



## REAPS COMMUNITY GARDEN ENHANCEMENT

### DESCRIPTION:

On May 31, 2023, the Recycling and Environmental Action Planning Society (REAPS) presented to Council as a delegation and provided an overview that detailed the relocation of their operation from the existing City Parks Yard on Gorse Street to their new location adjacent to the David Douglas Botanical Garden at UNBC.

REAPS was established in 1989 and works with the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George with the goal to reduce waste and deliver environmental education through a variety of initiatives and services. To support REAPS, the City of Prince George provided space at 1950 Gorse Street for REAPS to operate from.

As part of the presentation from REAPS, representatives also requested financial support in the form of cash or in-kind services to facilitate the re-establishment of the REAPS Growing Knowledge Community Compost Garden located adjacent to the expanded David Douglas Botanical Garden Society's Botanical Garden at UNBC.

The requested budget includes significant works including the installation of infrastructure such as water utilities and electrical utilities, surface works, foundation, patio, pathway works, garden features (i.e. furniture and pergola), and signage. These works would be installed on UNBC lands.

### FINANCIAL COST OF THE ENHANCEMENT:

The cost of this one-time enhancement is estimated to be **\$100,000** delivered in cash or in-kind services.

### MEASUREMENT OF SERVICE LEVEL INCREASE:

This is to re-establish REAPS in a new location to operate from. Administration is unaware of any service level improvement being provided by the ask.