



Monthly Report to City Council October 24th, 2016

Brief Update on Work in Progress September 12th to present

New Resident, Visitor and Business Attraction

- Continuing arrangements for October 22nd and 23rd Johnston Road charrette
- Refining approach to maximized-value, wood-biomass, eco-industrial cluster
- Wrote article for Business Examiner
- Introducing Job Concierge service with Community Futures
- Working with Community Futures to deliver export pilot program
- Meetings with two potential call centre proponents
- Met with company designing & manufacturing an array of sensors
- Meetings to improve City's Google Search rankings
- Prepare economic benefit impact statement for ACRD meeting with Minister re AVRA
- Prepare concept brief for Forest Fire Fighting Centre of Excellence
- Discuss City's business license process with the other Managers involved and CAO
- Met with Hupacasath to review their response to Clutesi Haven Marina Upland RFP
- Met with Tseshaht to provide notice of Council and Port Authority acceptance of Hupacasath response to Clutesi RFP
- Met with owner of Sproat Lake Landing and Chamber Executive Director
- Viewed vision being developed for McLean Mill by Board of Management
- Hosted and toured two small groups of investors

Attended and/or Participated in:

- Vancouver Island Coast Economic Developers Association quarterly meeting/AGM
- UBCM
- Tourism Vancouver Island annual conference
- Port Authority's Open House to discuss 3rd party testing of Cantimber
- Business Walks
- Destination BC's Development Program Planning Area session
- City & Port Authority Joint Working Group
- Mayor's Business Advisory Council
- Mayor's Liaison Breakfast Meeting
- Islands Agriculture Show AGM

Note:

- Need to develop 'dashboard monitor' for goal of 20,000 residents by 2023

Pat Deakin, Economic Development Manager