

Attachment 2
Summary of the Public Hearing

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Summary of the Public Hearing
Held at Oceanside Place, 830 West Island Highway, Parksville
Wednesday November 23, 2022, at 6:00 pm
To consider “Regional District of Nanaimo Electoral Area ‘G’ Official Community Plan Amendment
Bylaw No. 1540.04”

Note: This report is not a verbatim recording of the proceedings but a summary of the comments of those in attendance at the Public Hearing.

PRESENT:

Lehann Wallace, RDN

Chair, Electoral Area ‘G’ Director

Stephen Boogaards, RDN

Planner

Kayla Harris, RDN

Planning Technician

Nine members of the public attended the meeting.

The Chair called the hearing to order at 6:01 pm, introduced those present representing the Regional District, and outlined the procedures to be followed during the hearing.

Stephen Boogaards provided an explanation of the proposed amendment bylaws and application process.

Stephen Boogaards explained that in addition to the comments and submissions received at this Public Hearing, one written submission was received from Len Gibson from 439 College Road, Qualicum Beach. A copy of the submission is available for viewing at the Board meeting or at the RDN Administration Office.

The Chair explained the Public Hearing Procedures

The Chair called for formal submissions with respect to Bylaw 1540.04.

No written submissions were received at the hearing. The following comments were received:

George Hamlyn, 1589 Juan de Fuca Boulevard – Regarding the 30 km/hr speed zone all hours. Not in support of 30 km/hr speed outside of school hours.

John Moore, 1273 Sunrise Drive – Sunrise Drive is part of a bike route to Parksville and Qualicum. Near Windsor Plywood/Imperial Drive there is no sign on the road that says bike route until you get to the Sandpiper subdivision. The white line on the north side of Sunrise Drive doesn’t start from Drew Road. There is a road shoulder, but it is not a bike trail. Lots of kids go to school and walk along one side of the road and are on the opposite side of the road returning from school where there is no shoulder or paving for the road. Would like to see speed reduction measures on and a speed bump on Sunrise Drive.

Dianne Moore, 1273 Sunrise Drive – regarding the cross section drawing of the multi-use path, the diagram doesn’t look like a multi-modal trail. With the extra space, markings, and signage, it looks like a city street. She would rather have white lines on both sides of the street and a shoulder on both sides of the street. Also feels that several of her neighbours were not aware of the Active Transportation Plan and Public Hearing.

Sharon Hamlyn, 1589 Juan de Fuca Boulevard – Regarding Columbia Drive, raised concerns about how a bike lane is going to be implemented. Clarification was provided on timeline and process of the bylaw amendment.

Lloyd Sargison, 961 Rockland Place – Regarding Active Transportation, this is a new OCP process for the RDN and recognized the multi-use paths meet international standards and that there are certain standards for the road. The intersection at Columbia Beach will be engineered. He commends the initiation of the plan.

Grant Williams, 1415 Blackbrant Place – Lives near Johnstone Road Beach Access at the lights where there is a lot of human traffic. The speed down to the beach access is 50 km/hr. There should be traffic calming there. Kids live on both sides of the streets on those corners. There should be more signage. There is currently nothing there to slow traffic. It is a hazard. RDN sign at the beach access says No Overnight Parking. Suggests to do as the Town of Quaicum Beach does and state the range of hours/times that parking is not permitted rather than saying No Overnight Parking if the goal is to deter people from parking overnight.

Gerry Gaudette, 1521 Mason Trail – From Imperial Drive to Barclay Crescent over French Creek, there is a bike trail. There is no centre line for the last eight years on that trail. He has spray painted around pot holes with fluorescent paint because it is hard to navigate. Needs to be maintained.

Caroline Hodgson, 1577 Sharon's Place - Columbia Beach – For the Columbia Beach intersection on the main road, the plan takes into account the busy road. Crossing at that intersection at Columbia and the Highway is not ideal for young children. This section is very difficult for walking and cycling. Wants plan to take growth of traffic in the area into consideration with the plan. Would like to see these two things aligned.

