondents (44.3%) are currently employed full or part-time. 31.1% of the respondents are retired, which is consistent with the older age demographics of those who completed the survey.

DWELLING DEMOGRAPHICS

The Slocan Valley subregion is home to residents with diverse living situations. 19.7% of respondents live with their families. 32.8% identified as a couple living without children, while 36.1% identified living on their own. 8.2% of respondents live with roommates or tenants. The Slocan Valley subregion is comprised mainly of single-detached, stand-alone homes. 85.2% of respondents reported living in a single-detached home. No respondents reported living in an apartment building, condo or row townhouse.

SURVEY ANALYSIS

TENURE DEMOGRAPHICS

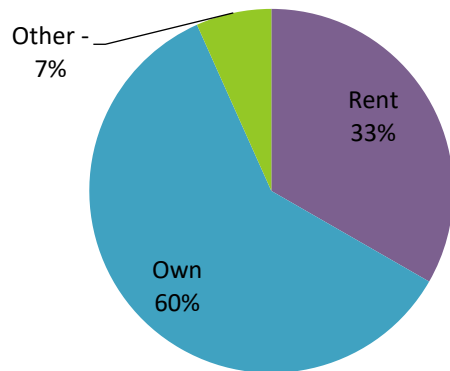


Figure 1: Tenure Demographics

Tenure	Percent	Count
Rent	33%	20
Own	69%	36
Other	6.7%	4
Totals		60

Table 1: Tenure Demographics

As we can see in Figure 1 and Table 1 above, 60% of respondents own their homes, whereas a smaller proportion rent.

MONTHLY HOUSING COSTS

Figures 2 and 3 below indicate the average monthly housing costs to renters and owners. Nearly half of all homeowners (48%) no longer pay a mortgage, which has significant impacts on their monthly housing costs. Meanwhile, a majority of renters are spending between \$500-\$999 per month on rental costs.

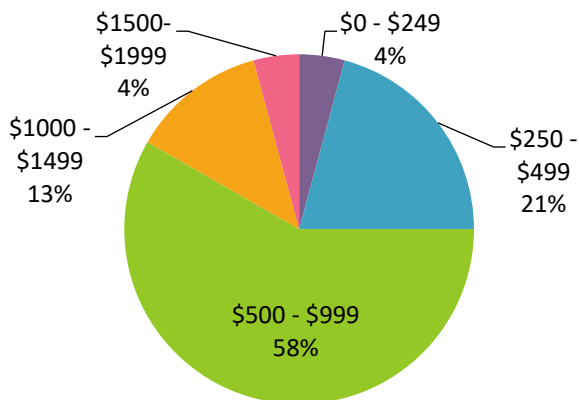


Figure 2: Monthly Rental Amounts

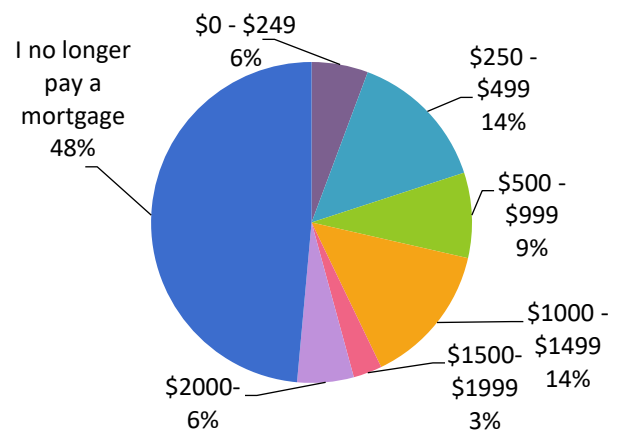


Figure 3: Monthly Mortgage Amounts

HOUSING NEEDS

The experiences of housing need differ significantly between renters and homeowners. When asked if their current housing situation meets their needs, 50% of respondents said no. When homeowners were asked the same question, 97% of respondents said their current housing situation meets their needs.

