

Report to Council



Date: April 15, 2024
To: Council
From: City Manager
Subject: Council Tour of Transportation Projects
Division: Infrastructure

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from the Infrastructure Division dated April 15, 2024, with respect to Council Tour of Transportation Projects;

AND THAT a portion of the Regular AM Council Meeting scheduled for Monday April 22, 2024 be at a location other than City Hall Council Chamber, being various locations in Kelowna, BC starting at 9:00 am as outlined in the report from the Infrastructure Division dated April 15, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT the public not be permitted to attend this portion of the Meeting in-person due to its location and transportation requirements.

Purpose:

To provide Council background information in advance of the scheduled tour of several project sites on Monday, April 22nd.

Council Priority Alignment:

Transportation

Background:

City Council's Priorities include a goal of improving the mobility of Kelowna, residents, businesses and visitors. This includes improvements to walking, cycling, public transit and general traffic network capacity. Council has also expressed an interest in visiting the site of projects related to priorities and strategic objectives.

A Council tour of transportation project sites is arranged as part of Council's decision-making process. The tour itself is considered a Council meeting since a quorum of Council members will be participating, and the information received is part of their decision-making process for this initiative.

Every effort will be made to broadcast the tour on the City website and in Council Chamber as a Council meeting. It is assumed the technology will cooperate to the extent that video footage can be broadcast. The public can watch the broadcast at [Kelowna.ca/council](https://kelowna.ca/council).

Discussion:

Administration has organized a tour of six project sites that highlight projects that are being proposed for advancement, or are approved and under design, and or are currently under construction. The Projects planned to be visited include:

1. Bertram Ave / Burtch Rd improvements in support of the Building a Stronger Kelowna Parkinson site. Currently in the design phase.
2. Leckie Rd active transportation corridor from Hwy 97 to Dilworth Dr. Currently under construction.
3. Sutherland Ave active transportation corridor and utility upgrades west of Gordon Dr. Currently under construction.
4. Burtch Rd extension from Byrns Rd to KLO Rd. A new road connection to be delivered on an accelerated basis.
5. DeHart Rd between Gordon Dr and Lakeshore Rd, reconstruction of the roadway in conjunction with the new DeHart neighbourhood park. Currently commencing construction.
6. Lakeshore Rd upgrades, from DeHart Rd through to Lanfranco Rd. Currently in the design phase.

Conclusion:

The City of Kelowna will continue to place a heightened focus on accelerating transportation infrastructure projects to meet the growing demands of the community – in particular, major road connections that will improve overall network capacity. Council can anticipate significant efforts put towards accelerated delivery of multiple road connections throughout the remainder of this term.

Internal Circulation:

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Considerations not applicable to this report:

Consultation and Engagement:
Communications Comments:
Existing Policy:
Legal/Statutory Authority:
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:
Financial/Budgetary Considerations

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Attachment(s):

Attachment 1 – Tour Route Map
Attachment 2 – Bernard/Burtch Upgrades
Attachment 3 – Leckie ATC
Attachment 4 – Sutherland ATC
Attachment 5 – Burtch Road Extension
Attachment 6 – DeHart Park
Attachment 7 – Frost Road and Chute Lake Road
Attachment 8 – Lakeshore Drive Corridor

cc: Divisional Director, Corporate Strategic Services
Divisional Director, Financial Services
Department Manager, Infrastructure Delivery