George Hamlyn, 1589 Juan de Fuca Boulevard – Wants notice to be sent out by mail in a letter rather than an online engagement or newspaper notification. It's hard to know where to look.

Dianne Moore, 1273 Sunrise Drive – Clarity was asked on the timeline. The time frame is 20 years to build out the entire network. The plan is confusing on the timeline and hard to find in the report what the timeline is.

John Moore, 1273 Sunrise Drive – Regarding Sunrise Drive priority for these improvements will be 10 years down the road. 18 years ago the road was paved and a 4 ft shoulder was added to the road. It has been getting busier ever since. Is there anything that can take place in the meantime during that 10 year period to address these concerns. Where is the funding coming from? Concerns about tax increases.

Sharon Hamlyn, 1589 Juan de Fuca Boulevard – Stated that it is unclear when the Official Community Plan was implemented and whether the OCP existed before the active transportation plan.

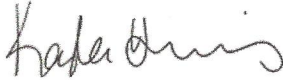
Dianne Moore, 1273 Sunrise Drive – Sunrise Drive is wide enough for speed bumps. Wants to see speedbumps on Sunrise Drive

The Chair called for further submissions for the second time.

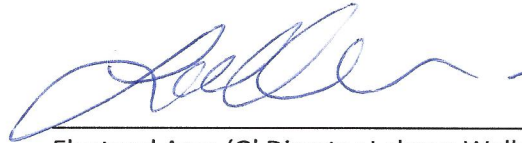
The Chair called for further submissions a third and final time.

There being no further submissions, the Chair adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:45 pm.

Certified fair and accurate this 24th day of November, 2022.



Kayla Harris
Recording Secretary



Electoral Area 'G' Director Lehann Wallace
Public Hearing Delegate/Chair

Stephen Boogaards

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2022 9:33 AM
To: Miskulin, James TRAN:EX
Cc: Stephen Boogaards
Subject: RE: MOTI File 2022-05276: French Creek OCP with Active Transportation Plan

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From: Miskulin, James TRAN:EX <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 3:14 PM
To: Angela Buick <[REDACTED]>
Subject: MOTI File 2022-05276: French Creek OCP with Active Transportation Plan

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Hi Angela,

The ministry has reviewed the subject OCP amendments and Active Transportation plan and provides the following comments:

- The ministry is supportive of active transportation improvements where feasible
- The RDN will be required to obtain road works permits from MOTI prior to construction
- Designs of the trail network will need to be submitted to the ministry for review and comment as part of the permit process
- Maintenance of the trail network will need to be undertaken by the RDN in the form of a License of Occupation

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you,

James Miskulin, BBA, MCPM

He/Him

Development Services Officer

Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure

Vancouver Island District

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I recognize and respectfully acknowledge the Snuneymuxw First Nation, on whose traditional territory I live, work, learn and play.

Stephen Boogaards

From: Len Gibson [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2022 10:04 AM
To: Planning Email
Cc: Sharon Drefs; Kevan Hill-Tout
Subject: French Creek Active Transportation Plan

