



CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Mayor Ken McRae, Councillors Hira Chopra, John Douglas,
Jack McLeman, Ike Patterson, Cindy Solda and Kenn Whiteman

COUNCIL SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held April 14, 2009. This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the City Clerk at 250-720-2810 or e-mail: russell_dyson@portalberni.ca

■ DELEGATIONS

Recognition of Champions

Council recognized the Alberni Valley Midget Bulldogs Hockey Team who placed 3rd in the recent Provincial Championships.

Canadian Award for Financial Reporting

The Mayor presented the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting to Ann Hopkins, Director of Finance, for the Annual Financial Report for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC and Yukon

Deborra Schug Adkins, Special Events Coordinator for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC & Yukon, was in attendance to provide information about the "Big Bike" event which will take place on Saturday, June 6, 2009. Call 1-888-764-5274 for more info (www.bigbike.ca).

Alberni Valley Enhancement Association

Dave Chitty and Rick Avis presented information regarding restoration and enhancement work the Association has been undertaking with the City.

Community Stakeholders Initiative to End Homelessness

Patty Edwards and Myron Jespersen attended to discuss changes to the Official Community Plan to address homelessness. Staff was directed to bring forward an amendment bylaw to incorporate the changes proposed by CSI.

Introduction of New Utilities Superintendent

The City Engineer introduced Brian Mousley, the City's new Utilities Superintendent replacing Norm Meunier who will retire in May.

■ PROCLAMATIONS

Council proclaims:

May 11 – 17 as "**Bike to Work Week**" and
June 6 as "**Access Awareness Day**"

CORRESPONDENCE

Tsawaayuus (Rainbow Gardens)

Councillor Solda was re-appointed as liaison to the Board of Directors of the West Coast Native Health Care Society.

Port Alberni & District Labour Council

The City will fly the National Day of Mourning flag at half-mast on April 28th and throughout the week out of respect for those who have lost their lives on the job.

BC Seniors Games Society

The City will not be submitting a bid to host the BC Seniors Games in either 2011 or 2012.

Alberni Valley Performing Arts Centre Committee (AVPACC)

A letter of support will be provided recognizing and supporting the efforts of the AVPACC to enhance the theatre to be constructed within the new ADSS.

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

The City of Port Alberni will be presented with the FCM's *Award for Outstanding International Volunteer Contribution 2009* in the institutional category, at the annual FCM conference in June. Ken Watson, Guy Cicon and Theresa Kingston will all be recognized for their contributions.

■ BYLAWS

Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 4714

Zoning amendment No. 72 (3993 Compton Road – Clark Power), Bylaw No. 4714 will be advanced to a Public Hearing on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 6:00pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

The following bylaws were introduced and given three readings:

"5 Year Financial Plan 2009 – 2013, Bylaw No. 4715"

"Recreation Facilities Fees and Charges 2009, Bylaw No. 4719"

"Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Bylaw, Amendment No. 5 (Rates) 2009, Bylaw No. 4716"

"Sewer Connection and Regulation Bylaw, Amendment No. 5 (Sewer Rates) 2009, Bylaw, No 4717"

"Noise Control Bylaw 2009, No 4718"

The Bylaws above will be considered for adoption at the April 27th meeting.

"Property Maintenance Bylaw 2009, No 4712" was introduced and given first reading. Staff were directed review the fine amounts outlined in Schedule "A".

"Traffic Regulation Bylaw 2009, No 4670" was finally adopted.

■ REPORTS

City Engineer – Transit Infrastructure Program
City Planner – Development Permit for the Alberni Mall.

Development Permit No 09-01 was approved for construction of a new stand-alone building at the Alberni Mall on Johnston Road. The applicant advised that no tenants have been secured for the building as yet.

City Clerk – Habitat for Humanity, 4453 Ninth Avenue

Council agreed to transfer the property at 4453 Ninth Avenue to Habitat for Humanity subject to its successful rezoning to a residential zone.

Economic Development Manager – RuralBC Secretariat Funding

The RuralBC Secretariat has provided \$60,000 in funding to strategic economic development projects.

Council endorsed the Public Transit Agreement application for \$165,796 in funding to provide a cycling lane on Redford Street east of the WCGH.

Pesticide Reduction

The Director of Parks & Recreation presented a draft Pesticide Use Reduction Bylaw. The bylaw will be brought forward for introduction and three readings at the April 27th meeting. The Parks & Recreation Department will develop a pesticide use policy and education program and continue to explore alternatives for non-essential pesticides.

MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Monday, Apr 27/09

1:30 pm @ Committee Room
Boundary Study Committee

2:30 pm @ Council Chambers
Special Council Meeting with Coast Forest Products Association

4:00 pm @ Committee Room
Audit Committee

6:00 pm @ Council Chambers
Public Hearing (zoning amendment – 3993 Compton Rd)

7:00 pm @ Council Chambers
Regular Meeting of Council

Wednesday, May 6/09

7:00 pm @ AV Museum
Alberni Valley Museum and Heritage Commission Meeting

Thursday, May 21/09

12:00 pm @ Committee Room
Advisory Planning Commission

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