

COUNCIL QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Meeting date: February 1st

1. What is the next phase identified in the Government of Yukon's current FireSmarting project?

The complete scope of the Government of Yukon's Mount Sima project can be viewed here. The Government of Yukon carried out extensive consultation with the following groups and stakeholders:

- 1. Yukon Government
 - a. Environment Yukon
 - b. Forest Management Branch
 - c. Land Management
- 2. City of Whitehorse
 - a. Fire Department
 - b. Engineering
 - c. Parks and Community Development
- 3. Kwanlin Dun First Nation
- 4. Ta'an Kwächän Council
- 5. Mary Lake Community Association
- 6. Cowley Creek Community Association
- 7. Wolf Creek Community Association
- 8. Trans Canada Trail Yukon Representation
- 9. Klondike Snowmobile Association
- 10. Quarry Permit holders
- 11. Yukon Bird Club (former) president
- 12. Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club

The Government of Yukon has committed to continue working with neighborhood associations as the project progresses.

Moreover, there were 16 projects in the Whitehorse area funded through the Government of Yukon FireSmart funding program in the 2020-21 fiscal year, and a project in Whistle Bend that the Government of Yukon's Land Development branch is overseeing, in addition to the City's project on Chadburn Lake Road. The following projects are either in progress currently or will be taking place before the end of March:

FS-613 Porter Creek Secondary School FS-615 Hidden Valley School



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FS-616 Friends of Mt. Sima

FS-618A Copper Ridge Neighbourhood Association

FS-620A Pineridge Neighbourhood Association

FS-621 McLean Lake Residents' Association

FS-622 Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

FS-624 Kwanlin Dun First Nation (Sumanik Drive and Copper Ridge)

FS-627 Porter Creek Community Association

FS-628 Riverdale Community Association

2. In terms of the zoning amendment for 1308 Centennial Street, how does the City manage the security deposit for vegetative buffer requirement if the developer forfeits?

The primary method for ensuring that required improvements are completed is to ensure the value of the security exceeds the cost to complete the improvements. Securities for landscaping (including vegetative buffers) are collected based on 125% of the estimated cost to install the improvements, so it should be cheaper to complete the work than not to complete it. If the required improvements have not been completed within the stipulated timeline, the security may be forfeited and the funds added to the City's general revenue fund, per the Zoning Bylaw.

City staff would typically use the normal enforcement process provided in the Zoning Bylaw involving letters, notices, orders and suspension or revocation of permits and/or fines.

Where builders sell the property before the two years has passed to complete the landscaping, the responsibility for landscaping transfer with ownership. If the landscaping requirement is fulfilled by the new owner, the City can then refund the security to the new owner.

3. What are the on-street parking limitations for 1308 Centennial Street, and how are they enforced?

The on-street parking rules for 1308 Centennial Street are the same as those for most residential streets. Per the Traffic Bylaw, on-street parking is limited 72 hours. The enforcement of this bylaw provision is typically addressed in response to citizen complaints.



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4. Does the Housing Incentive Policy primarily incentivize rental and supportive housing?

While the majority of the grants issued are for rental and supportive housing, the Policy also provides incentives to developments that promote density near "neighbourhood facilities" defined as basic services that contribute to 'complete communities', including elementary or secondary schools, commercial areas, government recreation or health service buildings, community gardens, or developed City parks or playgrounds. In addition to being in proximity to these facilities, developments must fall within particular zones.

Other incentives are provided to developments achieving density targets.

Grants and deferred payments for City land purchases may also be considered by Council to assist non-profit or non-governmental organizations.

Incentives vary per category.