

District of Lantzville

Council Strategic Priorities 2023 – 2026



Mission Statement: Provide efficient, effective and environmentally and economically sustainable services and good governance for the public while managing growth of the community and respecting Lantzville's diverse character and charm.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT



- 1. High-quality neighbourhood planning:** innovative/green technology (build a show case house or building); fire smart; energy efficient; social cohesion; sustainable growth.
- 2. Environment first:** acquisition of parkland and greenspace; green infrastructure; environmental asset management.
- 3. Affordable housing:** develop responsible housing policy (i.e. subsidized housing, co-op housing, tiny homes, small single-family homes for young families and seniors).
- 4. OCP / zoning review:** develop neighbourhood plans for Future Study Areas.
- 5. Acquire as much land as possible through development.**
- 6. Energy Step Code as advanced as possible.**

INFRASTRUCTURE GREEN & GREY



- 19. Ensure adequate water standard for municipal connections:** protect the municipal aquifer, and develop a resilient well field system; keep water affordable.
- 20. Road upgrades:** review of bylaw and road standards.
- 21. Drainage:** develop bylaw; high environmental standards to mitigate effects of development.
- 22. Water expansion:** implement the \$6M grant for Winds water expansion.
- 23. Promote Rainwater Harvesting.**

PARKS & ENVIRONMENT



- 7. Trees for future generations:** develop a Tree Management and Protection Bylaw; enhance tree canopy and biodiversity; establish Future Old Growth (FOG) zones.
- 8. Pierce Woods Marine Park:** open to the public in 2024 and form a Waterfront Park Committee.
- 9. Beach Road Ends:** design and complete Harper, Lavender and Jack's Roads.
- 10. Invasive plants:** removal on all District owned land including parks and road ends.
- 11. Local food production enhancement.**
- 12. Develop a Parks, Trails, Green Space and Active Transportation Plan.**
- 13. Regional District of Nanaimo:** Lantzville Foothills 'Regional Park'.

RESIDENT ENGAGEMENT



- 24. Continuance of monthly Community Update:** add 'Council Corner' highlighting workshops or municipal services to the community.
- 25. Promotion of open and transparent communication with residents:** round table meetings; town hall meetings; explore and engage in new and innovative methods to collect resident input on key issues.
- 26. Volunteer built bus shelters:** develop a process including funding.
- 27. Rest areas on walking routes:** artisan benches and greenery.
- 28. Redesign of District of Lantzville website.**
- 29. Establish a Volunteer in Parks Program.**

GOVERNANCE & FINANCES



- 14. Continuance of Committees:** Community Safety; Parks and Trails.
- 15. Establish new committees/working groups:** Pierce Woods Marine Park; Foothills Park; Green Foreshore Management and Biodiversity; Executive Committee of Council
- 16. Asset Management:** inclusion of natural assets.
- 17. Continuance of Lantzville / Snaw-Naw-As joint council meetings.**
- 18. Financial Planning:** Council continue all efforts to minimize tax burden to residents.

SERVICES



- 30. Community amenities for pets:** dog park; public water bowls.
- 31. Fire Safety Rebate Program** (i.e., reflective street numbers).
- 32. Beach Fires:** pilot community fire pits.
- 33. Community Library:** bring library outreach services and opportunities to Lantzville residents.
- 34. Memorial Posts:** a legacy program to dedicate a plaque as a way to pay tribute to an individual or group.