

## Councillor Blog September 2023

Welcome back fellow residents of White City (and those reading from the surrounding area) for the September 2023 edition of the White City Councillor Blog. This month's blog will focus on providing an update of the Town Centre project.

It's been quite some time since we last brought you an update on the Town Centre – all the way back in June 2022, when the project was confined to the pages of our Town Planners' notebooks and the initial stages of area preparation had just begun. Fast forward over a year, and a remarkable transformation has taken place. The ground has been broken, and Phase I of the neighbourhood development within the Town Centre is now in full swing.

From the moment we adopted the Town Centre Neighbourhood Plan, our gears have been in constant motion. Collaborating closely with the development community, we've been crafting a Town Centre that mirrors both the immediate and future needs of our vibrant community. Caverhill Developments Inc. and White City Investments Ltd., two instrumental players, have demonstrated their commitment by making substantial investments to propel their proposed developments ahead, all while ensuring alignment with the province's requirements, regional considerations, and local mandates.

Setting the stage for the grand unveiling of the Town Centre, these two development companies are ready to embark on the following ventures:

Picasso Pathways – Phase I This phase encompasses 9 Residential Parcels, 4 Spacious Condominium Parcels, 3 Home Care Parcels, and a Downtown Commercial Parcel. Royal Park – Phase I Already in progress, this phase features 150 Residential Parcels and 2 Downtown Commercial Parcels.

While the construction of Picasso Pathways is yet to begin, the Royal Park development is thriving and advancing.

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With the arrival of Spring 2023, White City Investments (WCI) was granted development permits for the installation of shallow utilities and surfacing within Royal Park Phase IA. The shallow utilities segment encompassed essential services provided by SaskPower, SaskEnergy, SaskTel, and Access Communications, culminating in completion in July 2023.

Building on the foundations of these utilities, the surfacing work has commenced, ushering in the installation of inviting sidewalks, tree-lined boulevards, and sleek asphalt paving. Recent milestones include the asphalt paving, along with elegantly designed concrete curbs and sidewalks for Royal Park Boulevard. Upcoming in the pipeline is the continuation of surfacing work along the stretches of Camden Crescent and Camden Gardens.

A recent highlight was Hundseth's arrival on-site, where they orchestrated the strategic placement of light posts.



WCI is already prepping construction of the central municipal reserve – a remarkable park space within the heart of the Town Centre. Envisioned as a versatile haven, this park will host an array of public events throughout the year, with amenities ranging from picnic spots and shaded structures to inviting benches, bicycle racks, and seamless connections to the Town Centre and its surroundings. The park's enchanting landscape will also feature a sprawling playground area with a unique play structure that's currently taking shape through careful design. The park's lush vegetation will include a diverse assembly of trees, shrubs, and flowering plants, a testament to our commitment to green spaces and our urban forest.

If you have any questions, have a comment, want more information, or want to suggest a topic for a future blog please email townoffice@whitecity.ca or call 306-781-2355 – we look forward to hearing from you!