

District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b> August 14, 2023	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> B. Payette, CAO
<b>Re: Crown Land Tenure– Update</b>	

**Background:** In February of 2023, the CAO submitted an application for Crown Land Tenure of Lot 37 DISTRICT LOT 1634, KDYD, PLAN 1746, PID 011-385-014.

**Discussion:** The District is the largest landholder within the downtown and the majority of its land has been developed, or has plans for future expansion of existing uses. A vacant 4.8ha (11.8ac) Crown parcel is situated within the downtown core with frontage along three roads; one of which is Barriere Town Rd. A Crown Grant will provide an opportunity for the District to facilitate development of the land for community and institutional uses to better serve the residents of the North Thompson Valley.

Recent discussions with the Simpcw First Nation have resulted in opportunities for both the municipality and the First Nation to work collaboratively on developing of the Crown lands to better serve the needs of the Simpcw community in terms of potential housing off reserve and economic development.

The DOB received notice in July that the application has been reviewed and has been assigned a tracking number. However, additional information is required. In response, the CAO is working with TRUE to provide a land survey and site plan map. Additionally, they have asked for an updated resolution from Council noting the District's support of the partnership submission with Simpcw First Nation.

**Summary:** Subsequent to our recent C2C Meeting with Simpcw, the DOB is now in a position to resubmit an updated Crown Land tenure application in partnership with Simpcw First Nation.

**Recommendation:**

***WHEREAS the District is interested to partner with Simpcw First Nation in the submission of the Crown Land Grant and requests the following updated resolution;***

***THAT Council direct staff to re-submit an application in partnership with Simpcw for Crown Land Tenure of Lot 37 DISTRICT LOT 1634, KDYD, PLAN 1746, PID 011-385-014.***

Prepared by: Bob Payette, CAO