

Town of Riverview

CAO DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT



To: Mayor and Town Council

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Section 1: 2024 Priorities

Priority	Activities
Town Development Link to strategic plan – Thriving Community	<p><i>To work with the organization and external stakeholders to grow the Town's tax base (both commercial and residential) and to expand the housing options in Riverview to meet the current and growing demand so that our community continues to grow along with the region.</i></p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Municipal Plan Review Committee held its fifth meeting on May 15th. This session focused on climate change; recreation planning and the potential opportunities that natural asset management may have for planning and infrastructure management. The public engagement sessions occurred on June 13th and 14th and were well attended. There were a lot of positive comments provided through these sessions and a general openness to wanting the Town to be prepared for the future and take advantage of the opportunities that may bring change to our community.• There were several local developers who attended the public engagement sessions for the municipal plan review to gauge the community's support for future development of Riverview. There are signs that the development community is seeing future development for both residential and commercial development in Riverview and it will be valuable for Council and the community to create development opportunities in its updated municipal plan.• The May Development Report shows the Town is on pace for a strong year, with a number of different housing types being approved, including the first of several multi unit building permit approvals with MoeMar's planned 55 unit proceeding this year. June results should be very strong as well.• There will be some exciting housing news for Riverview during the week of June 24th. Stay tuned.

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Employee Engagement Link to strategic plan – Service Excellence	<p><i>To work with the leadership team to develop and foster a positive and engage work environment at the Town of Riverview so that we remain an employer of choice.</i></p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • n/a
Service improvement and excellence. Link to strategic plan – Service Excellence	<p><i>To work with employees and the leadership team to continue to deliver quality municipal services while modernizing the Town’s operation and systems to ensure we can continue to meet the needs and expectations of the community.</i></p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The updated Community Economic Development Strategy is well under development at this time. Public engagement sessions occurred last week to provide members of the public, business community and development community an opportunity to offer input and perspective on the Town’s future direction for economic development. • The Directors team lead by Shannon reviewed and updated the ten-year capital plan which is being presented to Council at this COW meeting. There were several variables that had notable changes that impacted the overall affordability of the plan. Council will need to provide direction on where it wants to see this plan move forward.
Regional Initiatives Link to strategic plan - Safe and Inclusive Community Service Excellence Thriving Community	<p><i>To lead the Town’s participation in regional projects and initiatives that are designed to not only strengthen the region but provide strategic and/or operational benefits to the Town of Riverview long term.</i></p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I will be attending a meeting of the CAO advisory group meeting of the Urban Caucus of UMNb at the end of June. This will allow an opportunity to discuss alignment on key provincial wide municipal priorities including fiscal reform; long term CCBF funding arrangement of municipalities; and the need for an updated federal and provincial infrastructure program. • At the end of May, the Department of Environment and Local Government facilitated a webinar on changing the narrative of NIMBYISM and their impact on future development of housing development in NB Municipalities. The goal of this process is to develop a tool kit for municipalities to have established process to respond to these types of situations. • There have been some preliminary discussions between Moncton, Dieppe and Riverview between the CAOS about the upcoming 2029 Canada Games and what role, if any, Riverview and Dieppe can play in support of the current Moncton and Saint John joint hosting bid.