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Transit exchange coming to Village Green Shopping Centre

The Village Green Shopping Centre, City of Vernon and BC Transit are pleased to announce that construction has started on a new transit exchange at the Village Green Shopping Centre.

In 2016, the bus stops were moved to 48th Avenue in response to increasing safety concerns. The Village Green Shopping Centre and its tenants, the City of Vernon and BC Transit have worked together since that time to find a solution that worked for everyone.

“BentallGreenOak is pleased to be able to provide a dedicated facility that can be used as a transit exchange for riders either going to the Village Green Shopping Centre or transferring on to different bus routes,” said Scott Adam, General Manager for the Village Green Shopping Centre.

This new facility will provide a dedicated Bus Only entrance to four new bus stops with two shared bus shelters to be located near the southwest entrance to the Food Court. Construction in the Village Green Shopping Centre parking lot is expected to be completed in November 2019.

“Historically, the transit exchange at Village Green Shopping Centre was one of the busiest bus stops in Vernon,” said Mayor Victor Cumming. “We have heard many requests for this service to return, increasing accessibility to these local businesses and providing an excellent transit exchange. Therefore, the City is pleased to financially support this project so transit and the exchange can be available at the Centre for many years to come.”

As part of the project, the City of Vernon has constructed the new driveway from 48th Avenue, and will relocate the bus stop signs and install new bus schedule information panels.

BC Transit will re-introduce service into the Village Green Shopping Centre exchange as of Sunday, December 22, 2019. The routes 3 Alexis Park and 9 North End will service the shopping centre.

“The new transit exchange at the Village Green Shopping Centre will allow us to deliver better service to our customers,” said Chris Fudge, BC Transit’s Senior Government Relations Manager. “I am pleased we were able to find a solution in partnership with the City of Vernon and BentallGreenOak.”

Schedule information will available at BCTransit.com in December.