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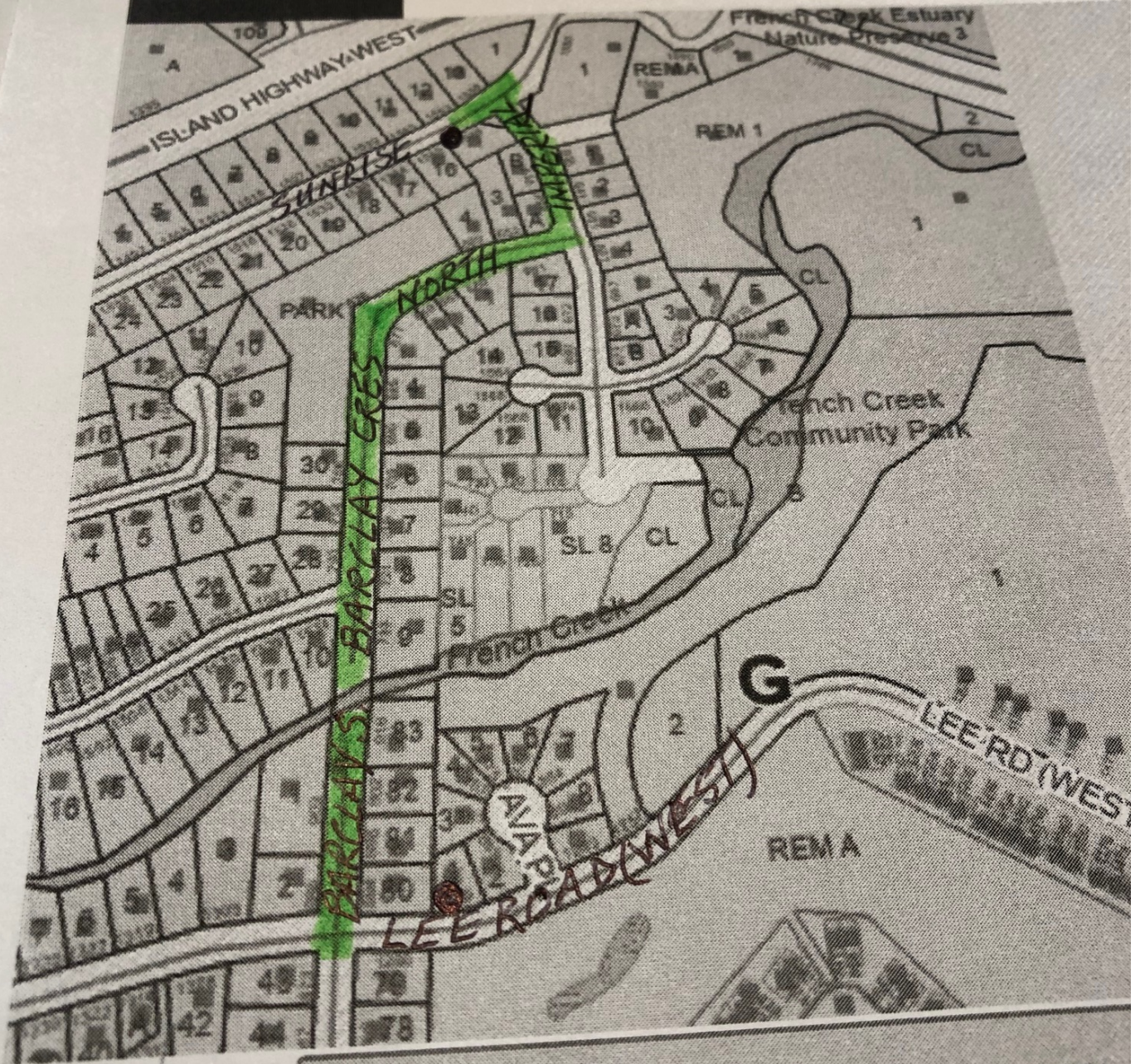
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I want to see the following long outstanding requests budgeted as top priority in this formal plan.

Item 1:

- intersection Sunrise/Imperial, increase permanent visibility by flaring left and right sides on north end of Imperial
- place caution sign on south side of Sunrise alerting vehicles going east of cyclists exiting Imperial onto Sunrise
- repave Barclay Crescent North from Imperial through to Mason-Trail
- repave Barclay Crescent South from intersection Lee Road West to French Creek
- place Caution Cyclists sign on north side of Lee Road West alerting drivers to cyclists exiting from French Creek Crossing

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Photo of marked up plan for Item 1.

