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Phase 2 of Pilot Community Food Composting Project launches

As reopening plans continue to progress throughout BC, the City of Vernon is ready to launch phase 2 of the Pilot Community Food Composting Project.

“I’m glad we’re able to continue to provide this service,” said Mayor Victor Cumming. “Our residents have demonstrated strong support for composting and continuing the community bin program will divert a substantial amount of organic material from the landfill. Organics diversion through composting can reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions by more than 90% compared to sending the same waste to the landfill.”

Residents are encouraged to deposit their household organic materials in the community compost collection bins to reduce food waste going to the landfill. The following locations will be available to the public starting June 22 until November 2020, weather permitting:

- City Centre: along 29th Street railroad tracks across from the 33rd Avenue intersection
- Recreational Centre: on gravel area just north of the 35th Avenue parking lot entrance
- Operations: on 47th Avenue just east of 20th Street
- Kin Race Track: south west corner of parking lot off of 43rd Avenue

The City encourages residents to compost primarily food scraps, including vegetable, fruit, meat, and bone scraps. Residents should transport yard waste directly to the landfill yard waste collection facility. The composters will not accept commercial materials, and any kind of metal, plastic, glass, Styrofoam, or pet waste.

Residents are encouraged to exercise care when using composting sites, as equipment is not sanitized. Signage will be in place to remind residents of Provincial health guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

For additional details and more information, please visit the City’s website at www.vernon.ca/sustainability.

Below are photos of the bin locations.