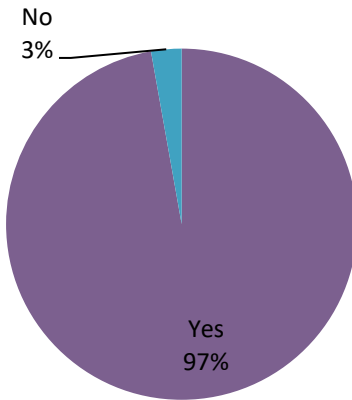


Figure 4: Housing Need Met - Owners

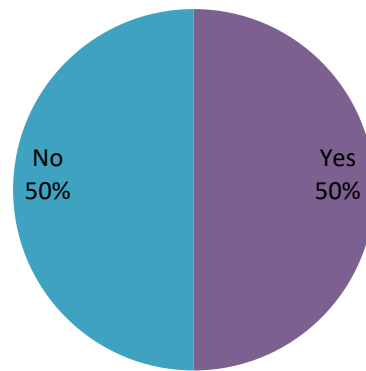


Figure 5: Housing Need Met - Renters

Renters in the Village of Kaslo subregion are more likely to experience crowding in their homes as owners. Figure 6 and Figure 7 on the following page show the difference between renters and homeowners who think there are enough bedrooms for the number of people that share their home. Renters are more likely to have an insufficient number of bedrooms in their homes.

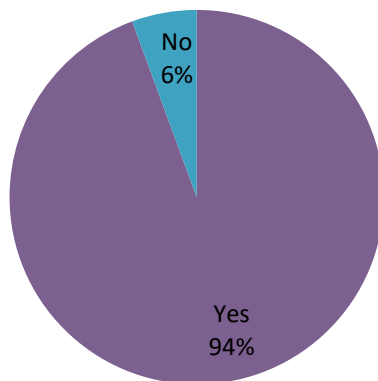


Figure 6: Sufficient Bedrooms – Owners

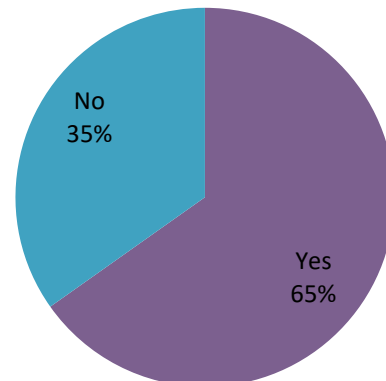


Figure 7: Sufficient Bedrooms - Renters

Of those who reported that their current dwelling situations do not meet their needs, these are some of the comments they provided as to why:

“My situation has been great but now that I am ready to expand my family, I do not have enough space. I do have money to pay higher rent but there is nothing available to rent. Once in awhile a viable rental will pop up but so many people want it that I am not able to get in.”

“age of the house, quality of equipment ex. appliances old, furnace not efficient, insulation for electricity leaking, heating loss, windows heat loss, utility costs by FORTIS ridiculous, live on Pass Creek road rural, no bus service”

HOME OWNERSHIP & RENTAL BARRIERS

Of those who rent, current or future homeownership is important to 62.5% of respondents – signalling need and demand for affordable homeownership options in the Slocan Valley subregion. Of those who do not own their homes, 81.7% of respondents identified homes being too expensive and down payments being too expensive as the main barriers they are facing regarding homeownership. The table below highlights the homeownership barriers people are facing.

Barrier	Percent	Count
Homes are too expensive.	81.7%	17
The required down payment is too expensive.	71.4%	15
No homes are available in my price range.	71.4%	15
Homes in my price range are not suitable for my needs.	33.3%	7
I'm worried interest rates will go up.	19.0%	4
I have credit issues.	28.6%	6
Other	23.8%	5

Table 2: Barriers to Home Ownership

Of those currently renting their homes, 45.8% reported that they are looking for new rental housing. Unfortunately for some, finding appropriate and affordable rentals has been a difficult process. Respondents expressed feeling left behind and unsupported in seeking homeownership. The following comments illustrate some of the barriers people living in Slocan Valley face when looking for new rental housing:

"I have been looking for an upgrade that has more closed bedrooms and more square footage for 2 years. When rentals do come up, they have been snatched up quickly before I can access them. There just aren't many rentals available."

"It is nearly impossible to find affordable housing in the slocan valley that is reasonably maintained, includes standard amenities, and the person renting has reasonable boundary/communication skills."

Unfortunately, 13.1% of survey respondents reported experiencing housing discrimination. Some of their experiences are as follows:

"I have a service dog, and was denied housing because of having a "pet," even after explaining and sending a doctor's note.."

"Not one but many experiences of discrimination based on age, gender income, ability. Very common in a housing crisis for landlords to pick and choose based on their particular preferences, and even have bidding wars for tenants which significantly raises rent. Most people I know who rent expect this and often have to move away because of landlord discrimination, unaffordable housing, lack of housing options, lack of safe or structurally sound housing"

ENERGY POVERTY

71.7% of respondents reported their energy bills to be affordable but, the remaining 28.3% reported that their bills are not. When respondents had issues paying their monthly energy bills, 64.7% recorded that they kept their homes at a temperature too cold to be comfortable to offset costs. 52.9% recorded that they didn't have enough money for food as a result of energy costs. 76.5% held off on paying other bills like credit cards, mortgages or rent.

Table 3 below shows what the first things a household sacrifices when money is tight.

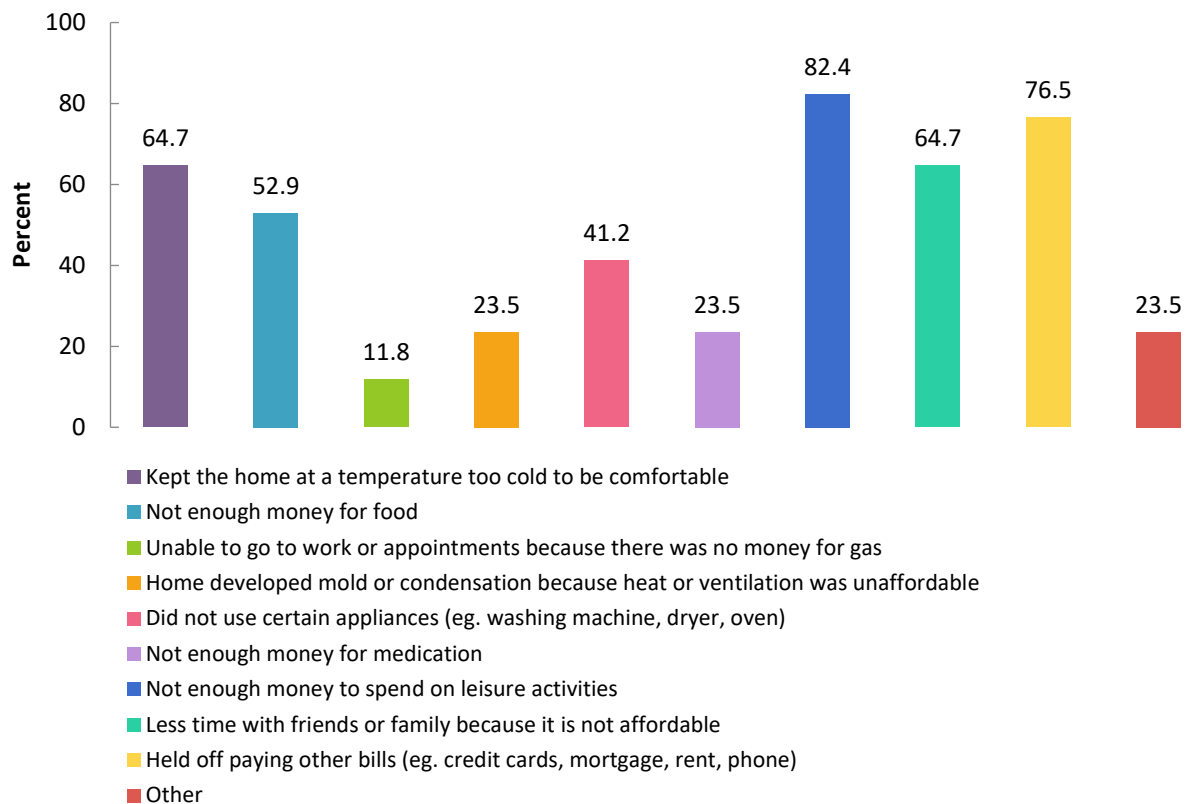


Figure 8 - Household Sacrifices when Money is Tight

OPEN-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

The survey ended with three important questions about how we can build a better community. The following outlines those questions, and the responses we got.

ARE YOU CONSIDERING MOVING OUT OF THE COMMUNITY YOU CURRENTLY LIVE IN BECAUSE OF HOUSING ISSUES?

When asked if they were considering moving out of their communities, respondents told us the following:

"I hope to own a home sometime in the next 10 years but there are few houses available here, and the prices are lower in other areas."

"I would like to be able to access affordable housing that isn't extremely secluded/isolated, and the person renting is available to respond to issues that arise without wielding a power dynamic that poses a constant threat to housing security."

DO YOU HAVE IDEAS FOR HOW HOUSING COULD BE IMPROVED FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?

Survey respondents emphasized a desire for a greater stock of affordable rental housing and greater supports for low-income families.

"Build small scale mutli-unit housing in a few select areas with good transport and amenities, like Playmor Junction and Slocan Park. If this possibility was opened up, community organizations could mobilize to create solutions."

"Program to help landlords maintain rental units to minimum standards of health and safety (rebates for upgrades, subsidies for renovations to increase affordability/efficiency)."

"Rent control, more tenant rights, more incentive for landowners who have structures on their property to fix them up and be able to rent out. There are a lot of old structures on people's land and lots of space to build little homes, if it was easier and beneficial in terms of taxes, it could encourage land owners to create more safe and comfortable housing for the community.."

ARE THERE ANY PARTICULAR HOUSING CHALLENGES FACED BY THE COMMUNITY THAT YOU THINK WE NEED TO KNOW?

Respondents report that housing is unavailable or unattainable for many community members. Access to appropriate housing is very difficult for families and people on income assistance. They face a number of barriers, which results in settling for housing that is poorly maintained, expensive, and too small. Respondents also identified a need for more inclusive communities. Some comments include:

"We need more affordable, not-for-profit, seniors' housing and housing for young families. More access to government supported in-home services such as grocery shopping and delivery, expansion or restoration of work previously done by home care workers."

“Discrimination against LGBTQ people, discrimination against people not able-bodied enough to participate in land maintenance even though it's rent-based and not part of the agreement, discrimination against people with pets.”

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO TELL US ABOUT YOUR HOUSING EXPERIENCES?

Once again, when asked if there was anything else each respondent wanted us to know, respondents emphasized a need and demand for a greater supply of affordable housing.

“There is a need to address the real purpose to building codes and licensing fees associated with rural development of housing. It seems like the bureaucrats in charge are elitist and do not want to see affordable housing being built. It does not have to be substandard to be affordable.”

“Creating fewer barriers for people to create pads on their land to rent to people with RV or tiny homes. The creation of low-income tiny home parks, possibly not for profit”

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL DECISION

SUBMITTED BY: Catherine Allaway, CAO

DATE: October 9, 2020

SUBJECT: Fees & Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 730, 2020

PURPOSE: To obtain Council approval for the proposed amendments to the Fees & Charges bylaw

RECOMMENDATION: That the Village of New Denver Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 730, 2020 be finally adopted.

ALTERNATIVES & IMPLICATIONS :

1. **Give final adoption to the bylaw. *The bylaw will take effect upon adoption.***
2. Request amendments to the proposed bylaw. Staff will require direction regarding requested changes to the bylaw, and adoption will be delayed.
3. Defer a decision on the matter. *The matter will be placed on the agenda for consideration at a later date.*

ANALYSIS:

- A. Background:** At the September 8, 2020 Regular Meeting, Council approved amendments to the Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre (NIMC) Special Access Policy. Following approval of the policy changes, the attendant amendments to the Fees & Charges bylaw have been prepared for Council's approval. The bylaw received three readings at the September 22, 2020 Regular Meeting.
- B. Discussion:** These amendments were triggered by a rise in special access requests that require significant amounts of staff time to address, and strain the organizational capacity. A cost recovery mechanism was proposed, including a price list for services. 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. Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 730, 2020 will authorize the charging of fees for these services.
- C. Legislative Framework:** Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Special Access Policy (adopted September 8, 2020); *Community Charter* s. 194 (Municipal Fees)
- D. Attachments:** Village of New Denver Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 730, 2020
- E. Council Strategic Priority:** Nil
- F. Communication Strategy:** The bylaw will be available on the Village of New Denver website

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The proposed fees will result in a slight increase to municipal revenues by allowing for cost recovery in situations requiring special access or reproductions from the NIMC collection.

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER
BYLAW NO. 730, 2020

A bylaw to amend Village of New Denver Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 699, 2016

THE COUNCIL of the Village of New Denver, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 730, 2020.”
- 2. Schedule “A” of Village of New Denver Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 699, 2016 is hereby repealed and replaced with Schedule “A” attached and forming part of this bylaw.
- 3. This bylaw shall take effect upon adoption.

Read a first time this 22nd day of September, 2020

Read a second time this 22nd day of September, 2020

Read a third time this 22nd day of September, 2020

Reconsidered and **adopted** this _____ day of _____, _____

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

Certified to be a true copy of, “Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 730, 2020”.

CORPORATE OFFICER

SCHEDULE “A”

Fees for Recreation and Cultural Services

Knox Hall Rental

Community Organizations	\$350.00/year
Hourly	\$25.00
Half Day (4 hours)	\$75.00
Daily	\$110.00
Cleaning (if required)	\$30.00/hour
Lost key charge	\$50.00

Rental of Parks and Public Lands (including Centennial Park, but not the Kohan Garden)

