

NEWS RELEASE

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Bastion Street Parkade slated for lighting upgrade

Summary

As part of its renewal project and a further step towards greater sustainability, the City of Nanaimo is upgrading the lighting inside of the Bastion parkade. The existing high-pressure sodium lights will be replaced with new L.E.D. lights that consume approximately half the electrical power while improving the quality of the lighting supplied.

The \$40,000 project will reduce current electrical consumption by up to 63,000 kwh per year, avoiding \$5,000 in electrical charges. The City is also seeking incentives from BC Hydro to assist with the funding of this project.

Strategic Link: Upgrades to more efficient lighting is supported by the Environmental Pillar of the 2012-2015 Corporate Strategic Plan and meets objectives for both the Corporate Climate Change Plan and Sustainable Energy Management Plan by reducing Green House Gas Emissions.

Key Points

- This project will allow for cost savings through reduced energy consumption.
- L.E.D. technology will create a brighter, more user friendly, parking facility.
- The City of Nanaimo is continually working to improve the parking experience downtown.

Quotes

"L.E.D. technology, which can offer substantial savings, is becoming more affordable. Through this investment the City continues to show leadership in these types of environmental initiatives."

Bruce Joiner Manager, Infrastructure Planning and Energy City of Nanaimo

"The higher luminosity being supplied by the L.E.D. fixtures should improve the satisfaction for users of this parking facility."

Rod Davidson Manager, Parking Services. City of Nanaimo

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