

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held April 13, 2026. These are not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Corporate Services department at 250.723.2146 or email: corp_serv@portalberni.ca.

STAFF REPORTS

Quarterly Departmental Reports

Council received Quarterly Reports from the Infrastructure Services, Development Services, and Parks, Recreation and Culture departments for the period of January 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026.

BYLAWS

2026-2030 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 5138-1 was adopted. This bylaw consolidates all changes made through Council resolution to date in 2026 within the 2026 – 2030 Five Year Financial Plan.

“Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 5144” and **“Zoning Amendment (6123 & 6151 Russell Place) Bylaw No. 5119”** was given third reading. Upon adoption, this bylaw will enable future development of affordable rental housing for seniors.

“City of Port Alberni Tax Rate Bylaw No. 5139, 2026” was introduced and given three readings. Upon adoption the bylaw will set the tax rates required to balance the City's taxing obligations as outlined in the Financial Plan.

PROCLAMATIONS

On behalf of the **Save Your Skin Foundation** Council proclaimed May 2026 as **‘Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness’** month in Port Alberni.

CORRESPONDENCE

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Emergency Access Route & Secondary Hwy.

Council authorized Administration to advise the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District that the City of Port Alberni is committed to full participation in the regional advocacy effort for an emergency access route and a secondary highway alternative to Highway 4, and will participate in any engagement, coordination, or advocacy framework established for that purpose.

Agrohope Farms & Products Inc | Letter of Support

Council postponed discussion on the Agrohope Farms and Products Inc. letter of support request of a proposal to the provincial government for a

2026 Small Business Emergency Crime Relief Fund to the next regular meeting of Council [April 27, 2026].

Council received their correspondence summary which included letters from:

- Village of Pouce Coupe | Support for Resolutions – Protection of Fee Simple Property Rights & Transparency in Indigenous Negotiations
- Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Keeping You Connected February 2026
- AV Museum and Heritage Commission | March 4, 2026

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

Council released the following motions previously passed during a Closed meeting, pursuant to Section 117 of the *Community Charter*:

March 9, 2026

- Council released for public consumption execution of a Stewardship Agreement between the City of Port Alberni (Alberni Valley Museum) and the Community Arts Council [CAC] of the Alberni Valley for the temporary storage and care of the CAC Permanent Art Collection for a term of up to one (1) year.

March 23, 2026

- Council released for public consumption direction that Administration send a letter to the Town of View Royal confirming the City's interest in joining the proposed coalition of British Columbia municipalities and regional districts being coordinated by the Town of View Royal to explore a coordinated judicial review of recent provincial housing legislation (Bills 44, 47, 13, 15, and M216), subject to additional information.

NEW BUSINESS

Clean Team Funding Update 2026

Council authorized a reduced Clean Team service model from May 16, 2026, to December 15, 2026, consisting of service delivery three days per week for three hours per day; and directed Administration to fund the reduced service model at a cost of approximately \$46,200 from Line 22130 of the Financial Plan

Royal Canadian Legion | Commemorative Crosswalk

Council authorized staff to proceed with the installation of a commemorative crosswalk honouring veterans utilizing a durable design applied with thermoplastic markings, with funding provided from the Roads and Drainage Operating Budget and any additional funds required provided from contingency funds via a Financial Plan amendment.

Appointment of Deputy Approving Officer

Council appointed Brian McLoughlin, Manager of Planning, as the City of Port Alberni Deputy Approving Officer.

2026 Celebrate PA! | July 1st Event

Council authorized the temporary closure of Harbour Road and lower Argyle Street on July 1, 2026 from 6:00 am to 5:00 pm, and the Harbour Quay on June 30, 2026 at 5:00 pm to July 1, 2026 at 5:00 pm for the purpose of hosting the 2026 Celebrate PA! event.

QUESTION PERIOD

R. Buchanan

Thanked Council for their approval of the commemorative crosswalk honouring veterans and the Legion.

B. Browning

Inquired about the tax percentage increase.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

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- Attend in-person in City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 4850 Argyle Street
- Livestream @ www.portalberni.ca
- Join online or by phone using MS Teams

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Wednesday, April 15th

10:00 am | Advisory Traffic Committee
Council Chambers

Monday, April 20th

6:00 p.m. | Committee of the Whole
Council Chambers

Monday, April 27th

2:00 pm | Regular Council
Council Chambers