

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF FERNIE Resort Development Strategy Advisory Working Group held at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, February 19, 2019

City Hall, Council Chambers, 501 3rd Avenue at City Hall, 501-3rd Avenue, Fernie, B.C.

AGENDA

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND LATE ITEMS
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
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- 3.1 Minutes of a Resort Development Strategy Advisory Working Group Meeting held on January 29, 2019
 2019-01-29 RDS AWG Minutes
- 4. **BUSINESS**
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- 4.1 Resort Development Strategy Planning Workshop
 Fernie RDS Planning Workshop
- 5. <u>NEXT AWG MEETING</u>
- 6. ADJOURNMENT

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF FERNIE

Minutes of a Resort Development Strategy Advisory Working Group held at 10:00 AM on January 29, 2019 in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 501-3rd Avenue, Fernie, BC.

Present Representing

Norm McInnis Chief Administrative Officer

Meredith Daniel Recording Secretary
Councillor McIsaac Council (Non-Voting)

Shirley McMahon Director of Financial & Computer Services

Courtney Baker Community at Large
Andy Cohen Fernie Alpine Resort

Louise Ferguson Fernie & District Arts Council

Jikke Gyorki Tourism Fernie

Julie Kelly <10:15-11:00 am> Fernie Trails Alliance

Patty Vadnais Chamber of Commerce

Unavailable

Derick Berry Fernie Central Reservation
Tracy Kelly Leisure Services Advisory Board

Shawn Tomlin RDEK (Non-Voting)

CALL TO ORDER The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND

LATE ITEMS

2.1 Agenda Moved by Patty Vadnais

Seconded by Louise Ferguson

THAT the agenda of the January 29, 2019 Resort Development Strategy

Advisory Working Group be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 RDS AWG 2019-01-22 **Moved by Louise Ferguson**

Seconded by Patty Vadnais

THAT the minutes of the RDS AWG meeting of January 22, 2019 be

adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

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5.1 2019-2021 Resort Development Strategy

Mr. McInnis introduced Dan Wilson, Community Planning and Monitoring Specialist for the Whistler Centre for Sustainability, who was in attendance at the meeting via video conferencing.

Mr. Wilson reviewed the 2019-2021 Resort Development Strategy and the proposed working plan to complete the project. Mr. Wilson provided updates on work undertaken for the Fernie Tourism Master Plan and reviewed the information gathered from engagement sessions with local organizations.

Julie Kelly entered the meeting at 10:15 am.

Mr. Wilson reviewed strategies to boost tourism year-round and the group discussed opportunities to attract different types of tourists to Fernie.

The group discussed the efficacy of the Tourism Master Plan Survey and by consensus, decided that at this time there is no need to complete further engagement prior to completing the Resort Development Strategy. Mr. McInnis noted that the group can continue engagement with stakeholders and local organizations throughout the year for other RDS AWG activities and planning.

Mr. McInnis answered group inquiries regarding the impact of the Tourism Master Plan on the Resort Development Strategy project. The group discussed existing RDS projects and noted the importance of completing these items prior to taking on new large infrastructure projects. The group discussed the impact of logging on local tourism, the need for further accessibility planning, the environmental impacts of tourism and importance of ecotourism. The group discussed the impact of the Resort Development Strategy and the Tourism Master Plan on different facets of the community.

Mr. Wilson answered group inquiries regarding the processes used in other communities to spend RMI funding and Mr. McInnis reviewed the budget information required by the province for the Resort Development Strategy.

5.2 Resort Community Collaborative

Mr. McInnis reviewed the upcoming Resort Community Collaborative event to be held in Fernie from June 5-7, 2019. Mr. McInnis noted that he will be requesting feedback and planning support from the group at a later date.

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NEXT AWG MEETING	The next meeting will be held on February 19, 2019 at 10:00 am.				
ADJOURNMENT	Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.				
	RDS AWG Chair				
	Meredith Daniel, Recording Secretary				
	I hereby certify the foregoing to be the correct Minutes of a Resort Development Strategy Advisory Working Group held January 29, 2019				

Fernie RDS Planning Workshop

Objectives:

- Review RDS/TMP goals
- Review Strategic Directions for Fernie RDS
- Confirm criteria for RDS project prioritization and selection
- Review and prioritize proposed RDS projects
- Identify project costs and timing

Agenda

0:00	Welcome	
	Review of agenda + objectives	
0:10	Review of RDS process	
0:20	Review and confirm TMP/RDS goals and outcomes	
0:30	Review Strategic Directions, I.D those linked to RDS	
1:00	Review current RDS projects	Outcomes Did they help us move towards RDS goals? What could be improved?
1:30	Identify criteria for project selection	RMI objectives TMP/Directions Budget Other criteria (e.g. cost/benefit; ROI)
2:00	Review and discuss all proposed projects; prioritize according to criteria	Provide matrix to see how proposed projects meet RMI objectives and RDS goals and other criteria Eliminate any projects that don't fit Discuss and prioritize, including costs
3:00	Review prioritized projects and confirm	
3:15	Identify timing and responsibility	
3:45	Next steps, wrap	