

Fraser Mills another step closer

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The Fraser Mills site has officially been established as a comprehensive development zone, a first for Coquitlam.

At Monday night's meeting, council unanimously passed the necessary amendments to the official community plan to create the new Fraser Mills Waterfront Village Centre. Plans for the site received "overwhelming" support at a recent public hearing.

The site will incorporate a mix of about 3,700 highrise and townhouse units plus commercial and industrial space, approximately 1,500 on-site jobs and a pedestrian-oriented environment. It's expected to take up to 20 years to complete.

Council spoke in favour of plans for the site, with Coun. Neal Nicholson noting that while technology and tastes will likely change as development progresses, it will be up to future councils to uphold the overall vision.