

THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF WHITE ROCK
CORPORATE REPORT



DATE: April 11, 2022

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Jim Gordon, P.Eng., Director, Engineering & Municipal Operations

SUBJECT: Marine Drive and Martin Street – Kiosk Space Options

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Council:

1. Receive for information the corporate report dated April 11, 2022, from the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations, titled “Marine Drive and Martin Street Kiosk Space Options” for consideration;
2. Endorses the placement of a picnic table and two planters in the former Kiosk space as per Option 3 in this report.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

Further to Council’s direction to staff at its regular meetings on March 9, and June 1, 2020 and the 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities identifying the removal of the ATM Kiosk (Kiosk) at Martin Street and Marine Drive as a Council priority within the Waterfront Enhancement Strategy (WES), staff confirm that the Kiosk is now removed, and the walking surface restored. In addition, staff have explored alternate uses for the space and this report provides Council with recommendations.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

Motion # & Meeting Date	Motion Details
2020-325 June 1, 2020	THAT Council endorses consideration at this time of the motion brought forward regarding proposed use of the area where the ATM is currently on Marine Drive on the waterfront.
2020-326 June 1, 2020	THAT Council directs staff to report back on cost and timeline to move the ATM at the waterfront (Martin Street and Marine Drive) and what the proposed configuration/usage for the area would be.
2020- 118 March 9, 2020	THAT Council directs staff to investigate the removal of the ATM kiosk at Marine Drive & Martin Street and explore alternate uses for that space, such as pop-up park, patio area, etc.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Staff arranged for the removal of the ATM Kiosk at Marine Drive & Martin Street. A flat concrete surface remains where the Kiosk was located. Staff placed a picnic table on the concrete surface and two planters immediately west as shown below.



The purpose of this corporate report is to ascertain whether Council would like a more elaborate treatment of the site and inclusion of upgrade funds in the 2023 Financial Plan submission.

DISCUSSION

Council and the Marine Drive Task Force recommended that staff investigate the removal of the Kiosk at Marine Drive & Martin Street and explore alternate uses for the space. The Kiosk is removed and staff have now compiled a list of upgrade options for the space. Staff are seeking Council direction on whether to move forward with any of the options.

Table B: Potential Options

Option	Description	Result
1. Open Space	Leave as is with the concrete surface remaining from the former Kiosk site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No more expenditures needed.• Available for event planning.• Limited aesthetic appeal and utility.
2. Picnic Table	Place a picnic table on the concrete surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No more expenditures needed.• Provides utility for the public• Available for event planning.

3. Picnic Table and Planters	Further to # 2, place two planters west of the picnic table.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expenditures within Parks budget. • Utility for the public and aesthetic upgrade. • Available for event planning.
4. Bench	Affix a bench facing the ocean to the concrete surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expenditures within Parks budget. • Provides utility for those using bench for views but not so much for those wishing to picnic. • Aesthetic upgrade.
5. Redesign of the entire Space.	The space including areas outside of the concrete surface could be redesigned on a grand scale as a viewing platform, stage, pop up area, garden, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design consultant required to explore this further, requiring budget. • Public Consultation? • 2023 budget submission. • Emergency access must remain along Martin Street.
6. Patio Space Rental	May be a possibility to rent to adjacent business as a patio space.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revenue for the City • Businesses may not be interested in expenditure.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The first four options can be accommodated within existing budgets. A redesign of the entire space will require planning, design and installation funds with a very approximate minimum cost of \$50K but could be considerably more. If Council wishes to proceed with this option, staff will develop cost estimates for conceptual design and installation and include proposed funding in the 2023 Financial Plan.

If the space is leased as a patio, the City will receive revenue.

OPTIONS

Staff recommends Option 3 from Table B (picnic table and two planters) as it is cost effective, improves aesthetics, provides public utility, continues emergency access and is not likely to interfere with open space for event planning.

The following other options are available for Council’s consideration:

1. Direct staff to proceed with either one of the first four options in Table B.
2. Direct staff to develop cost options for the planning, design and construction of a comprehensive redevelopment of the site. This will require budget in 2023.
3. Direct staff to explore patio leasing options.

CONCLUSION

There are options available for the former Kiosk site and surrounding area. It is recommended at this time that a picnic table and planter be put in place as per option 3. Council may wish to consider

budgeting for the planning, design and installation of more elaborate options in the 2023 Financial Plan.

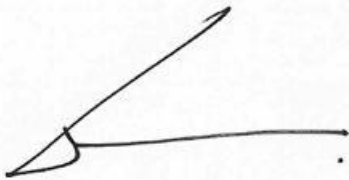
Respectfully submitted,

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Jim Gordon, P. Eng
Director, Engineering and Municipal Operations

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer

I concur with the recommendations of this corporate report.

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Guillermo Ferrero
Chief Administrative Officer