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NEWSLETTER

Panorama Area Planning Process

or land use conservation in the plan area.

A planning process to engage the community and resort ownership on current land use issues and opportunities and create new land use policies to guide further development

This is the first newsletter for the Panorama Area Official Community Plan Process.

INTRODUCTORY OPEN HOUSE

An introductory Open House will be held at Panorama Resort to explain the process, introduce the RDEK staff and Director Clovechok and open the dialogue about the future of the Panorama area.

 Saturday, March 23, 2019 - 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm Panorama Mountain Resort
 Copper Crown Conference Room
 2000 Panorama Drive

The Open House will also include an introduction to OCPs and an overview of the project timeline.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The goals of the planning process:

- Draft a new Official Community Plan for the Panorama area that recognizes the last twenty years of development at the Resort and plans for future land uses.
- Introduce revised Development Permit Areas that reflect current best practice and make sense for the Panorama community.

PROJECT TIMELINE

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March 2019

- 1st newsletter
- Open House March 23, 2019

April & May 2019

Online engagement - Round 1

July 2019

- 2nd newsletter
- Open House #2

July - September 2019

Online engagement - Round 2

October & November 2019

OCP drafting

December 2019 & January 2020

- 3rd newsletter
- Draft OCP presentation (Dec)
- Online engagement Round 3

February 2020

- OCP revision & finalization
- Public Hearing
- Bylaw adoption process





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WHAT IS AN OCP?

An Official Community Plan (OCP) is a long term strategic planning document. Revised land use planning objectives and policy statements will be drafted based on the consideration of balancing private and public interests with local and regional considerations. The OCP will contain objectives and policies related to a range of topics including: residential land use, commercial or resort land use, industrial land use, recreational and environmental values, public safety and transportation. The OCP will contain different types of policies:

- Direction to land use decision making within RDEK control;
- Recommendations to advise decision making within the RDEK's sphere of influence; and
- Identification of the preferred direction for items beyond the RDEK control but of public interest.

WHY UPDATE THE OCP NOW?

- The current OCP was adopted in 1999 and was heavily based on the Concept Development Plan prepared by the
 previous owner of Panorama Mountain Resort. A significant amount of development has occurred over the last
 twenty years and this is not currently recognized in the OCP. In order to permit some of this development the OCP
 has been amended 15 times since its adoption.
- The project has been identified as a priority project by the RDEK Board of Directors in order to develop policy that addresses opportunities for future development, issues and opportunities.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

The OCP project is expected to take a year to complete. The process will include opportunities for community engagement and feedback and we hope you will participate. Communications between the RDEK, community and relevant stakeholders is essential to the process.

Online Engagement:

In consideration of the resort nature of the Panorama area, the RDEK will primarily be utilizing online engagement and feedback opportunities for public communications. In person communications will also be part of the process and strata councils, user groups or individuals are encouraged to contact RDEK Staff or Director Susan Clovechok.

To participate in the online engagement opportunities, visit engage.rdek.bc.ca and click on Panorama Area OCP.

To Receive Direct Emails from the RDEK:

To get updates on this planning process along with other RDEK news and information related to the Panorama area, including emergency notifications, join the RDEK's email group. Visit www.rdek.bc.ca and look for the email sign up card on the main page.

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