



# Your Strategic Plan *in Action!*

*City Council's 2019-2023 Strategic Plan provides a path to a brighter future. Its intention is to guide genuine and meaningful improvements to enhance the quality of life for those who live in our community. Directed by the framework of the five strategic priorities, City Council continues to put this plan into action.*

- 1** Respond to demographic change/improve quality of life



## Addressing Child Care Needs

Through an application to the Ministry of Children and Family Development for the 'Childcare BC New Spaces Fund', the City has taken steps to strengthen our community by helping families access affordable, quality child care. If successful, the funding will support the creation of a new child care centre that aligns with the community's child care needs.

- 2** Enable the new economy



## Food Hub

Port Alberni became home to one of BC's newest regional food hubs. The City supported the Port Alberni Port Authority in an innovative project which promotes food safety, security and supply while generating economic growth for our City. The Alberni Valley Food Hub is a great example of what can happen when collaboration and innovation come together.

- 3** Provide and maintain quality services



## Connect the Quays

The City remains committed to providing outstanding services and enhancing the quality of life for residents through the development of a vibrant and accessible waterfront. To support this vision, the City is actively exploring viable options to link Victoria Quay and Harbour Quay with a multi-use pathway.

- 4** Champion environmental leadership



## Clements Award Recipient

Port Alberni is proud to be the first beaver-friendly community on Vancouver Island. The City partnered with The Fur-Bearers on an innovative project to address beaver conflict sites by fitting them with "flow devices" which reduce lethal trapping, while protecting infrastructure, wildlife and the community. The City is honoured to receive the Clements Award, in the category of 'Outstanding Municipality' for our efforts in promoting coexistence with local beavers.

- 5** Foster a complete community (safe, healthy and inclusive)



## Public Safety Building

With the purchase of a building in the Uptown District, Council took exciting steps towards the development of a new Public Safety Building. This initiative will bolster the City's innovative approach to community safety and will house Bylaw Services, Community Policing and other partnering agencies. This development highlights the City's commitment to provide all residents with a safe community in which we live, work and play.



## RENEWAL REMINDER

### Apply by mail, email or drop box to:

City Hall, 4850 Argyle Street  
doglicences@portalberni.ca, or  
contact the SPCA

### Licence Fee:

\$30 spayed/neutered or \$45 not spayed/neutered

**ALL DOGS 6 MONTHS & OLDER MUST BE LICENSED ANNUALLY**

For application instructions & payment methods, visit:  
[www.portalberni.ca/animal-control-and-wildlife](http://www.portalberni.ca/animal-control-and-wildlife)



City Hall  
4850 Argyle St.  
Port Alberni, BC V9Y 1V8  
Phone: 250.720.2835

## Business Licence Renewal

**Deadline: January 31, 2021**

All businesses  
located or operating  
in the City are  
required to have a  
Business Licence.

**DO YOU HAVE YOURS?**

### Renewal Payment Methods:

- Mail cheques to City Hall
- A financial institution of your choice
- Submit cheque in drop box at City Hall
- Online: [portalberni.ca](http://portalberni.ca)

### New Business? Submit Applications By:

- Mail: to City Hall
- Email: [bus\\_licence@portalberni.ca](mailto:bus_licence@portalberni.ca)
- Online: [portalberni.ca](http://portalberni.ca)



For more information on business licences & payments, visit:  
[portalberni.ca/content/business-licensing](http://portalberni.ca/content/business-licensing)



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the Apple App or  
Google Play stores.



#### Email, SMS or Voice Dial Users

Register online to receive email,  
voice or text-based alerts at  
<https://register.voyent-alert.com>

#### Scan to Register

Scan here for a  
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registration



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- personalized navigation & mapping, distance and direction from an incident.
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- location of the nearest reception centres.
- monthly testing on the first Wednesday of every month in conjunction with the tsunami warning siren test.

If you require assistance registering for Voyent Alert, please call  
the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District at 250.720.2700.

## Roadside Organics Collection is coming to Port Alberni

Did you know that almost half of what we throw away isn't garbage at all?

Organic waste (food and yard waste) can be better used to create valuable compost.



**Sort'nGo**  
ORGANICS

The City has partnered with the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District to launch the organics program. In Spring 2021, residents will receive a new green cart to collect organic waste, such as food scraps (including meat and bones) and yard waste.

### WHY?

- Save room at our landfill and extend its life by up to 35 years
- Reduce greenhouse gases from the landfill, and prevent the need for expensive equipment to capture those gases
- Collecting organics will allow us to create valuable, nutrient-rich compost

Learn more and watch for updates at [letsconnectacrd.ca](http://letsconnectacrd.ca)



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