Item 2:

- pave, or place compacted road crush, on "Columbia Pass-through" linking Sumar Lane and Dalmatian Drive (a high use access by cyclists and pedestrians)
- if existing concrete barriers to remain in place, increase opening and paint both sides of barriers with Traffic Yellow
- align pass-through to intersect Dalmatian at center of right-of-way allowance and flare opening to accommodate access/egress of cyclists

Item 3:

- repave Admiral-Tyron Blvd. from Columbia Drive eastward to Damon Road as required to be compatible with newer pavement on Admiral-Tyron

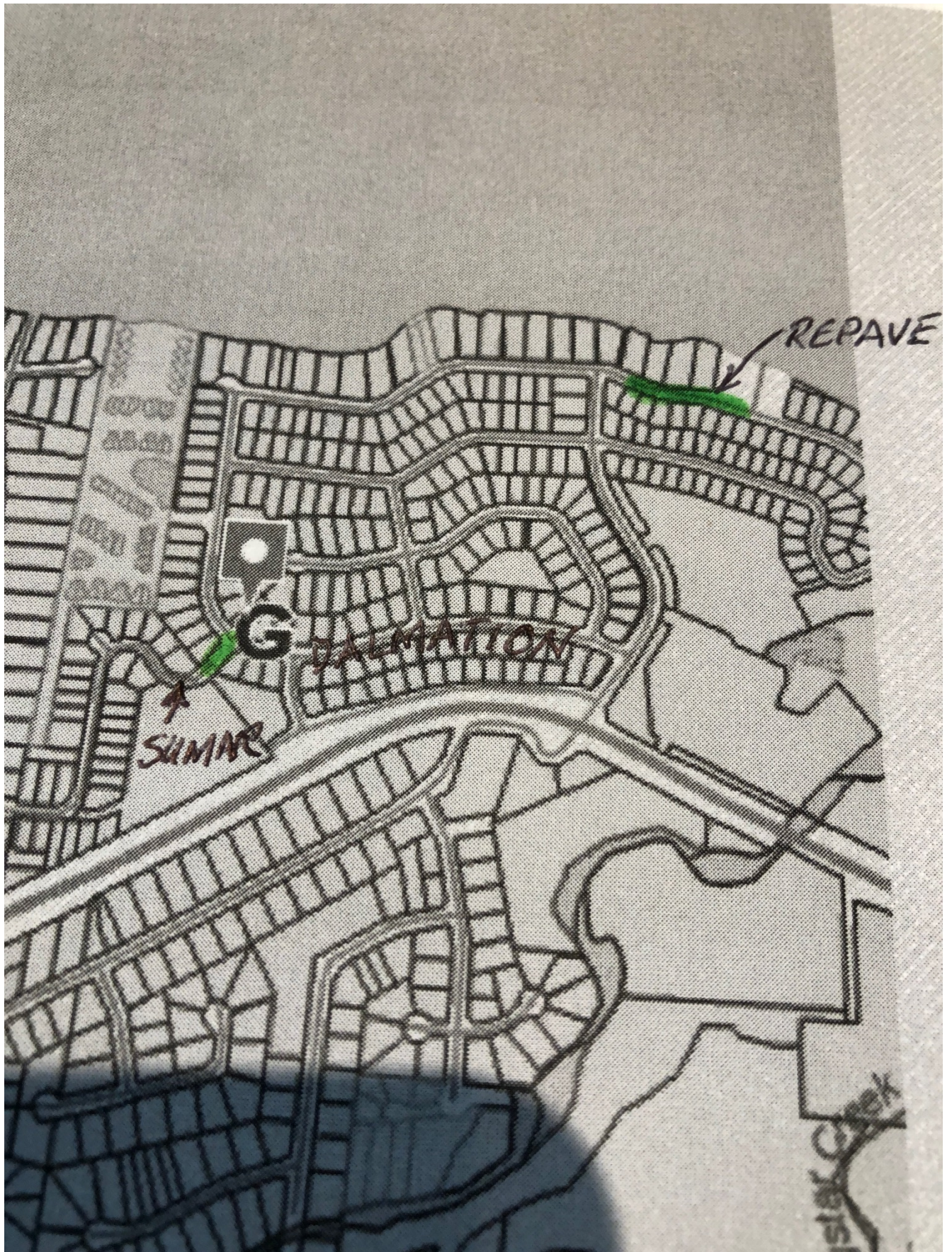


Photo of marked up plan for Items 2, 3.

Respectfully,
Len Gibson

