

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held January 23, 2023.
This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Director of Corporate Services at 250.720.2823 or email: danielle.leurebourg@portalberni.ca

■ DELEGATIONS

Comprehensive Youth Strategy

Indigenous Policing Constable, Elizabeth O'Connor, Alberni Drugs and Alcohol Prevention Service Executive Director, Deb Hamilton and School District 70 Indigenous Contact, Dave Maher provided Council with a 5-year Comprehensive Youth Strategy.

■ UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Official Community Plan (OCP) Review & Update | Engagement Strategy

Council supported the Engagement Strategy for the policy development phase of the OCP review and update prepared by FRANK Planning Collaborative.

■ STAFF REPORTS

RCMP Department

Sergeant Thompson on behalf of Inspector Eric Rochette presented policing activities undertaken during the months of October to December 2022, noting that overall, criminal offences are down by 8% compared to this same timeframe last year.

Privacy Policy

Council rescinded "Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Policy" (2005), and approved "City of Port Alberni Privacy Policy 3002-3".

UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [UNDRIP] | Update

Council received the report entitled "UNDRIP Update Report".

■ BYLAWS

"Official Community Plan Amendment No. 37 Bylaw No. 5046", "Zoning Text Amendment No. T31 Bylaw No. 5047" and "Zoning Map Amendment No. 48 Bylaw No. 5048" were adopted. The bylaws will enable a high-density, multi-family in-fill development at 4738 Athol Street.

"Zoning Map Amendment No. 59 (3911 and 3909 Cedar Street – Hopkins), Bylaw No. 5072" was read a third time. The proposed bylaw, upon adoption, will enable a subdivision application

(lot line adjustment) with the aim of building a new single detached dwelling at 3909 Cedar Street.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

2023 AGM and Convention | Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities Resolution Notice and Submission Process

Council identified resolution[s] for submission to the 2023 AVICC Convention. Council endorsed a proposed resolution requesting the Government of BC provide adequate funding for emergency services and to refrain from downloading responsibilities and costs for those services onto municipalities.

Bones of Crows Film Screening

Council supported the free public screening of Bones of Crows scheduled for Saturday, February 11th at Alberni District Secondary School Theatre at 7:00 pm and directed staff to contribute \$150.00 towards the theatre costs, subject to support for the film being received from the Tseshaht and Hupacasath First Nations.

Council also received their correspondence summary which included letters from:

- Ministry of Forests | Spongy Moth Aerial Spray Program Scheduled for City
- Gord Johns, MP | Bus Transport Crisis on Vancouver Island
- Canadian Federation of Independent Business | Election Congratulations and Introduction
- Copy of Letter from City to Mayor of Abashiri [Sister City] Offering Election Congratulations
- Society for the Advancement of Young Scientists | Invitation to Vancouver Island Regional Science Fair April 16 & 17, Victoria, BC
- MLA Josie Osborne | Rental Protection Fund Announcement
- Randy Fraser | City Parks and Trail Maintenance
- Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission | December 7, 2022 Minutes

■ NEW BUSINESS

City Street Lights - Request for Staff Report | Notice of Motion provided January 9, 2023

Council directed staff to prepare a report for Council's consideration regarding City street lights including the process for reporting repairs and outages.

Strategic Priorities - Request for Staff Report | Notice of Motion provided January 9, 2023

Council directed staff to prepare a report for Council listing all issues requiring Council's consideration with a recommendation as to each one's priority.

Routine Release of In-Camera Information Policy | Notice of Motion provided January 9, 2023

Council directed staff to bring forward a report on Procedure Bylaw changes that would increase transparency with the routine release of in-camera agendas, resolutions, and related materials.

Development Application | 4210 Cedarwood Street

Council authorized the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. 115 for 4210 Cedarwood Street granting variances to building height and required amount of parking spaces, bringing the existing property into compliance and facilitating the issuance of Development Permit No. 22-01 enabling construction of a 35-unit affordable housing development.

Development Application | 3900 Burde Street

Council authorized the issuance of Development Permit No. 22-05 to construct a series of duplex, four-plex and six-plex buildings totalling 76 residential dwelling units.

Eagles Hall | Cold Weather Shelter

Council authorized temporary deferment of the Zoning Bylaw at Eagles Hall to enable Salvation Army to operate a temporary cold weather shelter until March 31, 2023.

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■ MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, January 31st

6:00 pm – Committee of the Whole | Development Procedures Bylaw & Zoning Amendment Bylaw
Council Chambers

Wednesday, February 1st

7:00 pm – Alberni Valley Heritage Commission
Alberni Valley Museum

Monday, February 6th

6:00 pm – Committee of the Whole | 2023-2027 Financial Plan Introduction
Council Chambers

Monday, February 13th

2:00 pm – Regular Council
Council Chambers

Thursday, February 16th

12:00 pm – Advisory Planning Commission
Council Chambers