CQ 2020

CONNECT THE QUAYS

The City is committed to enhancing the quality of life of residents and taxpayers by creating a vibrant waterfront community. To support this vision, the City is exploring options to connect Victoria Quay on the Somass River in north Port Alberni to Harbour Quay on the Alberni Harbour in south Port Alberni with a multi-use pathway.

Through the City's *2019 – 2023 Corporate Strategic Plan*, Council has identified five strategic priorities, one of which is to foster a community that is safe, healthy and inclusive. To support this, the City is developing "Connect the Quays," a project which aims to link Victoria Quay and Harbour Quay with a multi-use pathway.

City staff are currently working on a conceptual design to better understand the opportunities and constraints of the project in relation to land use and ownership, environmental impacts, engineering options, funding opportunities and budget implications.

If constructed, this project will:

* create nodes where the community can recognize and celebrate local Indigenous culture and history;
* offer looping connections to existing and planned City trail systems;
* connect citizens and neighbourhoods;
* encourage recreational activity and non-motorized communiting; and
* highlight the City's waterfront and its many uses, past and present.

The City is activley looking for innovative funding opportunities. At the August 10th Council Meeting, Council directed City staff to prepare applications for two Investing in Canada Infrastructure government grants:

1. Community Culture and Recreation Infrastructure
2. Rural and Northern Communitites Infrastructure

The City of Port Alberni is committed to working closely with First Nations and the community throughout the project.

As part of our commitment, the City will:

* consult and engage with the public as the project develops and pathway design takes place; and
* provide regular project updates via newsletters, fact sheets and web updates.

Victoria Quay pathway

PORT ALBERNI
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Port Alberni Food Hub

The City supported the Port Alberni Port Authority in the opening of Port Alberni's new Food Hub to its seafood processors. Housed in the former fish processing plant, this innovative project supports food safety, security and supply while allowing local producers to increase their business opportunities and attract new food producers.

Fishers, harvesters and farmers will now be able to process their products locally allowing for an increase in revenue and the employment of more people in the community.

As work continues, completion of a shared commercial kitchen space with see further growth and opportunities for individuals, small business and community organizations.

FOOD HUB

FREE RESIDENTIAL YARDWASTE CURBSIDE PICKUP

Help make the Alberni Valley a Wildfire Resilient Community by starting your FireSmart journey today. By removing flammable debris on your property, you can help protect your home and neighbourhood in the event of a wildfire.

The Alberni Valley Emergency Program is offering free residential yardwaste curbside pickup. This program is grant funded through the Union of BC Municipalities and is targeted towards residents in the valley who cannot transport yardwaste to a disposal location themselves.

To request curbside pick-up, call **250-720-2702.**

YES
- Small trees, branches (maximum 4 inches in diameter)
- Two piles per property
- Piles neatly stacked at roadside with butt ends facing the same direction
- Max pile size (8ft. x 8ft. x 5ft. high)

NO
- Construction debris, garbage, organics
- Invasive species (including blackberry vines), grass clippings, leaves, soft plant material
- Piles with gravel, dirt, or root covered with dirt

CORONAVIRUS • COVID-19

ALBERNI VALLEY
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COMMUNITY UPDATE

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:
letsconnectpa.ca/covid-19

A reminder that residents are responsible for the pruning, trimming, care and maintenance of trees on their property. This is especially important for trees that are located adjacent to streets, sidewalks, and alleyways.

While pruning a tree can have many benefits, the most important is keeping the people around it safe. Removing dangerous limbs and maintaining a safe tree is always the best course of action.

The City is committed to keeping you informed regarding the delivery of services and programs while COVID-19 restrictions are in place, and thank the public for their continued patience and understanding.

Please continue to follow our Let's Connect COVID-19 page and City Facebook for up to date information.

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