



February 10 2026

Planning & Development Services

Public Meeting

Applications for:

Stop up and Close Road Allowances
Zoning By-law Amendment


Beaver River Trail Park

Town of The Blue Mountains and Beaver River Trail Working Group

Project information

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- Application Materials
- Previous Deputations
- Subscriber Link







Beaver River Trail - Road Allowance

Project Update: Public Meeting Scheduled

A Public Meeting regarding this project has been scheduled for **Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in a hybrid format (in-person AND virtual/online).**

[View the Notice of Public Meeting](#)

Project Information

 Application Type(s): ZBA	 Address: Portion of Alice St., Russell St. and Arthur St. (Thornbury)
 Town file #: P3553	 Project location: Thornbury

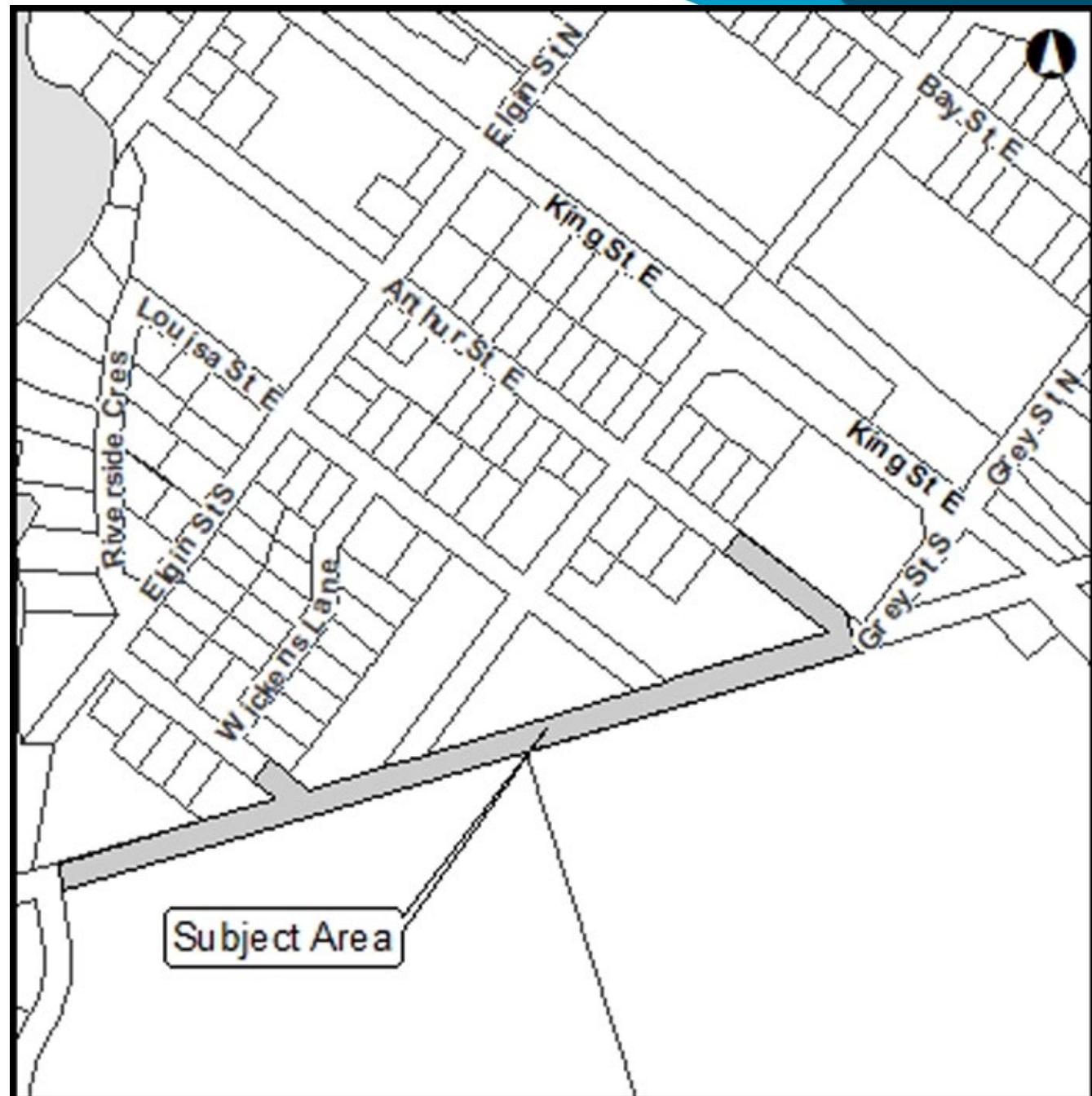
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Applications and Site Location

Owner	Town of The Blue Mountains
Applicant	Town with the Beaver River Trail Working Group
Location	East Side of Thornbury Near Highway 26 / Grey St. Road Allowances: - Russell Street - Arthur Street - Alice Street
Applications	Stop up and Close Zoning By-law Amendment



