

District of Barriere
REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: June 7, 2021	File: 530.20/Rpts
To: Council	From: C. Matthews Parks & Roads Manager
Re: River Water Irrigation of Downtown Parkland	

Background: At the March 8th, 2021 regular meeting, Council directed staff to pursue an amendment of the Point of Diversion with Front Counter BC in order to utilize the Barriere River as a water source for park irrigation and if approved, that staff bring the matter back to Council for a final decision.

Discussion: The Water License C032392 point of diversion amendment application to FLNRORD Water License Division, has been approved.

As the District has an adequate water license on the Barriere River and now has obtained approval, using this source of **non-potable** water to irrigate Community, Fadear, Ball Park and Gray Place Parks will aid in the protection of the District's potable community water system.

Completing this project will involve the installation of a pump system in Community Park and tie-in to the existing infrastructure on the east side of Airfield. The cost for the system is estimated at \$40,000 and could also be funded through the TMP Community Benefit.

The CAO will send an update to Simpcw on the progress.

Recommendation: THAT staff be directed to complete the installation for the downtown park irrigation system utilizing the approved Water License C032392 Point of Diversion amendment at a cost of up to \$40,000 with the funds coming Trans Mountain Pipeline Community Benefit funds.

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