Financial Planning
Core Services
Regional Sustainability

625 Regional Parks and Trail Service





Core ServiceRegional Sustainability

Core Service	Regional Sustainability
Service Function Name	Regional Parks and Trail Service
Service Sub-functions	None
Purpose	To protect and preserve regionally-significant natural areas while providing opportunities for public access, as well as to support the development of a network of regional greenways and trails.
Participants	Comox, Courtenay, Cumberland, Electoral Areas A, B and C
2024 Proposed Changes to Service	Strategic planning to be established for future full delivery of a new service







2023 Accomplishments

- Completed phase 1 of the Strategic Planning process
- Began phase 2 of the Strategic Planning Process







Trends, Challenges and Opportunities

- Strategic Plan will define goals and objectives of the service
- Future tax requisition will be based on recommendations from the RPTC supporting the strategic planning and Land Acquisition Strategy process
- Opportunity This service could support regional climate and environmental protection goals and provide nature-based recreation opportunities.





Strategic Priorities and Initiatives

Туре	Initiative	Comment
Board	Develop a Regional Parks Strategy to define the service	Ongoing. Strategic Plan to be completed end of 2024.







Human Resource

	2024	2025	2026	2027
Opening FTE Balance	0.69	1.39	1.39	1.39
Addition Request				
Full time				1.00
Part Time				
Temporary /Casual				
Adjustments	0.70			
Total Change	0.70	0.00	0.00	1.00
Ending FTE Balance	1.39	1.39	1.39	2.39

- 2024 Increase to overall staffing complement
- 2027 proposed new parks technician (CHECKING ON)







Expenses

Year over Year Change

	2023 Approved Budget			Increase (Decrease) \$ %	
Support Services	\$19,481	\$26,923	\$7,442	38.2%	
Personnel Costs	93,506	184,215	90,709	97.0%	
Materials, Supplies & Utility	-	26,580	26,580	100.0%	
Contract & General Services	135,000	116,251	(18,749)	(13.9%)	
Transfer to Reserve	5,202	172,781	167,579	3221.4%	
Transfer to Other Services	21,811	11,250	(10,561)	(48.4%)	
Total	275,000	538,000	263,000	95.6%	

Key Notes

- Costs to support strategic plan [+22K]
- Reimbursement to function 150 reduced







Revenue

Year over Year Change

	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Increase (D \$	ecrease) %
Taxation	\$275,000	\$438,000	\$163,000	59.3%
2023 Carryforward	-	100,000	100,000	100.0%
Total	275,000	538,000	263,000	95.6%

Key Notes

Carryforward from '23 parks plan







Funding Sources

Tax Requisition

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Requistion Budget	2023 Actual	2024 PB	2025 FP	2026 FP	2027 FP	2028 FP
Electoral Areas						
Area A	42,534	66,301	69,480	69,480	69,480	69,480
Area B	30,804	49,343	51,708	51,708	51,708	51,708
Area C	37,830	61,541	64,492	64,492	64,492	64,492
Municipal Members						
Comox	48,125	75,827	79,462	79,462	79,462	79,462
Courtenay	100,619	161,281	169,013	169,013	169,013	169,013
Cumberland	15,088	23,708	24,844	24,844	24,844	24,844
	\$275,000	\$438,000	\$459,000	\$459,000	\$459,000	\$459,000
Change from Previous year		\$163,000	\$21,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Residential Tax Rate Estimat (per \$1,000 of assessed value)	e 0.0089	0.0142	0.0148	0.0148	0.0148	0.0148

Estimates are based on 2024 Completed Roll at Proposed Budget January 2024





Operating Budget: 2025-2028 Projections

Category	2025	2026	2027	2028
Taxation	\$459,000	\$459,000	\$459,000	\$459,000
Total Revenue	459,000	459,000	459,000	459,000
Support Services	26,923	26,923	26,923	26,923
Personnel Costs	193,224	198,769	204,487	210,376
Materials, Supplies & Utilities	2,990	2,490	2,490	2,490
Contract & General Services	51,301	26,353	11,407	11,463
Transfer to Reserve	173,312	193,215	199,254	207,748
Transfer to Other Services	11,250	11,250	14,439	-
Total Expenses	459,000	459,000	459,000	459,000







Reserves

Projected Balances

Reserve	2023 Ending Balance
625 –Future Expenditure Reserve	\$5,202
886 – Capital Works Reserve	-
Total	5,202





Future Expenditure Reserve (625)

Projected Balances

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Opening Balance	\$5,202	\$25,084	\$45,497	\$65,813	\$86,168
Contributions to Reserve	19,882	20,413	20,316	20,355	20,196
Transfers to Operating	-	-	-	-	-
Ending Balance	25,084	45,497	65,813	86,168	106,364





Capital Works Reserve (886)

Projected Balances

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Opening Balance	-	\$152,899	\$305,798	\$478,697	\$657,596
Contributions to Reserve	152,899	152,899	172,899	178,899	187,552
Transfers to Capital	-	-	-	-	-
Ending Balance	152,899	305,798	478,697	657,596	845,148





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Summary

Accessibility, Diversity, Equity & Fiscal Responsibility Climate Crisis & Environmental Community Partnerships Indigenous Relations Stewardship & Protection Inclusion Regional service with **Supports** RPTC comprised of Governance directors from all local full participation environmental framework could protection which is an support K'ómoks First governments effective tool to help Nation participation if combat climate they choose to change participate





Options & Recommendations

• That the proposed 2024-2028 financial plan for the function 625, Regional Parks and Trails Service, be approved.







Questions?