Planning Process

- Beaver River Trail Working Group Deputation to Council
- Applications Received
- Applications Deemed Complete
- Notice of Public Meeting Circulated, Public Meeting Held
- Staff Review of Application and Public Comments
- Staff Recommendation to Committee of the Whole
- Council Decision
- Appeal Period

Background

- May 2025 – Beaver River Trail Working Group Deputation to Council
- October 2025 - Town Staff Report and Council Options
- October 2025 - Council Direction:
1. Proclamation of Council to support trail protection
 2. Proceed through the Stop up and Close and Rezoning
- December 2025 - Notice: Blue Mountain Review, Eblast, Town Website

Proclamation:

WHEREAS the Beaver River Trail along Alice, Russell, and Arthur Streets provides an essential recreational and scenic resource for the residents and visitors of the Town of The Blue Mountains;

AND WHEREAS the trail's current location offers unique access to the natural beauty and biodiversity of the area and offers opportunities for community engagement with the natural environment;

AND WHEREAS the existing vegetation and mature trees on the road allowance adjacent to the trail play a critical role in maintaining a naturalized area, offering habitat for wildlife, and contributing to the aesthetic value and experience of the trail;

AND WHEREAS preserving the trail in its current location aligns with the Town's objectives to provide a corridor park, promote public access to recreation, and connect neighbourhoods, business and community services;

AND WHEREAS community feedback has consistently affirmed the value placed on this natural asset;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of The Blue Mountains Council formally recognizes the significance of the Beaver River Trail along Alice, Russell, and Arthur Streets as well as its surrounding natural features;

AND THAT the Town of The Blue Mountains is committed to protecting the trail in its current location, ensuring that development and land use planning activities do not adversely compromise the integrity of the trail and its adjacent mature trees;

AND THAT Council will continue to support initiatives that promote the ecological health of the Beaver River corridor and enhance the recreational experience of the trail for current and future generations;

Proposal

- Stop up and Close various portions of Town Road Allowances that include Sections of the Main Beaver River Trail and Access Side Trails
- Lands are proposed to be converted from Road Allowance to a Public Park.
- Ownership will remain with the Town of The Blue Mountains
- Provides for an enhanced level of protection for long term Park Use

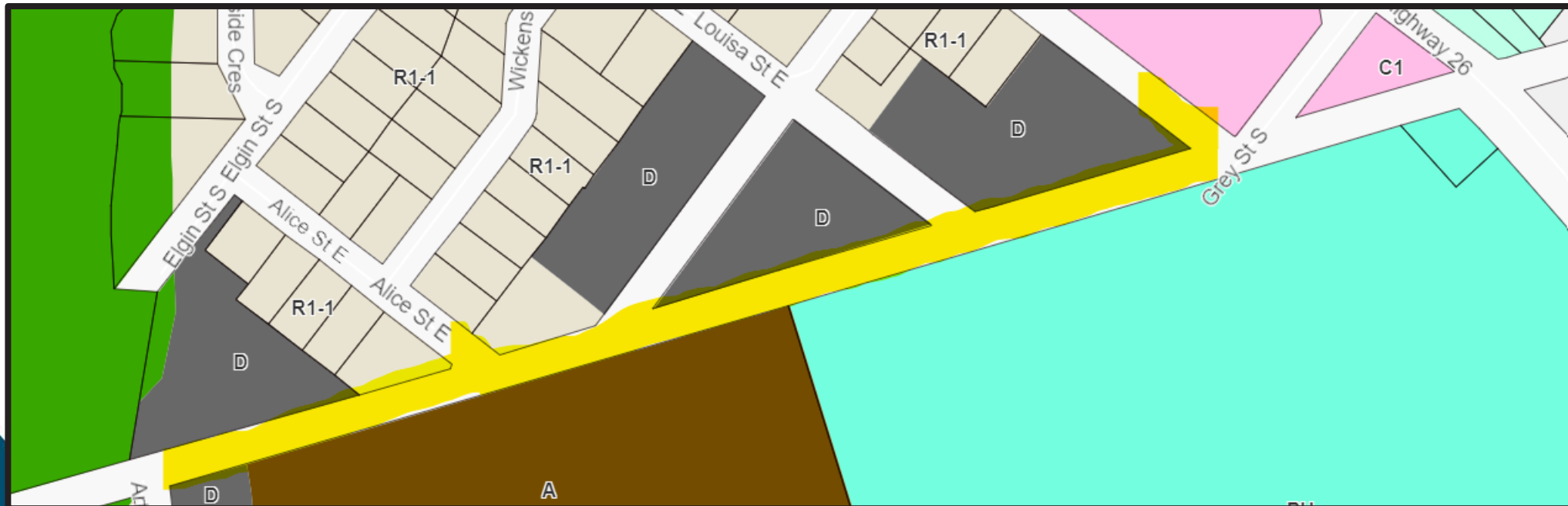
Zoning By-law Amendment 2018-65

- FROM: Split Zones:
Development 'D',
Agricultural 'A',
Residential 'R1-1',
Public Utility 'PU'

- TO: Open Space 'OS'

Permitted Uses:

- Parks, Recreation
- Conservation, Forestry
- Limited Construction



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Thank you for your time

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