Clean up costs	\$30/hour	
	<u>Events involving fewer than 100 people</u>	
	½ day	full day
Centennial Park Gazebo	\$50.00	\$100.00
Centennial Park BBQ Shelter	\$50.00	\$100.00
Centennial Park Field	\$50.00	\$100.00
Centennial Park Cookhouse	\$50.00	\$100.00
	<u>Events involving 100 or more people</u>	
	½ day	full day
Centennial Park Gazebo	\$75.00	\$140.00
Centennial Park BBQ Shelter	\$75.00	\$140.00
Centennial Park Field	\$75.00	\$140.00
Centennial Park Cookhouse	\$75.00	\$140.00

Centennial Campground

Regular Sites	\$25.00
Lakeside Sites (Includes 'inner ring')	\$30.00
Serviced Sites	\$30.00
Overflow Sites	\$20.00
Ball Field Sites	\$15.00
Group Tent Site	\$15.00 per tent, minimum 4 tents maximum 2 adults/tent, \$5/extra adult
Sani-dump	\$5.00

SCHEDULE “A”

Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Admissions

	Single Entry	Annual Pass
Adult	\$9.00	\$20.00
Student (under 18 OR having valid student ID)	\$7.00	\$15.00
Senior (age 60 and over)	\$7.00	\$15.00
Family (2 adults and their children under 18)	\$20.00	\$40.00

Children under the age of 6 are admitted free of charge.

Kyowakai Society members and their direct descendants are admitted free of charge.

Former internees are admitted free of charge upon advance request to the Village of New Denver.

School groups are eligible for a 40% discount off the standard admission prices of the entire group (students, teachers and chaperones).

Nikkei Internment Memorial Centre Special Access

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
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
Shipping	Actual cost +10%
Rush order	Double

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL DECISION

SUBMITTED BY: Catherine Allaway, CAO

DATE: October 9, 2020

SUBJECT: 2021 Woodstove Exchange Program

PURPOSE: To seek Council authorization to participate in the 2021 Woodstove Exchange Program

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Village of New Denver participate in the 2019 RDCK Wood Stove Exchange Program, and provide \$100 in funding per stove, to a maximum of 5.

ALTERNATIVES & IMPLICATIONS:

1. **Participate in the Woodstove Exchange Program, maximum 5 grants per year.** *Up to five grants will be available for New Denver residents.*
2. **Participate in the Woodstove Exchange Program, no limit or alternate limit.** *The Village will participate in the program, Council may choose whether or not to establish a limit on the number of annual grants available for New Denver residents.*
3. **Do not participate in the Woodstove Exchange Program.** *Grants will not be available to New Denver residents.*

ANALYSIS:

- A. **Background:** Through the RDCK, the Village of New Denver has participated in the Provincial Wood Stove Exchange Program since 2012. New Denver residents have taken advantage of the financial assistance available through the program to offset the cost of purchasing new, efficient wood stoves.
- B. **Discussion:** There have been no complaints received by the Village Office regarding the program. Typical uptake is in the range of 1-2 participants annually.
- C. **Legislative Framework:** Nil
- D. **Attachments:** Letter from RDCK dated September 28, 2020
- E. **Council Strategic Priority:** Nil
- F. **Communication Strategy:** The program will be advertised on the Village's website.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The funds required for the Village's contribution to the program (\$100/resident, to a maximum of \$500/year) have been allocated in the Village of New Denver's current Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw.



Regional District of Central Kootenay

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File No. 6240-20

September 28, 2020

Village of New Denver
PO Box 40
New Denver, BC
VOG 1S0
Attn: Lisa McGinn, Accounts

Cc by email: office@newdenver.ca

Dear Lisa:

The Woodstove Exchange Program is an initiative of the provincial government and the Lung Association of BC. The primary goal of the program is to improve air quality and reduce health problems attributable to wood burning. The program provides a financial incentive for residents to replace old, inefficient woodstoves with new, efficient, EPA-certified heating appliances. An education campaign is also part of the program.

The provincial grants allocated will be \$250 grants for the replacement of a non-EPA certified stove or insert with an EPA certified wood stove and \$400 if the appliance replacing the non-EPA/CSA wood burning stove is a cleaner burning appliance such as a pellet stove, an electric heat pump or a gas or propane stove.

RDCK is now asking if you would like to continue participating in the program throughout 2021:

As a participant in the program, the municipality will be required to do the following:

- Advertise the program on the municipal website;
- Contribute a \$100 rebate for each stove exchanged within your municipality (*Note – your Council may specify a maximum number of rebates for 2021*); and
- Disburse rebate cheques to successful program applicants (*Note – for each exchange, the RDCK will disburse the provincial rebate and then send payment details and a copy of the successful application to the relevant municipality*).

To confirm that your municipality intends to participate, we require a Council resolution or a letter from your CAO/CFO. Please send this information for my attention by or before October 23, 2020.

Sincerely:

Abby Fedorak
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