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Public input sought for draft Waterfront Walkway Plan

Open Houses planned for September 28 and 30

Summary

Work continues on the Waterfront Walkway Implementation Plan which sets out a vision of a continuous walkway from Departure Bay to the Nanaimo River Estuary.

Building on a series of successful open houses in May 2017 and a design workshop in June 2017, the City is in a position to present a draft plan to the public. The plan illustrates the proposed route, design and costs for the various sections of the walkway.

The material will be shared at a set of open houses where participants will be asked to review the material and to provide their feedback. The material will also be available on the City website for review.

Strategic Link: The Waterfront Walkway is one of the key capital projects identified in the 2016-2019 Strategic Plan.

Key Points

- The Draft Waterfront Walkway Implementation Plan is being presented at two upcoming open houses.
- Thursday, September 28 - 2pm to 7pm, Kin Hut 2730 Departure Bay Road
- Saturday, September 30 - 10am to 4pm, Lions Pavilion, Maffeo Sutton Park, 2 Cliff Street

Quotes

"The Waterfront Walkway is one of Council's key projects. This Implementation Plan will provide the road map that we need to guide further investment to expand the walkway. Feedback received from these open houses will help to further refine the plan prior to it being presented to Council this fall."

Bill McKay
Mayor
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- The goal of the Waterfront Walkway Project is to create a continuous walkway from Departure Bay to the Nanaimo River Estuary, roughly 13km in length.
- The draft plan builds on previous waterfront walkway studies and has incorporated the feedback received from the May 2017 open houses and a public survey that garnered 1,900 responses.
- The public are being asked to provide input on how well the plan addresses the community's goals and to comment on how the plan could be improved further.
- The open house boards and survey will be available on the City website starting September 28, 2017 for those who can not attend an open house event.

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