

The Corporation of the City of Courtenay

# **Briefing Note**

To: Council

From: City Manager (CAO)

File No.:1870-02 [2024]Date:May 7, 2025

Subject: 2024 Annual Development Cost Charges (DCC) Report

### PURPOSE:

To present Council with the 2024 Development Cost Charges (DCC) Reserve Fund Summary for information.

#### BACKGROUND:

In 1994, Council adopted Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 1741, 1994, to authorize collection of DCC's to help pay for capital costs associated with providing, constructing, altering or expanding sewage, water, drainage and highway facilities, and providing and improving parkland. There have been amendments to the DCC bylaw since 1994 and the current bylaw in effect is Bylaw No. 2840, 2016.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The City collects DCCs in accordance with Bylaw 2840 (established 2016) and the balance of the DCC funds at December 31, 2024 is \$15,468,690. In 2024, there were no DCC reductions and/or waivers.

DCC	2024 Balance		
Water	\$	1,033,864	
Sewer		2,340,715	
Highway		7,443,624	
Storm		3,076,344	
Parkland		1,574,143	
Total	\$	15,468,690	

#### ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS:

Section 569(1) of the *Local Government Act* requires municipalities to report on the DCCs collected and spent during the fiscal period. This legislated report must be prepared annually by June 30<sup>th</sup> and be made available to the public.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Development cost charges collected are initially recorded as deferred revenue on the City's financial statements until project spending occurs, in accordance with the terms of the City's DCC bylaw and Public Sector Accounting Standards.

#### PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT:

The public will be **informed** of the outcome of Council's consideration of the Annual Development Cost Charges Reserve Fund Report with the report being available to the public on the City's website. This is based on level one of the IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation adopted as an element of Sound Project Design for the Corporate Workplan.

	Increasing Level of Public Impact					
	Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower	
Public participation goal	To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	To place final decision-making in the hands of the public.	

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council receive the 2024 City of Courtenay Annual DCC Reserve Fund Report for the year ended December 31, 2024.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

A. 2024 Annual Development Cost Charges Reserve Fund Summary

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# Attachment A - 2024 Annual Development Cost Charges Reserve Fund Summary

2024 Annual Development Cost Charges Reserve Fund Sum City of Courtenay in accordance with section 569 of the Local Government Act	nary
Water DCC Bylaw #2840 Balance, January 1, 2024	962,245
Add: DCCs received during the year	26,798
Add: Interest earned during the year	44,821
Balance, December 31, 2024	1,033,864
Sewer DCC Bylaw #1638 Balance, January 1, 2024	37,352
Add: Interest earned during the year	1,707
Balance, December 31, 2024	39,059
Sewer DCC Bylaw #2840 Balance, January 1, 2024	2,120,644
Add: DCCs received during the year	81,466
Add: Interest earned during the year	99,546
Balance, December 31, 2024	2,301,656
Highway DCC Bylaw #2840 Balance, January 1, 2024	6,908,542
Add: DCCs received during the year	213,663
Add: Interest earned during the year	321,419
Balance, December 31, 2024	7,443,624
Storm DCC Bylaw #2840 Balance, January 1, 2024	2,875,911
Add: DCCs received during the year	67,067
Add: Interest earned during the year	133,366
Balance, December 31, 2024	3,076,344
Parkland DCC Bylaw #2840 Balance, January 1, 2024	1,459,869
Add: DCCs received during the year	46,029
Add: Interest earned during the year	68,245
Balance, December 31, 2024	1,574,143
Total DCC Balance December 31, 2024	15,468,690

#### **Waivers and Reductions**

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the City of Courtenay issued no waivers or reductions under section 569 (2)(d):