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NEWS RELEASE – GREIG AVENUE NEIGHBOURHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRESSES

Terrace, BC

SUMMARY

The City of Terrace is actively working on the revitalization of the Greig Avenue neighbourhood in the central and eastern quadrants of downtown. A series of municipal and private sector developments are currently advancing and will lead to an improved, more lively downtown core. These developments align with the City's corporate vision as outlined in the Official Community Plan, to create a thriving and vibrant downtown core.

KEY POINTS

4600 Block Greig Avenue Reconstruction

The 4600 block of Greig Avenue will be undergoing major reconstruction this summer. This project is a significant investment and is a municipal priority because the underground infrastructure services the entire downtown. The tender was released on May 25, and construction will commence in late June with a substantial completion date aimed for mid-September, 2018.

Reconstruction includes:

- new water, sanitary and storm mains;
- new roadway gravels and paving;
- new concrete curbs and paverstone sidewalks; and
- new landscaping, trees and street lights.

Major Milestone Achievement – Certificate of Compliance (COC) Received for former Co-op property

The City of Terrace received the official Certificate of Compliance for the former Co-op site on May 25 from the Ministry of Environment. Originally purchased by the City of Terrace in 2005, the site has undergone significant remediation over the past 20 years, as well as a series of environmental studies to meet Provincial regulatory requirements.

The achievement of this major milestone allows for the property, currently under a Sales Agreement, to now be sold and will provide for a significant transformation of the area.

New Museum Proposed

In November, 2017 the City offered the Terrace and District Museum Society (the Society) a portion of the eastern former Co-op property (along Kalum Street). The Society is advancing a plan to develop a museum on this site and will utilize half an acre for an estimated \$5 million dollar facility. Council has earmarked the northeast corner of the site for a future community plaza or similar use.

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The Society is currently in the process of selecting a consultant to conduct a project feasibility study. The funding committee for the project is actively seeking grants and funds for the study as well as the construction of the project.

New Development Permit Issued for Bar

Terrace City Council issued a development permit for a new bar on the property of the Skeena Liquor Store (former location of the Skeena Hotel and Bar). The bar is currently designed for 70 patrons and is proposed for the northwest corner of the lot.

The development at the corner of Greig and Atwood will provide a modern yet historical twist to the rebuild of the Skeena Bar. Progressive Ventures Construction is now engaged for the design and build of the development. The manager, Renee Aird, expects the bar to be fully operational by December 2018.

QUOTES

"Construction will start as soon as possible within the coming weeks, and we are very excited about the revitalization of the area."

Darcy McKeown, Developer of Greig Avenue Bar

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