

## **COUNCIL REPORT**

**To:** Council

**From:** Administration

**Date:** November 6, 2023

**Subject:** EV Charging Stations Update

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council receives this report for information.

### **BACKGROUND:**

#### **Level 3- BC Hydro Charger**

At the Regular Meeting of April 11, 2023, Council approved a ten-year agreement with BC Hydro to allow for the purposes of charging multiple electric vehicles and for the use of certain parking stalls as dedicated electric charging stalls.

Since then, BC Hydro and contractors have developed a construction plan, surveyed the underground utilities and created an updated site plan attached as Appendix A. Staff reached out to store owners that were adjacent to the added stalls. Both businesses were content with the changes.

The construction phase ran into delays and due to the fast-approaching winter, this project will be delayed until spring 2024. BC Hydro has assured staff that this project will be underway as soon as the ground is ready.

#### **Level 2 Charger**

At the June 26, 2023 Regular Council Meeting staff were asked to apply for the Charge North EV program. Since then, staff have been successful with the application and have been working with the Community Energy Association (CEA) to obtain a quote from a local contractor for Council's decision. The proposed site would be adjacent to the Recreation Centre (Appendix B). Public Works, Recreation and Corporate staff reviewed possible locations and have determined that this location fits all the criteria proposed by the Charge North Program.

Staff are awaiting a quote as well as an agreement to bring before Council before the next steps can occur.



## **COUNCIL PRIORITIES:**

### **Community and Social Development**

- Our investment in the municipality's services and infrastructure, our commitment to principles of social equity and well-being, and our belief in the value of resident engagement, creates a healthy community in which everyone feels valued and enjoys a high quality of life.

### **Environmental Sustainability**

- The way we operate has an impact on the environment. We are committed to integrating sustainability and Environmental, Social and Governance factors (ESG) into our decision making and business practices.

## **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Luke Thorne, Land and Environmental Coordinator

**Reviewed By:** Corporate and Financial Services

**Approved By:** Chief Administrative Officer