



Town of Lake Cowichan



Strategic Plan 2024

QUARTER 3 UPDATE

July 1 ~ September 30, 2024



INTRODUCTION

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The third quarter of this year marked the end of summer and the influx of visitors to the community has gradually dropped off. A busy summer was experienced.

The Town has updated its practices to meet the needs of its public. It began accepting credit card payments online. Several grants were applied for, and the Town was successful in garnering funds for several projects. Of particular importance are grants towards the upgrade of the sewer treatment plant and the funding of \$400,000 towards the FireSmart programme.

This year the budget proceedings were electronically transmitted. Upgrades towards audio visual system for council meetings are scheduled to be completed soon.

Improvements to the following have occurred:

- Sewer treatment plant upgrades are underway;
- Improvements to the Ohtaki pedestrian bridge have been completed;
- Electronic payment system has been installed at the sani-dump;
- Washroom upgrades at the Lakeview and Centennial Parks have been completed.

Upcoming projects include:

- An accessibility audit;
- Parking lot upgrades at the Town Hall with completion of engineering, addition of flagpoles and storage containment unit for waste receptacles;
- Improvements to the Public Works yard.



Administration



Administration The Municipal Office and Council Chambers

Corporate Office

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Protocol Agreement with Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation		Still outstanding.	
Records management (digitizing)			

Finances

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Sustainable financing for storm water infrastructure		Being worked on.	
Asset retirement obligations		Completed.	
Completion of the Town Hall project			
Building asset management practices and reserves		Being worked on in-house.	
Regulations and rates for water services		Available in the 4 th Quarter	
Regulations and rates for sewer services		Available in the 4 th Quarter	
Review of fees and services		Annual process	



Public Works



Public Works

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Active Transportation Plan implementation	.	Parking study and recommendations to be provided in 4 th quarter	
Paving projects proposed.	Completed for year.		

Parks

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
	Installation of seniors' exercise equipment at Riverside Park (Duck Pond)	Bridge upgrades to pedestrian walkway to Riverside Park (Duck Pond)	Centennial field bleachers
	Creation of Dog Park	Centennial Park – washrooms and concession	
	Duck Pond washrooms	Pedestrian bridge upgrades.	
Kasapi Park upgrades proposed.		Ongoing	

Water, Sewer and Refuse Collection

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Sani-dump pay to use system installed			
Sewer Treatment Plant	Fast tracked for Alum treatment to meet Ministry requirements.		
Waterline upgrades planned.		Watermain design work for 100 Houses	
Recycling totes – purchase and distribution	Purchase of used garbage truck		

Development Services

Development and Planning

Building

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Streamline development application process		Ongoing.	



Planning

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Official Community Plan	Updated		
Zoning Bylaw		Implement Rental Only zoning usage in Town	Rental Only uses proposed.



Info Centre

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Centre		Successfully operated by Town	

Protective Services

Bylaw Enforcement

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Resolved as bylaws can be enforced.	Resolved as bylaws can be enforced.	Resolved as bylaws can be enforced.	

Volunteer Fire Department

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Fire Smart Programme	Ongoing education and implementation	New grant of \$400,000 approved.	
		Assessment of apparatus and facility needs	



Protective Services

Lakeview Park Campground

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Develop a plan for improvements to Lakeview Park	Washroom facility upgrade	Tour of facility	
Expansion of floating walkway and connecting land walkway	Funding unavailable.		
Improve access and wayfinding information for public beach and to the trail connecting to Point Ideal			

Cowichan Lake Education Centre

2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4
Develop a long-term business plan for CLEC		Tour of facility by Council	



Lakeview Park Campground Cowichan Lake Education Centre





Upcoming

Date	Action
2025	Upgrading / Relocation of Public Works Facility
Unknown	Extension of Town's sewer system to Greendale Road
2026	Upsizing water line from reservoir
2026	North Shore Road pathway connection



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