MACKENZIE
BRITISH COLUMBIA

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Administration

Date: April 22, 2026

Subject: Golf Cart Use in Town - Update

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receives this report for information.

BACKGROUND:

At the Regular Meeting of May 26, 2025 Council received a presentation and letter from residents Cody Homister and Jim Homister requesting Mayor and Council consider changing District bylaws to allow golf carts to be driven on District roadways to and from the Mackenzie Golf and Country Club due to a lack of cart sheds available at the course. Following the discussion, Council moved to defer the item pending further information and received the letter for information (Resolution 33822).

At the February 9, 2026 Council Meeting, Council requested staff bring back a report with information outlining the requirements and process to allow golf cart use on roads within District limits (Resolution 34129).

At the Regular Meeting of April 13, 2026 Council requested a report be brought back to the next Council meeting providing an update on the report requested at the February 9, 2026 meeting.

Report Update:

There has, unfortunately, been no further development on the golf cart policy review due to capacity and other policy projects being in progress at the time of this request.

Moving Forward:

As there are multiple stakeholders involved and impacted by the adoption of this policy, it would be recommended that we follow a similar approach to the short-term rental policy process approved in March 2026. The following table provides a suggested timeline and process for research, engaging the public and key stakeholders, and developing the regulations for golf cart use on District roadways.

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	Timeline	Activities
Phase 1 Plan	1-2 months	• Review of DoM bylaws, other community practices, and provincial regulations • Discussion with DoM, RCMP, and key stakeholders to identify local considerations for regulations
Phase 2 Engage	1 month	• First Round of Public Engagement
Phase 3 Create	1 month	• Prepare and Present What We Heard Report #1 • Draft new regulations (if applicable)
Phase 4 Review	1-2 months	• Present draft regulations to Council for feedback (if applicable) • Second Round of Public Engagement
Phase 5 Draft	1 month	• Prepare and Present What We Heard Report #2 • Prepare final draft regulations for Council consideration (if applicable)
Phase 6 Adopt	1 month	• Adopt regulations and share communications materials (if applicable)

Several phases would occur at the same time, but the approximate timeline for this project would be 4-5 months to complete. A potential start date based on current projects progress and capacity could be June 2026.

COUNCIL PRIORITIES:

Strong Governance and Finances

- As the municipality's elected governing body, we serve all residents and businesses in the community. We engage residents and stakeholders on important issues and make our decisions through open and transparent processes. We are careful in our use of resources, mindful of the need to maintain programs and services, while also meeting the community's infrastructure needs.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Diane Smith, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed By: Corporate and Financial Services