



CONNECT THE QUAYS

The City is committed to enhancing the quality of life of residents and taxpayers by creating a vibrant waterfront community. To support this vision, the City is exploring options to connect Victoria Quay on the Somass River in north Port Alberni to Harbour Quay on the Alberni Harbour in south Port Alberni with a multi-use pathway.



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GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

The City is committed to looking for innovative funding opportunities. Come October 2020 the City intends to apply for two *Investing in Canada Infrastructure* government grants:

1. Community Culture and Recreation Infrastructure
2. Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure

THE PROJECT VISION

Through the City's 2019 – 2023 *Corporate Strategic Plan*, Council has identified five strategic priorities, one of which is to foster a community that is safe, healthy and inclusive. To support this, the City is developing "Connect the Quays," a project which aims to link Victoria Quay and Harbour Quay with a multi-use pathway.

City staff are currently working on a conceptual design to better understand the opportunities and constraints of the project in relation to land use and ownership, environmental impacts, engineering options, funding opportunities and budget implications.

If constructed, this project will:

- create nodes where the community can recognize and celebrate local Indigenous culture and history;
- offer looping connections to existing and planned City trail systems;
- connect citizens and neighbourhoods;
- encourage recreational activity and non-motorized commuting; and
- highlight the City's waterfront and its many uses, past and present.

OUR COMMITMENT

The City of Port Alberni is committed to working closely with First Nations and the community throughout the project. As part of our commitment, the City will:

- consult and engage with the public as the project develops and pathway design takes place;
- provide regular project updates via newsletters, fact sheets and web updates.

FIRST STEPS

- Present project concept to Council
Aug 10, 2020
- Engage with First Nations, landowners & stakeholders in conceptual design
Aug./Sept. 2020
- Submit grant applications
October 2020
- Engage with public on initial design
2020/2021
- Detailed design
2021

