

Q & A: How does the proposed Squamish Land Code support the implementation of the Community Development Plan?

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Establishes clear rules for approving leases and licences for proposed developments

The proposed Squamish Land Code defines how long leases, licenses and permits can be granted for on Squamish lands. In addition, it defines the approval process for the granting of leases, licenses and permits including rules on information meetings, ratification meetings, and referendums.

Establishes a framework for financial planning and financial reporting

The proposed Squamish Land Code includes a schedule on financial administration that sets out requirements for financial planning and financial reporting and ensures that members will have access to financial information. This framework will help us to effectively manage prepaid rent from projects, and to make strategic investments in land, infrastructure and housing to address membership priorities.

Enables Squamish Nation to develop Land Use Planning and Zoning regime

The proposed Squamish Land Code enables the Squamish Nation to establish a land use planning process and zoning regime. This process will include opportunities for members to provide input into proposed land uses for different areas at different reserve.

Enables Squamish Nation to develop more effective environmental assessments

The proposed Squamish Land Code will enable us to pass an environmental assessment law that works for large and small projects.

Requires appraisals to ensure value is achieved

The proposed Squamish Land Code requires appraisals to ensure fair market value is achieved for the land before any lease or licence can be granted. The Nation has a fiduciary duty to its membership to achieve value when it puts land to work. The appraisal law will set out the requirements for appraisals.

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SQUAMISH LAND CODE MEETING DATES:

| Group: | Location | Date | Time |
|--------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| General Membership | TH | March 15 | 6 - 9 pm |
| Elders | EC - NV | March 16 | 12 - 3 pm |
| General Membership | CJMC | March 16 | 6 - 9 pm |
| Youth | YC - NV | March 22 | 3 - 5 pm |
| Elders | TH | March 23 | 12 - 3 pm |
| Youth | TH | March 25 | 11:00 am -12:00 pm |
| General Membership | TH | April 3 | 6 - 9 pm |
| General Membership | CJMC | April 4 | 6 - 9 pm |

TH = Totem Hall CJMC = Chief Joe Mathias Centre EC = Elders Centre YC = Youth Centre



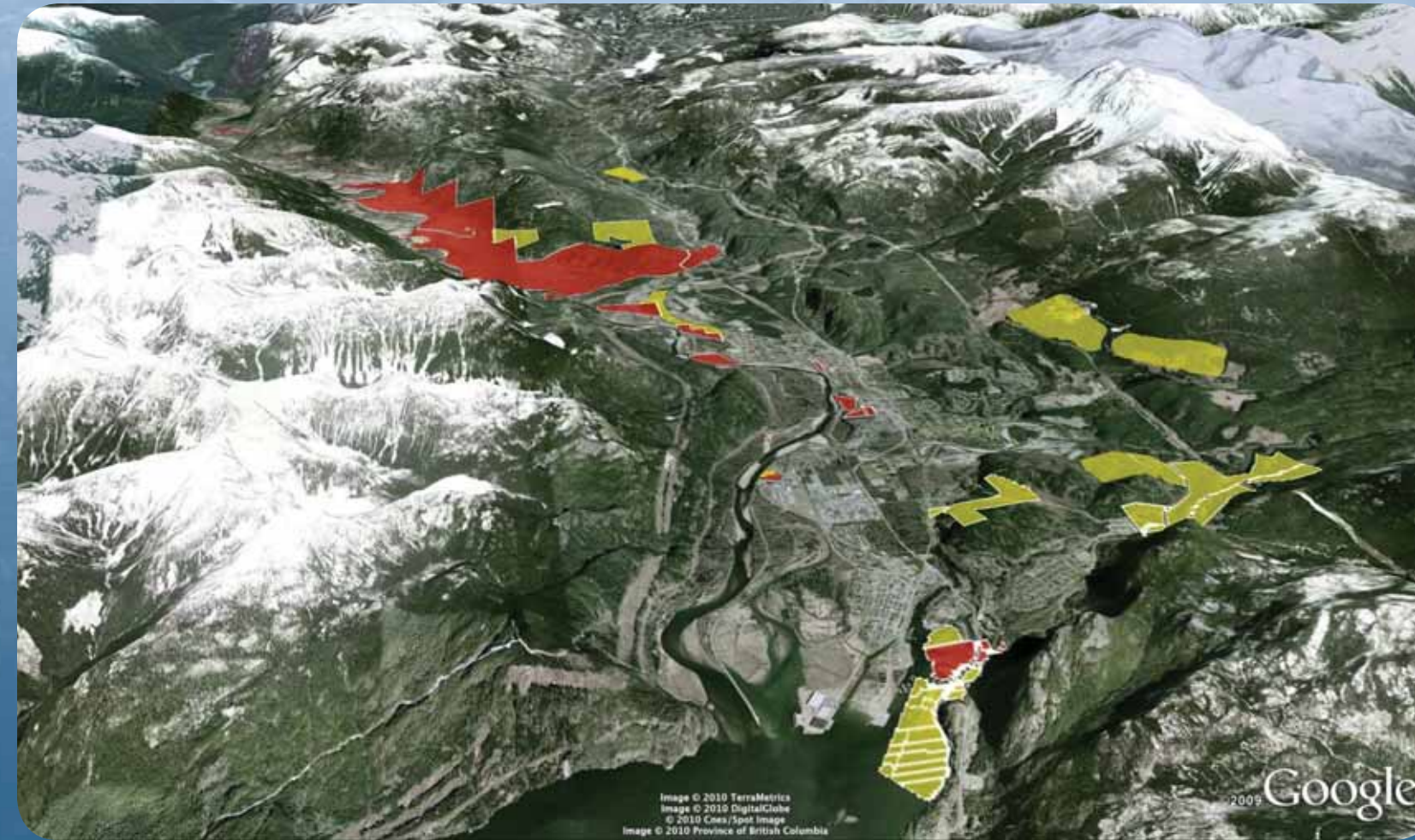
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SQUAMISH LAND CODE RATIFICATION VOTE DATE: APRIL 7 & 8, 2011



PART OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN



The Squamish Nation’s Community Development Plan (CDP) has been discussed by membership during the last year at family dinner meetings. The proposed Squamish Land Code is an important part of the CDP.

The proposed Squamish Land Code sets out clear rules for development approvals and a framework for financial management. In addition, the land code will enable the Squamish Nation to develop land laws related to land use and zoning, environmental assessment and protection, and the preparation of appraisals. These modern land management tools will allow us to more effectively manage our lands and control development.

In order to implement the CDP, we need to approve the proposed Squamish Land Code at the April 7-8, 2011 vote, and then develop laws, policies and procedures to effectively manage our lands.

The Community Development Plan supports:

- Membership priorities by acquiring land and providing opportunities for membership to live together
- Development of some parcels at some reserves to provide employment opportunities for membership, and revenue to support the costs of land acquisition, infrastructure provision, housing and the provision of programs and services
- Use of modern tools of governance and public finance to ensure that membership has an opportunity to participate in various planning, priority setting and reporting activities. This includes development of a financial administration law and a land code.