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## **2024 Business Plan North Cariboo Cemetery Service (1031)**

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***Working in partnership with communities large and small to offer local, sub-regional, and regional services to ensure that the Cariboo Chilcotin is a socially, economically, and environmentally desirable region.***

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### **Department/Function Services**

The North Cariboo Cemetery Service function was established through Bylaw No. 3484 in 1998. This service is provided by means of a contract under the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Quesnel. Electoral Areas A, B, C and I participate in the service and are taxed based on the assessed value of land and improvements. In 2009, following a successful referendum, the Board adopted Bylaw No. 4422 which amended the function by increasing the maximum requisition to the greater of \$76,000 or \$0.0731/\$1,000 of assessment.

The Directors for Electoral Areas A, B, C and I are responsible for the governance of this service.

### **Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies**

No new goals identified for 2023-2025 by the City of Quesnel in the five-year capital plan.

### **Overall Financial Impact**

The 2024 requisition is increased by 12.5% from the 2023 requisition, for a total requisition of \$90,000 to account for the higher than average CPI calculation in 2023. The requisition amount will remain at \$90,000 for 2024-2028.

The 2023 requisition was increased by 14.3% from the 2022 requisition amounting to an increase of \$10,000 for a total requisition of \$80,000.

The 2023 increase was necessary to make the contribution to capital works for a major paving project at the cemetery in 2026.

Under the MOU with the City of Quesnel, the Regional District is required to pay for 50% of the net operating and capital costs for the cemetery. This increase will be limited by the maximum requisition possible for the function as defined by the service establishment bylaw.

### **Significant Issues & Trends**

The Cariboo Regional District is a signatory on the Province of BC/UBCM Climate Action Charter, and has committed to continuing work towards carbon neutrality in respect of corporate operations.

### **Measuring Previous Years Performance**

There were no new goals in 2023.