

Redevelopment Timeline

This timeline is a highlight of key studies and decisions; 25+ related plans and studies have been completed since 2000.

2006 – First review began

The District began to review options for the redevelopment of Municipal Hall, Fire and Police Stations.

2009 – Seismic review & property condition assessments 2009 – Fire Station 1 prioritized

Building studies completed for the 1903 Mt Newton site. Financial impact of addressing all buildings too large. Fire Station 1 selected as the priority and built at the new location at 1512 Keating Cross Road; it was completed in 2013.

2012 – Open house re 1903 Mount Newton site

An open house was held to present redevelopment plans for the 1903 Mount Newton Cross Road site.

2014 – Project put on hold until Fire Station debt repaid

Council considered options, including selling 3 acres of 1903 Mt Newton. Council directed staff to expedite repayment of Fire Station debt and postpone further work on redevelopment until the Fire Station debt was closer to being paid off (will be repaid in 2026).

2017 – Facilities identified for replacement in Facilities Assessment Management Plan

The facilities were included in the *Long-Term Financial Strategy and Asset Management Plan*.

2021 – Strategic Plan identified need for a new study

A feasibility study for replacement or renewal of the Hall, Police Station, Fire Station 2, was identified in the District's 2021-2022 Strategic Priorities.

2023 – Feasibility study looks at land options and rough financial estimates

A feasibility study for the replacement or renewal of many key municipal facilities began. It included: the Municipal Hall, Police Services and Fire Station 2 and the Municipal Works Yard.

The approach is based on the principles of:

- ensuring the project has the lowest financial impact as possible on the District, and
- utilizing District properties to their full potential for the community, consistent with recent plans, such as the Official Community Plan.

2024 – Preliminary financial estimates developed and Council to determine land decisions

Site(s) to be determined based on financial feasibility, best use of land (including possible amenities) .

2024 – Community engagement

Community invited to learn and share ideas at a series of open houses.

2025– Concepts developed and community input

Once site(s) are determined, concepts and refined financial estimates will be developed and shared with the community.

Within the last five years, the District has also adopted a number of important plans:

- *Official Community Plan*,
- *Saanichton Village Design Plan*,
- *Central Saanich Recreation Needs Assessment (CRD)*,
- and more (all available at CSaanich.ca/plan).

These plans, and others, are helping inform municipal decisions and providing initial direction for how land can be best used to meet community needs. Public input opportunities are upcoming.