

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND**

**BYLAW NUMBER 1969, 2010**

**A Bylaw to Amend Official Community Plan Bylaw  
Number 1600, 2000**

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WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the District of Peachland has adopted Official Community Plan Bylaw;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary to amend Official Community Plan Bylaw Number 1600, 2000;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the District of Peachland, in open meeting enacts the District of Peachland Official Community Plan Bylaw Number 1600, 2000 be amended as follows:

1. THAT Section 17.0 Plan Implementation be amended by inserting the following sub section after sub section 17.6:

**“17.7 Amenity Contributions**

**17.7.1 Background**

The District has a vision to provide community amenities in the future and to develop new public facilities or upgrade existing public facilities so that the District offers a high level quality of life for its citizens. Public amenities and facilities convey a positive community image. In addition to community amenities and good quality public facilities, it is apparent that general tourism and agri-tourism, the waterfront and various types of recreation provide positive economic and social development benefits for Peachland. Other community components providing civic governance (municipal hall) and fire and life safety (fire halls and/or equipment) are also necessary.

Municipalities can use Development Cost Charges for basic infrastructure that is associated with growth. However, they cannot be used to fund important community amenities such as recreational related amenities, civic offices or fire halls. New infrastructure and new amenities impose capital and on-going operating cost burdens upon a municipality which are generally funded by property taxes. DCC's can only be collected for infrastructure related to roads, water, sewer, drainage and parkland acquisition (and limited parkland improvements). However, public amenities and other types of public facilities are a difficult local government funding challenge.

**17.7.2 Objective**

To use amenity contributions provided in connection with new development adding new dwelling units or additional commercial or industrial floor space, as an important source of revenue for capital funding for amenities and public facilities in Peachland, for the benefit of Peachland residents.

**17.7.3 Policy**

That the District establish a Community Amenity Reserve Fund as a mechanism for developing needed community amenities in the future; and,

That applicants for rezoning be encouraged to consider assisting in the challenge of providing amenities in the community through contributing to the District's Community Amenity Reserve fund; and,

That amenity contributions be collected based on mutual agreement between the District of Peachland and the applicant, as a result of:

